

# CONNECTING MEOTA January 17th, 2024

**This newsletter is meant to inspire, engage, and encourage everyone in the Meota Parish to seek God and reach out to one another throughout the week.**

**Our next church service will be**

**Sunday January 21st 10:30 am  
at St George's Diamond Valley, Christ Church Millarville**

January services 2024



**Join us for Worship  
In Person Services at 10:30am  
Christ Church, Millarville  
&  
St George's Diamond, Valley**

The people of St. James are welcome to worship with us at Christ Church or St. George's. We would love to see you and worship with you among us!!

## WHY COME TO A MOVIE AT CHURCH ON A SATURDAY?

Because:

- Feb 24 and March 23 at 2 pm, movies will be shown just for you. It's in the afternoon so you don't have to drive home in the dark.
- These movies came about as a result of parishioners chatting about the good old days and the great movies Hollywood just doesn't make anymore.
- These movies have a God-centred focus.
- These movies hope to enhance your walk with God.
- You can support people in your parish that are trying to do something to strengthen our congregational fellowship.
- Who doesn't like a musical?
- Feb 24 we are showing FIDDLER ON THE ROOF
- Who remembers Richard Burton and Jean Simmons?
- March 23 we are showing THE ROBE.
- There will be free popcorn, refreshments and drinks.
- This can be a time to have fun with people in our congregation.
- Movies can be a great way to learn and listen to what God has to say to us.
- A Saturday afternoon of enjoyment twice in Lent can be a good thing.
- You deserve a break today, so get out and get away for a Movie in Meota!!

# *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner*



**Join us Tuesday Feb 13 4:30pm - 7pm  
@ St George's Anglican Church  
200 Main Street SW  
Diamond Valley, Alberta**

This is a great opportunity to invite family or friends to church!!

## MEOTA PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

**Prayer and Praise** January 25, 7 pm St. George's

Pancake/Shrove Tuesday is Feb 13

Please come to St George's for pancakes, 4:30-7pm

Ash Wednesday is Feb 14, 7 pm St. George's

Fiddler on the Roof - Sat Feb 24, 2 pm, St George's

The Robe – Sat March 23, 2 pm, St. George's

Maundy Thursday March 28, 7 pm St. George's

Good Friday (Taize) March 29, St. George's 7 pm

Easter Sunday is March 31, 10:30 am

St. George's, Christ Church and St. James

## Lent BOOK STUDY- 40 Days of Generous Living

Ash Wednesday the books will be handed out.

Zoom book conversation on Wed Feb 21,28, March 6 & 13, 7ish



The world is full of distractions. Focusing on God can be tough.

Maybe I need one evening a week in Lent to help me stay on track

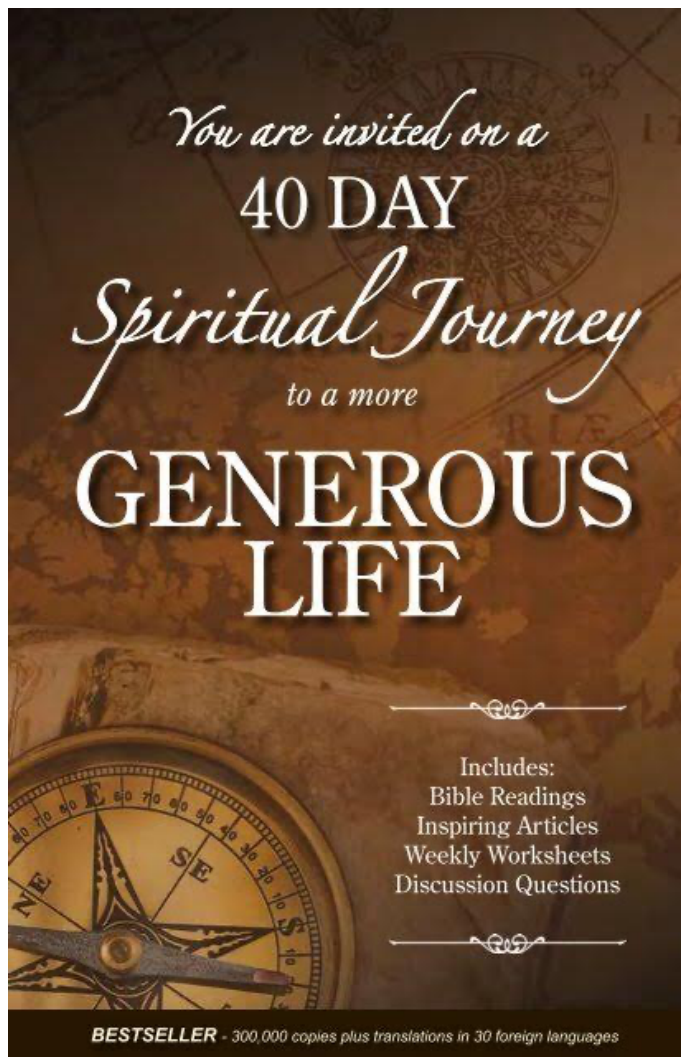
**I love Venerable Alan's sermons. He always has great insight.**

