

PARISH ACTIVITIES

WELCOME TO NOTRE DAME PARISH

To register, please call 306-445-3836.

Make sure we get your email address!

Regular office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 9 am - noon and 1 - 4 pm. In case of emergencies when a priest is needed, please call Father Millan at 306-260-7786.

Battlefords District Food and Resource Centre

We will continue to collect items throughout the year. Please place nonperishable items and personal hygiene products in the barrel in the entrance of the church. **Perishable items can be brought to the rectory during office hours. Examples: eggs, milk, bread, vegetables, fruit, meat, & frozen food.** You may also donate by etransfer; the email address is info@BDFRC.ca. To donate online, go to CanadaHelps.org. Phone # 306-937-5505.

Knights of Columbus

Charity Appeal Tickets and Cash Calendars are for sale once again. Please call John Vany (306-445-5306) or Tom Schwab (306-937-3794).

**OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO
THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF
ELAINE POIRIER, JEROME BRU
AND ROSALIE TIRK WHO HAVE
RECENTLY PASSED AWAY.**

CWL Corner Vision

The Catholic Women's League's envisioned future is to be an inclusive and engaged community of Catholic Women – inspired by faith. Its vision is to ensure that it remains a vital participant in the church, a valued partner for social justice, a respected advocate at all government levels, and connected to the world. Come and see!

Our Lady of Lourdes Sept. 8, 2025

Theme “Pilgrims of Hope”

Schedule:

6:00 pm to 6:45 pm (Grotto)

- Priests available for confessions

6:15 pm to 6:45 pm (Grotto)

- Rosary/Bouquet Offering

7:00 pm (Grotto)

- Eucharistic Celebration with Bishop Stephen A. Hero, Priests and Deacons

8:00 pm (Food Booth)

- Birthday Cake and Coffee

Everyone is invited to bring a rose to offer to Mary. Roses are available at the Candle Booth for \$2.00 each on a first come, first serve basis.



Voices of Hope: A Jubilee Year Community Choir Experience Sunday, September 14, 2025

In celebration of the Jubilee Year, “Voices of Hope” is a one-of-a-kind community choir event at Sacred Heart Cathedral that invites everyone – no singing experience required – to come together and create something beautiful through music.

In just two hours, from 2 - 4 pm, participants will learn 3-4 uplifting songs centered on the theme of Hope, including one simple multi-part piece (SAB or SSA). With guidance from experienced facilitators, Brock and Kayleigh Skomorowski, we'll explore our voices, experience the joy of singing together, and form a choir for the afternoon. The event will conclude with a short performance in the Cathedral - open to the public and recorded - sharing our collective song of hope with the wider community.

Save the Date! Jubilee of Catechists Event

10:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. Joseph Parish in Prince Albert, on September 27, 2025.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Aug. 16th 7:00 pm Notre dame
For the repose of the souls of †Arnold, † Monnie and † Kathy Gantefoer by Glen and family.

Sun. Aug. 17th 9:30 am St. André
For the intentions of the people.
11:00 am Notre Dame

In thanksgiving for Laura's surgery.

Mon. Aug. 18th No Mass

Tues. Aug. 19th 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † Carole & † Raymond Corbeil by Alan and family.

Wed. Aug. 20th 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † Lucille Reding by Albert and Hélène Blais.
Adoration from 10:00 am to 11:00 am.

Thurs. Aug. 21st 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † Pepito Cabacungan by Mela Tiu.

Fri. Aug. 22nd 9:30 am St. André
For † Holy Souls in purgatory by Holly Loch.

Sat. Aug. 23rd 7:00 pm Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people and for the Knights of Columbus Council 2094.

Sun. Aug. 24th 9 :30 am St. André
For the intentions of the people.
11:00 am Notre Dame
For the intentions of Jaki Esquirol by Marie.

Mon. Aug. 25th No Mass
Tues. Aug. 26th 10:00 am Villa Pascal
For † the deceased relatives of Sr. Rita Bisson.

Wed. Aug. 27th 9:30 am Notre Dame
For † Mary Tkachuk by John & Shirley Vany.
Adoration from 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Thurs. Aug. 28th LOCCS Opening Day Mass
10:30 am Notre Dame
For the intentions of Bishop Stephen Hero by Helen and Glenn Kayfish.

Fri. Aug. 29th 9:30 am St. André
For † Gabrielle Beloin by John and Shirley Vany.

Sat. Aug. 30th 7:00 pm Notre Dame
For the intentions of the people, and for the intentions of Bishop Stephen Hero by Marion Cramatte.
Sun. Aug. 31st 9:30 am St. André
For the intentions of the people.

11:00 am Notre Dame
For special intentions of Holly Ruth by Holly Loch.

August 24, 2025

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings show us that it is not enough to be Christ's disciples in name only. To be a real disciple, we must live for Christ every day and in every aspect of life. This kind of life takes strength and discipline.

Intentionally and consistently offering the Lord the best of our Time, Talent, and Treasure through a stewardship way of life is a form of spiritual discipline. These spiritual disciplines teach us to become ever more aware of God's constant provision for us and they keep us on the narrow path towards the Kingdom of Heaven. The more we embrace this way of life, the more we can be “trained” by the Lord in the ways of true discipleship. Though difficult, these disciplines become a source of spiritual strength.

Our Lord Himself speaks of the difficult path to the Kingdom of Heaven in today's Gospel passage from Luke. He is asked, “*Lord, will only a few be saved?*” Jesus responds, “*Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.*” Showing up for Mass on Sunday while living as if Christ is an afterthought the rest of the week does not make us disciples. What's more, this approach to our faith is an unjust and unloving response to our good God who has given us all that we have and are.

