

Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Parish



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2020

God of Peace

"Let me now sing of my friend...concerning his vineyard."
(Isaiah 5:1)

Vineyards appear in Scripture time and again. Isaiah's song of the vineyard seems to be a gloomy tale for Israel – a carefully cultivated vineyard bearing only wild grapes, and an owner who allows it to fall to ruin.

While Isaiah does not guarantee what God will do with his people, it is pretty certain that if nothing changes and they continue in their sin, they will experience the effects of cutting themselves off from God. But even in the midst of this grim story, there is hope. God does not give up! Yes, God expects to see fruit from his people, precisely because he knows we can bear fruit. When we do not, God constantly calls us back and offers us his help. That is cause for hope.

"Have no anxiety at all," says St. Paul to the Philippians (Philippians 4:6). We may wonder if Paul is really serious. How can our lives be anxiety free? Doesn't he know how hard life can get? Yes, he does! He has suffered much and knows the power of God.

His advice...pray! and *"the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus"* (Philippians 4:7).

When we bring our needs to the Lord, we find a peace that we did not know before. Our problems may not disappear; but let us be assured that God will give us the strength and wisdom to work through them.

May we open ourselves to his Holy Spirit who will help us fix our minds and our hearts on *"whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious"* (Philippians 4:8). And then *"the God of peace"* will be with us. Our anxieties will gradually diminish as we deepen our confidence in our living Father who loves us unconditionally, cares for us, forgives us, and reaches out to us.



New COVID-19 Restrictions

The Provincial government updated restrictions on public gatherings in Winnipeg and outlying municipalities. As of Monday, September 28, Masses will still be maintained at 30% (approx. 70 people) of building capacity, with two metre physical distancing, which is obligatory. However, baptisms, weddings and funerals have a limit of 10 people and other including the priest.

Masks are obligatory as soon as one enters the gathering space as well as in the church. If anyone has a medical reason for not wearing a mask, please see Sister Maria.

There is a ten-person limit on indoor and outdoor gatherings, such as meetings and catechism. Physical distancing must be maintained as well as the wearing of masks.

Thank you for your continued patience and care for one another during this time of pandemic.

Prayer Shawl Ministry October 20 Meeting Cancelled

Since Manitoba has entered Code Orange during the COVID-19 Pandemic, the previously announced meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry has been postponed until further notice.

This ministry is still an active one and we will be getting back together as soon as it is safe to do so. If you have completed shawls that you want Fr. Owen to bless, please drop them off at the parish office during regular office hours. At the same time, you may wish to pick up additional yarn for another prayer shawl to knit or crochet. We are in need of white baptismal blankets/shawls. White yarn is available if you are willing.

Be well and be safe!

Month of the Holy Rosary

As October is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Rosary will be prayed Tuesday to Friday at 8:30 a.m. before the 9:00 a.m. Mass this month. Archbishop Albert also invites you and your family to renew your devotion to the Rosary: pray a decade a day around the dinner table, or a Rosary before bed, always imploring the care of our Blessed Mother.



Ladies Auxiliary October 6 Meeting Cancelled

In view of the recent public health pandemic changes the Ladies Auxiliary October 6th, 2:00pm meeting is being cancelled.

Blessings, stay strong, be safe!

Catechism Registration

We are still accepting registration for catechism classes for the 2020/2021 year. If you would like to register your child, please print off the appropriate registration forms from the parish website. Paper copies are also available at the church. Please submit completed and signed form(s), with the registration fee to the catechetics office.

To follow COVID 19 recommendations, catechism will start with the "Home Program". We will continue to use the same faith series "Finding God". You will receive a weekly study guide, a children's workbook and a home study unit assessment book to assist you.

Sacramental Preparation will start in the new year.

We hope that you will join us in this new adventure in catechism, and we pray that this will also be a time for our families to reconnect with their faith in a new way.

If you have any further questions or if you are a grandparent, a friend or just know of a family that might be interested in joining catechism this year, please ask them to contact Kate at 204-669-0501 or religious.ed@hrwpg.ca.

Sound System Training October 7

Calling all those who can use a cell phone and have an ear for sound!