**Oh look, Ven. Alan is holding a Zoom chat on Wednesday evenings in Lent.**

I will pick up the little book at the Ash Wednesday Service.

A few days before March 21<sup>st</sup> I will for the email from the Meota secretary for the Zoom link.

She will likely send it out after Ash Wednesday.



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## WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE HYMN?

Email [meotaparish@gmail.com](mailto:meotaparish@gmail.com) with your choice and I will research it for you!



Bob and Jacqui liked How Great Thou Art. We did that one last week.

Heather has a favourite that I hadn't heard of before and there isn't much background on this one. YOU HAVE ME STUMPED, HEATHER!!!

### **I WAS FULL OF JOY**

This is a folk-style hymn of joy. The refrain appears to be based on the opening phrase of Psalm 122 (123).

The author and source are unknown: The only publication found to date is in the Canadian Catholic Book of Worship II (not later editions), and this book does not attribute it to anyone.

The unnamed tune has a 4/4 time signature. In the key of E, the first few notes of the refrain are E\_ FGA B\_ z c BA B z.

Maybe Rev. Martyn can learn it and teach it to us just for you, Heather!!!

It looks like a good one!!!! Thank you for sharing it with us!

718 I WAS FULL OF JOY

*Refrain*  
I was full of joy, Al - le - lu - ia

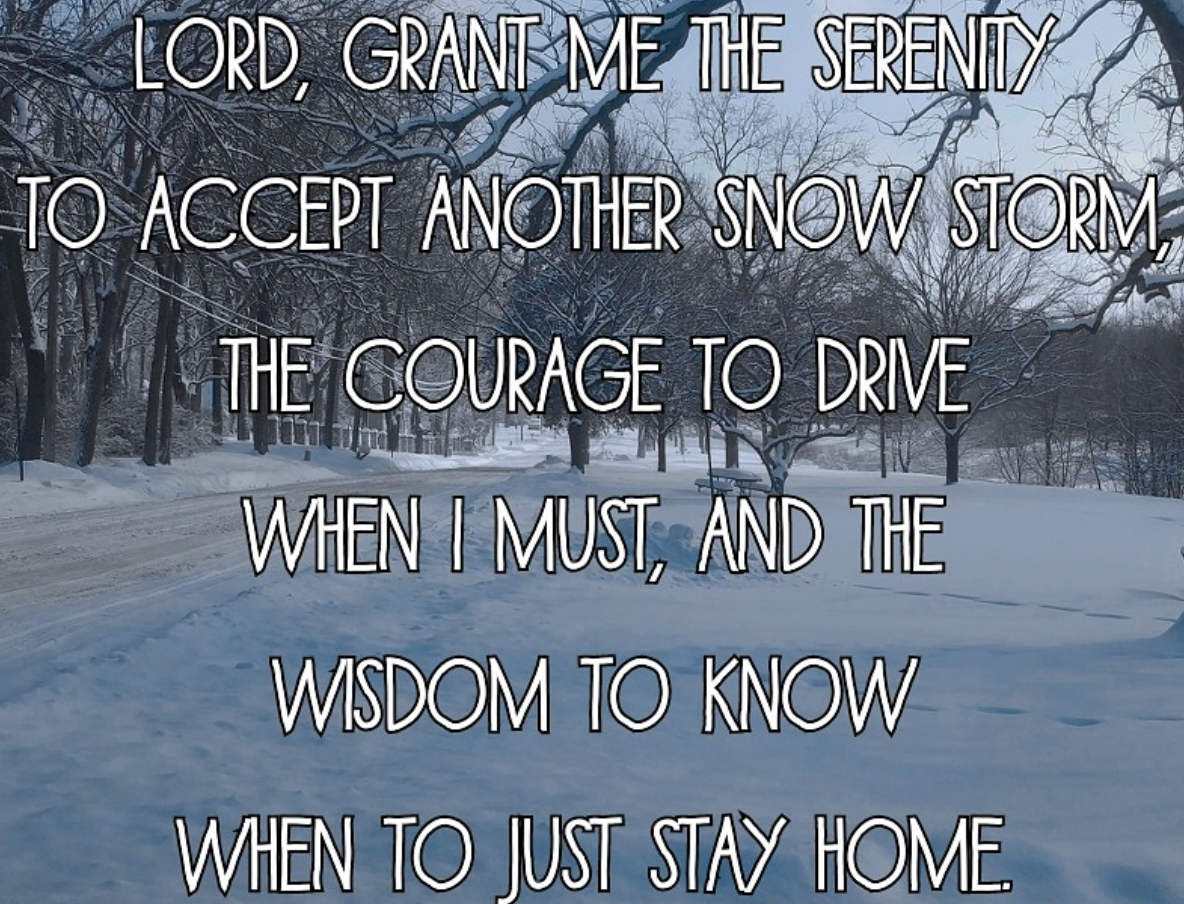
*Fine Verses*  
When I set out for the house of the Lord. 1. May  
2. May  
3. May

