# Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish



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# February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord

"Before our eyes we can picture Mother Mary as she walks, carrying the Baby Jesus in her arms. She brings him to the Temple; she presents him to the people; she brings him to meet his people.

The arms of Mother Mary are like the "ladder" on which the Son of God comes down to us, the ladder of God's condescension... This is the twofold path taken by Jesus: he descended, he became like us, in order then to ascend with us to the Father, making us like himself.

In our heart we can contemplate this double movement by imagining the Gospel scene of Mary who enters the Temple holding the Child in her arms. The Mother walks, yet it is the Child who goes before her. She carries him, yet he is leading her along the path of the God who comes to us so that we might go to him.

...In the account of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, wisdom is represented by two elderly persons, Simeon and Anna: persons docile to the Holy Spirit, led by him, inspired by him. The Lord granted them wisdom as the fruit of a long journey along the path of obedience to his law, an obedience which likewise humbles and abases, but which also lifts up and protects hope, making them creative, for they are filled with the Holy Spirit. They even enact a kind of liturgy around the Child as he comes to the Temple. Simeon praises the Lord and Anna "proclaims" salvation (cf. Lk 2:28-32, 38). As with Mary, the elderly man holds the Child, but in fact it is the Child who guides the elderly man. The liturgy of First Vespers of today's feast puts this clearly and beautifully: "senex puerum portabat, puer autem senem regebat". Mary, the young mother, and Simeon, the kindly old man, hold the Child in their arms, yet it is the Child himself who guides them both.

...Today we too, like Mary and Simeon, want to take Jesus into our arms, to bring him to his people. Surely we will be able to do so if we enter into the mystery in which Jesus himself is our guide. Let us bring others to Jesus, but let us also allow ourselves to be led by him. This is what we should be: guides who themselves are guided."

Pope Francis Holy Mass, Vatican Basilica February 2, 2015

## LOOKING FOR: Parish Yard Maintenance for the Summer Season

Holy Redeemer is in need of a yard maintenance person or group to maintain the grass over the summer. If you are able and feel called to volunteer your services to your parish, please contact the office. Orientation will be provided.

# Deadline Extension For 2024 Charitable Donations

On December 30, 2024 the Government of Canada announced an extension to the deadline for making donations eligible for tax support in the 2024 tax year, until February 28, 2025. In response to CRA's extension of charitable donations for 2024, donors have a choice to file donations made in January and February 2025 on their 2024 income tax return as opposed to their 2025 income tax return.

#### Parishioners Who Would Like To Receive Their January to February 2025 Donation Receipt:

We please ask that any parishioners who would like to receive a tax receipt for their January and February 2025 donations to please contact the parish office with the request by February 23, 2025. An announcement will be included in the bulletin when the January to February 2025 tax receipts are available (most likely early March 2025). Any donations received by the parish after February 28, 2025 will be included on the 2025 tax receipt (which will include the donations made from March to December 2025), to be issued in February 2026.

#### Parishioners Who Would Not Like To Receive Their January to February 2025 Donation Receipt At This Time:

No action is required from parishioners who would not like their January to February 2025 tax receipt at this time. The 2025 tax receipt, to be issued in February 2026, will include all donations made from January to December 2025 as usual.

#### 2024 Tax Receipts

The 2024 tax receipts will include all donations received by the parish from January to December 2024 as usual. An announcement will be included in the bulletin when the 2024 tax receipts are available (mid-February 2025).

Please contact the office if you have any questions. Thank you to everyone for your continued generosity.

## Fr. Anthony Austin Away on Vacation January 21, 2025 to March 2, 2025

Fr. Anthony Austin will be taking a much deserved vacation from January 21, 2025 to March 2, 2025. Fr. Kingsley Jacob will be filling in for Fr. Anthony at Mass while he is away. May we warmly welcome Fr. Kingsley to our parish.



As part of the Jubilee Year the Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine is having a Healing Divine Liturgy

#### Wednesday, February 5, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Confessions will be available beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Liturgy will include special prayers and anointing with Holy Oil blessed by the Holy Relics of Blessed Vasyl.

Bishop Velychkovsky National Martyr's Shrine at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church 250 Jefferson Ave.—Winnipeg , MB Ph# 204-338-7321 Email: info@bvmartyrshrine.com Website: bvmartyrshrine.com

# Stewardship February 2, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord

"Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested." —Hebrews 2:18

When we join a support group, there is comfort in sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole stewards feel in their hearts.

