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# Holy Cross

## Roman Catholic Parish

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### MASS TIMES

Monday–Friday — 7:45am

Saturday — 7:45am, 4pm

Sunday — 7:45am, 10am & 12pm

Thursday—10:30am at Catherine Place

### RECONCILIATION

Monday–Saturday — after the  
7:45am weekday masses.

### PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday–Friday — 8:30am – 12pm

**Closed on Mondays, Weekends and  
Holidays.**

### Coordinator of Parish Life

Sister Charlotte Leake, S.N.J.M.

### Office Assistant

Rachel de Jesus

### Custodian

Gerard O'Neill

### Catechetics & Youth Group

Dominique Gougeon-Gagnon

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Marianne Savard

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### First Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Deuteronomy 26.4-10

**Responsorial Psalm 91:** "Be with  
me, Lord, when I am in trouble."

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 10.8-13

**Gospel:** Luke 4.1-13

### Second Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18

**Responsorial Psalm 27:** "The Lord is  
my light and my salvation."

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Philippians 3.17-4.1

**Gospel:** Luke 9.28b-36

### Parish Bulletin

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent • March 9 & 16, 2025

### First Sunday of LENT

God's people have always had to face one fundamental temptation: forgetting the Lord and all the ways he has blessed us. When we forget our past, we tend to think that we're alone in the present, that God isn't with us to help us and guide us.

Because Jesus never forgot his people's history, he was able to resist the devil's temptation. He knew that the God who fed Israel in the desert would not let his Son starve.

In today's first reading, Moses exhorts the people to remember their history and to offer to God their "first fruits" in gratitude. Each year at the beginning of the harvest, they were to recount their story and insert themselves personally into that story: God made *us* his own people, he delivered *us* from slavery, he fed *us* in the desert, he enabled *us* to defeat our enemies and settle in the Promised Land.

We too, have our memories, our history. We remember Jesus' love for us. We remember his teachings, his miracles, and his compassion. We remember his death and resurrection. We remember our own redemption. And as we remember, these events come alive again. We find new grace to resist temptation and continue our journey in faith.

God wants to fill us with his Spirit and his love! He wants to help us make room in our hearts for him. We don't have to be afraid of even the small, daily temptations to break Lenten resolutions. God is here to help us. He promises that when we call upon him, he will answer us. When we cling to him, he will be with us, and he will deliver us, just as he delivered Jesus from the temptations in the desert.

Blessings in the holy names of Jesus, Mary and Joseph!

Sister Charlotte Leake, S.N.J.M., *Coordinator of Parish Life*

### Second Sunday of LENT

Jesus Christ, the all-holy Son of God, gives us, mere mortals, a choice. We are never forced to follow him; he calls us. The real choice is to follow Jesus and accept whatever that decision entails. It is a choice to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, who longs to pour his love into our hearts every day, a choice to believe that with him we can overcome any obstacle, challenge or difficulty.

For Jesus is the Son of God who became man so that we could become sons and daughters of God. He is the Lamb of God who laid down his life so that we could be freed from sin and transformed into his very image and likeness.

A week before the magnificent display of Jesus' transfiguration, Jesus had told his apostles for the first time that he was going to be put to death. Now, after having given them a few days to digest this troubling news, Jesus took them up a mountain and gave them a taste of why he would endure such suffering. For just one moment, Jesus showed them what he would look like after the death he had just predicted.

We often speak about bearing our cross or putting to death our human sinfulness. But like Peter, James, and John, who saw Jesus' glory before they experienced his cross and their own, we too, need to have our eyes lifted up from time to time. We too, need to see Jesus risen in triumph and transformed in glory. Our ultimate goal is not to die, but to live! We don't exist to repent, but to live with Jesus in an unbreakable bond of love. Through his transfiguration, Jesus wants to give us a glimpse of our own future, when we will live with him in glory, no longer weighed down by sin, but lifted up by the Spirit.

So let us ask Jesus to take our every act of love and fill it with his presence, that we may live "for his glory and praise".

Blessings in the holy names of Jesus, Mary and Joseph!

