



# Holy Cross Catholic Church

## Grande Cache, Alberta

### May 21, 2023

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**OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES**  
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**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)  
**Mass Intentions**  
TBA

#### 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, June 24 at 1:00 p.m. Meetings should take no longer than 1-1 1/2 hours.

#### Knights of Columbus

Jim Savory, Grand Knight



#### Catholic Women's League

Pat Mortensen, President



## The Ascension of the Lord

**Mass Readings**  
Acts 1.1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1.17-23; Matthew 28.16-20

### The Good News

In today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and He has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14-15](#)).

Indeed, His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the First Reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). The Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through Baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)). Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with Him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.

—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 meeting June 3.



**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)

Come to be **REIGNITED**, the flame within **REKINDLED**, and to be **RENEWED** through the Holy Spirit! Join the Catholic Renewal Services for our **Pentecost Vigil on Sat May 27, 2023 at St. Thomas More Church located at 210 Haddow Close NW, Edmonton, start time 7:00 pm.** Fathers Matthew Hysell and Mark McGee will be the celebrants. Let us celebrate together the birthday of our Church.



## YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

May 13/14, 2023

Collections: \$1,829.00

*"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: \$2,221.00 (44% 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.com)

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.**

## 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.

## Our Lady of Victory Camp

If you have a child in grade 4-12, we have a place for them at Our Lady of Victory Camp this summer! Consider sending them to camp where they can swim in our lake, gather around the campfire, play epic games, and grow in their faith during one our four weeks of camp this summer. If you don't have a camp-aged child, you can still get involved in the preparations for our camp reopening this summer. Please pray for us! We also always need workers on the ground to help prepare the site of the summer and would welcome any financial support you might give. We look forward to gathering with families and camp supporters on Saturday, July 8th for Mass with the Archbishop and a BBQ. If you have any questions, please contact us at 587-447-2837 or visit [www.olvcamp.com](http://www.olvcamp.com).

