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ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TODAY AT ST. MARY'S

GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY BE TO HIM FOREVER!

Flowers on the Altar have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory, of Marian Hosegood and other family members of Sharon and Jim K

Nursery for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery. Leader: Alanna S

Godly Play in the Children's Worship Centre for children 3 - 6 years. Today's story is 'The Good Shepherd and the Lost Sheep' Psalm 23:1-4, Luke 15:3-6. Leaders: Sandra D, Anya M.

Faith Quest kids (ages 7-13) continue the Love Your Enemies rotation. Today, Heidi D will lead and Eleonore S will shepherd a Daily Bread Bistro workshop. Memory Verse: Luke 6:27 "But I tell you who hear me: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you."

Soup and Bread Lunch! Following worship, soup and bread will be served in the upper hall with donations going to St. Mary's Refugee Support Fund. Coffee Hosts: Yvonne and Christian S

The Intercessions Book on the table with the bread and the offering plates has space for you to write in the names of people you wish us to remember in prayer this morning, and throughout the week. Prayers will be offered for travelers, those in special need, and the departed.

MORNING PRAYER AT TEN

Prayer Book, pp.6-15, Ps.93, 96, 2 Kings 4. 8-37, Acts 9.10-31

HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: # **8 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun**

The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Purity

(Prayer Book p. 67)

Summary of the Law, Lord, Have Mercy

(Prayer Book p. 69, 70)

Collect for the Day

Prayer with the children

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm

Epistle

Gradual Hymn: #**521 Dear Shepherd of Your People, Hear**

The Holy Gospel

Nicene Creed

(Prayer Book p. 70)

Intercessions **R./Lord have mercy.**

Offertory Hymn: # **606 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

Offertory Anthem

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

(Prayer Book p. 76, 77)

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access

(Prayer Book p. 78ff)

The Communion

+ All baptized Christians who have prepared themselves are invited to come forward with faith and love to receive Holy Communion.

Hymn after Communion: # **615 Just As I Am**

Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving after Communion

(Prayer Book p. 85)

The Gloria

(Prayer Book p. 86)

The Blessing

Announcements

Dismissal: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn: # **399 Now Thank We All Our God**

** Please observe a moment for silent prayer**

THE WORD OF THE LORD: TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My grief is beyond healing, my heart is sick within me. Hark, the cry of the daughter of my people from the length and breadth of the land: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" "Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with their foreign idols?" "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the wound of the daughter of my people is my heart wounded, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold on me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of the daughter of my people not been restored? O that my head were waters, and my eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

This is the Word of the Lord. **R./ Thanks be to God**

PSALM: 79:1-9

(Prayer Book p.432)

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance; / thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem a heap of stones.

The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air, / and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth.

Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem; / and there was no man to bury them.

We are become an open shame to our neighbours, / a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

LORD, how long wilt thou be angry? / shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

Pour out thine indignation upon the nations that have not known thee, / and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

For they have devoured Jacob, / and laid waste his dwelling-place.

O remember not against us the offences of our forefathers, but have mercy upon us, and that soon; / for we are come to great misery.

HELP us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name; / O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

EPISTLE: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R./ Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel... **R./ Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord. **R./ Praise be to thee , O Christ.**

Parish Life Notes

St. Mary's Men's Wilderness Retreat

October 4-6 Grasslands National Park

St. Mary's invites all men and boys ages 8 to 80 to join us for a week end of common prayer, shared meals, biblical reflection, silence, solitude, and hiking in the wide open windswept semi-arid wilderness that is Grasslands National Park near Val Marie, Saskatchewan. We will enjoy the comfort of a bed at night in the rustic oTENTik a-frame cabins at Frenchman Valley Campground.

Departure: Friday, Oct. 4 at 5.30 p.m.

Return: Option A: Saturday, at 9.30 p.m. Option B: Sunday at 6.30 p.m.

Cost: Option A: \$60.00 , Option B: \$90.00 to include all meals, accommodation, and transportation. Sign in forms are on the welcome table.

Prayer meeting - The St. Cuthbert's regional team, along with the Wardens from each of the nine congregations in our region, are attempting to discern the future of the Anglican Church in the city of Regina. We have formed a group who meets briefly every month to provide prayer support for this process. This month, we will be gathering on Monday, September 23 at 6:30 pm at the Synod office. Newcomers are welcome. Questions can be directed to Kate B.

Vestry will meet next Sunday after the service in the lounge.

Organ repair we rejoice that the organ, which has been strangely silent these last few weeks due to repairs needing to be done, should be up and running next week after the motor is replaced.

Praise and Prayer. This Saturday at 5.00 p.m. there will be an informal gathering of praise and prayer to refresh our spirits and prepare our hearts for Sunday worship led by the Revd. Gene Packwood. All are welcome.

The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, popularly called Michaelmas, which we celebrate next Sunday, Sept 29, dates back to the 5th century, and is the day we give thanks for the many ways in which God's loving care watches over us, both directly and indirectly, and we are reminded that the richness and variety of God's creation far exceeds our knowledge of it. Every Sunday we are joined by 9 choirs of angels as we gather around the throne of God to worship the Lamb. Who can name them? See the hymn, "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" to find the answer.

The Silence to Stillness: Introduction to Contemplative Prayer. Starting Wednesday Nov 9, the Rector will be leading an 8 week introductory course on the practice of contemplative prayer during the noon hour. All are welcome. Please speak to Claude if interested.

We have a vision & a mission. The Qu'Appelle House Auxiliary is a group of volunteers from the seven Anglican churches in Regina. We meet 7 times a year at the Qu'Appelle House from 2-3 pm, usually on the first Monday of the month in January, March, April, May, June, September and December at the Qu'Appelle House. Throughout the year we have Birthday Parties. Spring Tea & Bazaar, KFC Picnic, Tart Tea and Christmas stockings. We take turns organizing these events and work together to keep the Qu'Appelle House an active home. It is ideal to have 2 volunteers from each church, but at this time 4 of the churches have only 1 member on the auxiliary. If you are interested in keeping this vision/mission going, please contact your auxiliary volunteer or Faye M.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Tuesday	10:30 am	Forever in Motion Senior Exercise
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer and Men's Breakfast
	10:30 am	Parent and Tots Group
Thursday	9:30 am	Woman's Bible Study
Saturday	5:00 pm	Praise and Prayer
Sunday	10:00 am	Morning Prayer
	10:30 am	Holy Communion

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"All of this means that if we are seeking the truth of the world, the reason, logic, and integrity that underlie the world, we are in fact seeking the one in whom all things hold together, the one in whom we live and move and have our existence, the one by whom the universe came to be - Jesus Christ."

Peter Bouteneff.

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