## Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish



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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 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

"The Gospel of today's Liturgy, the first Sunday of Lent, takes us into the desert, where Jesus is led by the Holy Spirit, for 40 days, to be tempted by the devil (cf. Lk 4:1-13). Jesus too was tempted by the devil, and He accompanies us, every one of us, in our temptations.

Twice the devil addresses him, saying: "If you are the Son of God..." (vv. 3, 9). Three temptations. It is as if he were saying, "If you are the Son of God, take advantage of it!". It is a seductive proposal, but it leads you to the enslavement of the heart: it makes us obsessed with the desire to have, it reduces everything to the possession of things, power, fame. Let us look within ourselves, and we will find that our temptations always have this mindset, always this way of acting.

But Jesus opposes the attractions of evil in a victorious way. Because true happiness and true freedom are not found in possessing, but in sharing; not in taking advantage of others, but in loving them; not in the obsession of power, but in the joy of service.

Brothers and sisters, these temptations also accompany us on the journey of life. We must be vigilant — not be afraid, it happens to everyone — and be vigilant, because they often present themselves under an apparent form of good.

And I would like to emphasize something. Jesus never converses with the devil. He either banishes him, when he healed the possessed, or in this case, when he has to respond, he does so with the Word of God, never with his own word. Brothers and sisters, never enter into dialogue with the devil: Cling to the Word of God like Jesus, and at most answer always with the Word of God.

The devil does this with us: he often comes "with gentle eyes", "with an angelic face"; he even knows how to disguise himself with sacred, apparently religious motives! If we give in to his flattery, we end up justifying our falsehood by disguising it with good intentions. Please: no compromises with evil! We must not enter into dialogue with temptation, we must not fall into that slumber of the conscience that makes us say: "But after all, it's not serious, everyone does it"! Let us look at Jesus, who does not seek compromises, he does not make agreements with evil. He opposes the devil with the Word of God, which is stronger than the devil, and thus overcomes temptation.

May this time of Lent also be a time of the desert for us. Let us find inner clarity, placing ourselves before the Word of God in prayer, so that a positive fight against the evil that enslaves us, a fight for freedom, may take place within us."

Pope Francis Angelus, March 6, 2022

## Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast Sunday, March 30, 2025

Come out and spend time with your fellow parishioners and support the Holy Redeemer Knights of Columbus at their pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 30, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Tickets will be available in a couple of weeks.

### 40 Cans for Lent starts March the 9th

The Knights need your help with keeping the Food Bank supply of cans up to par. Please bring a can of food to the Food Bank bin for each day in Lent

SHARE LENT 2025

#### Turn Debt Into Hope:

In the true spirit of solidarity this year's Development and Peace's Share Lent Campaign *Turn Debt Into Hope* invites you to help some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers in the Global South.

This Jubilee Year 2025, Pope Francis has called us to be "Pilgrims of Hope" as remedying the cause of injustice, feeding the hungry and settling unjust debts is necessary for peace in the world. He asked the richest nations to "acknowledge the gravity of so many of their past decisions and determine to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them." He called it not "a question of generosity," but "a matter of justice."

For more information, please go to: <a href="https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope">www.devp.org/en/campaign/turn-debt-into-hope</a>



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DECORATING COMMITTEE

Help make our parish a beautiful place to worship!

The decorating committee is seeking new members to assist with set up and take down of decorations for all the major holidays: Lent, Holy Week, Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas. Time commitment is several hours each holiday.

Please contact Fran Trach @ 204 995-7437 or Evelyn Boyko @ 204 981-6067 for further details. Thank you.

## Congratulations Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations as Thomas Boyd, son of Dan and Sarah Boyd, was baptized on Sunday, March 2, 2025. May we welcome Thomas into our Catholic family and keep him and his family in our prayers. May God bless and keep you Thomas.

#### **Lent 2025**

## **Ash Wednesday Mass**

March 5, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

# Friday Evening "Soup and Seminar" Series During Lent (2025)

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.

If you will be coming for soup, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the gathering space (the first sign-up sheet will be available next weekend).

The schedule is as follows:

#### <u>Date</u> <u>Speaker Topic</u>

- March 14	Robert Schwenk	Can the creation story in Genesis be reconciled with
		the theory of evolution?
- March 21	Evelyn Boyko	The Shroud of Turin

- March 28	Nadine Fetherston	Diocesan Marriage,
		Family & Life Office

- April 4	Gary Wallace	Music and Spirituality

## - April 11 Pat van Rysselt Human Trafficking

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

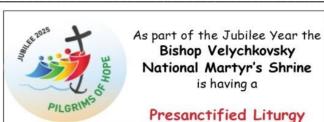
## LOOKING FOR: Parish Yard Maintenance for the Summer Season

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.

### Cinema Divina

On Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> there will be a viewing of the movie 'Of Gods and Men' at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Ave. The night will begin with a Potluck supper at 5:00 pm, followed by the movie at 6:00 pm.

Contact cinemadivinahe@gmail.com or 204-881-3150.



With Anointing for Healing

Wednesday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Confessions 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 March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." – DEUTERONOMY 26:10

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer? Or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? We aren't owners of anything, we are merely stewards of God's gifts. Pray for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

## Church Events March 9, 2025 to March 23, 2025

First Communion Preparation Class Sunday, March 9 & 23 at 9 a.m.

> Finance Council Meeting Tuesday, March 11 at 5 p.m.

#### **Catechism Classes**

Thursday, March 13 & 20 (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

Stations of the Cross Friday, March 14 & 21 at 9:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

**Lent Soup and Seminar** Friday, March 14 & 21 at 6 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Meeting
Tuesday, March 18
Mass 6:30 p.m.
Meeting 7:00 p.m.



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



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## Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For March 2025

#### For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

#### 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 8, 2025 to Sunday, March 16, 2025

Sat. Mar 8 at 5 pm Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Mar 9 at 10 am †Mrs. Lasia Tymchyshyn

(Ladies Auxiliary)

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Tues. Mar 11 at 9 am

**Wed. Mar 12** at 9 am Healing for my mom, conversion of

my husband, and restoration of our

family (Anonymous)

**Thur. Mar 13** at 9 am Blessings for Deanne Koenig

(Anastazja)

Fri. Mar 14 at 9 am

**Sat. Mar 15** at 5 pm Holy Redeemer Parishioners **Sun. Mar 16** at 10 am †Maria + Stanistaw Wozniczka

(Janina)

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

## **Next Week's Mass Ministries Schedule**

## Saturday, March 15 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Leandro Cabrera & Judy Johnson
Altar Servers: Jean-Pierre Musafiri & Amely Musafiri
Music: Couples for Christ

#### Sunday, March 16 at 10 a.m.

**Greeters:** Irene Shaw & Dave Pomarenski **Lectors:** Vivian Amorganda & Pat van Rysselt

Gift Bearers: Cruz Family Altar Server: Grant Mandrick Music: Remi & Diane Morissette

