

## Holy Cross Catholic Church Grande Cache, Alberta April 28, 2024

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**OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES** 

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## **MASS TIMES**

holycrossgc.caedm.ca

## **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday – 7:00 p.m. (Holy Cross)

Sunday – 10:00 a.m. (Holy Cross)
Sunday – 12 Noon (Our Lady of the Rockies)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday – 6:30 p.m. (Holy Cross)
Friday – 4:00 p.m. (Whispering Pines)
Friday – 6:30 p.m. (Holy Cross)

#### **CONFESSIONS**:

Saturday 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

OR by appointment (Holy Cross)

**Grande Cache Parish Website:** 

holycrossgc.caedm.ca

**Archdiocese of Edmonton** 

Website: www.caedm.ca

**Mass Intentions** 

### Parish Pastoral Council Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty
Associate Pastor
Father Marreddy Udumala

# PPC

Chair Person Brian Klappstein Members

Margaret Atkinson Denise Hagg Jane LaBelle David MacPhee Pat Mortensen

We welcome any parishioners who would like to attend the next meeting to get an idea of what the PPC is all about or perhaps to take a place on Parish Council. Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Saturday, May 25 at 1:00 p.m. Meetings should take no longer than 1-1 ½ hours.

Knights of Columbus Jim Savory, Grand Knight



Catholic Women's League Pat Mortensen, President



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Mass Readings** 

Acts 9.26-31; Psalm 22; 1 John 3.18-24; John 15.1-8

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations (see Sirach 24:17–24).

In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist.

Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His Church. Once

the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life (see <u>Matthew</u> 7:16–20).

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness.

Jesus cautions us, however, that if we're bearing fruit, we can expect that God will "prune" us—as a gardener trims and cuts back a plant so that it will grow stronger and bear even more fruit. He is teaching us today how to look at our sufferings and trials with the eyes of faith. We need to see our struggles as pruning, by which we are being disciplined and trained so that we can grow in holiness and bear fruits of righteousness (see <a href="Hebrews 12:4-11">Hebrews 12:4-11</a>).

We need to always remain rooted in Him, as today's Epistle tells us. We remain in Him by keeping His commandment of love, by pondering His words, letting them dwell richly in us (see <u>Colossians 3:16</u>), and by always seeking to do what pleases Him. In everything we must be guided by humility, remembering that apart from Him we can do nothing.

As we sing in today's Psalm, we must fulfill our vows, turning to the Lord in worship, proclaiming his praises, until all families come to know His justice in their lives.

-Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be the first Friday of each month from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. with Mass to follow.



## **Catholic Women's League**

Regular meetings on the First Saturday of each month. For more information about the C.W.L., please contact Pat Mortensen, President. Next meeting TBA



## **Knights of Columbus**

All young men (18 and up) from the Parish are welcome to become Knights. Regular meetings scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Next meeting TBA. Contact Jim Savory – Grand Knight, or any member of the KofC.



www.kofc.org KofC online video series – Into the Breach

**Bottle Drive** - The KofC thank you whole heartedly for your generous donations of bottles and/or juice and milk cartons. You are encouraged to continue dropping off bottles/cartons in the Parish foyer or garage. This continues to be a wonderful fundraiser for the Knights which enables them to continue their charitable works within the Parish and abroad.

**Scriptural Rosary** - Make the Rosary come alive. Come and join us each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in the Church.

## **Sacramental Preparation**

Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist or Confirmation, please leave a message for Margaret with the parish office at 780-827-2422 or email the parish office HolyCross.GrCache@caedm.ca

## Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless your Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With the virgin mother Mary, we ask this through Christ your Son. Amen.



Happy Birthday (May 2) and Happy Ordination
Anniversary (May 3) to Fr. Marreddy
May God bless you always and keep you strong in your
commitment and in His service.





## YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

April 20/21, 2024: \$1,741.00

"O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his steadfast love endures for ever!" Psalm 118

Together We Serve – Annual Appeal 2024 Proposed Goal = \$5,250.00 Collected so far: \$ 2,276.00 (43% of Goal)

(the TWS envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)

Thank you for your generous donations

Together we Serve supports 10 different Catholic organizations and institutions. Please consider how God has blessed you and your family. In gratitude for God's abundance in your life consider reaching out to others through Together We Serve. Let us together, support our charitable partners through Together We Serve.

The 10 different Catholic organizations supported by TWS:

- Catholic Social Services
- Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith
- Evangelization of Nations
- Needs of the Canadian Church
- Needs of the Church in the Holy Land
- Newman Theological College
- Pope's Pastoral Works
- St. Joseph Priests' Foundation of Edmonton
- St. Joseph Seminary
- St. Joseph's College

So, if you want to donate to the above charities, use the Annual Appeal envelopes. **Please help us meet our goal.**For more information, please visit Together We Serve

**Weekly Collection** – All Cheques *must* be made out to Holy Cross Catholic Church if you want a tax receipt for your donations. If you do not use the numbered envelopes and would like to, please call 827-2422 and leave a message.

Please ensure your Name and P.O. Box Number is PRINTED on the first few contribution envelopes you use.

<u>Gentle Reminder</u> Let's remember that since those who clean the Church, hall and complex are volunteers, we should all do our part to ensure these areas are left as clean and tidy as possible before we leave the building.

## Knit n' Natter

Every Sunday, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the hall Please bring any crafts you are working on or just come for the chat and a cup of tea.



