

Fifth SUNDAY IN LENT

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

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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

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



5th Sunday of Lent

Mass Readings

Ezekiel 37.12-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8.8-11; John 11.1-45

At Lazarus' Tomb

As we draw near to the end of Lent, today's Gospel clearly has Jesus' passion and death in view.

That's why John gives us the detail about Lazarus' sister, Mary—that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial (see [John 12:3, 7](#)). His disciples warn against returning to Judea; Thomas even predicts they will “die with Him” if they go back.

When Lazarus is raised, John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus' burial cloths and head covering — all details he later notices with Jesus' empty tomb (see [John 20:1, 6, 7](#)).

Like the blind man in last week's readings, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for “dead men”—for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death.

John even recalls the blind man in his account today (see [John 11:37](#)). Like the man's birth in blindness, Lazarus' death is used by Jesus to reveal “the glory of God” (see [John 9:3](#)). And again like last week, Jesus' words and deeds give sight to those who believe (see [John 11:40](#)).

If we believe, we will see—that Jesus loves each of us as He loved Lazarus, that He calls us out of death and into new life.

By His Resurrection Jesus has fulfilled Ezekiel's promise in today's First Reading. He has opened the graves that we may rise, put His Spirit in us that we may live. This is the Spirit that Paul writes of in today's Epistle. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will give life to we who were once dead in sin.

Faith is the key. If we believe as Martha does in today's Gospel—that Jesus is the resurrection and the life—even if we die, we will live.

“I have promised and I will do it,” the Father assures us in the First Reading. We must trust in His word, as we sing in today's Psalm—that with Him is forgiveness and salvation.

—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 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 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

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.

Lent Reconciliation Service

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



Friday, March 31st
After 6:30 pm Mass

YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD



March 18/19, 2023

Collections: \$2,091.00

"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: \$1,355.00 (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). Please see information at the back of the church.



Fr. Francis Mariappa
Fr. Anthony Narisetty
Spiritual Directors

Holy Cross, Our Lady of the Rockies



Grande Cache



Easter Triduum

April 6, 7, 8, 9, 2023

- April 6:** **7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord’s Supper (Holy Cross)**
 8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, (Holy Cross)
- April 7:** **2:30 p.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)
- April 8:** **4:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food (Holy Cross)**
 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil – Resurrection of the Lord. (Holy Cross)
- April 9:** **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)