Sister Charlotte Leake, S.N.J.M., *Coordinator of Parish Life*

### Silence in Mass During Consecration

Father Ani has requested that no movement and silence in the church is expected at the time of consecration. This cue can be observed by the ringing of bells. Should this happen while you're in route to/from the washroom, please be considerate by stopping and waiting until after the consecration.

### 2024 Donation Tax Receipts

The 2024 donation receipts have been mailed. If you do not receive them in the mail in the next week, please contact the parish office at 204-233-7367 or [office@holycrossparish.ca](mailto:office@holycrossparish.ca) so we can re-issue you another. If we have made an error on your donation tax receipt for 2024, please contact the parish office.

### Lift/Elevator

**Good News!** Our **NEW ELEVATOR** is fully functional and paid in full! Thanks to everyone for your generous donations.

#### On a note for users:

- Please **do not hold the buttons**. It operates as a "normal elevator."
- One touch of the button is all that is required.

#### The new markings are:

- **3 . . . Church/Washroom**
- **M . . .Lobby – Main Floor**
- **1 . . . Parish Office/Boardroom**
- **LL . . .Hall/Basement**
- There is a **HELP** button in the elevator, should you need immediate assistance.
- If the **HELP button** has been activated, please wait until the recorded message is completed. Then inform the operator of your emergency.
- If **HELP button** has been pressed accidentally, please remain in the elevator to inform operator that assistance is not required and the call will be cancelled. This is to prevent emergency services being dispatched.

This elevator is new and may require a few minor adjustments. Should you encounter any non-emergency problems, please inform the Parish Office during regular business hours: at 204 -233-7367 or [office@holycrossparish.ca](mailto:office@holycrossparish.ca)

### Daylight Savings—Spring Forward

Just a friendly reminder that this **Sunday, March 9, 2025** at **2:00am** clocks are turned **forward** 1 hour to **Sunday, March 9, 2025 to 3:00am** local standard time instead.

### Adoration Chapel Promotion

On the weekend Masses of **March 8-9**, we will be promoting the amazing privilege we have with a perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in our Parish. Our goal is to have Jesus, present there in the Blessed Sacrament, kept company every hour of every day, and not left alone at any time.



Many in our parish partake of this beautiful devotion, yet attend the Chapel without a specific commitment to a particular day or time for their Holy Hour. We are hoping each parishioner can make the sacrifice, show their love for Jesus, and make a Holy Hour each week. It would be huge to also commit to a specific time slot each week, so that we might accomplish our goal of not leaving Jesus without consolation.

We will be passing out a survey form for each parishioner to respond to, then return at the end of each Mass, to a collection box supplied at the exits.

*For your prayerful consideration....*

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### ***"Come, and adore Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament!"***

As we enter the Lenten season, we at Holy Cross desire to enkindle the hearts of our parishioners with a new love for the Eucharistic Jesus.

God has given a gift to us in the Adoration Chapel. Since I discovered the adoration chapel probably a couple of years after it was first opened, I came to the realization that this sacred place that we have, right here at Holy Cross, has been my ultimate refuge, carrying me through the most difficult trials, disappointments and crosses.

Spending time, especially in the heart of the night, all alone with my Saviour and Lord has given me the strength and courage to not give up.

It has given me the joy of thanking God for all the blessings and it has given me the grace of understanding that while we spend time with Him, it is like we are at the side of those who are suffering. We are not wasting time. Jesus himself is there with them while we are here with Him adoring. Have a blessed Lent! Please plan to be there on March 8."

- From a devoted parishioner and adorer

### Stations of the Cross

We will pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm.

### **\*Correction—No First Friday Mass at 7:00pm**

Please be advised that during Lent, there will be no First Friday Mass at 7:00pm. It will resume on May 2, 2025.

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**\*\*LENT\*\***

- \*\*L\*\*** - Learn to love Jesus and others.
- \*\*E\*\*** - Encounter Jesus through the poor and needy.
- \*\*N\*\*** - New life through Jesus for everyone.
- \*\*T\*\*** - Transform yourself to grow in holiness and serve others.

- Lent is a time of repentance.
- Lent is a time of grace.
- Lent is a time of mercy.
- Lent is a time of almsgiving.
- Lent is a time of prayer.
- Lent is a time of fasting.
- Lent is a time of forgiveness.
- Lent is a time of conversion. Ultimately, Lent is a time to return to the Lord.

