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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 to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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May 21st, 2023

Ascension of the Lord Confirmation

"In this third catechesis on the Sacraments, we pause to reflect on Confirmation or "Chrismation", which must be understood in continuity with Baptism, to which it is inseparably linked. These two Sacraments, together with the Eucharist, form a single saving event — called "Christian initiation" — in which we are inserted into Jesus Christ, who died and rose, and become new creatures and members of the Church...

We commonly speak of the sacrament of "Chrismation", a word that signifies "anointing". And, in effect, through the oil called "sacred Chrism" we are conformed, in the power of the Spirit, to Jesus Christ, who is the only true "anointed One", the "Messiah", the Holy One of God.

The word "Confirmation" then reminds us that this Sacrament brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace: it unites us more firmly to Christ, it renders our bond with the Church more perfect, and it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith, ... to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of his Cross...

Confirmation, like every Sacrament, is not the work of men but of God, who cares for our lives in such a manner as to mould us in the image of his Son, to make us capable of loving like him.

He does it by infusing in us his Holy Spirit, whose action pervades the whole person and his entire life, as reflected in the seven gifts that Tradition, in light of the Sacred Scripture, has always highlighted...What are these gifts? Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of the Lord. And these gifts have been given to us precisely with the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation

When we welcome the Holy Spirit into our hearts and allow him to act, Christ makes himself present in us and takes shape in our lives; through us, it will be he — Christ himself — who prays, forgives, gives hope and consolation, serves the brethren, draws close to the needy and to the least, creates community and sows peace. Think how important this is: by means of the Holy Spirit, Christ himself comes to do all this among us and for us...

Dear brothers and sisters, let us remember that we have received Confirmation! All of us! Let us remember it, first in order to thank the Lord for this gift, and then to ask him to help us to live as true Christians, to walk always with joy in the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

Pope Francis, General Audience January 29, 2014

Congratulations to Our First Communion Children

Congratulation to the 16 young girls and boys who received Holy Communion for the first-time last Sunday, May 14.

God's Blessings to Eli, Elliana, Emmanuel, Estelle, Eunice, Grayson, Henry, Jerome, Jessica, Liam, Magdalena, Marcuz, Millicient, Pedson, Peter, and Tobin.

Thank you to Father Anthony and Deacon Ken for being part of this special celebration. Much appreciation goes out to all the parents for their commitment in preparing their child. A heart filled appreciation to Meaghan Champagne who spent 7 Sunday mornings preparing the children. Thank you to all the parishioners for their prayers.

Ring Found Last Sunday

A ring was found at last Sunday's Mass, May 14, in one of the pews. If you have lost a ring, please contact the office.

Spring Plant Fundraiser

Just a reminder that your plant order pick up will be on Saturday, May 27 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Many thanks to those who participated in this fundraiser to support our refugee family, as well as the church funding at large. Happy Planting!

Food for Thought: Households of Faith

Following on the success of the former *Renew* and *Arise* programs, the Archdiocese is encouraging parishes to once again invite parishioners to form small faith sharing groups entitled *Households of Faith* within their community.

A *Household of Faith* is a small group of 6 to 10 people from a variety of backgrounds and life journeys who come together on a regular basis, at least once a month, for approximately 90 minutes. The purpose of this time together is to get to know one another, grow in new friendships and strengthen our parish community, while sharing and reflecting on the Holy Scriptures using a simple process.

Over the summer we hope you will give some thought to either hosting or joining a group in the fall. For more information, please go to www.archsaintboniface.ca

Employment Opportunity Holy Redeemer Parish Part Time Maintenance Worker

Holy Redeemer Parish is looking for someone to perform minor maintenance on a part time basis for 1 or 2 days during the week depending on need. This is a paid position at \$20.00 an hour. Mechanical, electrical and plumbing knowledge and experience is required. If interested please send your resume to: office@hrwpg.ca

Looking for Volunteers Outside Garden and Grass Cutting/Trimming

The parish is looking for volunteers to help take care of the outside garden, as parishioner Anita Mann who has done such a wonderful job of looking after the outside garden for a number of years has retired from this volunteer position.

