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BAPTISM Expectant parents please contact the parish office to arrange for *baptism preparation* and for the celebration. Baptisms will take place Apr 14/15, May 19/20

MARRIAGE Arrangements for marriage can be made by contacting the parish priest six months prior to the date of the marriage. This will provide adequate time for documentation and the diocesan required marriage preparation program. Please call the office at 931-4700.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? Please contact the parish office 931-4700.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND Would you or do you know of someone who would like to have communion brought to them in their home.

NEW IN THE PARISH? MOVING? Please help us keep parish records up-to-date. It assists us to serve you. Please complete the following and return to the parish office by mail or in the weekend collection basket. Thank you for your assistance.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION/CHANGE OF ADDRESS

FAMILY NAME _____

MALE HEAD _____ FEMALE HEAD _____

CHILDREN'S NAME & BIRTHDATES:

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

POSTAL CODE _____ TELEPHONE _____

WOULD YOU LIKE A VISIT? (☐)

PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES? (☐) OR PRE-AUTHORIZED DEPOSIT (PAD)? (☐)



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March 18th, 2012

Fourth Sunday of Lent

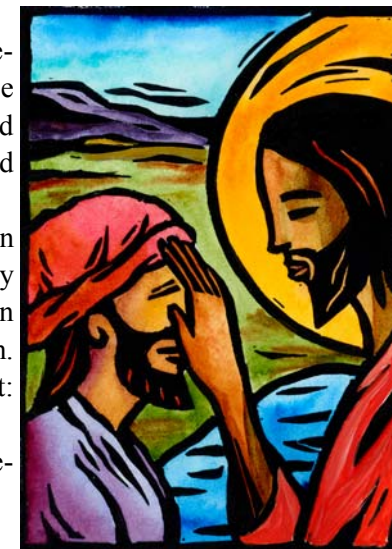
The Pharisee Within

Today's Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, (1); Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41. It is easy to criticize the Pharisees in the story of the man born blind. They are quick to pounce on the most trivial offense, and then completely overlook a jaw-dropping miracle. To them, violation of the Sabbath is so evil that tremendous good cannot compensate. They condemn easily, calling Jesus a sinner and threatening the blind man's parents with expulsion from the synagogue. They persist in an inquisition and revile a man whose only crime is being cured, and talking about it. Their endless debates and futile efforts to control grace are dispiriting and divisive.

The tricky part is identifying the Pharisee within ourselves. Sometimes we too cling to the past, the safe routines that prevent the entrance of grace. We defend our comfort zones, lest mystery penetrate them and confuse us. We're afraid of the ways compassion and love might lead us—we'd prefer to be isolated, sure we've got the right answers.

Today's Gospel shows how surprising the way to enlightenment can be. The blind man is hardly a wisdom figure. In fact, he's confused by Jesus' title "son of man." But he progresses from a faith dependent on his parents to a touching, personal testimony to Jesus, who cured him. He seems a simple, direct person, and his words accord with that: "Lord, I believe" (9:38)—nothing pious, flowery, or posed.

For John's community, the ultimate goal is mystical union with Jesus. The formerly blind man is a sure guide to follow in that direction.



MONDAY, MARCH 19TH, 2012

8:30 am - Morning Prayer
5:00 pm - Rosary
5:30 pm - Mass
7:00 pm - RCIA
7:15 pm - Holy Yoga

TUESDAY, MARCH 20TH, 2012

8:30 am - Morning Prayer
5:00 pm - Rosary
5:30 pm - Mass
7:00 pm - EDGE
7:00 pm - Baptismal Preparation

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21ST, 2012

8:30 am - Morning Prayer
1:30 pm - Sewing/knitting bee
4:15 pm - RCIC
5:00 pm - Rosary
5:30 pm - Mass
6:15 pm - (9:00) choir practise
7:00 pm - Confirmation/1st Eucharist Parent Meeting
8:00 pm to 10:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2012