## Follow Us On Social Media

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# Relics of the Canadian Martyrs Coming to our Archdiocese February 9, 2025

The major relics of the Canadian Martyrs, including the skull of St. Jean de Brébeuf and bones of St. Charles Garnier and St. Gabriel Lalemant, as well as a relic of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, are coming to the Archdiocese of Saint-Boniface on Sunday February 9.

They will first be at Paroisse Saints-Martyrs for the 10:00 AM Mass (in French) followed by a period of veneration. Later that day, they will be at the Saint-Boniface Cathedral for veneration from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM, with a presentation by Fr. John O'Brien, sj, director of the Martyrs' Shrine located in Midland, Ontario. A reconciliation service will begin at 7:00 PM, with confession available for all.

# Invitation to an Open House at the Capuchin Brothers' New Friary February 8, 2025

Dear brothers, sisters and friends in Christ, Peace and All Goodness. After nearly two decades of residence at St. Alphonsus Parish, We, Capuchin Friars have moved on January 6th to our new house built on Saint-Boniface archdiocese land at 165 Avenue de la Cathédrale.

Wishing you to know the new residence of your pastors and friends, we are inviting you for an Open House on Saturday February 8th, 2025, from 1 pm to 4 pm. We look forward to welcoming you and giving you a tour of our new home.

Event: CAPUCHIN FRIARS OPEN HOUSE When ? - Saturday, February 8th, 2025. Where ? - 165, Avenue de la Cathédrale, Winnipeg/ next to St-Boniface bishop's house. Time ? - 1pm to 4 pm

Yours sincerely,
1. Brother Ani-Xavier (OFM Cap.)
2. Brother Germain (OFM Cap.)
3. Brother Gregory/ Greg. (OFM Cap.)
4. Brother Janusz (OFM Cap.)



## **Church Events** February 2, 2025 to February 16, 2025

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Tuesday, February 4 at 1 p.m.

#### **Catechism Classes**

Thursday, February 6 & 13 (Grade K-1) Catechism Class at 5:30 p.m. Children's Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m. (Grade 2-6) Catechism Class to follow

> Food Bank Friday, February 7 at 1 p.m.

First Communion Preparation Class Sunday, February 9 at 9 a.m.

**Finance Council Meeting** Tuesday, February 11 at 5 p.m.



Please pray for the sick, their families and their caregivers

# Behold: The Making of a Cardinal – Salt + Light Documentary on Cardinal Francis Leo

On December 7, 2024, Pope Francis elevated 21 new members to the College of Cardinals. The only North American was Montreal-born Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto. This episode provides an insight into the journey of Cardinal Leo, exploring the responsibilities, process, and significance of his role within the Catholic Church.

To watch the video please visit:

https://slmedia.org/w/86h2hGLG/qQD5v32Q/s5-e4-beholdthe-making-of-a-cardinal



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# Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For February 2025

## For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

## 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 1, 2025 to Sunday, February 9, 2025

Sat. Feb 1 at 5 pm Sun. Feb 2 at 10 am

<sup>†</sup>Wayne Johnson (Judy Johnson) Communion Service

For all the souls in Purgatory,

especially the deceased members

Saint Paul Miki and Companions

Healing for my mom, conversion of my husband, and restoration of our

Tues. Feb 4 at 9 am Wed. Feb 5 at 9 am

Thur. Feb 6 at 9 am

Fri. Feb 7 at 9 am

Sat. Feb 8 at 5 pm Sun. Feb 9 at 10 am <sup>†</sup>Danielle Dussault (Friend)<sup>†</sup>Lesia Tymchyshyn(Len & Fran Trach)

family (Anonymous)

of F.O.S.S. (Donor)

Saint Agatha

# Next Week's Mass Ministries Schedule

## Saturday, February 8 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Judy Johnson & Raya Recio Altar Servers: Jean-Pierre Musafiri & Amely Musafiri Music: Adult Choir

### Sunday, February 9 at 10 a.m.

Greeters: Chris Bills & Evelyn Boyko Lectors: Pat van Rysselt & Vivian Amorganda Gift Bearers: Cruz Family Altar Server: Grant Mandrick Music: Ian & Melvin

