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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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March 17th, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

“On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, the liturgy proclaims the Gospel in which Saint John refers to an episode that occurred in the final days of Christ’s life, shortly before the Passion (cf. Jn 12:20-33). While Jesus was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, several Greeks, curious because of what he had been doing, express the wish to see him. They approach the apostle Philip and say to him: “We wish to see Jesus” (v. 21). In the request of those Greeks we can glimpse the request that many men and women, of every place and every time, pose to the Church and also to each one of us: “We wish to see Jesus”.

And how does Jesus respond to that request? In a way that makes us think. He says: “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.... Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit” (vv. 23-24). These words do not seem to respond to the request those Greeks made. In fact, Jesus reveals that for every man and woman who wants to find him, He is the hidden seed ready to die in order to bear much fruit. As if to say: if you wish to know me, if you wish to understand me, look at the grain of wheat that dies in soil, that is, look at the cross.

The sign of the Cross comes to mind, which over the centuries has become the symbol par excellence of Christians. In churches, in the homes of Christians, even worn on their persons. The important thing is that the sign be consistent with the Gospel: the cross cannot but express love, service, unreserved self-giving: only in this way is it truly the “tree of life”, of overabundant life.

Today too, many people, often without saying so, implicitly would like to “see Jesus”, to meet him, to know him. We too must respond with the witness of a life that is given in service, a life that takes upon itself the style of God – closeness, compassion and tenderness – and is given in service. Then the Lord, with his grace, makes us bear fruit, even when the soil is dry due to misunderstandings, difficulty or persecution, or claims of legalism or clerical moralism. Precisely then, in trials and in solitude, while the seed is dying, that is the moment in which life blossoms, to bear ripe fruit in due time. It is in this intertwining of death and life that we can experience the joy and true fruitfulness of love, which always, I repeat, is given in God’s style: closeness, compassion, tenderness.”

Pope Francis Angelus March 21, 2021

Condolences

In faith and love, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Ken Taylor who passed away on March 6, 2024 at the age of 85, and we join with them in prayer during this difficult time of loss. Ken was one of the founding members of Holy Redeemer Parish. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 11 a.m. at the Cropo Funeral Chapel (1442 Main St. Winnipeg).

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 brother so that she may present him to Jesus. Eternal rest grant unto Ken, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Mass Ministry Volunteers Needed for Holy Week & Easter Masses

The parish is looking for volunteers for the Holy Week and Easter Masses for the following Mass ministries: Greeters, Lectors, Gift Bearers, Altar Servers, and Ushers. **We are especially in need of servers for the Palm Sunday weekend Masses, Holy Thursday, and the Easter Vigil.** Please note that the Easter Sunday Mass will be the Children's Mass. If you would like to volunteer, we ask that you please sign up on the ministry signup sheets that are available on the counter in the gathering space. Thank you.

Volunteers Needed

Holy Thursday – Feet Washing & Adoration Good Friday - Adoration

We are looking for volunteers to have their feet washed at the Holy Thursday Mass on March 28 at 7:00 p.m. We are also looking for volunteers to be present during Adoration after Holy Thursday Mass until 10:00 p.m. and on Good Friday morning, March 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., even if you can only spare 1 hour, as we need to have 2 people present at all times.

If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on the sign up sheets in the gathering space. Thank you.

Deacon Lawrence Wakaruk

March 21, 2024 Funeral Mass Update

Rosary at 10:30 a.m., Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m.

Please note that prior to the funeral Mass for Deacon Lawrence Wakaruk, to be held on Thursday March 21 at Holy Redeemer Parish, the rosary will be prayed at 10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. May we continue to pray for Lawrence as well as for his family and friends.

Deacon Wayne Johnson's Funeral Mass

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Anthony, Deacon Ken, Leigh and John Vis, and everyone who helped with and contributed in various ways for Wayne's funeral Mass and the luncheon. So many angels with loving, generous hearts helped make Wayne's celebration of life beautiful. Many men and women kindly offered their time and talents, leading the rosary, gifts of song and music, setting up the hall and taking down, visiting, and bringing meals and treats, organizing and baking dainties, overseeing the lunch, flowers and personal gifts, making coffee, cleaning up, etc., etc., for which I am eternally grateful. Wayne was honored in such a beautiful way by the kindness and generosity of so many. Losing the "love of my life" and my "soul mate" has been the most difficult and overwhelming time of my life. Please know that I could not have done this without the assistance of so many parishioners. Again, please accept my deepest gratitude to everyone who helped and contributed. I know Wayne would be overwhelmed with all the loving and generous support of Holy Redeemer parishioners. THANK YOU everyone from the bottom of my heart.

