# Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish



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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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## January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

"Today, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, we contemplate the episode of the Magi (cf. Mt 2:1-12). They faced a long and difficult journey to go and adore "the king of the Jews" (v. 2). They were guided by the wondrous sign of a star, and when they finally reached their destination, rather than finding something spectacular, they found a baby with his mother. They prostrated themselves. "Going into the house", the Gospel says, "they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him" (v. 11).

Let us think about these wise, rich, educated, well-known men who prostrate themselves, that is, they bow down on the ground to adore a baby! It is not easy to adore this God, whose divinity remains hidden and does not appear triumphant. Their prostration is the sign of those who place their own ideas aside and make room for God. It takes humility to do this.

The Gospel stresses this: it does not only say that the Magi worshipped, it emphasizes that they fell down and worshipped. Let us understand this detail: worship and prostration go together. And so it is that they are open to worship God. The treasures they open are images of their open hearts: their true wealth does not consist in their fame, their success, but in their humility, in considering themselves in need of salvation. Dear brothers and sisters, if we always remain at the centre of everything with our ideas, and if we presume to have something to boast of before God, we will never fully encounter him, we will never end up worshipping him. If instead, we abandon our pretence of self-sufficiency, if we make ourselves little inside, we will then rediscover the wonder of worshipping Jesus because adoration comes from humility of heart: those who crave winning do not notice the Lord's presence. Jesus passes nearby and is ignored, as happened to many at that time, but not to the Magi.

Brothers and sisters, looking at them, let us ask ourselves today: what is my humility like? Am I convinced that pride impedes my spiritual progress? Am I working on docility to be open to God and others, or am I always focused on myself and my demands, with that hidden selfishness which is pride? Do I know how to set aside my own perspective to embrace that of God and others? Finally: do I pray and worship only when I need something, or do I consistently do so because I believe that I am always in need of Jesus? The Magi began their journey looking at a star, and they found Jesus. Today, we can take this piece of advice: look at the star and walk. Never stop walking, but do not stop looking at the star."

Pope Francis Angelus January 6, 2022

## Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Cancelled

The Ladies Auxiliary Meeting in January is cancelled. No meeting.

We will meet again on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at the church!

Christmas Blessings & Happy New Year!

## World Youth Day 2027 – Seoul, South Korea

Are you interested in learning more about this pilgrimage of Catholic young adults from around the world? The 2027 World Youth Day will be taking place in Seoul, South Korea. Fill out our interest-finder and we'll be in touch regarding future information sessions and other essential details required to help you make your decision.

#### Interest-finder: World Youth Day 2027 (Seoul, Korea)

(Find the link in the bulletin found through parish emails or website)

## St. Mary's Academy Open House

St. Mary's Academy Open House takes place on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 7:00 PM. For families who are interested in an Academy education, this is a great opportunity to explore our vibrant community of learning, faith, and service.

At St. Mary's Academy our core belief is in nurturing the whole person—spirit, mind and body. Our students graduate empowered with knowledge, aware of their gifts, possess a desire for excellence in all endeavours, and embrace a sense of social responsibility to use their abilities in the service of others.

During the Open House, guests will have the opportunity to meet our inspiring students, dedicated teachers, administrators, and staff, and tour our beautiful campus. Find out more at www.smamb.ca/admissions/OpenHouse.

## St. Georges "Festival des crèches" Nativity Festival

From now to January 12, 2025, come visit the Winnipeg River Heritage Museum in St. Georges to see over 300 crafted Nativity scenes. See our full calendar at <u>www.winnipegrivermuseaum.com</u>. The museum is located at 19, Baie Caron South in St. Georges.

## Church Events January 5, 2025 to January 18, 2025

#### **Catechism Classes**

Thursday, January 9 & 16 (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, January 10 at 1 p.m.

**Finance Council Meeting** Tuesday, January 14 at 5 p.m.



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

## Stewardship January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and

myrrh." – Matthew 2:11

What gifts do Christian Stewards give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.



### Friends in Faith – Connection Café

The Christmas Season or Winter Blues can be difficult for many people. Are you or a loved one feeling sad, overwhelmed, exhausted, distant, or irritable lately? Inviting all people looking for spiritual support to get through life's challenges.

Each monthly event features a practical life or wellness topic, discussion, prayer, fellowship and refreshments. January's topic will be on Overcoming Sadness, Depression and more!

