



Monday Memo

Diocese of Thunder Bay

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February 19, 2024

Lenten Reflection; Temptation: We hear in the Gospel from St Mark how Jesus was tempted in the desert by the devil. However, we know that Jesus refuted the temptations in order to continue his mission of redeeming mankind. Temptation is always present in our world. The most difficult is the temptation to think only of ourselves and our own needs and wants, and to neglect our responsibility to our neighbour. This could happen in our families, among friends and even in our neglect of the poor and needy, who are also our sisters and brothers. As we begin this solemn time of prayer and almsgiving, may we be reminded as we heard in the first reading of Mass: "I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you...tis is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you...I have set my (rain)bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth". God is linked with us and will guide us on this Lenten journey of renewal, let us open our hearts to his Spirit.

Knights of Columbus Spaghetti & Meatballs Take-Out: February 22,2024, 2:00pm – 5:30pm, 301 May Street, 807-623-3252

LENTEEN RETREAT: with Fr. Terry Sawchuk at St Andrews parish on Monday, March 4th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Baxter Hall. The theme for the retreat is "The Way of the Cross; 14 Principles for Personal Growth." All are welcome, but seating is limited so please call the Parish Office at (807) 345-5202 to register. Please bring a non-perishable food donation in support of the Dew Drop Inn soup kitchen.

CHRISM MASS: the blessing of the holy oils and the renewal of priestly service will take place at the Chrism Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on **Thursday, March 21st at 7 pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend and share in this special moment of prayer and renewal with Bishop Colli and the priests of the diocese.

Street Gospel: Father Jerin and the Thunder Bay Street Gospel are currently trying to showcase Catholic Traditions. If you have a favourite Catholic tradition that your family partakes in, and you would be willing to share with the Street Gospel; please reach out to Father Jerin at Holy Family (807) 473-9722 or email him at holy.family@shaw.ca