- Judy Johnson

Lenten Penitential Prayer Service Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., there will be a Lenten Penitential Prayer Service at Holy Redeemer Parish. We encourage all to attend the penitential service even if you do not take part in individual reconciliation.

Lenten Penitential Prayer Services will also be held throughout the Deanery on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 19 – Blessed Sacrament 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 21 – St. Alphonsus 7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 22 – St. Gerard 7:00 p.m.

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 final seminar is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
- March 22	John Vis	Knowing God vs Loving God, A Personal Journey

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>
- March 22	Youth Group

Development and Peace – Week 5

Solidarity Sunday: This Lent, please give generously

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada’s Reaping our Rights campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.

“Development and Peace — Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. Thank you!” — Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia

Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for your solidarity!



Church Events

March 17, 2024 to March 30, 2024

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. (No Mass)

Lent Penitential Prayer Service

Wednesday, March 20 at 7 p.m.

Catechism

Thursday, March 21

Children’s Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

Catechism Class to follow

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 22 at 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Holy Thursday – March 28

Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7 p.m.

Adoration following Mass until 10 p.m.

Good Friday – March 29

Adoration from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Way of the Cross Walk Outside at 1 p.m.

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord at 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday – March 30

Blessing of Easter Baskets at 11 p.m.

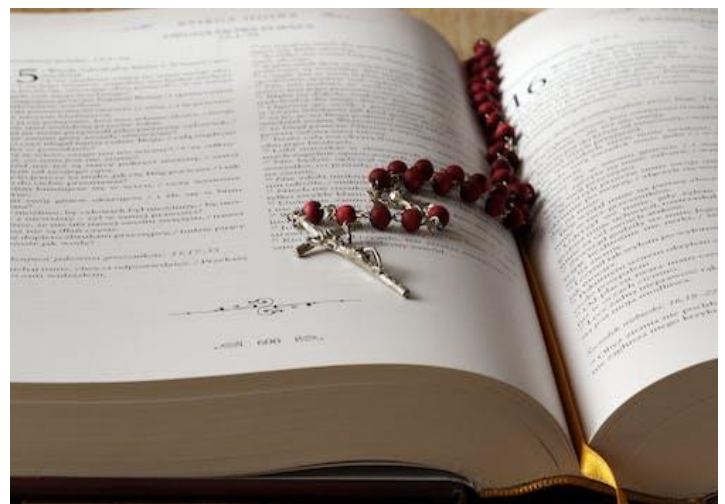
Easter Vigil at 8 p.m.

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





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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For March 2024

For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in
various parts of the world inflame the Church with their
courage and missionary enthusiasm.

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, March 16, 2024 to Sunday, March 24, 2024

Sat. Mar 16 at 5 pm Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Mar 17 at 10 am †Deceased Members of the
Santiaguel Family (*Jovy Santiaguel*)

Tues. Mar 19 at 9 am †Joseph Schwenk (*Robert Schwenk*)
Saint Joseph
Principal Patron of Canada

Wed. Mar 20 at 9 am For conversion of my husband
and the activation of the Holy
Spirit in his life, and for healing
of the family (*Anonymous*)

Thur. Mar 21 at 9 am
Fri. Mar 22 at 9 am

Sat. Mar 23 at 5 pm Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Mar 24 at 10 am †Deacon Wayne Johnson
(*Ladies Auxiliary*)
Palm Sunday

Mass Ministries Schedule

Saturday, March 23 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Vera Taylor and Belva Recio

Altar Servers:

Music: Adult Choir

Sunday, March 24 at 10 a.m.

Greeters: Irene Shaw and Dave Pomarenski

Lectors: Marge Kohut and Diane Skalenda

Gift Bearers:

Altar Server:

Music: John Vis

