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MASS TIMES

Monday - Saturday: 7:45 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:45 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 7:45 a.m.
Mass (unless Fr. Chris is away).
Fr. Chris is receptive to being
approached after the Weekday
Masses as well (not on Sundays).

ADORATION

Holy Cross Perpetual Adoration
Chapel
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Family Adoration (Friday)

Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in the
church

1st Friday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

1st Saturday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

3rd Friday of the Month

Devotion

Following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

PARISH CENTRE OFFICE

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. &
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

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PARISH BULLETIN

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • February 11th, 2018

on Ash Wednesday...

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season. It was set as the first day of Lent by Pope St. Gregory the Great (590-604) with the extension of an earlier and shorter penitential season to a total period including 40 weekdays of fasting before Easter. It is a day of fast and abstinence when ashes are blessed and imposed on the foreheads of the faithful to remind them of their obligation to do penance of sins, to seek spiritual renewal by means of prayer, fasting, good works and by bearing with patience and for God's purposes the trials and difficulties of everyday life.

The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. They are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year, and are used to mark the forehead with the Sign of the Cross, with the reminder: "Remember you are dust, and to dust you will return," or: "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." Following the example of the Ninevites, who did penance in sackcloth and ashes, our foreheads are marked with ashes to humble our hearts and reminds us that life passes away on Earth.

The Code of Canon Law stipulates that the season of Lent (and Fridays) are penitential days and times in the universal Church. Such practices in Lent are intended to dispose the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery. Abstinence refers specifically to the prohibition against eating meat, not including eggs, milk, milk products, and sauces made from animal fats. Fish is permitted, as are all cold-blooded animals (such as frogs, clams, turtles, etc.).

The eating of fish - in those areas where seafood has traditionally been easily obtained - began as a satisfactory alternative to eating meat. As it provides a suitable replacement, fish (and seafood in general) became a virtual staple in many areas. The substitution of lobster, crab legs or paella for chicken might not be viewed as being especially penitential.

So Ash Wednesday is a day of penitential prayer and fasting. Some faithful take the rest of the day off work and remain home. Not a good idea to dine out, to shop, or to go about in public after receiving the ashes. Feasting is definitely not a good idea. Small children, the elderly and sick are exempt from this observance.

"Remember you are dust, and to dust you will return," and:
"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel."

(sources - EWTN and Catholic Online)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1

Gospel: Mark 1.40-45



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

UNIVERSAL: Say "No" to Corruption: That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.



ASH WEDNESDAY CELEBRATIONS: Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, February 14th. Mass, with the distribution of Ashes, will be celebrated on that day at **7:45 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.**

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: The Stations of the Cross will be prayed **every Friday of Lent following the 7:45 a.m. Mass, except on February 16th and March 16th due to the 3rd Friday Devotion.**

2018 LENTEN BOOKLETS FOR PURCHASE: New 2018 Lenten booklets will be available for the next few weeks at the cost of **\$3.00.**

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL DESIGN PROCESS WORKSHOPS: Holy Cross School will be holding two sessions regarding the redevelopment of their building. Please see pale green invitations at the back of the church.

2017 DONATION RECEIPTS: Please note that 2017 donation receipts will be available for pick up at the back of the Church. Look for your receipt alphabetically. If do not find your receipt, please contact the parish office at (204) 233-7367 or office@holycrossparish.ca to receive your copy.

DONATION RECEIPT ERRORS & AMENDMENTS: If we have made an error on your donation receipt for 2017, please let us know by contacting us at (204) 233-7367 or dropping by the Parish Office in person.

FATHER CHRIS AWAY JANUARY 14TH - FEBRUARY 15TH: Father Chris will be travelling home to Nigeria from January 14th to February 15th. He will return on Saturday, February 17th to celebrate our 5:00 p.m. Mass. Father Roque Anquintero Jr. (Father JoJo) and Father Jasson Ortega have been very kind enough to help preside over all the Masses and celebrations while Father Chris is away. We ask you to please give them a very warm welcome to Holy Cross! Thank you for all your help!

FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: Each Friday evening during Lent, starting on **February 16th at 7:00 p.m.**, you are invited as families and individuals to join us as we gather together and pray the Rosary and Stations of the Cross in the Church. Come and pray, following the footsteps of Jesus to Calvary (this replaces Family Adoration, which resumes after Easter).

PYX TRAINING AND COMMUNION OF THE SICK: On Saturday, **February 17th, at 9:00 a.m.** at Holy Cross Parish, there will be training by Father Chris for all ECMs who bring Communion to the sick and homebound. On Sundays, beginning March 3rd and 4th, we will begin the new practice for the pyx. Before each

Mass, the registered ECM will place the pyx on the credence table. After the closing prayer, Father Chris will invite the designated ECMs to come forward to receive their pyx. Please register yourself and the Communicant with the parish office at (204) 233-7367 or office@holycrossparish.ca at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

SOLDIERS OF CHRIST HEALING MINISTRY: The Soldiers of Christ Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry (Winnipeg Chapter) invites everyone for Healing Evangelization every 3rd Sunday of the month. The next gathering is on **February 18th at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus Christ our Lord. May the Most Holy Face of Jesus shine upon us! For more information, please call Anita Bondoc at (204) 930-8357.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: Just a reminder that next weekend we are asking once again for your generosity in support of our weekly Food Bank. Your donations help feed the needy and hungry of our community, so please be generous.

SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE EVENING: On **Monday, February 19th at 7:00 p.m.**, we will have the amazing Saint John's Bible again at Holy Cross Parish as part of the Archdiocesan celebration of 200 years of the Gospel in Western Canada. In this evening event, we will have a presentation outlining the history of the arrival of the Gospel, an introduction to the Saint John's Bible, and an experience of Lectio/Visio Divina - a method of meditating on Scripture. Please join us, all are welcome to come and experience this, and have another look at the Saint John's Bible!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 19TH: The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, February 19th** for Louis Riel Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, February 20th during regular office hours.

GREETING CARD MAKING: Have you ever wondered how to make a greeting card...it's as easy as 1, 2, 3! Come out to Holy Cross Parish on **March 10th at 1:00 p.m.** and bring a friend. We will meet in the church basement and you will make 10 cards in total, two of each design. **The themes: Thinking of You, Birthday (two different designs), Sympathy, and Easter.** You will use Stampin' Up tools to stamp a clear image and create your cards. Everything is pre-cut and waiting to be assembled. No experience necessary and you will be amazed at your creations. Some prizes to win and lots of fun! Cost is \$30.00. Please contact Diane at (204) 228-5348 for tickets or information.

NORWOOD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 3538: Meetings are held every 1st Monday of the month (unless it is a holiday, then the following Monday) at 8:00 p.m. at 267 Traverse Avenue. Bingo every Thursday. Regular games 7:30 p.m. and early birds 7:00 p.m. Crip card tourney every 3rd Friday. For more information or hall rentals, please contact Paul at (204) 237-9974 or Grand Knight 2017-2018 Denis Pinette at (204) 255-0684.

HOLY CROSS ST. PATRICK'S DAY BOWLING



Where: Coronation Bowling Centre
(255 Tache Avenue)

When: Saturday, March 17th at 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20.00 per person (food and soft drink included)

Limited Tickets!!! (available at the parish office or call Christine at (204) 237-5499)

Silent Auction & 50/50 Tickets

Calling all leprechauns! If you're searching for your pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, look no further.



Holy Cross Parish is hosting a Bingo Bowl. Come join us for some fun, dressed in your finest St. Patty's garb. The most creative wins a prize. May the luck of the Irish be with you!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

- Holy Rosary will be prayed daily at 7:15 a.m. (Mon - Sat)
- Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed daily after the 7:45 a.m. Mass (Mon - Sat) & at 9:45 a.m. (Sunday)
- Novena to OLPH will begin on the 2nd Wednesday of each month following the 7:45 a.m. Mass
- 1st Friday, 1st Saturday & 3rd Friday Devotion will be prayed following the 7:45 a.m. Mass

Saturday, February 10: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. + Ambrose Kapitan by the Savoie family

Sunday, February 11: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:45 a.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Leo Beaupre by the Sutherland family
- 12:00 p.m. + Leo Beaupre by Paul & Adeline

Monday, February 12

7:45 a.m. Birthday Intentions for Justin & Taylor Gagnon by Marie

Tuesday, February 13

7:45 a.m. Special Intentions for Thérèse & Claude Gagnon by Marie

Wednesday, February 14: ASH WEDNESDAY

- 7:45 a.m. Birthday Intentions for Leanne & Lynne Gagnon by Marie
- 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, February 15

7:45 a.m. Special Intentions for Marc & Blair Gagnon by Marie

Friday, February 16

- 7:45 a.m. Herminia Clemente Manansala by Lorraine Lavack
- 7:00 p.m. Rosary & Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 17

- 7:45 a.m. Special Intentions for Lucas & Isabel Gagnon by Marie
- 1:00 p.m. Funeral: Margaret Le Dressay

Saturday, February 17: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 p.m. + Ed Gray by the Norwood Knights of Columbus

Sunday, February 18: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

- 7:45 a.m. + Andre Doumbe by the Norwood Knights of Columbus
- 9:45 a.m. Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 10:00 a.m. + Dale Swirsky by Nick & Rita Tan
- 12:00 p.m. For the Intentions of All Parishioners



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HCP FUNDRAISING CONCERT:

In order to continue to serve those in need at the Food Bank, as well as ourselves, we continue to **fundraise** for renovations to

our parish kitchen and hall. **You can help** by purchasing tickets for our upcoming **FUNDRAISING CONCERT** on **April 15th, 2018**, given by Father Robbie McDougall on piano and Claudine St-Arnauld on violin. Buy for yourself, or for friends and family! Tickets are available at the parish office, or by calling Cecile at (204) 253-9735 or Caroline at (204) 237-6177.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

PARISH COLLECTION: February 3 - February 4

Mass Time	Loose	Envelope	Total
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	74.00	(26) 554.00	628.00
Sun. 7:45 a.m.	134.20	(20) 610.00	744.20
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	133.25	(41) 764.00	897.25
Sun. 12:00 p.m.	81.05	(15) 330.00	411.05
			2,680.50
Pre-Authorized Donations			
*42 registered donating on different schedules, spread over all Masses			367.50
TOTAL			3,048.00

There is one who scatters, and yet increases all the more, and there is one who withholds what is justly due, and yet it results only in want. The generous man will be prosperous, and he who waters will himself be watered.

Proverbs 11: 24-25

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon. Feb. 12	T.O.P.S. FHE Preparation Women's Fellowship Adoration Chapel Meeting	6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tues. Feb. 13	Lent Family Event Social Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday Mass Building Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thurs. Feb. 15	Youth Group R.C.I.A.	7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 16	Easter Liturgy Planning Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 17	Pyx Training	9:00 a.m.

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