Lent is a time to turn inward, examine ourselves, and give up our sins, egoism, and negativities to become a new creation through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ.

Lent is a time to return to the Lord and learn from Him.

Lent is a time to experience God's compassion.

Lent is a time to care for and have concern for others.

Lent is a time for good deeds motivated by true love, sacrifice, and service.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Anixavier, *Holy Cross Parochial Administrator*

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**CWL Corner  
Chez Rachel**

**Toiletries for Residents of  
Chez Rachel**

**March 2<sup>nd</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>**

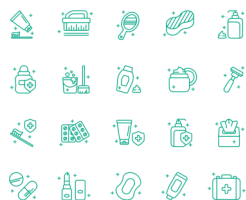
Holy Cross CWL is initiating this drive in support of the mothers & children residing at Chez Rachel. These families have left their homes due to domestic violence. We are asking the good people of Holy Cross Parish for your support in making this effort a success.

**There will be clearly marked collection bins at the back of the church & annex.**

**Items Required:**

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| Body Wash/Hand Soap      | Bar Soap         |
| Shampoo/Conditioner      | Deodorant        |
| Toothpaste/Tooth Brushes | Hand/Body Lotion |
| Lip Care – Lysol/Blistex | Hair Comb/Brush  |
| Feminine Protection      | Kleenex          |

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**The Word of God-Heals Our Soul and Body Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry Inc.**

The Word of God - Heals our Soul and Body Catholic Charismatic Healing Ministry Inc. invites everyone for Healing Evangelization. **Please join us on Sunday, March 16 at 1:00pm in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus.

**Medjugorje Prayer Group**

The next prayer meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 18, at 7:00pm in the church.** All are welcome!

**Holy Cross Parish Men's Group**

Attention men of Holy Cross! All men ages 18 and up are invited to the Holy Cross Men's Faith Sharing and Prayer Group, which meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the every month at 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the church. The format will be video presentation, sharing, and the rosary . We learn, we share, we discuss, and we pray. Please contact Charles at 204-235-1725 or [cppref@mymts.net](mailto:cppref@mymts.net) or Christophe at 431-866-5138 or [cmaguet@hotmail.com](mailto:cmaguet@hotmail.com) for more information. **The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 7:00pm.**

**Bingo Bowl**



The Holy Cross Parish CWL Annual St. Patrick's Day BINGO BOWL will take place on **Saturday, March 22, 7:00pm at Coronation Lanes, 255 Tache Avenue.**

Your \$25.00 ticket includes 3 games of bowling, shoes, and pizza. Tickets available through CWL. Silent Auction, 50/50 and door prizes.

Come dressed in a St. Patrick's outfit or in green to win the prize for best dressed.

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**Norwood Knights of Columbus**

We are a Catholic men's service organization, practicing Catholics 18 and over, who are here for the church and community's needs. We have life and disability insurance and investment opportunities. We are rated one of the best insurance providers. We have been with Holy Cross Parish over 65 years. Our church representative is Bryon Burvill 204-233-7904. We are in need of new members to help us reach our objectives.

## Mass Intentions March 8–16, 2025

### Saturday, March 8: First Sunday of Lent

4:00pm + Alfred Ross, + Myrna McKay, &  
+ Jeanne McKay by Christine Ross

### Sunday, March 9: First Sunday of Lent

7:45am For the Intentions of All Parishioners  
10:00am + George & + Katherine Klowak by the Savard  
family  
12:00pm + Carlos Guerrero by Carole & Ranie Rara

### Monday, March 10

7:45am Ron Fuentes by Romula Fuentes

### Tuesday, March 11

7:45am + Deceased Members of the Jasnica family by  
Natasha

### Wednesday, March 12

7:45am + Louis LeGuyader by Marc & Joanne Mercier

### Thursday, March 13

7:45am Helen & Ralph Shearman by Louisa Lalonde

### Friday, March 14

7:45am + Martha Reimer by Ellie Wiebe

### Saturday, March 15

7:45am + Frank & + Agnes Kennedy by Michael &  
Arlene Soenen

### Saturday, March 15: Second Sunday of Lent

4:00pm Edward & Cecile Myslicki by Michelle Hancock

### Sunday, March 16: Second Sunday of Lent

7:45am Betty Man by the Friends of the Holy Eucharist  
10:00am For the Intentions of All Parishioners  
12:00pm + Lilianne Delaye by the family

