# Holy Cross Catholic Church Grande Cache, Alberta

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"You can never truly enjoy Christmas until you can look up into the Father's face and tell Him you have received His Christmas gift."

—John R. Rice

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## Wishing you and your family a Blessed Christmas

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#### John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish, but have eternal life."

Christ came on earth to reveal an extraordinary message, a message of love, hope, joy and peace. Christ asks us to have love for one another, to be reconciled to one another and to accept one another. Jesus said: "I have come so that you may have life and have it more abundantly." Giving us life is the first purpose for which Jesus came into the world. The second purpose is that the life promised by Christ is a source of joy and hope. By His coming, the promise of our salvation has been achieved: we have been delivered from the slavery of

We are now children of God and we will therefore never wander in darkness but always in the source of Light: Jesus Christ Himself. Each of us has been entrusted with a special gift, a sacred responsibility: to show others how the mystery of God is among us. We are called to go out into the world and share the message of God's love for all humanity.

As we celebrate the Nativity of Jesus, we remain eternally grateful to God for all the blessings, especially for the gifts of life, family, faith community, friends and neighbors. I would like to thank each one of you for your commitment to our parish this past year. The giving of your time, talent and treasures to the Lord continues to reflect god's presence in our community.

My sincere thanks to all our Parish Pastoral Councils, Finance Councils, CWL, Knights of Columbus, Church Cleaning Teams, Sacristan, Choir, Maintenance Team, the Youth, Parents and the Faithful who helped me endlessly in my ministry this year, I would also like to extend my gratitude to all the volunteers who have worked so hard to make our Christmas celebrations truly wonderful. Additionally, a special thank you to our staff and devoted members of the various ministries in our parish and especially to those few who work quietly, behind the scenes to make our parish vibrant. I take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely as you have been such a blessing to our parish by being active and supporting us with your gifts of time, talents and timely financial help.

I am eager to see what God has in store for us in the New Year. Our lives and ministries will continue to transform in ways we could never imagine. I am grateful for all the ways you support HOLY CROSS and OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES PARISHES and pray that you will continue to do so with your prayers, presence, service, and gifts in 2024. *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!* 

May our Lord Jesus Christ, born in Bethlehem, bless you, your families and loved ones at this blessed time of hope and grace. May Mary, the Mother of the Child Jesus and our Mother, watch over you and our beloved Parish always.

With Prayers and Blessings

Fr. Anthony Narisetty SAC

Fr. Jimmy Puttananickal CFIC

#### **PARISH HAPPENINGS**

#### REGULAR CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST (Mass)

Holy Cross: Sat-7:00 pm, Sun-10:00 am. Susa Creek: Sun-12:00 noon

Weekdays: Thursday-6:30 pm, Friday-4:00 p.m. at Whispering Pines, 6:30 p.m. at Holy Cross

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm OR by appointment (Holy Cross)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - every first Friday of the month beginning at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. <u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u> – our parish women's group. For more information please contact President, Pat Mortensen KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - our parish men's group. Please contact Grand Knight, Jim Savory for more information.

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

You can also find more information on our Parish website www.holycrossgc.caedm.ca

### ADVENT, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S

#### HOLY CROSS and OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES

Thursday, December 21

Mass & Advent Reconciliation Service Holy Cross - 6:30 p.m.

Mass – 7:00 p.m. – Holy Cross

Christmas and New Year's are Holy days of obligation

Saturday, December 23 - 4th Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 24 - 4th Sunday of Advent

Mass - 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross

Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day Mass - 5:00 p.m. - Susa Creek; Mass - 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross; Mass - 7:00 p.m. - Holy Cross Mass - 11:15 a.m. - Whispering Pines

Saturday, December 30 - Holy Family Sunday, December 31 - Holy Family

Mass - 7:00 p.m. Mass – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Cross;

Mass - 12 Noon - Susa Creek

Members Margaret Atkinson Denise Hagg

Your Parish Pastoral Council **Pastor** 

Father Anthony Narisetty **Associate Pastor** 

Father Jimmy Puttananickal

Chair Person

Brian Klappstein

is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of

-Hamilton Wright Mabie

Jane LaBelle David MacPhee Pat Mortensen

Sunday, December 31 - New Year's Eve - Mary Mother of God Adoration 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Mass - 7:00 p.m. - Holy Cross Monday, January 1 - New Year's Day - Mary Mother of God Mass – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Cross; Mass – 12 Noon – Susa Creek

Saturday, January 6 - Epiphany of the Lord Sunday, January 7 - Epiphany of the Lord

Mass – 7:00 p.m. – Holy Cross Mass - 10:00 a.m. - Holy Cross Mass - 12 Noon - Susa Creek

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