

First SUNDAY IN LENT

Holy Cross Catholic Church Grande Cache, Alberta February 26, 2023

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OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES

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MASS TIMES

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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

World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 10 - 7:30 P.M.

at Holy Cross

Parish Pastoral Council

Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty

Associate Pastor

Father Rajesh Jesuraj

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 meeting Saturday, April 15, 2023 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



1st Sunday of Lent

Mass Readings

Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7; Psalm 51; Romans 5.12-19; Matthew 4.1-11

Tale of Two Adams

In today's Liturgy, the destiny of the human race is told as the tale of two "types" of men—the first man, Adam, and the new Adam, Jesus (see [1 Corinthians 15:21-22; 45-59](#)).

Paul's argument in the Epistle is built on a series of contrasts between "one" or "one person" and "the many" or "all." By one person's disobedience, sin and condemnation entered the world, and death came to reign over all. By the obedience of another one, grace abounded, all were justified, and life came to reign for all.

This is the drama that unfolds in today's First Reading and Gospel.

Formed from the clay of the ground and filled with the breath of God's own Spirit, Adam was a son of God (see [Luke 3:38](#)), created in His image (see [Genesis 5:1-3](#)). Crowned with glory, he was given dominion over the world and the protection of His angels (see [Psalms 8:6-8; 91:11-13](#)). He was made to worship God—to live not by bread alone but in obedience to every word that comes from the mouth of the Father.

Adam, however, put the Lord his God to the test. He gave in to the serpent's temptation, trying to seize for himself all that God had already promised him. But in His hour of temptation, Jesus prevailed where Adam failed—and drove the devil away.

Still, we sin after the pattern of Adam's transgression. Like Adam, we let sin in the door (see [Genesis 4:7](#)) when we entertain doubts about God's promises, when we forget to call on Him in our hours of temptation.

But the grace won for us by Christ's obedience means that sin is no longer our master.

As we begin this season of repentance, we can be confident in His compassion, that He will create in us a new heart (see [Romans 5:5; Hebrews 8:10](#)). As we do in today's Psalm, we can sing joyfully of our salvation, renewed in His presence.

—Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Fr. is available to hear confessions at that time.



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 CWL Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 4 at 11:00 a.m.



C.W.L. Collection for Refugees: A list of required items is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer to the Church. Items can be brought to the Church and left in the collection box available.

Mary's Meals - Sponsored by the CWL - Help to feed children less fortunate. Donation jar is located on the small table in front of the Reader's stand (Ambo).

Knights of Columbus

All young men (18 and up) from the Parish are welcome to become Knights. Regular meetings scheduled for the 2nd Thursday of each month. Contact Jim Savory – Grand Knight, or any member of the KofC. www.kofc.org



[KofC online video series – Into the Breach](#)

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.



Bottle Drive - The K of C 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

"Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention" training

A "Called to Protect" training session has been scheduled for TBA. The 2.5 hour training session is for all volunteers and employees 18 years and over. The virtual session will be by zoom.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Cross. Mass to follow immediately after Stations of the Cross.



Farewell Fr. Raj

We would like to wish Fr. Raj all the best as he moves to his new parish in Rocky Mountain House. Thank you for your service here. You will be a blessing to your new parish as you were to us. We will miss you. God bless you.

FAREWELL POTLUCK SUPPER for Fr. Rajesh

Sunday, February 26 at 5:00 p.m.
Parishioners of Our Lady of the Rockies please join us.

YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD



February 18/19, 2023
Collections: \$1,225.00

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

Together We Serve – Annual Appeal

2023 Goal: \$5000.00
Collected so far: \$ 930.00 (18% of Goal)
Thank you for your generous donations



(the blue envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)
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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



Donate now!

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 - caedm](http://TogetherWeServe-caedm).
Together We Serve video: <https://caedm.ca/TogetherWeServe>

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.

LENTEN MISSION

BE THE LIGHT (Matthew 5:14)

A four-day reflection on

"Searching for Light in a Dark Time"



Thursday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 31 at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 2 at 10:00 a.m.

At Holy Cross Catholic Church
With Fr. Leo English C.Ss.R.

A Redemptorist Priest from Grande Prairie AB.

The Lights will be on for you!

10-Day Biblical Journey at Holy Land and Jordan

Price: CAD \$ 5,075.00 per pilgrim on double occupancy

Early Bird discount of \$150.00 for deposits received by Feb. 21, 2023

Visit Israel and walk the tracks of Jesus' life as recorded in the Holy Bible (Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, and more). Plus added tour to the Kingdom of Jordan (Amman, Madaba, Mt. Nebo – alleged burial place of Moses, and ancient Petra – a UNESCO designated World Heritage Site).



Fr. Francis Mariappa
Fr. Anthony Narisetty
Spiritual Directors

Please see information at the back of the church.

WELCOME TO FR. JINU - Sunday, March 19
following Sunday morning Mass at Holy Cross.

Please come to meet Fr. Jinu and enjoy
muffins, fruit, tea or coffee.

