

Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish

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Weekday Eucharistic Liturgies: Thur. and Fri. 9:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Tues. to Thur. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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4th Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

The Good Shepherd

The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, as every year we hear a reading from the Gospel of John about the Good Shepherd.

In this week's Gospel, we hear the difference between the Good Shepherd and the hired hand. While the hired hand will run away when there is danger to the sheep, the Good Shepherd will lay down his own life to protect the sheep.

The hired hand does not care for the flock. It is simply a job, and there is no personal relationship between the hired hand and the sheep.

In contrast, the Good Shepherd cares deeply for the well being of his flock and there is an intimate relationship between the two: *"I know my own and my own know me"* (John 10.14).

We are not anonymous to Jesus. We are individually known and loved. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus guides each of us where we need to go. He pulls back the stray and seeks out the lost.

The 50-day season of Easter, which runs from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday, is a season of joy and thanksgiving as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus conquered sin and death. He truly is our Good Shepherd, who freely and lovingly gave up his own life for the life of his flock.



First Communion Congratulations

Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion for the first time this past weekend! God's Blessings to Selenna, Ryan, Nevan, Emma, Sophia, Carleigh, Jaden, Julia, Jackson, Milla, Sadie and Tobin.

Thank you to Father Chukwudi for celebrating Mass with us during this unique time. A heart-filled appreciation to Marilyn (Tobin's grandmother) and Bev who provided the music for us and Marge (Ryan's grandmother) and Doug who proclaimed the Word of the Lord.

Much appreciation goes out to all the parents for their commitment in preparing the children and showing them God's love. Thank you to the parishioners for their prayers and the small sacrifice for giving up their seat and allowing the families to witness this special moment in the children's lives.

Thank you to Sister Maria for doing all the behind the scenes preparation and to Kate Klassen for preparing the children and parents.

Condolences

It is with saddened hearts that we announce the death of Emil Mathae, one of our parishioners who died on April 17th, 2021. In faith and love we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his son Derrick, and to the family; and we join with them in prayer during this difficult time of loss.

To God, the dead do not die, and in death our life is changed, not ended. One day we shall all be joyfully re-united, when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself. Then, *"God will wipe away every tear from our eyes. Death will be no more; and mourning and crying and pain will be no more."* (Rev. 21)

Stewardship April 25, 2021

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."

John 10:14-16

When we pray, do we only ask Jesus for the things that we want? Do we ever ask Him what He wants from us? How do we listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

Generation Life: First Virtual Gathering April 30, 2021

Young people dedicated to speaking for life! Our goal is to transform our culture into a culture that values life.

Do you know a young person passionate about human rights? Are you a young person who wants to make a difference? Join us as we talk about the realities of abortion and medically-assisted death, and how it relates to mental health, race, gender and class.

Sign up to be part of Generation Life! Join our first virtual gathering, Friday, April 30 at 7 PM via Zoom.

To register and to learn more about Generation Life and Life's Vision Manitoba please visit:
<https://www.lifesvision.ca/generationlife>

Challenge & Conquest Catholic Youth Ministry Virtual Open House May 5 & June 3, 2021

Challenge Girls Club and Conquest Boys Club are youth ministry programs, that have proven to be successful in forming young people to grow deeper in their faith. In Winnipeg, we work with youth from 8 years of age to High School students. These programs provide an opportunity for girls and boys to grow in their knowledge and love for their Catholic faith.

The virtual open house is a great opportunity to learn about Challenge and Conquest, what makes the programs unique, and why our mission to form Christian leaders is so important. The Virtual Open House will be about 30 minutes long including an opportunity to ask questions.

Virtual Open House dates please attend just one:
Wednesday, May 5 at 7 PM CST and Thursday, June 3 at 9 AM CST.

Zoom link for all events is:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84513154112?pwd=dWF5SHBjZUFSN0ozWlIFZG5rTG1Odz09#success>

For more information:

- Visit our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ConquestChallenge>

- Contact Christina Jacobeen at: Cjacobeen@rcfed.org

- Visit <https://www.archsaintboniface.ca/media/Famille-et-Vie-Family-and-Life-Service/ChallengeConquest/Challenge-Conquest-Write-up.pdf>

COVID-19 Restrictions Update Effective April 20, 2021

New Code Red Alert restrictions for all of Manitoba came into effect on April 20, and will be applicable until at least May 12.

With these new restrictions, regular religious services are limited to 25% capacity or **50** people, whichever is lower, with physical distancing measures in place and mask requirements.

For Holy Redeemer parish, this means that we can have a maximum of **50** people attending each Mass, including priest, etc.

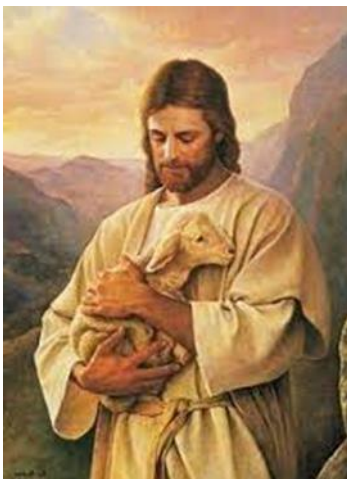
Weddings, baptisms, and funerals are reduced to **10** people in addition to an officiant and photographer.

If you would like to attend a weekend Mass, please contact the office no later than noon on Friday to add your name to the list of participants. If you have signed up but are unable to attend please contact the office before noon Friday.

Thank you for your continued patience and care for one another. Stay safe.



**Please pray for the sick,
their families and their caregivers**



How to Donate to your Parish

1. Parishioners may drop off their donations during Mass.
2. We strongly encourage signing up for direct deposit, especially during this time of pandemic. To sign up for direct deposit please contact the office at 204-669-0501 or finance@hrwpg.ca.
3. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
4. Donations may be sent in by mail.
5. Donations may be dropped off in the mailbox Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We recommend that donations not be dropped off in the mailbox evenings and weekends for security reasons.
6. Parishioners may donate through the Archdiocesan website using your credit card (not the preferred method as there is a 3% fee that our parish incurs).

Thank you for your continued generosity during this challenging time of pandemic.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Available after the Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. Mass. Also available by appointment; please call the office.

Baptism: Please email Sister Maria or call the office.

Marriage: Please call the office one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Available by appointment. Please call the office.





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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For April 2021

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for
fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian
regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Liturgy Schedule, Saints' Days and Intentions

Saturday, April 24 to Sunday, May 2, 2021

Sat. April 24 at 5 pm	Thanksgiving for a favour received (Cruz family)
Sun. April 25 at 9 am	†Jacinta Pereira (Alda Reis)
Sun. April 25 at 10:30 am	Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Tues. April 27	No Liturgy
Wed. April 28	No Liturgy
Thur. April 29 at 9 am	All of the souls in Purgatory, especially the deceased members of F.O.S.S. (Donor) Saint Catherine of Siena
Fri. April 30 at 9 am	Saint Marie of the Incarnation
Sat. May 1 at 5 pm	Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. May 2 at 9 am	†Dorothy Graham (Allan Garvey)
Sun. May 2 at 10:30 am	†Laurinda Pereira (Alda Reis)

Mass Information During Time of Pandemic PLEASE

Due to the most recent restrictions due to Code Red:

1. Only **50** people are allowed at each Mass. The doors of the church will be locked at the beginning of Mass.
2. Two-meter physical distancing is **obligatory** in the church, gathering space and parking lot.
3. When being seated kindly sit **singly** at the pre-measured number signs. If you notice 2 numbered signs together, please leave it for couples.
4. Masks are obligatory (if you cannot wear a mask for medical reasons please see Sister Maria).
5. Please arrive at least 5 – 10 minutes before Mass. This is to ensure that the Greeter can check you in by the time Mass begins. Doors will be locked once Mass begins.
6. If you would like to attend a weekend Mass, please contact the office no later than noon on Friday to add your name to the list of participants. If you have signed up but are unable to attend please contact the office before noon Friday.
7. There is no need to sign up beforehand for the weekday Masses; however, participants will have to sign their name to a list upon arrival.
8. For the purpose of contact tracing, if ever needed, please add your **phone number** next to your name.

Thank you for your patience and care for one another.