

Holy Cross Catholic Church Grande Cache, Alberta September 24, 2023

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OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES
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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
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 Father Anthony Narisetty
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 Brian Klappstein
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 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



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings
 Isaiah 55.6-9; Psalm 145; Philippians 1.20-24, 27; Matthew 20.1-16

First and Last

The house of Israel is the vine of God, who planted and watered it, preparing the Israelites to bear fruits of righteousness (see [Isaiah 5:7; 27:2-5](#)).

Israel failed to yield good fruits, and the Lord allowed His vineyard, Israel's kingdom, to be overrun by conquerors (see [Psalm 80:9-20](#)). But God promised that one day He would replant His vineyard and its shoots would blossom to the ends of the earth (see [Amos 9:15; Hosea 14:5-10](#)).

This is the biblical backdrop to Jesus' parable of salvation history in today's Gospel. The landowner is God. The vineyard is the kingdom. The workers hired at dawn are the Israelites, to whom He first offered His covenant. Those hired later in the day are the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, who, until the coming of Christ, were strangers to the covenants of promise (see [Ephesians 2:11-13](#)). In the Lord's great generosity, the same wages, the same blessings promised to the first-called, the Israelites, will be paid to those called last, the rest of the nations.

This provokes grumbling in today's parable. Doesn't the complaint of those first laborers sound like that of the older brother in Jesus' prodigal son parable (see [Luke 15:29-30](#))? God's ways, however, are far from our ways, as we hear in today's First Reading. And today's readings should caution us against the temptation to resent God's lavish mercy.

Like the Gentiles, many will be allowed to enter the kingdom late—after having spent most of their days idling in sin.

But even these can call upon Him and find Him near, as we sing in today's Psalm. We should rejoice that God has compassion on all whom He has created. This should console us, too, especially if we have loved ones who remain far from the vineyard.

Our task is to continue laboring in His vineyard. As Paul says in today's Epistle, let us conduct ourselves worthily, struggling to bring all men and women to the praise of His name.



—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

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.

Parish Picnic

Sunday, October 1st at Holy Cross Parish immediately following 10:00 A.M. Mass. There will be no Mass at Our Lady of the Rockies that Sunday. It is a time for OLR and Holy Cross parishioners to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and enjoy a Barbecue Lunch afterward. As always, parishioners are asked to bring salads and desserts. Hamburgers and hotdogs supplied by the Parish.



YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

September 16/17, 2023

Collections: \$2,547.00

"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: \$3,966.00 (79% of Goal)



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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.

2023 Women of Dignity Conference - October 20-21

Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove, AB

'Carry on Bravely'

Ladies this is your opportunity to come together with other like-minded women as you journey through life whether single, married, mother, from teen to granny we are inviting you to join us for a weekend of discernment and an opportunity to find meaning and purpose in life's challenges. Invite family and friends to make this a special faith-building journey and experience! Check out the website for conference information.

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www.catholicfamilyministries.com

