## Prayer for the young and our families with Kateri

Oh, most humble Kateri

I seek your love and prayers

I turn to you for your inspiration.

May I know the power of humility, the strength of

seeking God's will in everything I do this day.

the compassion to care this way for those who are weak and

in need of help, and the faith to forgive those who walk

an hurtful violent path.

Pray with me Kateri that through us, God our Creator

Will comfort the orphan, watch over the neglected child,

And wait with the youth who go astray.

You lost your parents and found others along the way to

Care for you and guide you, May all

Parents and grandparents stay healthy, seek the selfless

love of Jesus and give where giving is most needed.

May they make wise decisions and heed daily the

Wisdom of the Great Spirit.

Your spirit was strong and your love for Jesus is deep

May I trust that Christ will turn my weakness

Into His strength and meekness, so that whatever comes

to me this day, I may choose to do God's will and faithful will I stay. AMEN

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## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In my late teens, I read William Thomas Whalsh's *Our lady of Fatima*. It prompted me to quit a job that lacked some ethics. Afterward, I was in a spiritual fog. I went for one of those long walks in an attempt to reconnect with the Lord. At an intersection I saw a yellow Volkswagen with these words boldly painted on it: *Pray the Rosary, Fatima 1917*.

In today's Gospel we hear the familiar story how Jesus called his first disciples to be fishers of people. If we fast forward today's Gospel into the present day, we can

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Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 7.29-

First Reading:

Jonah 3.1-5,10

*Psalm:* **25** 

Gospel

Mark 1.14-2

imagine Jesus' walking through office complex asking us to leave our desks. Do we drop everything and go?

The apostles' response was immediate. There was an expectation of the coming of the Messiah. So perhaps they were ready. And Jesus chose humble people whose hearts, he knew, were receptive to the call.

Through sacraments, prayer, and Scripture we seek the Lord and anticipate his call. God can also speak via a billboard, a bumper sicker on a yellow Volkswagen. This is the all-powerful voice of Love that spoke creation into existence. We are prudent to seek it, listen for it and trust that it indeed will come in the manner God chooses for us. Denis Grady OFS, Calgary. AB (Living with Christ

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Parish Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Masses for the Lord's Day

**Weekday Mass Schedule** 

Sunday: 12:30 PM. Monday: 12:00 PM.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS Please contact the parish office.

THE HOLY ROSARY is recited half hour before all Weekday Masses

#### **Sacraments and Pastoral Needs**

<u>Baptism:</u> Please contact the parish office at least one month before. First Reconciliation and baptism date (622-5138)

<u>First Communion (Grade Two and older):</u> Please register with school or with the parish office. Families will be \contacted with requirements and other information.

<u>Marriages:</u> Please contact the parish office at least **six months** before the wedding date. Preparation will be required for the couple.

<u>Reconciliation (Penance):</u> Please make an appointment with one of the priests. (622-5138).

<u>Sacrament of the Sick (anointing):</u> please contact the parish office (622-5138) or in the Regional Hospital, the on-call priest is available in an urgent need.

<u>Funerals:</u> Please contact the parish office to arrange a funeral (622-5138). **All church** services will be subject to Covid-19 protocol in effect of requested time.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: January 18-25, 2024, is the traditional week of prayer for Christian Unity which is held in Canada and in many Christians Churches throughout the world. During this week of prayer, we recognize the importance of unity in our own faith community, and we pray for unity among all Christians. The theme for this year is: "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself" from the Gospel of St. Luke. As we share in this week, let our prayers be for unity and peace among all Christians and for peace in our world.

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Big Breakfast

**Fundraiser** 

Pancakes-Eggs -Sausages-Coffee= Tea

January 28th after mass \$15.00 a Plate

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#### This Week in Our Parish

Sunday: Jan21,2024

12:30 pm mass

Monday Jan 22nd,2024

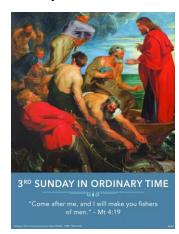
Holy Hour 11:00 am

12:00 p.m. mass

Saturday Jan. 2024

A.A. Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$225.90



# THE SIGN OF THE CROSS IN OJIBWE LANGUAGE

Od ijinikasowining Weossimind,
(In the name of the Father,)
gaie Wegwissimind,

(and of the Son,)

gaie Wenijishid-Manito.

(and of the Holy Spirit.)

Mi ge-ing (Amen)