

Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish

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Sunday Eucharistic Liturgies: Sat. 5:00 p.m., Sun. 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharistic Liturgies: Tuesday to Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Summer Office Hours (July & August): Tuesday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8, 2021

I Am The Bread of Life

From July 25 until August 22, four of the five Sunday Gospel readings are from the bread of life discourse from John chapter 6. In this discourse, Jesus makes the claim that his body and blood are true food and drink.

After hearing this, many disciples stated this was a difficult teaching and had trouble accepting it. They eventually turned away from Jesus.

When the disciples left, Jesus did not stop them; instead, he turned to the twelve Apostles and asked if they would also wish to go away. Peter answered, *“Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”*

How can bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus? With God, anything is possible. The Eucharist is a mystery, a reality that we accept in faith because we cannot possibly comprehend it just by reason.

When we partake in the Eucharist, Jesus feeds and nourishes us with divine life. We enter into communion with him and with one another. In communion, our Lord gives himself to us

Jesus desires to nourish, accompany and live with his followers forever. He comes to us, shows us the reality of heaven, offers us his body and blood, and promises us eternal life with him.

In our journey as Christians, we may not always fully understand and will come across teachings that are difficult, but like Peter, we are called to have faith and trust in Jesus that he indeed has the words of eternal life.



Update on Father Anthony Austin's Arrival

Very recently, I was advised by Archbishop LeGatt that Father Anthony Austin, our parish's promised next-pastor, (as well as any other international priest coming to Canada to work in the St. Boniface Diocese) is detained abroad by unexpected immigration processes and delays that have been complicated by the COVID pandemic restrictions.

The earliest we can expect Father Anthony Austin is the beginning of October. The worst-case scenario is that the delay will be until Christmas or shortly after.

Please pray for Fr. Anthony Austin's well-being and for a speedy immigration process so that he can arrive safely to his new home with us.

Archbishop LeGatt has asked me to stay until the arrival of Father Anthony Austin. We are very grateful to Father Michael who will remain as long as possible.

- Sister Maria

Condolences

On behalf of our Holy Redeemer Parish community, in faith and love, we extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayers during this difficult time of loss to the family of Hans Schmid who went home to God on July 26th, 2021 at the age of 86.

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)

Confident in her motherly love for us all, we entrust to her the soul of our departed Hans so that she may present him to God and comfort his family. May Mary pray for us so that we may know that God's love is stronger than death and that one day we shall all be together in God's heavenly kingdom.

Marriage Tips

(A tip especially for newlyweds)

The early years are usually full of adjustments and new traditions. Are there any customs from your families of origin (such as how you celebrate holidays or how you vacation) that you need to discuss, and find compromises?

Government of Manitoba New Pandemic Directives

Due to the ongoing presence of COVID-19 in Manitoba and elsewhere, and the extra risk posed by the more contagious delta variant, provincial public health officials **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** the following:

1. **Wearing masks** in indoor public spaces **for everyone who is not fully** immunized including children under 12;

2. **Maintaining physical distancing** of two metres for everyone not living in the same household.

Indoor religious gatherings can have 150 participants or 50 percent capacity, whichever is greater. For Holy Redeemer this means we can have 175 people. Funerals, weddings and baptisms have a limit of 50 people.

The new public health orders will go into effect at 12:01 a.m., Saturday, August 7th. The orders will expire at 12:01 a.m. on Tuesday, September 7th, and will be reassessed at that time in the context of vaccination rates and the province's overall COVID-19 situation

If you would like to attend a weekend Mass, please call or email the office the week prior to book a space. We still need to have a list of names and numbers of all those attending for the purpose of contact tracing.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.
Let us continue to pray for one another...and to stay safe.

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"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!"

1 KINGS 19:7

God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need His help.

Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

Bishop LeGatt Video Messages July, August and early September

Since the July 6 edition of the Weekly News Bulletin, Archbishop LeGatt has produced several new videos about the ongoing question of Truth and Reconciliation, and the tragic legacy of Residential Schools.

We invite you to view them, as well as those, which will be produced during August and early September, by going to the diocesan website at <https://www.archsaintboniface.ca/>. The videos, which include several homilies, are in chronological order.

Summer is a great time to watch these, pray and reflect on Indigenous and NonIndigenous relations, and learn more about the history of Residential Schools. Visit the web page weekly for new reflections! Or visit the diocesan Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/ArchSaintBoniface/>



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

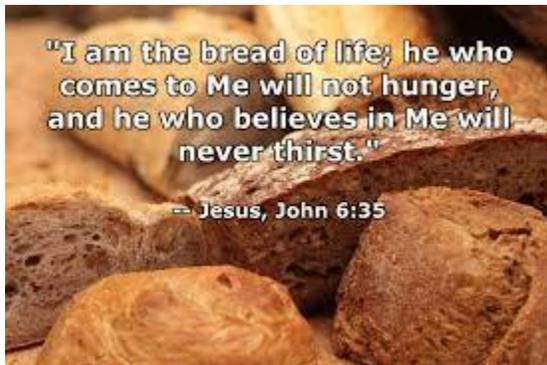
Sacraments

Reconciliation: 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.



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.
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. 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.

