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Wynyard Pastoral District

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Sunday, February 12, 2017

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

UCWLC Membership Tea and Annual meeting, Wynyard Sunday,
February 19, 2017 after 11 am Divine Liturgy

Next services at **Golden Acres**: February 14th at 2 pm; April 4th at 2 pm

Tuesday, February 14 Wynyard 2pm golden Acres

Wednesday, February 15 Foam Lake 9:30 am

Thursday, February 16 Wynyard 9 am

February 2017:

February 12 Wynyard 9 am Foam Lake 11

February 18 Foam Lake 5 pm

February 19 Wishart 9 am Wynyard 11 am

February 25 Wynyard 5 pm Wishart 7 pm (New Time)

February 26 Foam Lake 9 am Kuroki 11 am and annual meeting

February 27, 28, and March 1 Great Lent Retreat Holy Eucharist,
Foam Lake with Fr. Jeffrey. Theme: "Your Hand, O Lord, Has
Fashioned Me."

March 2017

Saturday, March 4 Wishart 5 pm

Sunday, March 5 Foam Lake 9 am Wynyard 11 am

Saturday, March 11 Foam Lake 5 pm

Sunday, March 12 Wynyard 9 am Kuroki 11:15

Saturday, March 18 Wynyard 5 pm

Sunday, March 19 Foam Lake 9 am Wishart 11 am

Saturday, March 25 Holar 10 am Wishart 5 pm

Sunday, March 26 Wynyard 9 am Foam Lake 11 am

25th World Day of the Sick

February 11, 2017

Leader: The World Day of the Sick, was instituted by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1992 as a special time of prayer and sharing and of offering one's suffering. Each year it is recognized on Feb. 11, the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes, recalling a series of 18 appearances that the Blessed Virgin Mary made to a 14-year-old French peasant girl, Saint Bernadette Soubrious, in the year 1858.

Reader 1: We pray for the needs of the sick and of all those who suffer — the poor, the infirm, the outcast, the marginalized. May they be recognized, no matter how frail, for their innate and inalienable dignity and mission in life. Like Saint Bernadette, who turned her frailty into support for others, may they bring out in others the love and compassion that are part of every created human heart.

All: May they find healing and hope.

Reader 2: We pray for those who provide care and assist the sick— family members, health workers and volunteers—that they may accompany the infirm and show them the love of God made manifest in human hands and hearts. We pray for those in different roles of service and in health care institutions throughout the world, that they will be strengthened in their professionalism and dedication to the sick and the suffering. May they, like Mary, serve to be models of surrender to the will of God.

All: May they bring healing and hope.

Leader: With Pope Francis, we pray to Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes, that she may obtain for us from Christ her Son, hope, responsibility, commitment, gratitude and joy.

Mary, our Mother,

In Christ you welcome each of us as a son or daughter.

Sustain the trusting expectation of our hearts,

succor us in our infirmities and sufferings,

and guide us to Christ, your Son and our brother.

Help us to entrust ourselves to the Father who accomplishes great things. Amen.

The 25th **World Day of the Sick** will be celebrated in 2017, as it is every year, on February 11, the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. This year, the Holy Father's Message is entitled *Amazement at what God has accomplished: "The Almighty has done great things for me..."* (Luke 1.49). In his Message, Pope Francis offers prayerful support and encouragement "to physicians, nurses, volunteers and all those consecrated men and women committed to serving the sick and those in need. I also embrace the ecclesial and civil institutions working to this end, and the families who take loving care of their sick. I pray that all may be ever joyous signs of the presence of God's love and imitate the luminous testimony of so many friends of God, including Saint John of God and Saint Camillus de' Lellis, the patrons of hospitals and healthcare workers, and Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, missionary of God's love." - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2017

Amazement at what God has accomplished:
"The Almighty has done great things for me..." (Lk 1:49)

(Excerpts)

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Like Saint Bernadette, we stand beneath the watchful gaze of Mary. The humble maiden of Lourdes tells us that the Virgin, whom she called "the Lovely Lady", looked at her as one person looks at another. Those simple words describe the fullness of a relationship. Bernadette, poor, illiterate and ill, felt that Mary was looking at her as a person. The Lovely Lady spoke to her with great respect and without condescension. This reminds us that every person is, and always remains, a human being, and is to be treated as such. The sick and the those who are disabled, even severely, have their own inalienable dignity and mission in life. They never become simply objects. If at times they appear merely passive, in reality that is never the case.

Let us ask Mary Immaculate for the grace always to relate to the sick as persons who certainly need assistance, at times even for the

simplest of things, but who have a gift of their own to share with others.

The gaze of Mary, *Comfort of the Afflicted*, brightens the face of the Church in her daily commitment to the suffering and those in need. The precious fruits of this solicitude for the world of suffering and sickness are a reason for gratitude to the Lord Jesus, who out of obedience to the will of the Father became one of us, even enduring death on the cross for the redemption of humanity. The solidarity shown by Christ, the Son of God born of Mary, is the expression of God's merciful omnipotence, which is made manifest in our life – above all when that life is frail, pain-filled, humbled, marginalized and suffering – and fills it with the power of hope that can sustain us and enable us to get up again.

May this Day also inspire renewed efforts to defend the integrity and dignity of persons, not least through a correct approach to bioethical issues, the protection of the vulnerable and the protection of the environment.

On this Twenty-fifth World Day of the Sick, I once more offer my prayerful support and encouragement to physicians, nurses, volunteers and all those consecrated men and women committed to serving the sick and those in need. I also embrace the ecclesial and civil institutions working to this end, and the families who take loving care of their sick. I pray that all may be ever joyous signs of the presence of God's love and imitate the luminous testimony of so many friends of God, including Saint John of God and Saint Camillus de' Lellis, the patrons of hospitals and healthcare workers, and Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, missionary of God's love.

Dear brothers and sisters – the sick, healthcare workers and volunteers – I ask you to join me in praying to Mary. May her maternal intercession sustain and accompany our faith, and obtain for us from Christ her Son hope along our journey of healing and of health, a sense of fraternity and responsibility, a commitment to integral human development and the joy of feeling gratitude whenever God amazes us by his fidelity and his mercy.