1. peace be with - in your walls, And may all your  
2. light shine up - on your way, And may all your  
3. love lead you by the hand Till you reach your

1. homes be filled with joy Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. paths be straight and sure, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. ev - er - last - ing home, Al - le - lu - ia!

Thanks be to God, Lord most high.

4. May joy fill our hearts today  
As we celebrate in faith and love,  
Alleluia! Thanks be to God, Lord most high.

A photograph of a winter scene with snow-covered trees and a path, serving as a background for a prayer. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, outlined font.

LORD, GRANT ME THE SERENITY  
TO ACCEPT ANOTHER SNOW STORM,  
THE COURAGE TO DRIVE  
WHEN I MUST, AND THE  
WISDOM TO KNOW  
WHEN TO JUST STAY HOME.



**Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024** The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

### **Readings**

JONAH 3:1-5, 10; PSALM 62:6-14; 1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31; MARK 1:14-20

### **First Reading** A Reading from the Book of Jonah

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. **When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.**

JONAH 3:1-5, 10

### **Gospel**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, **"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."** As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, **"Follow me and I will make you fish for people."** And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

MARK 1:14-20



# Kingdom Of GOD

L E P M R Z X R N D T U C J D V S  
A R A W Q K S E S N D Z A G I E S  
P U S C I P P P N J E S U S E A Z  
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repent

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new life

kingdom

peace

righteousness

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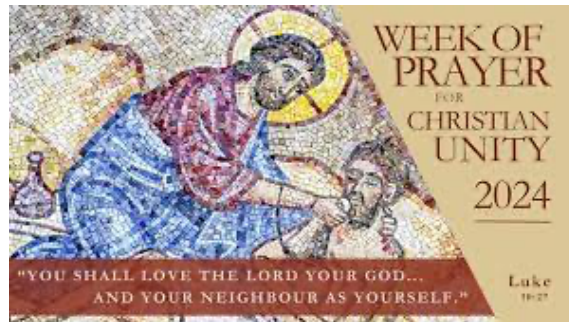
holy spirit

gospel

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FUNNY BONES





 **DOMINUS EST**

*Prayer for Christian Unity*

God of unity and peace,  
your son Jesus prayed  
that his followers might be one.  
Make all Christians one with Him  
as He is one with You,  
so that in peace and concord  
we may carry to the world  
the message of Your love,  
through Jesus Christ  
our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD,

ALLELUIA!