

Holy Cross Catholic Church **Grande Cache, Alberta** March 24, 2024

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Email – HolyCross.GrCache@caedm.ca **OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES** 

Susa Creek, AB **GRANDE CACHE INSTITUTION** Grande Cache, AB

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



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



## 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)

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#### **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

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Mass Readings

Palm Procession: Mark 11.1-10; Isaiah 50.4-7; Psalm 22; Philippians 2.6-11; Mark 14.1–15.47

## Darkness at Noon

Crowned with thorns, our Lord is lifted up on the Cross, where He dies as "King of the Jews." Notice how many times He is called "king" in today's Gospel—mostly in scorn and mockery.

As we hear the long accounts of His Passion, at every turn we must remind ourselves—He suffered this cruel and unusual violence for us.

He is the Suffering Servant foretold by Isaiah in today's First Reading. He reenacts the agony described in today's Psalm, and even dies with the first words of that Psalm on His lips (see Psalm 22:1).

Listen carefully for the echoes of this Psalm throughout today's Gospel—as Jesus is beaten, His hands and feet are pierced; as His enemies gamble for His clothes, wagging their heads, mocking His faith in God's love, His faith that God will deliver Him.

Are we that much different from our Lord's tormenters? Often, don't we deny that He is King, refusing to obey His only commands that we love Him and one another? Don't we render Him mock tribute, pay Him lip service with our half-hearted devotions?

In the dark noon of Calvary, the veil in Jerusalem's temple was torn. It was a sign that by His death Jesus destroyed forever the barrier separating us from the presence of God.

He was God and yet humbled Himself to come among us, we're reminded in today's Epistle. And despite our repeated failures, our frailty, Jesus still humbles Himself to come to us, offering us His body and blood in the Eucharist.

His enemies never understood: His kingship isn't of this world (see John 18:36). He wants to write His law, His rule of life on our hearts and minds.

As we enter Holy Week, let us once more resolve to give Him dominion in our lives. Let us take up the cross He gives to us—and confess with all our hearts, minds, and strength that truly this is the Son of God.

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



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Beginning Friday, April 5, 2024, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be the first Friday of each month from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. with Mass to follow.



### YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

March 16/17, 2024: \$1690.00

#### **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

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. 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 <u>HolyCross.GrCache@caedm.ca</u>



**Stations of the Cross** 

every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. Mass immediately following Stations.

# Holy Cross, Our Lady of the Rockies Easter Triduum March 28, 29, 30, 31, 2024

- March 28: 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Cross) 8:30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 10:00 p.m. (Holy Cross)
- March 29: 10:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross (Holy Cross) 3:00 p.m. Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Passion Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion (Holy Cross)
- March 30: 4:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food (Holy Cross) 8:00 p.m. ∑aster \/igil – Resurrection of the Lord. (Holy Cross)
- March 31: 10:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord (Holy Cross) 12:00 noon Easter Sunday - Resurrection of the Lord (Our Lady of the Rockies)

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"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: \$1,420.00 (27% 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 <u>Together We Serve</u>

**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.



#### DIVINE MERCY:

On Tuesday afternoons, all those interested are invited to join us in the hall at 1:30 p.m. when we will be watching DVDs on Divine Mercy. We expect it will be 1.5 hours in length and discussion is welcomed if you so choose.





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