## Mass Intentions March 15–23, 2025

### Saturday, March 15: Second Sunday of Lent

4:00pm Edward & Cecile Myslicki by Michelle Hancock

### Sunday, March 16: Second Sunday of Lent

7:45am Betty Man by the Friends of the Holy Eucharist  
10:00am For the Intentions of All Parishioners  
12:00pm + Lilianne Delaye by the family

### Monday, March 17

7:45am + Cecile Novog by Della Desrochers

### Tuesday, March 18

7:45am + Cecile Maurice by Maria Grazia Verrelli

### Wednesday, March 19: Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:45am In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph by Cecile  
Myslicki

### Thursday, March 20

7:45am Rick Reynen & family by Helen & Ralph  
Shearman

### Friday, March 21

7:45am Betty Man by Rita Tan

### Saturday, March 22

7:45am + Raymond Novog by Della Desrochers

### Saturday, March 22: Third Sunday of Lent

4:00pm + George Ross by the Holy Cross CWL

### Sunday, March 23: Third Sunday of Lent

7:45am + Claire Chenier by Betty Man  
10:00am + Gladys & + Ted Abesamis by the Carandang  
family  
12:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

### March 2025 Papal Prayer Intentions

*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.

### Stewardship

#### March 9, 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.

### Stewardship

#### March 16, 2025 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - GENESIS 15:7*  
Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

### We Did It Again!

Big thanks to Holy Cross for another very successful Coldest Night of the Year on February 22! Similar to last year, the cold snap ended a couple of days prior to the walk letting all bask in a balmy night of fun, fitness and fellowship. Around 150 participants packed the church, including participants, teams, organizers and volunteers.

There are so many people to thank for the resounding success of the event. Huge thanks to Nicole Gougeon-Gagnon and Sharon Kennedy who both worked tirelessly from early afternoon well into the evening to make sure everything ran smoothly. They both did it with smiles on, a cheerful attitude and a true servant's heart.

I am truly grateful for Nicole's organization skills in recruiting bakers and making arrangements for drop-offs. All of your delectable delights were gobbled up by those in attendance. On behalf of Nicole and myself, heartfelt thanks to all parishioners who so generously donated such scrumptious treats and even gluten free baking which was so very much appreciated. Once again a meatless quiche was donated and came in handy. We are blessed to have such excellent bakers in our parish! Sharon, thanks for staying to the end to make sure everything was left the way we found it. I couldn't have done it without you.

Our amazing resident Chef Dan Carbotte cooked up three massive vats of his hearty home made chili. While it was filling and so delicious, some couldn't resist and came back for seconds. Thank you Dan for always saying "yes" and for stepping up to cook for the multitude. We are so blessed to have you. Dan was given a enthusiastic round of applause and cheers from those who left happy and full.

A shout out to the volunteers from Holy Cross as well as the Cana couples and their children who showed up to welcome participants, cheer them on, serve and clean up afterwards. It was such a gift to see everyone pitch in and make the work light with many hands.

Street Links was very pleased with the evening and the outcome. The final tally isn't in yet as donors have up to 30 days after the event to contribute. Just over \$40,000 of their \$50,000 goal was raised from local corporate sponsors, teams that walked and people who just came in to make a donation that day.

I marvel at how the people in this parish ALWAYS come through with outrageous generosity and hospitality.

Thank you for all of your efforts in supporting this critical outreach program which serves the most vulnerable in our community.

May you be blessed abundantly.

Marianne Savard  
Holy Cross Food Bank Coordinator

**Did you know ?** . . . The current PPC needs several more members. Over the last few weeks the current PPC members have been informing the community about the PPC. Please pray for new members to come forward with their gifts and talents. If you feel that you are being called to serve the parish as a PPC member, please let us know. Or if you know someone who meets the criteria, call them forth to submit their name. You can speak with Fr. AniXavier or PPC Chair, Diane L'Arrivee or Coordinator of Parish Life, Sister Charlotte.