Please join us for an informative evening, and discussion on Monday, January 13 at 7:00 pm at Mary, Mother of the Church, 85 Kirkbridge Drive. Please arrive early. Cost is goodwill offering. See mmoc.ca for more info and to register.

# SAINTS FAITH Garden Project is still in operation!

There are hungry and poor in the world; so, our work continues.

So far, \$ 3300.00 dollars have been raised in 2024; with 4x matching funds, we have provided \$15,500.00 for international food aid to hungry mouths in Somalia. All our money raised goes to Development & Peace account at Canada Foodgrains Bank, with food aid distribution this year by our Catholic relief organization Caritas.

This year we experienced a new twist; one of our parishioners donated fresh tomatoes from their garden. Unlike our St. Benedict's Garden days, we had to do no garden work, even though we still have willing volunteers. \$205 were made from the sale of fresh tomatoes.

If you wish to donate, cheques should be made payable to Canada Foodgrains Bank and memo for Saints Faith Garden Project.

Cheques can be mailed to Canada Foodgrains Bank, 400-393 Portage Ave.,

PO Box 767, Winnipeg, Mb. R3C2L4,

Income tax receipts will be issued by Canada Foodgrains Bank on donations over \$15

We thank the many of you that have been participating in our feed the hungry programs and hope you will continue to help feed the poor. We look forward to your continuing help and **prayers.** 

### CCRS OF MB Presents – ALIVE a charismatic event

Join us on Saturday January 25, 2025, at 7PM at Saints-Martyrs-Canadiens Parish – 289 Dussault Ave, Winnipeg MB. Eucharistic Celebration presided by Fr. Christian Mutombo, Praise and Worship by the "Nueva Jerusalem PG Music Ministry".

Personal Testimony by Gilbert Vielfaure, plus procession with the Blessed Sacrament, prayers for healing, Jericho March, fellowship and more. Please note, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 6PM to 7PM and we will have a special blessing for sacramentals such as Water, Oil, Salt, etc. Free will love offering.

Come experience the power of the Holy Spirit through the charismatic current of grace! – For more information: 204-895-7544 or email ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com or visit: https://www.catholicrenewalservices.com/events.

# CCRS OF MB – UNVEILING THE GOSPELS BIBLE STUDY 2025

Understanding the four Gospels in depth can often be challenging, especially reading them back-to-back. This course, however, goes beyond simply reading the Gospels. We'll delve into who the Gospel writers were, their unique audiences, their purposes in writing, and, most importantly, how each one presents a distinct view of Jesus.

Have you heard of the 18 Miracles in St. Mark's Gospel? The 5 main discourses in St. Matthew's Gospel? Did you know that tradition holds that St. Luke was not only a great writer but also a painter and sculptor? and that to understand St. John's Gospel one could really benefit from reading Genesis Chapter 1 and the 1st Letter of St. John.... come join us, you will not be disappointed!

- Mondays at St. Gerard Parish from January 06 to April 07, 2025 6:30PM to 09:00PM
- Wednesdays at St Timothy Parish Hall from January 08 to April 09, 2025 6:30PM to 09:00PM
- Fridays at St. John Cantius Church Hall from January 10 to April 11, 2025 6:30PM to 09:00PM

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# Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For January 2025

#### For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

#### **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, January 4, 2025 to Sunday, January 12, 2025

Sat. Jan 4 at 5 pm†Danielle Dussault (Friend)Sun. Jan 5 at 10 am†Ronald Hrabi (Family)Epiphany of the LordTues. Jan 7 at 9 amSain André Bessette<br/>Patron of Family CaregiversWed. Jan 8 at 9 amPatron of Family CaregiversWed. Jan 9 at 9 am\*Deacon Alphonse Tran (Family)Sat. Jan 11 at 5 pm\*Deacon Alphonse Tran (Family)Sun. Jan 12 at 10 amBaptism of the Lord

## Next Week's Mass Ministries Schedule

#### Saturday, January 11 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Liz Patzer & Raya Recio Altar Servers: Jean-Pierre Musafiri & Amely Musafiri Music: Adult Choir

#### Sunday, January 12 at 10 a.m.

Greeters: June Gray & Evelyn Boyko Lectors: Chris Davey & Diane Skalenda Gift Bearers: Davedow Family Altar Server: Grant Mandrick Music: Remi & Diane Morissette

