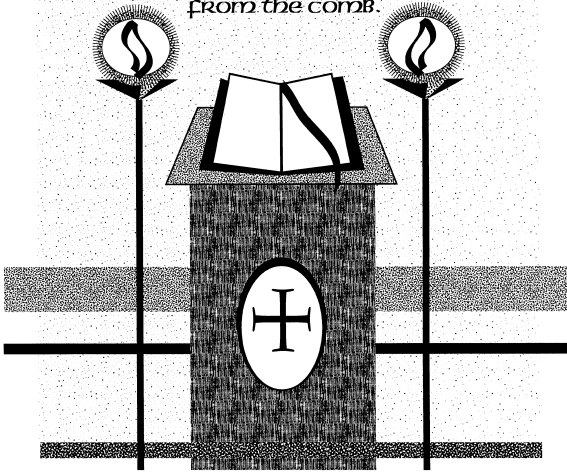


Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
they are more precious than gold,
sweeter also than syrup or honey
from the comb.



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Living Beyond Commands

One Sunday, the priest got up in the pulpit, and said, "Stop living your lives by the Ten Commandments!" This shocked quite a few listeners. The priest then told the history of the Jewish people who, being human, did what humans often do with their religion. What started out as generous, whole-hearted worship of the one true God by Abraham and Sarah had boiled down to hundreds of restrictive laws. Instead of welcoming strangers into their worship, the Jews rejected others and became rigid and obsessive about bloodlines and rules. So, Jesus' message was all the more shocking. He preached truly Good News: that salvation was not just for the Jews, but for *all* people. By "cleansing" the Temple of the money-changers and animal-sellers, Jesus was taking on the Jewish religious establishment. He was rejecting their worship of sacrificing animals to God, and replacing it with a worship based upon love and intimacy with God. Intimacy with God? Unheard of! Instead of symbolically killing animals, Jesus is saying that people should be sacrificing themselves: not our physical lives, but our interior lives of anger and jealousy. We should kill our pride and selfishness, and replace our critical or judgmental opinions with compassion and mercy. If we do not do this, then offering up doves and goats, or just keeping the letter of the Commandments, are only empty rituals. This new law is based on living in a relationship of love with God and all other creatures. Is it our main goal every day to love God more? As we worship today, let's ask God to show each of us new ways to live in the freedom and love that the Commandments were meant for. Go in peace to love and serve our God! Third Sun. of Lent, March 15, 2009

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Tues.	Mar. 17	9:00 am	RIP Henry (Bud) Smith	Lucy & Family
		9:00 am	Omer Chartier	Melina & Jeannette
Wed.	Mar. 18	7:30 am	Victoria Hrushowy Family	Mike & Mary Issigonis
		9:00 am	RIP Doug Sims	Julia Hamel
Thurs.	Mar. 19	9:00 am	RIP Steve & Rose Kowalchuk	Joanne Clearwater
Fairview Home		10:30 am	RIP Eveline Hart	Fabiola Bohemier
Fri.	Mar. 20	9:00 am	RIP Helen Vooch	Mackalski Family
		12:15 pm	Ken Fitzpatrick	Karen
Sat.	Mar. 21	10:00 am	Lodarskich Family & Helen Rogozinski	Janina Makuc
		7:30 pm	RIP David Serle	Vic & Rose Hercun
Sun.	Mar. 22	9:00 am	RIP Claudette Hitchman	Rick & Bonnie Wilson
		10:30 am	RIP Dorothy Patten	Ella Olson & Family
		12:30 pm	For All Parishioners	Fr. Dominic & Fr. Joseph
		4:00 pm	Fr. Lubecki	St. Augustine Parishioners
Souris:	Mar. 22	11:00 am	RIP Louise Murphy	Ted Murphy & Family
	Mar. 29	11:00 am	RIP Louise Murphy	Ted Murphy & Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Francisca Arishande, Ann Babiak, Marguerite Bicknell, Noreen Bicknell, Jeanne Boutilier, Alice Brown, Margaret Buckmire, Irene Copet, Jules Declercq, Ann Delgaty, Juliette Desroches, Diane Dougall, Jared Dryden, Justin Enns, Rosaline Fedorkie, Mervin Fleury, Nora Fleury, Mary Gaab, Megan Gardham, Marcelle Granger-Gentes, Kay Gray, Brett Lawrence, Tess McLaren, Kathleen MacDougall, Paul Malabar, Alisa Moran, Joan Napper, Tony Petrucci, Hazel Philipott, Minnie Plaseski, Emily Potvin, Monica Seitz, Coralie Serle, Gary Sproule, Jean Tarnowski, Doreen Thompson, Marion Vorspel, Rosa Weiss, Debbie Williams and all our shut-ins.

VOCATION VIEW: Jesus cleaned out the temple of money changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He was authoritative. He was doing what He had to do, even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a vocation.



3rd Sunday of Lent

Catechism of the Catholic Church

583-586: Jesus and the temple

797-798: The church - temple of the Holy Spirit

Mon.	(2 Kings 5.1-15) (Luke 4.24-30)
Tues.	St. Patrick (Daniel 3.25,34-43) (Matthew 18.21-35)
Wed.	St. Cyril of Jerusalem (Deuteronomy 4.1,5-9) (Matthew 5.17-19)
Thurs.	St. Joseph (2 Samuel 7.4-5,12-14,16) (Romans 4.13,16-18,22) (Matthew 1.16, 18-21,24)
Fri.	(Hosea 14.1-9) (Mark 12.28-34)
Sat.	(Hosea 5.15-6.6) (Luke 18.9-14)
Sun.	4th Sunday of Lent (2 Chronicles 36.14-17,19-23) (Ephesians 2.4-10) (John 3.14-21)

DEVELOPMENT OF PEACE will focus on Cambodia, where our partners accompany the poorest of the poor as they begin to earn a better livelihood and develop their own innate leadership skills. This is the kind of work our partners do throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. Pick up a *Partners in Action* flyer before you leave.