Criteria:

- a practicing Catholic.
- already concretely engaged in the pastoral life of the parish.
- works well with others.
- has good communication skills.
- understands the purpose of a PPC and its function.
- is committed to the mission of the whole parish, not just a particular group or interest.
- reflects the diversity of the parish such as age, gender, ethnicity.

### \*Updated—Formed

Have you checked out [FORMED](#)? Do you want to be of service to the parish? We are looking for volunteers to help promote [FORMED](#), and create events with the support of the Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Financial Council, Fr. AniXavier, and Sister Charlotte. Are you interested? Please email [ppc@holycrossparish.ca](mailto:ppc@holycrossparish.ca) with your name and email address. We will contact you for a planning meeting.

**\*Formed has a weekly Lent Series called, "This Week on Formed" and the link will be published in the bulletin each week.**

**To view "This Week on Formed, March 9, 2025", please click [here](#).**

**To view "This Week on Formed, March 16, 2025", please click [here](#).**



### Happy Birthday!!!

Happy Birthday wishes, prayers and blessings to everyone celebrating their birthday in the month of March.

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### Happy Wedding Anniversary!!!

Congratulations and blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary in the month of March.

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### CCRS OF MB Presents – ALIVE a Charismatic Event – March 15, 2025

Join us on Saturday March 15, 2025, at 7:00pm at St. Gerard Parish – 45 Foster St, Winnipeg MB. Eucharistic Celebration presided by Fr. Janusz Maron, Praise and Worship by the "St Gerard 12:00pm Mass Choir". Personal Testimony by Leonard

Terrick, plus Prayer Ministry will be available, fellowship and more. Please note, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 6:00pm to 7:00pm and we will have a special blessing for sacramentals such as Water, Oil, Salt, etc. Free will love offering. Come experience the power of the Holy Spirit through the charismatic current of grace!

For more information: 204-895-7544

or email [ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com](mailto:ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com) or visit: <https://www.catholicrenewalservices.com/events>

For poster, [click here](#). For flyer, [click here](#).



### CCRS OF MB – “Jubilee with The Apostles & Evangelists” Pilgrimage – October 19 to 30, 2025

Join us on an incredible pilgrimage to Italy from October 19<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025: We will visit many of

the most beautiful cathedrals of the world! A wonderful opportunity to visit the remains of many apostles and evangelists and walk thru the “Holy Doors” of the four major Basilicas of Rome during the Jubilee Year. All details are on the attached flyer. Limited Space.

For more information: 204-895-7544 or email

[ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com](mailto:ccrs@catholicrenewalservices.com)

For poster, [click here](#)



### Casting Call for Volunteer Actors, Crew and Musicians

Manitoba Passion Play is celebrating 25 Years of presenting the Life of Christ in Manitoba in a beautiful Outdoor setting. We are a non-profit organization that is

completely run by volunteers from all across Southern Manitoba. We are casting for new volunteers. If you would like to be part of this project. It takes place in La Riviere, Manitoba.

Auditions will be in Winnipeg and in Southern Manitoba.

If you are interested please email us

at [audition@passionplay.ca](mailto:audition@passionplay.ca)

For poster, [click here](#). Website: [www.passionplay.ca](http://www.passionplay.ca)

### Women's Perimenopause Class with Serena Manitoba— March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Do you want to learn more about the changes in a woman's body during perimenopause, as well as some tips on how to navigate this time more freely? Do you need help in tracking your fertility in this time when your body is not acting

quite like it used to? Join us in this fun, educational, and interactive event on **Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm-4:30pm at the Lorette Parish Hall**, at 1282 Dawson Rd. in Lorette, MB. Suggested donation is \$10. Payment can be made by cash or cheque at the event, or via e-transfer at [mbserena@gmail.com](mailto:mbserena@gmail.com) before or after the event. Optional natural family planning (NFP) perimenopause-related items available for purchase. Please bring an afternoon snack to share.

For more info, contact Janelle at

[mbserena@gmail.com](mailto:mbserena@gmail.com) or 204-783-0091. To register, go to [bit.ly/serena-peri-class](http://bit.ly/serena-peri-class), or see the poster at [bit.ly/serena-perimenopause-poster](http://bit.ly/serena-perimenopause-poster).