The parish is also looking for more volunteers to help with grass cutting and trimming.

If you enjoy working outside and are available during the week then please consider these ministries to your parish. Sign up sheets are located on the counter in the Gathering Space. Thank you.

Refugee Committee News

Our Refugee Committee continues to work hard to rescue a family from a refugee camp in Zambia. Since starting this project 5 years ago, we are finally expecting their arrival within the next few months. The family consists of the father, mother, daughters ages 19, 15, 9 and sons ages 17, 12 (twins) and 5.

We are now able to accept donations of new or gently used household items such as small appliances, dishes, cutlery + utensils, pot + pans, clean bedding + towels. Please no clothes or large furniture for now. Items can be brought to the church starting the weekend of May 20 & 21.

For inquiries, call Chris 204-294-1422 or Marina 204-661-2932.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Diocesan Pentecost Gathering June 1, 2023

Archbishop Albert Le Gatt invites you to join him during Pentecost week to celebrate and share what has been experienced through Households of Faith.

It will be an inspiring evening and a time to connect with others through songs and music, engaging testimonies, beautiful moments of prayer, and small group sharing. Coffee and snacks on arrival. All are welcome! Invite your friends.

The gathering will take place on Thursday, June 1st at 7:00 pm in the basement of the St. Boniface Cathedral (180 de la Cathédrale Avenue).

Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works ("Papal Charities") May 21, 2023

On Sunday, May 21, Catholics across Canada are invited to give to the Pope's Pastoral Works, what used to be called "Papal Charities". With the funds raised by this collection, the Pope is able to provide, on behalf of all Catholics, for various emergency relief efforts around the world. The collection will be given to the Pope's pastoral works. Let's help him help those in need. Thank you for your generosity!

"Illuminate" Evening of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament May 26, 2023

All are invited to participate in a dynamic evening of adoration, praise & worship, reconciliation and fellowship on Friday, May 26 at 7:30 PM, at St. Nicholas Tavelich Croatian Parish. 2688 Main Street in Winnipeg. Come and worship Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament as part of a vibrant Catholic community. All are welcome!

For more information, please visit www.illuminatemb.com or facebook.com/illuminatemb.

Illuminate is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Praise & Worship music, and fellowship, with the opportunity to take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation. See you there!

Church Events May 21 to June 2, 2023

Confirmation
Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 p.m.

Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser Plant Order Pick Up
Saturday, May 27, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.



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

Life Culture's Spring Gala with special guest Joy Smith June 2, 2023

We are thrilled to welcome Joy Smith as the keynote speaker for this year's Spring Gala! Joy is the founder of the "Joy Smith Foundation," where she tirelessly volunteers her time combatting human trafficking and fighting for the rights of women in Canada and around the globe.

Gala will be at the Niverville Heritage Centre, 100 Heritage Trail, Niverville. Doors open at 6 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets are complimentary, a free-will offering will be taken. RSVP by May 26 at www.lifeculture.ca/gala

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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For May 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

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 right side of the counter by the bulletin board 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, May 20 to Sunday, May 28, 2023

Sat. May 20 at 5 pm †Michael Maksymowicz (*Wife*)
Sun. May 21 at 10 am †Anne Zak (*Mandrick Family*)
The Ascension of the Lord

Tues. May 23 at 9 am
Wed. May 24 at 9 am
Thur. May 25 at 9 am
Fri. May 26 at 9 am

Sat. May 27 at 5 pm †Miro Bukal (*Knights of Columbus*)
Sun. May 28 at 10 am †Lena Stroet (*Family*)
Pentecost Sunday

Mass Ministries Schedule

Saturday, May 27 at 5 p.m.

Lectors: Raya Recio and Judy Johnson
Altar Servers: Don and Marguerite Grela
Music:

Mass, May 28 at 10 a.m.

Greeters:
Lectors: Diane Skalenda and Bo Gajda
Gift Bearers: Mandrick Family
Altar Server: Brianne Ouellette
Ushers:
Music: Adult Choir