Jesus does not want us to merely go through the motions of faith. He wants much more from us and for us. He wants to know us deeply and for us to get to know Him so that we become His holy disciples. This is not a burden; it is a privilege. But it does take discipline, the discipline of a stewardship way of life.

MINISTRY MASS SCHEDULE						
Date	Sat. Aug. 16 7:00 pm	Sun. Aug. 17 11:00 am	Sat. Aug. 23 7:00 pm	Sun. Aug. 24 11:00 am	Sat. Aug. 30 7:00 pm	Sun. Aug. 31 11:00 am
Captains	Maria Isla 445-0581	Helen Kayfish 639-218-4031	Maria Isla 445-0581	Helen Kayfish 639-218-4031	Maria Isla 445-0581	Helen Kayfish 639-218-4031
Greeters	M. Rousseau L. Douville	Illeen Babao Marie Urben	C. McGrath B. Santillan	E. Agraviador A. Abonitalla	D. Alcantara I. Alcantara	C. & E. Day
Gift Bearers	M. Rousseau L. Douville	Illeen Babao Marie Urben	C. McGrath B. Santillan	E. Agraviador A. Abonitalla	D. Alcantara I. Alcantara	C. & E. Day
Commentary Announcements	C. Gonzales	Hélène Blais	L. Douville	J. Fernandes	Jo-Anne Higgs	Jeena Mathew
1 st R. & Psalm 2 nd R. & prayers	Chris Pollard	G. Gantefoer H. Kayfish	H. Kayfish	Theresa Brost D. MacGregor	Janice Dela Cruz	R. Balfour J. Fernandes
Body of Christ Blood of Christ Blood of Christ	Peter Pielak Maria Isla M. Rousseau	Anne L. Jeena Mathew D. MacGregor	D. Alcantara I. Alcantara Peter Pielak	Maria Urben Hélène Blais Doreen Dudek	P. Pielak M. Rousseau A. Lacoursiere	H. Blais M. Urben J. Vany
Altar Servers	volunteers	volunteers	volunteers	volunteers	volunteers	volunteers
Ushers	volunteers	Marie & volunteers	volunteers	Marie & volunteers	volunteers	Marie & volunteers
Collectors	volunteers	Marie & volunteers	volunteers	Marie & volunteers	volunteers	Marie & volunteers

If you are unable to attend when scheduled, please find a replacement, or contact the captain.

Vocation Corner

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – C

A Vocation View: Jesus wants his followers to light a fire on the earth. His followers, as His fire, are bright, blazing, consuming, enlightening and warm.

Prayer: For all those who experience opposition in the discernment of their vocations, that they will be blessed with the grace of perseverance and encouragement, we pray to the Lord. **Action:** There has never been a time in Christian history when someone, somewhere, has not died rather than compromise with the powers of oppression, tyranny, and unbelief. *Rev. Dr. Anthony Harvey, subdean of Westminster Abbey in London, at the 1998 dedication of statues of 20th-century Christian martyrs*

For prayer requests call the Prayer Line:
441-4123 or 441-5675

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – C

A Vocation View: Whom the Lord loves, He disciplines. The best way to lead others through the narrow gate is to be formed and disciplined as a leader. Then you can go through the narrow gate, yourself.

Prayer: That all those striving to enter heaven through the narrow gate of celibacy for the sake of Christ’s kingdom will find strength and peace in their freely chosen discipline, we pray to the Lord.

Action: One thing I would like people to do in their discernment is to find a spiritual director who is compassionate to them and is willing to help them to find the community which is good for them. Don’t forget to pray to God for his guidance.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Aug. 9th & 10th, 2025

Loose – \$281.45 Envelopes - \$1,190.00

Pre-authorized up to Aug. 19th - \$280.00

Enumerators for August 19th & Aug. 27th, 2025

Rose McDonald & Dorothy Manegre

Notre Dame Parish thanks you for all your donations!

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**August 17 & 24, 2025
(2-week)**

Pastor: Fr. Millan Sajonas
For emergencies call: 306-260-7786
Confessions: before Mass or by appointment
Parish Secretary: Rose Balfour
Caretakers: Tanya & Clint Polnick
Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00
Parish Council Members:
Michelle Prince, John Vany, Varun Chako, Marie Urben, Janice Dela Cruz, Reina Acosta
Appointed members: Helen Kayfish, Rose Balfour
Parish Finance Members: Cherry Gonzales, Shaun Loepky, Mike Waschuk, Len Pawlus, Jeena Mathew, Rose McDonald, Bernard Bru
Book keeper: Jaki Esquirol
Fundraising Chair: Debbie MacGregor

**August 17, 2025
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Today’s readings set a high bar for us Christian stewards, reminding us that a stewardship way of life is meant to be a challenging way of life.
In the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, we are told to live as Christ lived. And how did Christ live? **“For the sake of the joy that lay before Him He endured the cross.”** If we are tempted to complain about the sufferings we must endure in living as Christ’s disciples, we are told, **“In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood.”** In other words, **“If you’re not bleeding, what are you complaining about?”** That is quite a high bar!
The Gospel reading from Luke continues this challenging theme. Our Lord tells His *disciples* **“I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing.”** A couple of verses later Jesus adds, **“Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.”**
Jesus’s life on this earth and the message He brought were not meant to simply make us feel good. In fact, His words can make us downright uncomfortable at times. That’s because His Good News (and it is indeed good news!) is meant to change us, to make saints of us.
The stewardship way of life sets a high bar indeed. But deeply embraced, this way of life focused on God and others will make us the saints we are called to be.

