



# Canadian Martyrs

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Sunday Mar 4, 2018 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

- Sat Mar 3 8:30am-6:30pm - Charismatic Conference Prince Albert  
7:30pm Mass in Zenon Park For Special Intention
- Sun Mar 4** 9:00am Mass in Arborfield For the people  
**11:00am Mass in Carrot River For †Nick Panchyshyn**
- Mon Mar 5 *Fr Travis' day off*
- Tues Mar 6 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park For Edwin Lee
- Wed Mar 7** 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park For Maxime Marchildon  
**12:00pm Lenten lunch at Carrot River Mennonite Church**
- Thurs Mar 8** **6:00pm Adoration in Carrot River & Stations of the Cross**  
**7:00pm Mass in Carrot River For †Vanessa Heimbecker**  
**7:30pm Confession in Carrot River**
- Fri Mar 9 10:00am Mass in Arborfield Care Home  
7:00pm Adoration in Zenon Park  
8:00pm Mass in Zenon Park
- Sat Mar 10 7:30pm Mass in Zenon Park
- Sun Mar 11** 9:00am Mass in Arborfield For †Max & Crescense Binz  
**11:00am Mass in Carrot River For the people**

**Mass Times for March/April**

Sat 7:30pm – Zenon Park

Sun 9:00am – Arborfield

Sun 11:00am – Carrot River

Date	Commentator	Readers	Communion	Hospitality	Proc. Of Gifts	Welcoming
Mar 4 <sup>th</sup> 1st Sunday	Shirley Zeller	Sharon Cross Volunteer	Albert Tkach Ted Myslicki	Dan Oakes Bob Gagne	Myrna Oakes Suzanne Gagne	Volunteers
Mar 11 <sup>th</sup> 2nd Sunday	Rosemarie Wasko	Volunteer Rick Relland	Aaron Brochu Albert Tkach	Larry Trew Perry Mamer	Fredel Trew Volunteer	Volunteers
Mar 18 <sup>th</sup> 3rd Sunday	Bob Gagne	Shirley Zeller Volunteer	Rosemarie Wasko Neal Wasko	Rick Relland Allan Malfair	Sharon Cross Aline Malfair	Volunteers
Mar 25 <sup>th</sup> 4th Sunday	Perry Mamer	Bob Gagne Doug Senko	Dan Oakes Myrna Oakes	Milton Wood Herb Baskey	Connie Wood Volunteer	Volunteers
Apr 1 <sup>st</sup> 1st Sunday	Shirley Zeller	Dan Oakes Marguerite T	Allan & Aline Malfair	Leo Brochu Ted Myslicki	Jolene Brochu Rose Myslicki	Volunteers
Apr 8 <sup>th</sup> 2nd Sunday	Rosemarie Wasko	Volunteer Rick Relland	Albert Tkach Ted Myslicki	Jeff Trombley Volunteer	Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteers
Apr 15 <sup>th</sup> 3rd Sunday	Bob Gagne	Dan Oakes Myrna Oakes	Rosemarie Wasko Neal Wasko	Milton Wood Volunteer	Connie Wood Volunteer	Volunteers
Mar 22 <sup>nd</sup> 4th Sunday	Perry Mamer	Marguerite T Doug Senko	Bob Gagne Suzanne Gagne	Rene Loran Herb Baskey	Eva Loran Anne Mazurek	Volunteers
Mar 29 <sup>th</sup> 5th Sunday	Dan Oakes	Sharon Cross Perry Mamer	Allan & Aline Malfair	Milton Wood Larry Trew	Connie Wood Fredel Trew	Volunteers

**Collection: Feb 24, 2018 \$455.00**

## **Announcements:**

ST. EUGENE PARISH - Nipawin, SK A Lenten Retreat on the Great Triduum Recovering the Alleluia of Easter! with Archbishop Emeritus Sylvian Lavoie, OMI. Day 1 - Sunday, March 11, 2018 - Preach at 11 a.m. Mass - Mission 1 begins at 7 p.m. Day 2 - Monday, March 12, 2018 - Mass at 6:30 p.m. - Mission 2 begins at 7 p.m. Day 3 - Tuesday, March 13, 2018 - Mission 3 begins at 6:30 p.m. in conjunction with celebrating Lenten Penitential Service. Everyone Welcome.



World Day of Prayer: Thank you to all who attended and represented our Church. It will be our turn to host next year 2019, if you are available to be our contact person please let Maxine know. Thanks again.

**Stations of the Cross & Adoration** at 6:00pm Thursdays during Lent

**Lenten Lunch:** 12:00pm - March 7<sup>th</sup> at Mennonite Church & March 22<sup>nd</sup> at Catholic Church.

**Rummage and Bake Sale:** As you are cleaning corners during this cold weather, don't forget our upcoming rummage sale. Date to follow. Contact Shirley Zeller for more information.

