

Fall and Winter Movies

**** Saturday afternoon, Sunday afternoon and Monday evening ****

All are welcome. We meet in the cafeteria of St. John's Parish Center.

Please plan to arrive at the cafeteria entrance from the rear parking lot 10 minutes before the movie begins.

Please email Dianne Galarneau at dgalarneau@sjchurch.com or 518-372-3381 ext. 226 if you would like to attend.

Contact information is necessary in the event of a cancellation.

As an aid, reference resources about the films will be sent via email.

Seating capacity for 50 people. Light refreshments will be offered.

September 9 and 16 **The Song of Bernadette** - 60 minutes each showing

Mondays 6:30 – 7:30PM

A miraculous story of hope, courage and faith. 1943 film starring Lee J. Cobb, Vincent Price and Jennifer Jones. This classic film tells the story of the peasant girl Bernadette Soubirous, a poverty-stricken, pure-hearted adolescent, who saw a vision of a "Beautiful Lady" near her home town of Lourdes, France, in 1858.

September 23 **UNSTOPPABLE** - 65 minutes – Appropriate for ages 12+

Monday 6:30 – 7:35PM

In this powerful visual journal, Kirk Cameron takes viewers on a personal, inspiring and hope-filled journey to better understand the biggest doubt-raising question of our faith: "Where is God in the midst of tragedy and suffering?" Going back to the beginning – literally – Kirk investigates the origins of good and evil and how they impact our lives ... and our eternities.

September 30 **The Staircase** - 95 minutes

Monday 6:30 – 8:05PM

Based on the real legend of the 'miraculous stairway' at the Sisters of Loretto Chapel in Santa Fe, New Mexico. *The Staircase* is an inspirational drama of hope and faith. Mother Madalyn's last wish is that her beloved but unfinished chapel will be completed. Sister Margaret would do anything to make this wish a reality. They need someone to build a staircase to the choir loft, but who will it be? One day a carpenter arrives and answers their prayers.

****** October 7 **The Shroud of Turin – Science meets Faith**

Monday 6:30 – 7:30PM **St. John's Church**

Presented by Lynn Bardsley, who will present an overview of the Shroud, with a focus on the scientific developments that have been emerging since the 1970's, including the extraordinary recent discoveries detected in the Shroud's image.

October 21 **The Fruits of Mary** - 60 minutes

Monday 6:30 – 7:30PM

A compelling look at the apparitions of the Virgin Mary. Throughout Church history, the Virgin Mary has appeared during humanity's most crucial times. We will join writer/director Sean Patrick Bloomfield as he leads us on a thrilling investigation of apparition sites such as Medjugorje, Fatima, Lourdes, Garabandal and more. With personal testimonies of healings, exclusive interviews with visionaries, and actual miracles caught on tape.

October 28 **KATERI** - 90 minutes

Monday 6:30 – 8:00PM

This EWTN original movie, filmed on location in Canada and the United States, presents the life of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Orphaned by disease and traumatized by war, Kateri, a young Mohawk girl, was evangelized by French Catholic missionaries. Responding to the Christ-like example of an enlightened missionary, Kateri becomes one of her peoples' most fervent converts to the Catholic faith in North America, and our nation's first Native American saint.

NEW !! Saturday and Sunday afternoon showings during the months of November and December are added in addition to Monday evenings.

- Most Sunday afternoon viewings will begin at 2:30PM Please check viewing times. Some times are slightly changed in consideration of those wishing to attend the 4:00PM Mass at St. Anthony's.

November 3 and 4 The World's Greatest Churches - 60 minutes

Sunday 2:30 – 3:30PM

Monday 6:30 – 7:30PM

Professor William R. Cook is a Distinguished Teaching Professor of History Emeritus at the State University of New York at Geneseo, where he taught for 42 years. Professor Cook writes, *'It is always important to look at the function of each church – a cathedral, monastery, shrine, or parish church. The reason for this is that a church is, first and foremost, a place where communities of Christians gather to worship, to give thanks, and to call on God for help.'* Our focus will be The Earliest Churches and The Church of the Holy Sepulchre located in Jerusalem.