8:30 am - Morning Prayer
5:00 pm - Rosary
5:30 pm - Mass
6:30 pm - (5:00) choir practise
8:00 pm - (11:00) choir practise

FRIDAY, MARCH 23RD, 2012

8:30 am - Morning Prayer
5:00 pm - Rosary
5:30 pm - Mass
6:00 pm - Lenten Poverty Meal
6:45 pm - Lenten Reflection

SATURDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2012

4:00 pm - Reconciliation
5:00 pm - Mass
7:30 pm - Youth Group

SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH, 2012

9:00 am - Mass
11:00 am - Mass
1:00 pm - Kids 4 Christ



Sacramental Preparation Parent Meeting

Reminder : There will be a meeting for all parents with a child registered for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion on **Wednesday, March 21st** 7-9 pm in St. Anne's Parish Hall. This meeting is for parents only. You will receive the workbook and some information on the sacraments. Please bring with you the \$20 registration fee and a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate. For more information please contact Erin Gratton at stasacraments@gmail.com or 931-4700.



Kids for Christ will meet again on March 25th at 1:00 pm in the hall. We will look at the life of St. Patrick. We are planning exciting activities, stories and prayers, dealing with St. Patrick, and of course we will be sharing Shamrock stories and snacks. Some families rose to the challenge last month and brought new participants, the challenge is still on to bring someone new with you.

Thanks again to my faithful team of parents and young helpers who help in this wonderful ministry to our children. New children and parents are welcome. For more information contact me at 931.4700 or e-mail me at d.sehn@sasktel.net . Watch for our display in the welcome area of the church.

ST. ANNE'S SENIORS

Dine out at Smiley's on Circle Drive on **Wednesday, March 28th** at 5:30 pm. Please call Loraine at 934-7539 or Allan at 652-5622 by March 25th to confirm your attendance and if you need a ride. All seniors welcome.

**The Offering for "General Operations and Expansion"
For March 10th/11th**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>
General Operations *	\$ 6,850.70	
Building Fund *	\$ 2,788.04	
Loose collection	\$ 652.54	
Total	\$ 10,291.28	\$12,000.00

Number of households contributing by PAD * :	154	
Number of Recorded Envelopes:	225	
	379	1200+ households served
February offertory collection	\$ 42,180.00	February loan payment \$10,604.50
Other Revenue	\$ 2,591.00	February expenses \$34,311.00
	\$ 44,771.00	\$44,915.50
Divide by 4 Sunday's	\$ 11,193.00	Divide by 4 Sunday's \$11,229.00

Long Term Liability (as of February 29th, 2012) **Church/Hall Expansion Loan** **\$201,998.11**

Amortization time:
Church/Hall expansion loan: Started July 2006 \$1,001,000.00—will be paid in full October, 2013

* **PAD – Personal Automatic Debit** – This method of contributing provides the church with a stable and identifiable level of support. Forms are available at the church office. These contributions are processed only once per month. For the purpose of this report only, the total of the PAD is averaged and reported weekly in order to provide a more consistent account of our weekly budget
Help us to serve each of our 1200+ households by contributing to operations and giving some time in ministry.

"Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have." 2 Corinthians 8:11-12

Thank you for your gift!

40 HOURS FOR LIFE

The 40 Hours For Life Saskatoon will continue until April 1st (Palm Sunday). We will pray for an end to abortion for an hour every day from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in front of City Hospital. Signs will be provided and every hour will end with a group prayer.



Share Lent Campaign – "Help a Just World Take Root" – The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace annual Share Lent collection will be taken up across the diocese on **Solidarity Sunday, March 24-25** to support our sisters and brothers in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. For more information see the website: www.devp.org/sharelent

Knights of Columbus Quarter Million Cash Lotto - Million Cash Lotto previous purchaser winner for \$10,000 is John Baynton, Carlton, SK. Grand prize deadline is Midnight, April 15. To order tickets phone: 1-877-490-9998 or for more information see the website: www.kofedreamlottery.com When purchasing a ticket, indicate St. Anne's Council #8638

Let Us Pray

Prayer remains a constant that unites and draws us closer together. Please advise us of your prayer needs and let the power of our parish's collective prayer support you.

A parish united in prayer creates a mighty power!

- ♦ **Let us pray** for the Church: may we seek to walk in goodness, justice and truth.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for ourselves and all people of faith and action, that we may live simply and in solidarity with all people who are poor.
- ♦ **Let us pray** that our Elect, **Zach Adams, Kaylee Kunz & Kaitlyn Kunz** may be enlightened and reveal God's mighty works to the world through their witness.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for all the volunteers and chaplains working in the penal institutions and courts: empower them to be a beacon of light for those who know only darkness.
- ♦ **Let us pray** as a diocesan family for refugees and displaced families throughout our troubled world, and especially remember those who are seeking safety and refuge in Canada. May the Spirit of Jesus inspire us to always reach out in love, compassion and support.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for the sick and suffering. We pray for **Adrian Rosen, Deanna Branson, Stephania Morris, Ray Witzaney, Frank Garritty, Charles Scherr, Anne Toth**. May they soon know the light of full recovery.
- ♦ **Let us pray** for the faithful departed. We remember **Claire Donlevy**, wife of Joe, mother of Mathew and Christopher. We remember **Anne Altrogge**, sister of Yvonne & Ron Pellegrini. We remember **Frank Eufemia**, father of Cathy & Tom Pryma. We remember **Margaret Brennan**; on the 28th anniversary of her death, mother of Hugh & Marianne. May they be raised up with Christ and seated in the glory of heaven.
- ♦ *Loving Father, we ask that you hear our prayers and help us to continue to grow in faith. We pray through your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.*



Pilgrim Journey - Fr. Ralph Kleiter, Ministry to Tourism, has announced his 21st Pilgrim Journey to Biblical Lands for November 2012. Those seriously interested in this exclusively designed (not "off the rack") Pilgrim Journey to the Holy Land (including Jordan, Galilee, Jerusalem and Mt. Sinai areas), with **Sr. Anna Aulie as our Guest Facilitator**, followed by an optional Portugal, Fatima and Canary Island cruise are invited to an informational meeting 2:30 p.m. **Sunday, April 15 at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral meeting room in Saskatoon**. Registration will follow shortly thereafter for the small group and no other extensive promotion is envisioned. Please call Lois at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre at 306-659-5837 to confirm your attendance. "Don't delay in planning to experience Biblical Lands. The only regret will be: 'why did I wait so long?'"

Brazil Mission Notes: Sr. Marie-Noelle Rondot, SMS, writes from São José da Laje: This past week a 32 year old man from our street was shot to death for having spoken publically on behalf of his 15-year-old son who had been badly beaten up by the police a few weeks prior to that. Everyone in our district was deeply saddened by this inexplicable tragedy – especially for the fact that José obviously paid a very high price for having dared to speak his truth.

STM Development and Peace Just Youth Group Presents : Singer/Songwriter **Gabe Penna** Solo Acoustic Performance. Join us in support of D & P for a relaxed evening in the STM Cafeteria. **Wed., March 21st @ 7 PM \$10 each or \$20/ Family.** Coffee and snacks will be available. Gabe has been performing for 8 years and is working on his 3rd Disc of original music. PROCEEDS TO D&P



LENTEN SCRUTINIES

News from the Catechumenate..... Celebrating the 2nd Scrutiny

On the fourth Sunday of Lent the Church presents Jesus healing the blind man. In keeping with the themes of the "Scrutinies" (Jesus triumphing over sin and death with new life and light) the gospel reading introduces someone who was not only healed of his physical blindness but someone who was healed from his spiritual blindness as well. Recognizing Jesus' healing power and love the blind man is moved to proclaim "Lord I believe!" Like the people of today's gospel, our elect and all of us need to answer Jesus question, "why do you persist in your blindness, insisting that you can see?" We are moved from darkness to light, blindness to sight, by the radiant light of Christ's glory and truth. As the blind man is healed with spittle and clay and the washing in the pool of Siloam, we regain our sight (our spiritual vision) by faith and baptism. Like the blind man we are called to declare in complete surrender and worship, "I do believe Lord". The light of Christ came "so that those who do not see might see." The second scrutiny is celebrated this Saturday at the 5:00 mass. We pray for *Zach, Kailey and Kaitlyn*.

"Teddies for Tragedies" and "Prayer Shawls"

Ladies we need your help!! On **March 21st** at 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. we will gather at St. Anne's Parish Hall, to knit teddies and prayer shawls and to sew bags. Some wool and fabric are available, but donations will be most welcome. Come and have coffee and dainties while we learn together how these beautiful teddies, bags, and prayer shawls are made. For more information, please contact Connie Millette at 978-8257 and Mary Chestolowski at 242-3239.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Share
Lent 2012



Share Year Round

Development and Peace's monthly giving program allows you, for a small amount of money a day, to make a real difference in the struggle of our partners in the Global South. One year round donor said, "By sharing year round I am able to give much more than I can once a year on Solidarity Sunday. Also, I remain conscious of the work of Development & Peace and my brothers and sisters in the Global South all year round." In 2011, St. Anne's Share Year Round participants donated a total of \$1,200.00. Monthly donations allow Development & Peace to reduce administrative costs and plan support for people in the South over the long term. Share Year Round brochures can be found on the display table under the Development & Peace bulletin board. Be sure to indicate Saskatoon Diocese and St. Anne's Parish when you fill out the brochure.

FACING YOUR OWN POVERTY:

The Mozambican Experience

While working in a third world country, one comes face to face with their own poverty. How does one remain in solidarity while recognizing their own limitations? A Lenten reflection will be presented by Anne Marie Graham on **Friday, March 23rd** at 6:45 pm. Everyone welcome.

COLLECTING TOONIES

Once again, we will be collecting "toonies" for Easter chocolates for the prisoners in the Saskatoon Correctional Centre. The men are grateful to receive these treats. Thank you for your generosity.



EASTER TEA & BAKE SALE

St. Mary's CWL will be hosting their annual Easter Tea and Bake Sale on Saturday, March 24, 2012 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. This event will be held in the St. Mary's Upper Hall located on the corner of Avenue O South and 20th Street West. Admission is \$3.00 which includes lunch and a chance to win door prizes. There will be raffles and a bake table.



UCWLC Easter Tea 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, March 24** at SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church Auditorium, 10th Street East & Munroe Avenue in Saskatoon. Doors open 1 p.m. sharp (no pre-sales). Items for sale include Easter breads, perogies, cabbage rolls, baking, Easter eggs (pysanky), as well as raffles. Admission: \$3 adults; children 6-12 years \$2 and preschoolers free.

KATERI PILGRIMAGE CONCERT FUNDRAISER

It was with great joy that we heard the news that Blessed Kateri will be canonized October 21, 2012. To celebrate this momentous occasion, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish is planning a pilgrimage trip to the shrine of Blessed Kateri and is holding a 'Classic Guitar and Violin Concert' on Sunday, March 25, 7 pm at St. Mary's Church. Featuring Zeljko Bilandzic on guitar; Oxana Ossiptchouk on violin; Michael Zdravko Besermenji guitar; and Mikula Karnaukh – percussion. Tickets are available at Guadalupe Parish (653-4945) or by contacting Zeljko Bilandzic (244-0755) \$10 each for adults, children free. A light social will follow. We thank you for your support.

The Prophets will be presented by Gisele Bauche **7 p.m. Tuesday, March 20** at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 222 Willow Street and Melrose Avenue, Saskatoon. To register for this diocesan "Foundations: Exploring Our Faith Together" session, call (306) 933-1108. Cost is \$5.

Lenten Mass - Everyone is welcome to attend the Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Centennial Lenten Mass **4 p.m. Wednesday, March 28** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family with Bishop Don Bolen as the main celebrant. All staff, students, parents and members of the Catholic community at large are welcome to attend. Refreshments and tours of the cathedral will follow the Mass. Please bring a non-perishable food item (e.g. cereal, pasta, pasta sauce) in support of the St. Joseph High School Easter Baskets Food Drive. All food collected will be distributed to the Saskatoon Friendship Inn, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Food Pantry, and Sacred Heart Chaldean Parish Food Pantry. This is the first school division Mass in our new diocesan home.

Come and See if God is Calling You to the Priesthood. A "Come and See" day will be organized by the Diocese of Saskatoon Vocations Office 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Sunday March 25**, including Sunday Mass, at St. Philippe Neri Parish in Vonda. The day will include information on seminary life, and testimonies from priests and those in religious life. For more information contact Fr. Marc Mireau at abbemarc@hotmail.com, or Myron Rogal at vocations@saskatoonrcdiocese.com, 659-5841 or toll free: 1-877-661-5005, Ext. 841.

WILLY MARCOTTE & FRIENDS

A concert for Kathy to honour Kathy's memory and to raise money for pancreatic cancer research.

**Sunday, April 1st
7:00 pm
Bethlehem High School
(110 Bowlt Cres)**



Admission is free but we gratefully accept your tax deductible contribution to "Pancreatic Cancer Canada" in memory of Kathy.



LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE: 5th Sunday of Lent (Solidarity Sunday)- March 24th/25th			
Mass	5:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Facilitator		Dan Scherr	Darlene Britton
Communion Ministers	Ed Hupe Patty Chorneyko Angela Rioux Dolores Douglas Neil Dielschneider Andrea Dielschneider	Carol Lynch Dan Scherr Rose Scherr Elaine Zakreski Christina Chabot	Lyle McDonald Danica McCormac Ben Turland Volunteers
Lectors	Barb Fischer Donna Erdman Wes Kotyk	Brent Fraser Josie Guevarro Natalia Stinn	Jocelyne Lalonde-Senecal Nick Fanner Jennifer Rommens
Giftbearers	Orrin & Patty Chorneyko	Vanessa Nyssen	Volunteers
Ushers	Patricia Misener Bob Misener Murray Blanch	Audrey Matushewski Dennis Wapple Allan Zakreski	Phyllis Henschel Charles Schmidt Dean Schmidt
Welcomers	Randy & Barb Fischer Gerein Family Henriette LeStrat	Cathy Dulos Helen Shavron Ron & Yvonne Pellegrini	Loraine Churko Dennis Forster Margaret Lyongs Yvette Marchand
Servers	Miranda Lavier Julia Lavier Hanna Berry	Volunteers	Volunteers
Liturgy of the Word with Children	No Liturgy of the Word	No Liturgy of the Word	No Liturgy of the Word
All Liturgical Ministry Inquiries: Email: staliturgicalmin@sasktel.net			



PENITENTIAL SERVICES: ALL AT 7:00 PM

Westside Parishes **Tuesday, March 27th** **St. Anne's**

Wed., March 28th St. Mary's
Thurs., March 29th St. Michael's
Tues., April 3rd St. Pat's & St. Paul's

Eastside Parishes

Tues., March 20th Holy Spirit
Wed., March 21st St. Augustine
Thurs., March 22nd @ 4:00 pm St. Thomas Moore
Thurs., March 22nd St. Francis
Wed., March 28th St. Joseph's
Thurs., March 29th Cathedral of the Holy Family

Attention all present and former students/staff of St. Mary's School in Saskatoon!

An invitation is extended to all past and present students, staff and community members of St. Mary's School to attend the St. Mary's Community School Reunion being held on **Saturday May 5, 2012** beginning at 1 p.m. A Mass will be held to celebrate the event at St. Mary's Church followed by a program, desserts and tours at the school at 2 p.m. Please consider attending and celebrating with us on this day. For more information, please call Tony Bairos at 281-9564.



