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The Feast of All Saints

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; 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 are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Stan & Jane Clarke by daughter Sandra and granddaughter Laura.

Nursery for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery. Leader: Oleksandra O

Godly Play in the Children's Worship Centre for children 3 - 6 years. Today's story is 'Elisa and the Room' 2 Kings 4: 8-37.

Faith Quest kids (ages 7-13) worshipping with us and serving today.

Baptism Lunch in the upper hall following the service. Everyone welcome! Please join us to welcome Nyang Athian Deng M into the family of God. Coffee Hosts: Lois M, Pat S and Marian P

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.111, 112, 2 Esdras 2:42-47, Hebrews 11.32--12:2

HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: # **525 The Church's One Foundation**

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

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm

Epistle

Gradual Hymn: # **439 Blest Are the Pure in Heart**

The Holy Gospel

Sermon

Administration of Holy Baptism to Children

(Prayer Book p. 523)

Hymn in Procession # **35 Wash O God our Sons and Daughters**

The Baptism

(Prayer Book p. 527ff.)

"Loaves and Fishes Witness Talk"

Offertory Hymn: # **505 Be Thou My Vision**

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: # **48 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**

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: # **282 Let Saints on Earth in Concert Sing**

** Please observe a moment for silent prayer**

Parish Life Notes

Holy Baptism. Today we receive Nyang Deng, daughter of Nathaniel and Yar, into the fellowship of Christ's Church, and the Communion of Saints. May God grant her many years!

Roof Repair on the Upper hall and offices and kitchen began on Friday with the arrival of materials. Work on removing old roofing will begin this week.

2019 Stewardship Campaign. Stewardship letter from the Rector and wardens, as well as pledge card were distributed last Sunday and mailed out to parishioners who are not here. Today and during the next 2 Sundays we will be hearing from parishioners bearing witness to how they have seen and experienced "the multiplication of the loaves" here at St. Mary's. Today's speaker is Revd. Nathaniel D. WE hope to gather in the pledge cards on November 24 when the Bishop comes to visit and celebrate confirmation.

Worship Service at Wascana Rehabilitation - will take place today, Nov. 3, at 1:30 pm. in the chapel. A team from St. Mary's leads the service and porters residents to the chapel. We invite you to share in this outreach. Please call Rem W for more information.

The Luther Bach Choir presents a Best of the Baroque Concert Series performance entitled "Jubilate Deo: Music in Celebration of All Saints Day." The performance will take place tonight at 7.30 p.m. in the Rex Schneider Auditorium (second floor) at Luther College at the University of Regina. The concert features guest instrumentalists, and choral music by Henry Purcell, J. S. Bach, Franz Schubert, and others. **There is no admission charge for the event. A freewill offering will be collected.**

The Canadian Bible Society's fall tea will be held on Tuesday November 5th at Trinity Lutheran Church from 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm. See Norma T for tickets. All are welcome.

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
	12.10 pm	From Silence to Stillness Contemplative Prayer
Thursday	9:30 am	Woman's Bible Study
Sunday	10:00 am	Morning Prayer
	10:30 am	Holy Communion

Prayers by the Lake XCV Children and Saints by St. Nikolai Velimirovich.

Children and saints cling to You, O Lord, the rest rebel against You. Children and saints are the boundary between the Kingdom of existence and the shadow of nonexistence.

Guardians call themselves parents and cast Your children off crags into chasms.

Guardians presume that they are parents, and so they direct Your children as though they were their own property. Truly, they are directing nothing but aberrations and disruptions.

The children, whom you guardians have abducted, belong to another, and you will answer for theft and banditry.

You own neither the life that is in you, nor the life for which you served as a channel. Everything belongs to another, except for the wickedness within you, and you will answer for theft and banditry.

You will answer for theft, because you have been calling those who belong to another, your own; and you will answer for banditry, because you have mutilated and butchered those who belong to another.

On earth there are only guardians; and this is a very great honor. You have been entrusted with the guardianship of the most precious treasure that God has. And this is a very great honor.

One, who was never even born and was never entrusted with the guardianship of anything, will be more blessed than you, if your guardianship is an abomination and a mortification of souls.

Why do you rejoice in children, unless you intend to keep watch over them as though they were angels from heaven? Why do you grieve for them, when they leave you early and flee to the angels in heaven? You were rejoicing in what belongs to another, and you are grieving for what belongs to another.

Do not care only about keeping the bodies of your children safe, for even foxes do the same for their foxlings. Have care about God in your children. Once God is cared for He will take care of all the rest. And what you have been accumulating for your children so strenuously, He will effortlessly gather for them quickly and easily.

Do not drive God out of your children, for you will deprive them of their peace, their happiness, their health, and their prosperity.

Even if you leave the entire world to those whom God has left, you will have left it to starving people, who will devour it all and still die of hunger. Do not ensure a piece of bread for your children, but a piece of the soul and the conscience. Your children will be ensured and you will be blessed in two worlds.

Care for this property of another better than your own, and your reward will be immense.

Royal children have been entrusted to your guardianship. Truly, the King will give no small reward to those who guard His princely progeny, and have not erased the Father's name from those children's memory. Through children the King is looking at you with amazement, and is awaiting your responses. If your responses are deathful, you will be taking care of corpses.

Children and saints cling to You, my Lord, the rest rebel against You. Children and saints are Your way of testing the world. Be careful, my soul, be careful and make no mistake.