THE WEEK AHEAD.....

Mon.	16	Confirmation Class	7:00 pm
	16	Charismatic Prayer Group	7:00 pm
Tues.	17	St. Vincent de Paul	9:30 am
	17	Legion of Mary	4:30 pm
	17	Brandon Catholic School Board Mtg.	7:30 pm
Wed.	18	No Weekly Catechism	
	18	RCIA	7:00 pm
Thurs.	19	Bereavement Group	1:30 pm
	19	NO Quest for Christ	
	19	Theology of the Body	7:00 pm
	19	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Fri.	20	Mass followed by Adoration	12:15 pm
	20	Confession	4:00-4:45 pm
	20	Benediction	5:00 pm
	20	T4J (Grade 5 -8)	6:30 pm
	20	Station of the Cross - Serra Club	7:00 pm
Sat.	21	Youth Night (Grade 9- 12)	6:00 pm

Tween for Jesus (t4J) Nights are held for youth Grades 5 to 8 on Fridays, 6:30 – 8 PM. Come and meet new friends, have fun and a great time!

For youth Grades 9-12: **Youth for Jesus Nights** are for you! Held Saturdays, 6-7:30 P.M. ..Y4J Nights features great sessions, relevant issues, friends, faith, fun, fellowship and food...Check it out!

Introducing Theology on Tap & Election of Young Adult Advisory Committee.

Saturday, March 28, 2009, 5-8 PM. Presenter Dan Potvin. Mass starts at 5 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Lenten Youth Activities: To join or to volunteer, pls. sign-up on the sheets found at the east vestibule or at the parish office. For further information, pls. contact the: Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry c/o Sr. Maybelle, M.A.C.E. @ 727.4728 or at srmaybelle_staug@yahoo.com

25-Hour ThinkFast! April 3 & 4. An opportunity for our youth this Lent to learn about social justice & poverty issues and how they can make a difference in our community & our world.

Youth Stations of the Cross, April 10. For youth who are interested to join the play through acting, dancing or as crew, please contact Sister Maybelle.

FacellFace Retreat, April 25 & 26 led by Ken Yasinski and his team. A retreat for the family which aims to deepen our life's purpose by connecting with the source – Jesus Christ. Registration forms are available at the east vestibule or at the parish office.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S WEEKEND RETREAT FOR ADULTS

Beginning: 6:00 PM - Friday, April 17, 2009

Returning: 2:00 PM - Sunday, April 19, 2009

Carpooling available

Topic: "Faith, Hope & Fullness of Life"

Located at the beautiful International Peace Garden Music Camp

Cost: Early Bird Registration - \$75.00 – Deadline, March 31, 2009

Registration after March 31, 2009 - \$85.00 – Deadline, April 10, 2009

Registration Forms: Can be picked up at either entrance of the Church

Contact: Tim Silversides – Phone: 728-0334; Mary Anne Schoonbaert – Phone: 725-3174.

Third Sunday of Lent

During this time of Lent, we are called to a profound conversion of life. We are called to remember all that our Lord has done for us. We are called to let God change our Hearts and have a greater place in our daily lives. We have among us a sign of conversion to which our Lord calls us. The sign is our elect (formerly called Catechumens prior to be called by our Archbishop James W.) and church our Candidates journeying in the R.C.I.A. in our Church on this third Sunday of Lent the Elect and all of us called to turn away from Sin in our lives (sin is an attitude which affects what I do and do not that keep one from being a loving person of oneself and others) and follow the Gospel.

What is it within me that prevents from more fully embracing the gospel? What is one thing I can do the week?

FINANCES: RECEIPTS:

Collection for the Weekend for Sunday Mar. 8, 2009	
Offertory Collection (Brandon)	\$ 6898.50
School Fund Collection	\$ 20.00
Restoration Collection Mar. 8, 2009 -	\$ 986.00

Stewardship Reflection of the Week

In reflecting upon today's Gospel you might ask yourself, "What would I allow Jesus to *drive out of and turn over* in the temple of my life?" During these 40 days of Lent we are challenged to ask Jesus to enter into our lives more deeply and cleanse us of things like pride, envy, anger, selfishness, and greed. And in his cleansing we pray that we may filled with humility, charity, faith, hope, patience, surrender and gratitude. These are 28 days until Easter. How do you plan to be a good steward in these days?

Vigil Lamp

The light burns in memory of

Jessie Szmon

Brandon Area League For Life Information Alert

Japanese and American researchers have induced pluripotent stem cells from somatic skin cells, which should permanently render unnecessary the destruction of embryos to access the same pluripotent stem cells!!!

http://www.nswrtl.org.au/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=101&Itemid=29

Reminder! Join us to celebrate **Anne Malazdrewich's 90th Birthday!** Open House/Come 'n' Go (Church Square) on Saturday, March 21, 2009, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, March 17, 2009, to (granddaughter) Rochelle Marshall via e-mail at rochelle.marshall@shaw.ca or by telephone to 780.990.6585.

CWL Executive meeting will be held Tuesday March 31st at 7 pm at Lorraine Kindle's home.

CWL General meeting will be held on Tuesday April 7th. Mass at 7 pm with meeting to follow

Youth Ministry: