# Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish



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Sunday Eucharistic Liturgies: Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m. 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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### First Sunday of Advent November 27th, 2022

"Today, the First Sunday of the Time of Advent, a new liturgical year begins. In these four weeks of Advent, the liturgy leads us to celebrate the Nativity of Jesus, while it reminds us that he comes into our lives every day, and will return gloriously at the end of time... Advent is the time to welcome the coming of Jesus, who comes as a messenger of peace to show us the ways of God.

This certainty enables us to look trustfully to the future, as we are invited to do by the prophet Isaiah, who with his inspired voice accompanies the entire Advent journey...

In today's Gospel, Jesus exhorts us to be ready for His coming: "Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming" (Mt 24:42). Keeping watch does not mean to have one's eyes physically open, but to have one's heart free and facing the right direction, ready to give and to serve.

This is keeping watch! The slumber from which we must awaken is constituted of indifference, of vanity, of the inability to establish genuine human relationships, of the inability to take charge of our brother and sister who is alone, abandoned or ill.

The expectation of Jesus who is coming must therefore translate into a commitment to vigilance. It is above all a question of wonder before God's action, at his surprises, and of according him primacy. Vigilance also means, in a concrete sense, being attentive to our neighbour in difficulty, allowing oneself to be called upon by his needs, without waiting for him or her to ask us for help, but learning to foresee, to anticipate, as God always does with us.

May Mary, the vigilant Virgin and Mother of hope, guide us on this journey, helping us to turn our gaze towards the "mountain of the Lord", the image of Jesus Christ, that attracts all men and all peoples."

Pope Francis Angelus, December 1, 2019



#### **Condolences**

In faith and love, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Frank Conway and we join with them in prayer during this difficult time of loss.

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 Frank, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

### Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale December 10 & 11, 2022

The Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their annual <u>BAKE SALE</u> once again this year, after a 2 year covid break. It will take place on December 10 and 11 after Mass. Baking contributions will be gratefully received on December 10, between 1 and 4.

# Advent Penitential Prayer Service December 14, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., there will be an Advent 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.

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

Tuesday, December 13 – St. Alphonsus Thursday, December 15 – St. Joseph the Worker Sunday, December 18 – St. Gerard Tuesday, December 20 – Blessed Sacrament

The Penitential Prayer Services begin at 7:30 p.m. at all locations.

### Season's Greetings Welcoming Christ Through the Traditions of Christmas Free Devotional Booklets for Parishioners

The Devotional Booklet Season's Greetings Welcoming Christ Through the Traditions of Christmas is available free of charge to parishioners and may be picked up on the counter in the gathering space.

This booklet encourages reflection on traditions your family enjoys such as The Advent Wreath and Manger Display, through Bible verses, discussion ideas and prayers.

There are 60 copies available and are available on a first come first served basis. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who generously donated the funds for the booklets.

# Classics, Carols & Cookies SOKOL POLISH FOLK ENSEMBLE Sunday, December 4th, 2022 at 2 pm

Our Advent Concert is back but this year with a difference. Please join us for an afternoon concert featuring the Sokol Polish Folk Ensemble with a beautiful selection of liturgical music and traditional carols in English, Latin and Polish. The concert will be followed by a cookie and punch reception.

Tickets for this parish fundraiser, with a portion of the proceeds in support of our Refugee Project, are just \$10 for adults, children under 12 years of age free and will be on sale after weekend Masses and at the parish office during the week. Face masks are encouraged.

### Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Concert For Children

Once again, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a 'Keep Christ in Christmas' poster contest for children aged 5 - 14. Children are invited to create a free-hand drawing or collage. Please see the Catechism bulletin board in the Gathering space to pick up an entry form and for all contest details.

There are 3 prizes awarded, one in each age group: K- Grade 2, Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-8. Deadline for poster submissions is Thursday, December 15. Submit your finished poster to the parish office or hand them in the last day of Catechism (December 15). If you have any questions, please contact Kate Klassen.

#### **Christmas Memorial Angels**

This year, the Youth Group and the Catechism Classes are selling Christmas Memorial Angels for \$5.00. With every purchase, we welcome you to write your loved one's names on Mary's Angels card and place it on the Memory Tree in the gathering space. These cards will serve as a reminder of those we have lost but whose memories we have not forgotten.

The youth of our parish will be in the gathering space after each Mass from November 26 to December 18. All proceeds will go to the youth of our parish. We thank you for your generous support.

Knights of Columbus Bursary Award Recipients 2022

My name is Christian Suello, and I am currently pursuing the Computer Science program at the University of Manitoba. It has been quite the new experience both



academically and as a person, but despite the rise in difficulty, I'm hopeful of the future and learning from the challenges. Thank you for choosing me as a recipient of the award.



My name is Grace Spulnick, and I am currently attending University Winnipeg, in the Theatre and Film department. While it has been verv different than

anything I have done, it has been a fun new challenge for me! Thank you for the generous bursary to help enable my studies!

Both Grace and Christian have been active in Holy Redeemer Parish, Christian in the Music and Youth Ministry and Grace as a former Catechetical Assistant for several years. They are both Honor Graduate Students of College Miles Macdonell.

Congratulations Christian and Grace!

#### **Christmas Hampers**

This Advent Season, the Knights of Columbus, the Youth Group, and the Catechism classes will be collecting food and money donations for Christmas Hampers. The Jesse Christmas Tree will be displayed by the Catechism room between November 26 to December 18.

It is decorated with paper ornaments made by the Catechism Children. On the back of each ornament is a food item. Please take as many as you can and bring the food item to the church and place it under the Christmas tree no later than December 18, 2022. The Knights will be delivering the hampers between December 18 – 21. We thank you for your generous support.

# Church Events November 27 to December 9, 2022

**Reconciliation Preparation Class** Sunday, November 27, 9:00 a.m.

**Confirmation Class** 

Sunday, November 27, 9:00 a.m.

#### Catechism

Thursday, December 1 & 8 Children's Choir/Mass Practice 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Catechism Class 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Classics, Carols & Cookies Advent Concert Sunday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Wednesday, December 7, 6:30 p.m.



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





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### Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For December 2022

#### **Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations**

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation

#### 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, November 26 to Sunday, December 4, 2022

Sat. Nov 26 at 5 pm †Krystyna Gajda (Don and Marguerite Grela)

Sun. Nov 27 at 10 am †Olga Mandrick (The Mandrick Family)

Tues. Nov 29 at 9 am †Maria Suu (Friend)
Wed. Nov 30 at 9 am For the Intentions of Sylvia
(Robert Schwenk)

Saint Andrew

Thur. Dec 1 at 9 am

Fri. Dec 2 at 9 am †Katherine Schwenk (Robert Schwenk)

(Nettie, Paul and Family)
Saint Francis Xavier

**Sun. Dec 4** at 10 am †John Lafreniere (*Friends*)

#### **Lector and Server Schedule**

#### Saturday, December 3 at 5 p.m.

**Lectors:** Leandro Cabrera and Marilyn Monterroyo **Servers:** Jean-Pierre Musafiri and Amely Musafiri

#### Sunday, December 4 at 10 a.m.

**Lectors:** Jo Henry and Marge Kohut **Server:** Grant Mandrick

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