The season of Lent has arrived. This is to remind you of the date and of the time for this year's Chrism Mass. We will be celebrating on SATURDAY, March 24, 2018 at 11:00am at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Prince Albert. The details for the Eucharistic Celebration will be similar to previous years. Each year, we encourage every parish to send representatives to receive the newly blessed oils from the Bishop at the end of the Celebration. For this year's Celebration as we continue to journey through 'Our Church is a Family of Families,' the Diocese is inviting those who work in pastoral care in your communities to participate as the parish representatives. Even though we have parish representatives, please encourage any parishioner to attend and to take part in this celebration.

**If you would like to represent our church please contact Fr Travis before Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.**

## **24 Hours for the Lord**

In a quotation by Pope Francis, he says: "Above all, I urge the members of the Church to take up the Lenten journey with enthusiasm, sustained by almsgiving, fasting and prayer. If, at times, the flame of charity seems to die in our own hearts, know that this is never the case in the heart of God! He constantly gives us a chance to begin loving anew. One such moment of grace will be, again this year, the "24 Hours for the Lord" initiative, which invites the entire Church community to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation in the context of Eucharistic adoration. In 2018, inspired by the words of Psalm 130:4, "With you is forgiveness", this will take place from Friday, 9 March to Saturday, 10 March. In each diocese, at least one church will remain open for twenty-four consecutive hours, offering an opportunity for both Eucharistic adoration and sacramental confession." Bishop Albert Thévenot, M.Afr. would like to encourage our Diocesan parishes and/or clusters to again support this initiative. The 24 Hours would be held on March 9-10, 2018. Similar to last year, the focus for this event will be reconciliation, prayer and adoration. If your parish and/or cluster is unable to arrange this event, please check with neighboring parishes for possible joint participation.

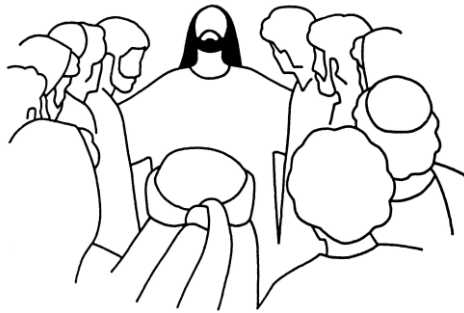
As part of the **Forming Intentional Disciples initiative**, Fr. Richard Leonard, s.j., author, educator, and critic of our modern culture, has been invited to present in the Diocese on his latest work. From the inside front cover of the book: **What Does It All Mean?** A Guide to Being More Faithful, Hopeful, and Loving: Explores the grounds for faith, the challenges in believing, the problem of evil, and offers lifetime lesson for prayer and the spiritual life.

First presentation: Prince Albert - Saturday, April 21 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at E. A. Rawlinson Center (\$25/person, lunch & breaks included).

Second presentation: North Battleford - Sunday, April 22 (12:30 to 4:30 p.m.) at Light of Christ Learning Center (\$10/person, coffee break included)

A Third presentation will focus on the presence of God in our suffering. Monday, April 23 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary High School in Prince Albert.

Tickets are available at the Diocese in Prince Albert, your parish office or [eventbrite.ca](http://eventbrite.ca)



## What drives us?

During a sermon that I gave on the first reading from the Bible for this 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent, I asked my audience: *Can you tell me how the Ten Commandments begin?* People responded: *There is only one God whom you will adore and love.* My response was to quote the Bible:

*I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.*

The Decalogue begins by declaring that God has given us freedom from whatever limits our lives. This is what profoundly changes our comprehension of the Ten Commandments. The Decalogue does not specify what we must do to merit God's love or what is needed to guarantee God's action in our lives. The Ten Commandments are our guidelines and responses to the love that God already offers us. They are our commitments to respect God's precious gift of Life.

In fact, the Ten Commandments cover all aspects of life. We affirm, first of all, there is only one God who is the Source of Life. Then we read how we should interact with others:

- Respect others within a physical context: *You shall not kill.*
- Respect others within an emotional context: *You shall not commit adultery.*
- Respect others within a social context:
  - \* *You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.*
  - \* *You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife ... or anything that belongs to your neighbour.*
- Respect others with a familial context: *Honour your father and your mother so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.*

The Commandment concerning the Sabbath is timely as it was not a *religious* feast day, but one that obliged people to rest. The Commandment recognized that people are more than human machines that produce and consume. We are called to something much greater than mindless activities. We are encouraged to embark on and continue our pathway to God.

This Sunday's Gospel focuses our thoughts on the mystery of Christ, the true Temple where God resides and is revealed. Through Christ, we worship God: not by sacrificing animals as was the custom in the Temple. We offer ourselves to God who lives within us, transforms us, and always acts with us.

Lent is an excellent opportunity to ask ourselves: *What drives us? Money? Success? Comfort? Or respect and love for God and living creatures?* God comes first, as the Giver and Source of Life. Our commitment is also to our families and communities. We care for our planet and its creatures which we protect from exploitation.

**George Madore, s.m.m.**

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli