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Sunday Eucharistic Liturgies: Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.

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

Adoration: Wednesday after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Office Hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,

Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Closed on Monday

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February 18th, 2024

First Sunday of Lent

"Last Wednesday, with the penitential rite of the ashes, we began our Lenten journey. Today, the first Sunday of this liturgical season, the Word of God shows us the path to living fruitfully the forty days that lead to the annual celebration of Easter. It is the way Jesus trod, which the Gospel, with Mark's essential style, summarises by saying that before He began His preaching, He withdrew into the desert for forty days, where He was tempted by Satan (see 1:12-15).

The desert is the place where God speaks to the heart of the human person, and where prayer is the answer, that is, the desert of solitude, the heart detached from other things, and which only in that solitude opens itself to the Word of God. But it is also the place of trial and temptation, where the Tempter, taking advantage of human frailty and needs, insinuates his lying voice, as an alternative to God's, an alternative voice that makes you see another road, another road of deception. The Tempter seduces. Indeed, during the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert, the "duel" between Jesus and the devil begins, which will end with the Passion and the Cross. Christ's entire ministry is a struggle against the Evil One in its many manifestations: healing from illnesses, exorcising the possessed, forgiving sins. It is a struggle.

Every year, at the beginning of Lent, this Gospel of the temptations of Jesus in the desert reminds us that the life of the Christian, in the footsteps of the Lord, is a battle against the spirit of evil. It shows us that Jesus willingly faced the Tempter, and defeated him; and at the same time, it reminds us that the devil is granted the possibility of acting on us too, with his temptations. The grace of God assures us, with faith, prayer, and penance, of our victory over the enemy. But I would like to underline one thing: in the temptations, Jesus never enters into dialogue with the devil, never. In his life Jesus never had a dialogue with the devil, never. Keep this in your head and in your heart: you can never enter into dialogue with the devil, no dialogue is possible. Only the Word of God.

During the Season of Lent, the Holy Spirit drives us too, like Jesus, into the desert. Do not be afraid of the desert, seek out more moments of prayer, of silence, to enter into ourselves. We are called to walk in God's footsteps, renewing our Baptismal promises: renouncing Satan, and all his works and all his seductions. But never dialogue with him. Let us entrust ourselves to the maternal intercession of the Virgin Mary."

Pope Francis Angelus February 21, 2021

Condolences

In faith and love, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of long-time parishioner, Jeanne Witwicki, who passed away on February 12, 2024 at the age of 90. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, February 24 at 1:00 p.m. at the Riverwood Church, 270 Gordon Avenue, Winnipeg.

We also extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Wladyslawa "Wanda" Torun, who passed away on February 15, 2024 at the age of 95. Funeral Mass will take place at Holy Redeemer Parish on Friday, February 23 at 11:00 a.m. with viewing at 10:30 a.m.

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)

Confident in Mary, Mother of us all, we entrust to her the soul of our departed sisters so that she may present them to Jesus. Eternal rest grant unto Jeanne and Wladyslawa, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast Sunday, February 25, 2024

Come out and spend time with your fellow parishioners and support the Holy Redeemer Knights of Columbus at their pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 25, after 10:00 a.m. Mass.



\$9.00 per person
Children 5 and under free
Tickets will be available after Mass,
at the parish office
or from Doug Wazny 204-668-6156

Sponsor Family Looking for Work

Now that the family our parish has sponsored from Zambia is settled, their father Charles is looking for work. Primarily French speaking, Charles was a school teacher, has experience as a salesman and is certainly open to exploring new challenges and opportunities. If you or any of your friends hear of job opportunities that he could pursue, please contact the parish office.

2023 Tax Receipts Now Available

The 2023 charitable tax receipts are now available to be picked up at the church. Any receipts not picked up by February 18 will be mailed out. Thank you for your generosity this past year.

Ladies Auxiliary Lenten Soup Volunteers Needed

The Ladies Auxiliary need your help! We are currently hosting the weekly 'Lenten Soup Suppers' each Friday during Lent. Feb. 16th to March 22nd inclusive. The time commitment is approx. 2 hours: from 5:00 pm to 7:00pm. Our members have committed to most Fridays but we have two Fridays that we need volunteers to prepare & serve soup for approx. 25-30 people. The dates are Friday, March 8th and Friday March 15th.

If you are interested in helping us, please contact: Linda Wazny at 204-668-6156 OR June Gray at 204-771-3256
Thank YOU!

Youth and Young Adults, Save the Date!

The next Youth and Young Adults Gathering will take place from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5th! We hope to see many of you there!

Development and Peace – Week 1 Caritas Canada: a movement of solidarity

Established in 1967, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is the official international solidarity organization of the Catholic Church in Canada.

We address the root causes of poverty, oppression, and inequality by working with partners in the Global South and by mobilizing Canadians in the common struggle for justice and dignity. We champion women and social movements as key agents of lasting change.

Our transformative work is possible thanks to the generosity and support of our members and Canadians who stand by us. Join the movement of over 12,000 members and help us bring our campaigns to life in your community.

Visit devp.org/membership.



**March and April 2024
Lector, Server, and Gift Bearer
Schedules Available**

The March and April 2024 Lector, Server and Gift Bearer schedules have been emailed out. There are also a few paper copies available in the Lector and Server mailboxes in the Gathering Space.

**Lent 2024
Friday Evening "Soup and Seminar" Series
During Lent (2024)**

You are cordially invited to Holy Redeemer's soup and seminar series on Friday evenings during Lent. Soup will be available in the church hall at 6 PM, the presentations will begin at 6:20 PM followed by a 5 minute Q and A session. The evening will end with the Stations of the Cross at 7 PM. We hope to see you there.

Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary and volunteers for providing the soup! If you will be coming for soup, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the gathering space.

The schedule is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
- Feb. 23	Garry Strick	Helping the worldwide church in need.
- March 1	Susan Penner CEO of Life Culture	Life Culture: Helping women in need.
- March 8	Jason Cegayle D and P rep for Manitoba	Development and Peace
- March 15	Brianne Ouellette	The martyrdom of Saint Titus Brandsma
- March 22	John Vis	Knowing God vs Loving God

**Stations of the Cross During Lent
Fridays at 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.**

<u>Date</u>	<u>7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross Led By</u>
- February 16	Ladies Auxiliary
- February 23	Knights of Columbus
- March 1	Couples for Christ
- March 8	Confirmation
- March 15	Development & Peace
- March 22	Youth Group

**Church Events
February 18, 2024 to March 2, 2024**

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, February 20
Mass 6:30 p.m.
Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Catechism

Thursday, February 22 & 29
Children's Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
Catechism Class to follow

Stations of the Cross

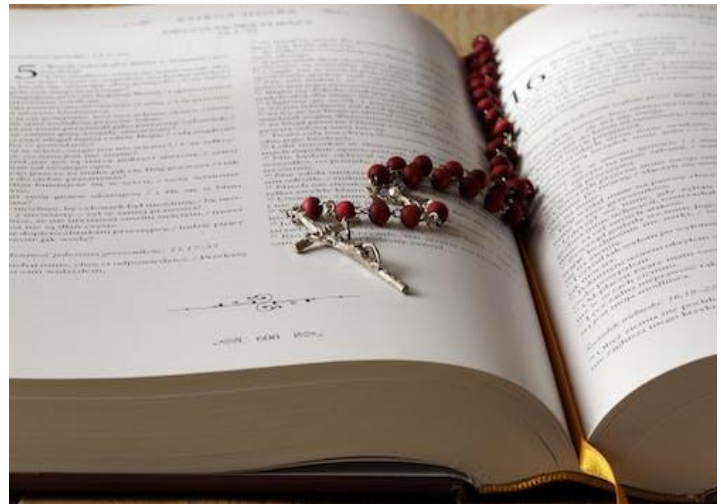
Friday, February 23 & March 1 at 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 25 after 10:00 a.m. Mass



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



Praying for Ukraine – Day of Prayer

The Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church is planning a day of community and private prayer for Ukraine.

You are invited to spend time in prayer at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 250 Jefferson Avenue Winnipeg, starting at 9 a.m. with events until 3 p.m.

This event will take place on Saturday, February 24th, marking the 2nd anniversary since the full-scale Russian war invaded Ukraine.



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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For February 2024 For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Available by appointment. Please call the office.

Baptism: Please email Father Anthony or call the office at least three months in advance.

Marriage: Please call the office one year in advance.

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

Are You A New Parishioner?

If you are new to our community or interested in joining us here at Holy Redeemer parish, please complete the Parish Registration Form found on the counter in the gathering space. The form is also available on the parish website.

Once completed, the form can be placed in the Offering basket at Mass, dropped off or emailed to the office. We look forward to hearing from you and welcome to our parish.

Liturgy Schedule, Saints' Days and Intentions Saturday, February 17, 2024 to Sunday, February 25, 2024

- Sat. Feb 17 at 5 pm †Maria Dang Nguyen (*Family*)
- Sun. Feb 18 at 10 am For conversion of my husband and the activation of the Holy Spirit in his life, and for healing of the family (*Anonymous*)
- Tues. Feb 20 at 9 am †Anton Daniel Tran (*Family*)
- Wed. Feb 21 at 9 am †Joseph Thuyen Nguyen (*Family*)
- Thur. Feb 22 at 9 am For all the souls in Purgatory, especially the deceased members of F.O.S.S (*Donor*)
- Fri. Feb 23 at 9 am For recovery from heart surgery for Chester (*Friend*)
- Sat. Feb 24 at 5 pm Birthday blessings for Emma – Sophia (*Gladys Hrabi*)
- Sun. Feb 25 at 10 am Thanksgiving for our growing family (*Grant & Bernadette*)

Mass Ministries Schedule

Saturday, February 24 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Vera Taylor and Liz Patzer

Altar Server: Jean-Pierre Musafiri and Amely Musafiri

Music: Adult Choir

Sunday, February 25 at 10 a.m.

Greeters: Catechism Children

Lectors: Catechism Children

Gift Bearers: Catechism Children

Altar Server: Brianne Ouellette

Music: Children's Choir

