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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, October 14, 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



Holy Cross Catholic Church Grande Cache, Alberta October 8, 2023

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: <u>www.caedm.ca</u>

> Mass Intentions TBA

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings Isaiah 5.1-7; Psalm 80; Philippians 4.6-9; Matthew 21.33-43

Living on the Vine

In today's Gospel Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God. And the symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood.

God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine, Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially spaded and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading.



Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's

words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls.

In a dark foreshadowing of His own crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls.

For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants—the leaders of the Church, who will produce its fruit.

We are each a vine in the Lord's vineyard, grafted onto the true vine of Christ (see <u>John 15:1–8</u>), called to bear fruits of the righteousness in Him (see <u>Philippians 1:11</u>) and to be the "first fruits" of a new creation (see <u>James 1:18</u>).

We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briars of worldly anxiety. As today's Epistle advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near.

-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 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. 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

<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.

CATECHISM:

Any parents with children in Grades 1 - 6 who would like to register for Catechism Classes may call the Parish Office at 780-827-2422 to leave a message for Margaret. Please remember to leave your name and phone number. Margaret will contact you as soon as possible with details. Older students are welcome to register as well.



YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

Sept 30/Oct 1, 2023 Collections: \$2,171.00

"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: \$4,215.00 (84% of Goal)



THE POWER OF ONE

Through your ONE Gift to Together We Serve you join 12 Catholic organizations in carrying out the mission of the ONE Church established by Jesus Christ.

With just three months to go in the annual campaign, the push is on to reach our \$1.6 million goal!

SCAN HERE TO DONATE or speak with someone at your parish office



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.

Mass Intentions in the Holy Land

Fr. Anthony will be going to the Holy Land November 6 - 15. If anyone would like to offer a Mass Intention in the Holy Land, please speak with Fr. Anthony personally or contact Holy Cross Parish Office at (780)827-2422 to leave a message. A free will offering is appreciated.

Thanksgiving: On this Thanksgiving weekend as we share with family and friends, let us take a few moments to remember the hungry, the sick, the friendless, the homeless and the enslaved, and then to thank the Lord for all we have and enjoy. God bless us and protect us all on this Thanksgiving Day and always.

