

Fourth  
SUNDAY  
IN  
LENT

Holy Cross Catholic Church  
Grande Cache, Alberta  
March 19, 2023

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**OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES**

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**GRANDE CACHE INSTITUTION**

Grande Cache, AB

**MASS TIMES**

[holycrossgc.caedm.ca](http://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](http://holycrossgc.caedm.ca)

**Archdiocese of Edmonton**

**Website:** [www.caedm.ca](http://www.caedm.ca)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Every Friday during Lent  
at 6:30 p.m. at Holy  
Cross. Mass will follow  
Stations of the Cross.

**Parish Pastoral Council  
Pastor**

Father Anthony Narisetty

**Associate Pastor**

Father Jinu Rajan

**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



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Mass Readings**

1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5.8-14; John 9.1-41

**Eyesight to the Blind**

God's ways of seeing are not our ways, we hear in today's First Reading. Jesus illustrates this in the Gospel as the blind man comes to see and the Pharisees are made blind.

The blind man stands for all humanity. "Born totally in sin," he is made a new creation by the saving power of Christ.

As God fashioned the first man from the clay of the earth (see [Genesis 2:7](#)), Jesus gives the blind man new life by anointing his eyes with clay (see [John 9:11](#)). As God breathed the spirit of life into the first man, the blind man is not healed until he washes in the waters of Siloam, a name that means "Sent."

Jesus is the One "sent" by the Father to do the Father's will (see [John 9:4](#); [12:44](#)). He is the new source of life-giving water: the Holy Spirit who rushes upon us in Baptism (see [John 4:10](#); [7:38-39](#)).

This is the Spirit that rushes upon God's chosen king David in today's First Reading. A shepherd like Moses before him (see [Exodus 3:1](#); [Psalm 78:70-71](#)), David is also a sign pointing to the good shepherd and king to come—Jesus (see [John 10:11](#)).

The Lord is our shepherd, as we sing in today's Psalm. By His death and Resurrection He has made a path for us through the dark valley of sin and death, leading us to the verdant pastures of the kingdom of life, the Church.

In the restful waters of Baptism He has refreshed our souls. He has anointed our heads with the oil of Confirmation and spread the Eucharistic table before us, filling our cups to overflowing. With the once-blind man we enter His house to give God the praise, to renew our vow: "I do believe, Lord."

"The Lord looks into the heart," we hear today. Let Him find us, as Paul advises in today's Epistle, living as "children of light," trying always to learn what is pleasing to our Father.

—Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.



SO THAT  
THOSE  
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MAY SEE

JOHN 9:39

## 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 TBA.



**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).

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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Contact Jim Savory – Grand Knight, or any member of the KofC. [www.kofc.org](http://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](mailto:HolyCross.GrCache@caedm.ca)

## "Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention" training

**Called To Protect Training**, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on TBA. The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. The virtual session will be by zoom. Please register using the link: <https://forms.gle/YttiUzbnW98tcvsy8>

## Lent Reconciliation Service

Prepare for the Easter Season by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent!



Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>  
After 6:30 pm Mass

## YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

March 11/12, 2023

Collections: \$1,859.00



*"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: \$1,335.00 (27% 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.**

**Parish Lenten Project** – Collection boxes are in the foyer for donations of non-perishable food items to be donated to our local Food Bank. All donations are greatly appreciated.



## 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.

