

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


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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

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, December 2 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


33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings
Proverbs 31.10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28- 31; Psalm 128; 1 Thessalonians 5.1- 6; Matthew 25.14-30

Settling Accounts

According to marriage customs of Jesus' day, a bride was first "betrothed" to her husband but continued for a time to live with her family. Then, at the appointed hour some months later, the groom would come to claim her, leading her family and bridal party to the wedding feast that would celebrate and inaugurate their new life together.

This is the background to the parable of the last judgment we hear in today's Gospel.

In the parable's symbolism, Jesus is the Bridegroom (see [Mark 2:19](#)). In this, He fulfills God's ancient promise to join Himself forever to His chosen people as a husband cleaves to his bride (see [Hosea 2:16-20](#)). The virgins of the bridal party represent us, the members of the Church.

We were "betrothed" to Jesus in Baptism (see [2 Corinthians 11:2](#); [Ephesians 5:25-27](#)) and are called to lives of holiness and devotion until He comes again to lead us to the heavenly wedding feast at the end of time (see [Revelation 19:7-9](#); [21:1-4](#)).

As St. Paul warns in today's Epistle, Jesus is coming again, though we know not the day nor the hour.

We need to keep vigil throughout the dark night of this time in which our Bridegroom seems long delayed. We need to keep our souls' lamps filled with the oil of perseverance and desire for God—virtues that are extolled in today's First Reading and Psalm.

We are to seek Him in love, meditating upon His kindness, calling upon His name, striving to be ever more worthy of Him, to be found without spot or blemish when He comes.

If we do this, we will be counted as wise and the oil for our lamps will not run dry (see [1 Kings 17:16](#)). We will perceive the Bridegroom, the Wisdom of God (see [Proverbs 8:12-21](#), [35](#); [9:1-6](#)), hastening toward us, beckoning us to the table He has prepared, the rich banquet which will satisfy our souls.



—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.

Eucharistic



Adoration

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



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 November 16. Contact Jim Savory – Grand Knight, or any member of the KofC. www.kofc.org



[KofC online video series – Into the Breach](#)

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

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.



Parish Food Bank Drive

Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted at Holy Cross until mid-December. This is a parish-wide project. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Winter Coats for the Homeless

For Grande Cache and Area Residents. Initiated by Grande Cache Institution. Coats of all sizes are welcome and needed. Drop off your coats at the Church. They will be collected from Holy Cross on November 18.



Warm a Heart with a Winter Coat

YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

Nov 11/12, 2023

Collections: \$1,588.00



"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: \$4,910 (98% of Goal)

Thank you for your generous donations

HELP ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SERVE THE POOR IN OUR COMMUNITY

Your ONE Gift to Together We Serve helps the Society of St. Vincent de Paul **provide leadership and support to 19 local conferences**, serving over 7,000 people in need in our communities.



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Saint Vincent de Paul

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR, NOVEMBER 19

SCAN HERE TO DONATE
or speak with someone at the parish office.



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.

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on **Monday November 20, 2023, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm**. The two and half session is mandatory for all Clergy, Employees and Volunteers of the Archdiocese who have not yet participated in this training. This will be a **zoom session open** for all.

Please register: <https://forms.gle/4rgMyYPEzL5mRNZ99>