### Mother Daughter NFP Classes with Serena Manitoba — April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 31<sup>st</sup>, or June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Discussing upcoming and ongoing changes in a girl's body from her tween to her teen years, to becoming a young lady, can be a delicate topic. Serena offers three Mother Daughter NFP (Natural Family Planning) / Body Literacy classes, each one appropriate for three different age groups, stimulating and encouraging ongoing communication between moms and their daughters about their femininity in light of God.

Our Mom & Tween class for **9 - 12 year olds will be held Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Emile Parish from 1:00pm - 5:00pm**. The Mom & Teen and Teen/YA (Young Adult) Classes will be held on **Saturday at the Archdiocese of St. Boniface from 1:00pm - 4:30pm on May 31<sup>st</sup> for 13 - 15 year olds** looking at Body Literacy and an Intro to Charting, and on **June 14<sup>th</sup> for 16 - 21 year olds** focusing on Advanced Charting.

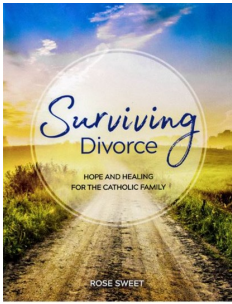
Suggested donation is \$15 per mother-daughter(s) set, per class. Payment can be made by cash or cheque at the event, or via e-transfer at [mbserena@gmail.com](mailto:mbserena@gmail.com) before or after the event.

Optional NFP items will be available for purchase at the Teen and Teen/YA classes.

For more info, contact Janelle at

[mbserena@gmail.com](mailto:mbserena@gmail.com) or 204-783-0091. To register, go to [bit.ly/mother-daughter-2025](http://bit.ly/mother-daughter-2025), or see the poster at [bit.ly/mother-daughter-poster](http://bit.ly/mother-daughter-poster).





**Surviving Divorce: 12-Week Catholic Program for the Separated and Divorced – Tuesdays, April 1<sup>st</sup> to June 24<sup>th</sup> (no session during Holy Week)**

*Are you or anyone in your family Separated or Divorced?*

*The Archdiocese of Saint Boniface Ministry to the Separated and Divorced*

*will be hosting a twelve-session Surviving Divorce program that will bring hope and healing to those who are experiencing the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage.*

*Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing.*

***This program will run on Tuesday evenings from 7pm-9pm, starting on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at the Saint Boniface Archdiocesan Centre. Registration is required. The cost of the program for participants is \$50 and includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic Church teachings.***

*For information, please contact Marie Brunet at [mfl@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl@archsaintboniface.ca); 204-594-0274 or Daniel Bahuaud at [communications@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:communications@archsaintboniface.ca); 204-594-0277.*

***Register here for the program: <https://bit.ly/survivingdivorce2025>***



**REGISTRATIONS OPEN: Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration – May 4, 2025**

*Are you celebrating a milestone wedding*

*anniversary this year? (5, 10, 15, 20, 25 years or more). You are invited to participate in the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration, on **Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025!***

*A mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Albert LeGatt at the Saint-Boniface Cathedral at 3:00pm. Couples will be invited to renew their vows and to receive a special blessing.*

*A reception will follow. Celebrating couples will receive an Anniversary Certificate signed by Archbishop LeGatt.*

***TO REGISTER: <https://bit.ly/anniversary2025>***

*Contact person: Marie Brunet, Marriage, Family & Life Office; (204) 594-0274 / [mfl@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl@archsaintboniface.ca).*

*For poster, [click here](#)*

**SAVE THE DATE!! Catholic Men's Conference – May 9 & 10, 2025**

The 2025 Catholic Men's Conference will be happening **May 9-10, 2025** at St. Emile parish in Winnipeg. Come join us for a faith growing experience with Fr. Kenneth Leblanc I.C. as the main conference speaker. This will be a great opportunity to deepen your faith and draw closer to Lord while delving into what it is to be a man and the call of God in each one of our lives. It will also be a great gathering of men who are looking to grow in holiness in the fellowship of our brothers in faith. Tickets are \$60 each (students \$20) and are available at [www.catholicway.net/mens2025](http://www.catholicway.net/mens2025), by calling 204-347-5396 or emailing us at [info@catholicway.net](mailto:info@catholicway.net).