November 10 and 11 Heaven is for Real - 100 minutes

Sunday **1:50** – 3:30PM

Monday 6:30 – **8:10PM**

Heaven is for Real recounts the true story of a small-town father who must find the courage and conviction to share his son's extraordinary, life-changing experience with the world. Todd Burpo, is the real-life father whose son Colton claims to have visited Heaven during a near death experience. Colton shares the details of his amazing journey with childlike innocence and speaks matter-of-factly about things that happened before his birth ... things he couldn't possibly know.

November 17 and 18 Therese – Ordinary Girl and Extraordinary Soul - 100 minutes

Sunday **1:50** – 3:30PM

Monday 6:30 – **8:10PM**

Therese recounts the life of St. Therese of Lisieux, the most popular saint of modern times. A girl from a Victorian French family, Therese journeyed to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the age of 15. Through the rigors of monastic life, she made the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion – a spiritual path she called her "Little Way".

Saturday Cinema for Children

November 23 NICHOLAS – The Boy Who Became Santa

Saturday 2:30 – 3:30PM

Nicholas was still a young child when he discovered a very special secret that changed his life forever. It was the gift of giving, by which he brought happiness to many people. This is the fascinating story of the boy whose love and care for others make him one of the most popular saints of all times. Come to know the story of the kindness and generosity of the man we call Santa Claus.

Children will learn about the Season of Advent which begins December 1 while doing a craft project.

November 24 and 25 The Case for Christ - 70 minutes

Sunday 2:30 – **3:40PM**

Monday 6:30 – **7:40PM**

A journalist investigates the most important Story in history. Based upon the Gold Medallion award-winning best seller, *The Case for Christ* documents Lee Strobel's journey from atheism to faith through his two-year investigation of the Bible and the life of Jesus Christ. Lee Strobel, the former legal editor of the *Chicago Tribune*, draws upon his skills to examine the historical accuracy of the Gospels, the personal claims of Jesus and His resurrection from the dead. This film features interviews with 10 leading Biblical scholars from North America and England offering cutting-edge apologetics.

December 9

Guadalupe, A Living Image - 60 minutes

NO Sunday afternoon viewing

Monday 6:30 – 7:30PM December 1531, Mexico, the Virgin Mary appears to Juan Diego, a humble Indian peasant, but at first, no one believes him. At Mary's request Juan Diego wraps some Castilian roses in his 'tilma' (similar to an apron), which mysteriously bloomed on the barren ground at his feet. He is given an audience with his Bishop to tell his amazing story, and when he meets the Bishop he opens his cloak to a miraculous scene; the image of the Virgin is impressed upon it. Centuries later, the results of scientific analysis show – in the Virgin's eyes the 13 people who witnessed the miracle are visible. The stars on Her cloak are positioned exactly as they were on the day of the miracle (December 12, 1531).

December 15 and 16 The Nativity Story - 100 minutes

Sunday **1:50** – 3:30PM

Monday 6:30 – **8:10PM**

The Nativity Story is a beautiful telling of one of the world's most familiar stories. It was the cruelest of times. Under Herod's torturous reign, families struggled to survive and yet, in the midst of utter turmoil, a young Woman's faith was put to the test. We will join Mary and Joseph on an incredible journey of hope and discovery as we prepare for His holy birth.

Saturday Cinema for Children

December 21

O Holy Night, The King is Born

Saturday 2:30 – 3:30PM

Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heart-warming presentation of the birth of God's Son. An animated presentation of the many wonderful events that led up to the birth of Jesus. And "What is Christmas?" a fun-filled visualized song that reminds us of Who Christmas is really about. Children will make a Christmas craft project.

Merry Christmas



**Lord, we come to You with grateful hearts
because we know You provide every good gift.
You give wisdom when we ask for guidance,
You give mercy when we ask for a new start,
You give protection when we are afraid,
You give hope when we humble ourselves and pray.
You are the One who meets our needs.
Amen**