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Wednesday, March 21 The Son’s Gift of Life

Today’s Readings: Isaiah 49:8–15; Psalm 145:8–9, 13cd–14, 17–18 (8a); John 5:17–30.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus speaks of the marvelous life shared between Father and Son, which he later invites his followers to join (see John 17). His assurance that the Father and he are still working (5:17) gives courage to endure even bleak times. To those who suffer or mourn, who feel lifeless or disappointed, Jesus promises: “The Son gives life to whomever he wishes” (5:21).

Thursday, March 22 The Testimony of Good Works

Today’s Readings: Exodus 32:7–14; Psalm 106:19–20, 21–22, 23 (4a); John 5:31–47.

Jesus’ works, according to today’s Gospel, testified on his behalf (5:32). Can we say that for ourselves? Have we been faithful to prayer, almsgiving, fasting, and service? If we’re feeling proud of our accomplishments, Jesus asks, “How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God?” (5:44).

Friday, March 23 Saint Turibius de Mogrovejo

Today’s Readings: Wisdom 2:1a, 12–22; Psalm 34:17–18, 19–20, 21 and 23 (19a); John 7:1–2, 10, 25–30.

This Spanish saint, whose optional memorial we may celebrate today, served as Bishop of Lima, Peru, from 1581 until his death in 1606. Upon arrival, the new Bishop did not act as the Spanish overlords expected. He traveled the country, on mule or foot, and spoke out against the terrible oppression of Peruvians by Spaniards. His diocese was huge, and he traversed it three times, learning native dialects, uncovering abuse, and founding hospitals, schools, and churches. Division among peoples and opposition from authorities are themes also found in today’s Gospel.

Saturday, March 24 Voice of the Voiceless

Today’s Readings: Jeremiah 11:18–20; Psalm 7:2–3, 9bc–10, 11–12 (2a); John 7:40–53.

When he was appointed Archbishop of San Salvador, Oscar Romero (1917–1980) was regarded as a conservative who wouldn’t cause disturbance. The murder of his friend, Jesuit Rutilio Grande, however, was a turning point. Romero’s weekly radio broadcasts fiercely opposed a violent military regime and made him the voice for the voiceless poor. Just as in John’s account of Jesus, some thought him a prophet; others wanted to arrest him. Romero was assassinated while saying Mass, and was mourned by the poor he defended.



PRAYER



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Prayer for Longer Sight

*God our Light,
you sent us your Son to heal our shortsightedness.
Lift the obstacles that keep us so focused on the trivial
that we miss the crucial truths you most want us to understand.
Lengthen our sight, broaden our vision to see the grace you have prepared for us
so that we can say with the man born blind,
“Lord, I believe!”
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God
forever and ever. Amen*

This Week at Home

Monday, March 19 Solemnity of Saint Joseph

Today’s Readings: 2 Samuel 7:4–5a, 12–14a, 16; Psalm 89:2–3, 4–5, 27 and 29 (37); Romans 4:13, 16–18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18–21, 24a or Luke 2:41–51a.

As we celebrate this great saint, Matthew shows us Joseph’s distress at the prospect of condemning Mary to public shame because of her pregnancy. Inspired by a dream, he rises beyond the constraints of the law. Luke depicts Joseph’s terrible ordeal of losing the child Jesus in the temple. To honor Saint Joseph, many people of Italian and sometimes Polish backgrounds today host “Saint Joseph’s table,” a feast for the poor.

Tuesday, March 20 First Day of Spring

Today’s Readings: Ezekiel 47:1–9, 12; Psalm 46:2–3, 5–6, 8–9 (8); John 5:1–16.

The vernal equinox marks the time when day and night are equal: each 12 hours. After today, days will be longer. In today’s Gospel, Jesus offers life and hope to the man who waited 38 years for a cure. He begins by asking, “Do you want to be made well?” (5:6). The answer seems obvious, but sometimes there is a payoff in remaining an invalid or dependent. Ask yourself Jesus’ question.