



# Monday Memo

Diocese of Thunder Bay

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March 11, 2024

**Mercy:** We hear in the second reading on the Fourth Sunday of Lent from St. Paul that “God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love, with which he loved us....made us alive together with Christ, for it is by grace, you have been saved.” God’s mercy is always available to us, and even when we sin, we know that God’s mercy is available to us, especially through the Sacrament of Penance. This cleansing mercy is a great gift for us. It can help us to be born anew – as Nicodemus questioned in the Gospel. Mercy is generously shown to us by God, but it is important also that we be instruments of mercy to one another. Jesus is the light that has come into our world, and as his followers, we are children of light. Let our light of mercy shine in all that we do, so that it “may be clearly seen that our deeds, have been done in God”. We are reminded so often by Pope Francis, that mercy, tenderness, a kind gesture to another, even a small act of kindness and concern, these are all signs of God’s grace working in our world,

**St. Andrew's Parish** is holding a ST. PADDY'S DAY BRUNCH on **Sunday, March 17th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in Saunders Hall. The cost is \$20 and children under 5 years of age eat for free. For more information, please call 807 345-5202 or check out the Events page on the website: [www.standrewrc.ca](http://www.standrewrc.ca). All are welcome.

**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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

**“The Bible: Well Used to Teach but Misused to Divide”:** **SAVE THE DATE!** Msgr. P.M. Stilla will once again be holding his Bible Sessions for 2 evenings. Thursday April 11 and Thursday April 18 from 7pm – 8pm. Make sure you arrive early as you know it fills up fast. See you then.

**St Agnes Alpha:** You're invited to join us for another **Alpha**, starts Sat., March 16<sup>th</sup>, 10am - 11:30am at St. Agnes Church Hall To register, please email: [stagnesalpha@gmail.com](mailto:stagnesalpha@gmail.com) or call parish office @ 807-475-7489

**Columbus Center:** Fund Raiser St.Patrick’s Corned Beef take-out, pre-orders by Wednesday March 13, Orders \$23.00