

Holy Cross Catholic Church

Grande Cache, Alberta

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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
 TBA

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings
 Jonah 3.1-5, 10; Psalm 25; 1 Corinthians 7.29-31; Mark 1. 14-20

Following Him

The calling of the brothers in today's Gospel evokes Elisha's commissioning by the prophet Elijah (see 1 Kings 19:19-21). As Elijah comes upon Elisha working on his family's farm, so Jesus sees the brothers working by the seaside. And as Elisha left his mother and father to follow Elijah, so the brothers leave their father to come after Jesus.

Jesus' promise—to make them "fishers of men"—evokes Israel's deepest hopes. The prophet Jeremiah announced a new exodus in which God would send "many fishermen" to restore the Israelites from exile, as once He brought them out of slavery in Egypt (see Jeremiah 16:14-16).



By Jesus' Cross and Resurrection, this new exodus has begun (see Luke 9:31). And the apostles are the first of a new people of God, the Church—a new family, based not on blood ties, but on belief in Jesus and a desire to do the Father's will (see John 1:12-13; Matthew 12:46-50).

From now on, even our most important worldly concerns—family relations, occupations, and possessions—must be judged in light of the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle.

The first word of Jesus' Gospel—repent—means we must totally change our way of thinking and living, turning from evil, doing all for the love of God.

And we should be consoled by Nineveh's repentance in today's First Reading. Even the wicked Nineveh could repent at Jonah's preaching. And in Jesus we have "something greater than Jonah" (Matthew 12:41). We have God come as our savior, to show sinners the way, as we sing in today's Psalm. This should give us hope—that loved ones who remain far from God will find compassion if they turn to Him.

But we, too, must continue along the path of repentance—striving daily to pattern our lives after His.

—Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

Parish Pastoral Council
Pastor
 Father Anthony Narisetty
Associate Pastor
 Father Jimmy Puttananickal

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 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, March 9 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

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 meeting February 10 at 11 a.m.



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).

Your CWL invites you to discover the 52 "Share the Word" words, found on the CWL bulletin board in the hall. Also, check out the foyer bulletin board for up-coming CWL events.

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. 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

Gentle Reminder 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.



All Ladies of The Parish Are Invited

to our first Winter Social to raise donations of baby items or funds for the Hinton Pregnancy Centre. The Social will be held at Holy Cross on Thursday, January 25 from 5:30 - 9:00 p.m.



This will be a Potluck event, so please bring your favourite dish. RSVP to Mary at (780)827-3255 by January 23.

Please come if you would like to learn more about the Catholic Women's League.

We look forward to seeing you then!

YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD



January 13/14, 2024: \$2,680.00

"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: \$4920.00 (98% of Goal)

Thank you for your generous donations

2024 Goal: \$5000.00

Collected so far: \$520.00 (10% of Goal)

(the TWS envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)

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](#)

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.

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.

*Please pray for Father Anthony, for safe travels and good health, while he is away
January 8 to February 11.*