Our sound system has been updated recently and now allows us to control volumes from anywhere. Different speakers have different volumes – a little tweak can go a long way in how the Word is proclaimed.

Join us Wednesday October 7 at 6:30 p.m. for a simple training at the church. Please email john@hrwpg.ca to register so we do not exceed the 10-person limit allowed under the new restrictions.

**Second Annual National
Catholic Health Care Week
October 4 through October 10, 2020**

From October 4 to 10, the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada celebrates National Catholic Health Care Week. The week recognizes the inspiring work of Catholic health care organizations in our province and across Canada.

During National Catholic Health Care Week, we give thanks for the courageous gift of Catholic health care during these challenging times. The pandemic calls us all to live the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. Holding all those impacted by COVID-19 in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of Catholic health care and we offer our prayers, support, and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health organizations who care for all in need with compassion and courage.

For more information about Catholic health care in Canada or the week, please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website at www.chac.ca. You are also invited to visit the Catholic Health Association of Manitoba's website www.cham.mb.ca as well as the CHAM Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CHAM.mb.ca> to follow beautiful initiatives that are taking place during the week.

Condolences

Prayers and condolences from the Parish of Holy Redeemer to the family and friends of Marion Tyler who passed away recently.



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



Church Events

*Please Wear A Mask For All Events
Remember A Limit Of 10 People*



Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting

Tuesday October 6, 7:00 p.m.
Gathering Space

Sound System Training

Wednesday October 7, 6:30 p.m.
Worship Space

Finance Committee Meeting – To Be Confirmed

Tuesday October 13, 6:30 p.m.
Gathering Space

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday October 14, 6:30 p.m.
Gathering Space

Food Bank

Friday October 16

How to Donate to your Parish

1. Parishioners may drop off their donations during Mass.
2. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office Tuesday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
3. Donations may be sent in by mail.
4. Parishioners may donate through the Archdiocesan website using your credit card (not the preferred method as there is a 3% fee that our parish incurs).
5. By signing up for direct deposit by contacting the office at 204-669-0501 or finance@hrwpg.ca (strongly recommended).

Thank you for your continued generosity.



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Pope Francis' Monthly Intention For October 2020

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by virtue of baptism, the laity,
especially women, may participate more in areas of
responsibility in the Church.

Mass Schedule, Saints' Days and Intentions

Saturday, October 3 to Sunday, October 11, 2020

Sat. Oct 3 at 5:00 p.m. †Sister Denise Cassidy (*Family*)
Sun. Oct 4 at 9:00 a.m. For Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Oct 4 at 10:30 a.m. For all babies who died
before birth (*donor*)
Mon. Oct 5 No Mass
Tues. Oct 6 at 9:00 a.m. **Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher**
Wed. Oct 7 at 9:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory Especially
Members of FOSS (*donor*)
Our Lady of the Rosary
Thurs. Oct 8 at 9:00 a.m.
Fri. Oct 9 at 9:00 a.m.
Sat. Oct 10 at 5:00 p.m. †Grennan Family (*Family*)
Sun. Oct 11 at 9:00 a.m. For Holy Redeemer Parishioners
Sun. Oct 12 at 10:30 am †Adam West (*Ms. Loredana*)

Mass Intentions

Let us not forget to offer Mass for others whenever we can.
Mass intentions can be offered for two of the weekend
Masses and one on each day from Tuesday to Friday. If you
would like to offer a Mass for a beloved one who has died or
a loved one, please contact the office.

Mass Information During Time of Pandemic

The allowed number of Mass participants is 70. If you would
like to attend a weekend Mass, please contact the parish
office no later than noon on Friday to add your name to the
list of participants. If you have signed up but are unable to
attend please contact the office before 4:00 pm Friday.
There is no need to sign up beforehand for the weekday
Masses; however, participants will have to sign their name
to a list upon arrival. For the purpose of contact tracing, if
ever needed, please add your phone number or email next
to your name.

We kindly ask you to sit singly at a numbered seat to ensure
the pre-measured physical distancing. Wearing a mask is
now obligatory. Two meter distancing is obligatory in the
church, gathering space and parking lot.

Thank you for your patience and care for one another.