**Our Faith Stories: Treasures to Share ([Diocesan Website Home Page](#)): New Story - Archdiocese of Saint Boniface and Archdiocese of Winnipeg Catholic Marriage Services Booth at the Wonderful Wedding Show**

The Wonderful Wedding Show is Winnipeg's premier event for couples planning probably the biggest day of their lives. The event was held inside a massive 100,000 square foot facility at the RBC Convention Centre last February 22-23, 2025. And... the Catholic Church was well represented! To read the complete story by Andrew and Iris De Leon, [click here!](#)

**Fertility Health Awareness Seminar (Spring 2025) – May 24, 2025**



Calling all engaged couples... and anyone interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning! Find out about the various methods of NFP, and how they can benefit your fertility & marriage. This Spring, the Archdiocese of St. Boniface is pleased to offer, free of charge, the Fertility Health Awareness, at the **St. Boniface Cathedral: Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (1:00pm-4:30pm)** – Serena, NaPro & Creighton, FEMM and Couple to Couple League methods.

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Deadline to register is May 16. Link to register: [bit.ly/fhas-register](https://bit.ly/fhas-register).

For more info, visit [bit.ly/fertilityhealth-stboniface](https://bit.ly/fertilityhealth-stboniface) or contact the Office of Marriage, Family and Life of the Archdiocese of St. Boniface - Marie:

[mfl@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl@archsaintboniface.ca) ; 204-594-0274 OR Nadine: [mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca) ; 204-594-0295

For poster, [click here](#)

**Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Event  
In Cooperation with St. Martyr’s Council #06885**

**Thursday, March 20 at 7:00pm  
Paroisse St. Martyr’s Canadiens Parish  
289 Dussault Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R2J 1N5**

In connection with this event, we invite you to bring 1 to 2 kinds of non-perishable food to be donated to Our Sisters of Missionaries of Charity helping refugees and new immigrants here in Manitoba. For any inquiries and registration, please contact:

**Grand Knight for Council 06885**

Rheal Maynard 204-390-2111

**KOFC Field Agent for Council 06885**

Benoit Kolt 204-260-7899

**KOFC General Agent**

Cleophas Castillo 431-778-3688

**Sunday Offerings  
March 2, 2025**

Loose	\$428.30
Envelopes	\$2,075.00
Pre-Authorized Donations	\$922.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,425.30</b>

***Thank you for your generosity.  
Please no foreign currency.***

*Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart, and King David also rejoiced greatly. 1 Chronicles 29: 9*

**The Week Ahead March 9—15, 2025**

	Sunday March 9	Monday March 10	Tuesday March 11	Wednesday March 12	Thursday March 13	Friday March 14	Saturday March 15
Morning	11:00am Fellowship	Parish Office Closed	10:20am Holy Cross School Grade Grouping Mass Gr. 2-3	9:00am Food Bank 9:30am Children’s Atrium			9:30am-11:30am Children’s Atrium 9:30am Sacramental Preparation
Afternoon	1:30pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury’s					12:00pm-2:00pm Confirmation Preparation 1:30pm-3:30pm RCIA-Teen
Evening			7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	5:00pm Children’s Atrium	7:00pm Youth Group	7:00pm Stations of the Cross	

**The Week Ahead March 16—22, 2025**

	Sunday March 16	Monday March 17	Tuesday March 18	Wednesday March 19	Thursday March 20	Friday March 21	Saturday March 22
Morning	11:00am Fellowship	Parish Office Closed	10:20am Holy Cross School Grade Grouping Mass Gr. 4-5	9:00am Food Bank 9:30am Children’s Atrium		7:45am Mass followed by Third Friday Devotions	9:30am-11:30am Children’s Atrium 11:00am-3:30pm Friends of the Holy Eucharist Retreat
Afternoon	1:00pm The Word of God Heals 1:30pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury’s					1:30pm-3:30pm RCIA-Teen
Evening			7:00pm Medjugorje Prayer Group	5:00pm Children’s Atrium 7:00pm Men’s Group	7:00pm Youth Group	7:00pm Stations of the Cross	7:00pm Bingo Bowl at Coronation Lanes (255 Tache Ave.)