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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.

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Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord • Easter Sunday • The Mass of Easter Day April 20, 2025 1st Reading: Acts 10.34a, 37-43 Responsorial Psalm 118.1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (R. 24): *R.* "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. " 2nd Reading: Colossians 3.1-4 Gospel: John 20.1-18++

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Parish Bulletin

Easter Sunday • April 20, 2025



Easter Sunday—April 20, 2025

On this Easter day, here are words from St. John Chrysostom' Easter homily!

"Come you all: enter the joy of your Lord. You the first and you the last, receive alike your reward. You rich and you poor, dance together. You sober and you weaklings, celebrate the day. You who have kept the fast and you who have not, rejoice today. The table is richly loaded: enjoy its royal banquet. The calf is a fatted one: let no one go away hungry.

All of you enjoy the banquet of faith! All of you receive the riches of his goodness! Let no one grieve over his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed. Let no one weep over his sins, for pardon has shone from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the death of our Savior has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. He has despoiled Hades by going down into its kingdom. He has angered it by allowing it to taste of his flesh.

When Isaiah foresaw all this, he cried out: "O Hades, you have been angered by encountering Him in the nether world." Hades is angered because it is frustrated, it is angered because it has been mocked, it is angered because it has been destroyed, it is angered because it has been reduced to naught, it is angered because it is now captive. It seized a body, and lo! it discovered God. It seized earth and behold! it encountered heaven. It seized the visible and was overcome by the invisible.

O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory? Christ is risen and life is freed! Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead! For Christ, being risen from the dead, has become the Leader and Reviver of those who had fallen asleep. To Him be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen."

May each of you have a Happy and blessed Easter!! May Christ's Resurrection change our hearts and our lives. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!

Christophe Maguet, *Holy Cross Parish Pastoral Council Member & Parishioner* (Image by <u>Ronald Sandino</u> from <u>Pixabay</u>)

Dear Parishioners,

Jubilee year 2025, The year of hope, Easter is the time of Hope...

We see Jesus rise from the dead in all glory and majesty. His enemies are shamed and confused. Jesus regains the eternal glory with the Father. Jesus is Lord of Lords, King of Kings, who will prevail over all humankind, his enemies included. For us, his followers, this is good news. Truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice, and goodness over evil. Death has been conquered. The Easter message is that Jesus is "Lord of all". We see resurrection breaking out everywhere, when we see a tree in full blossom and hear the laughter of a child- when we give and share and live in communion with each other – in our reaching out to those who have lost hope and communication hope to them – in the self sacrificial goodness of so many people the world over. Then Easter happens again and again.

We are in the Jubilee year 2025, the year of hope. let us bring hope to the hopeless people by our simple smile, humble life, genuine love, and service. Easter joy, hope, peace to all, Happy Easter.

With prayers and blessings,

Fr. Anixavier OFM. Cap., Holy Cross Parish Parochial Administrator

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Easter Sunday Schedule

Holy Saturday (April 19)

8:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday (April 20)

7:45am	Easter Sunday Mass
10:00am	Easter Sunday Mass
12:00pm	Easter Sunday Mass



Chrism Mass

Holy Cross parishioners who participated in the Chrism Mass and received the sacred oils. (Photo by Ellery Kitlar)

Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed on Monday, April 21 (Easter Monday) and will reopen on Tuesday, April 22 during regular office hours.

Youth Group Easter Party

There will be an Easter party on **Thursday, April 24 from 7:00pm-9:30pm** in the basement to which all youth of the parish are invited to attend!

First Holy Communion Celebration



On **Sunday, April 27 at the 10:00am Mass**, Fr. Ani Xavier, OFM Cap., will give the Sacrament of First Holy Communion to the children of Holy Cross Parish.

Prayers for Our Children Receiving

the Sacraments: We are asking our parishioners to pray for the intentions of our children receiving their Sacraments. By the main entrance of the Church, we have a display of photos of the children and a basket filled with names of the children. Please take a name with you to include in your prayers.

(Image by Gini George from Pixabay)

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, April 27 at 1:00pm in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus.

Divine Mercy at St. Andrew Bobola Parish

Dear Parishes;

On behalf of St. Andrew Bobola Parish, we would like to invite you to celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy with us on **April 27th, 2025**.

Our main celebrant will be His Grace Archbishop Albert LeGatt.

Confession will be heard starting at 1:00pm. Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm.

Holy Mass immediately following the Chaplet. Our Parish has been designated as a Shrine of Divine Mercy, with a 1st class relic of St. Faustina, which you will be able to venerate following Holy Mass. We look forward to have you celebrate with us during

this special Jubilee year as designated by our Holy Father.

Praying you will all have a blessed Holy Week and a wonderful Easter.

In Christ and His Holy Mother,

St. Andrew Bobola per Mrs. Fran Kowalchuk



Sister Bibiana's Send-Off Party

Join us to celebrate Sister Bibiana A. Ikwun, HHCJ, for her years of Missionary work here in

Canada and to wish her the best in the future.

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 At 6:00pm Salle Baudoux Hall Archbishop's Residence 151 Avenue De La Cathedrale, Winnipeg, MB Light refreshments will be provided. R.S.V.P. at 431-334-9557

Come Alive! Youth Conference 2025 Presented by St. Emile Youth Ministry

Experience Christ's love through:

- Keynote speakers
- Games
- Meals
- Prayer
- Breakout sessions on prayer, dating, suffering and more!
- And much more!
- Date: Saturday, May 10
- Time: 9:30am to 9:00pm
- Place: St. Timothy Parish, 135 John Forsyth Road
- Who: Open to grades 6 to 12

*Gr. 6-8 & 9-12 splits during some sessions.

Register at: <u>https://</u> form.jotform.com/250045465143248

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 <u>not required</u> 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

April 2025 Papal Prayer Intentions

For the use of new technologies: Let us pray that the use of new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Stewardship



April 20, 2025 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

Mass Intentions April 20–27, 2025

Saturday, April 19: The Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

4:00pm NO MASS

Sunday, April 20: Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord • Easter Sunday • The Mass of Easter Day

- 7:45am + Patricia De Craene by Paul De Craene
- 10:00am For Victims of Human Trafficking by the Holy Cross CWL
- 12:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Monday, April 21: Solemnity of the Easter Octave

- 7:45am + Fidelino and + Belen Carandang by the Carandang family
- Tuesday, April 22: Solemnity of the Easter Octave
 - 7:45am + Thomas O'Brien by Erin and family

Wednesday, April 23: Solemnity of the Easter Octave

7:45am + Claire Chenier by Betty Man

Thursday, April 24: Solemnity of the Easter Octave

7:45am Michael Myslicki by Edward and Cecile Myslicki

Friday, April 25: Solemnity of the Easter Octave

7:45am + Miguela and + Marianito Carandang by the Carandang family

Saturday, April 26: Solemnity of the Easter Octave

7:45am + Lilianne Delaye by the family

Saturday, April 26: Solemnity of the Second Sunday of Easter (Or of Divine Mercy) • Octave Day of Easter

4:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Sunday, April 27: Solemnity of the Second Sunday of Easter (Or of Divine Mercy) • Octave Day of Easter

- 7:45am In Thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy by Edward and Cecile Myslicki
- 10:00am In Thanksgiving for All Blessings and For My Children and Grandchildren by Liz Van De Keere
- 12:00pm Antonio Fernandes and the Fernandes family

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 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, April 20, 2025", please click here.

Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Sunday) • April 20, 2025

Holy Cross Manor – Suites Available

Holy Cross Manor, located at 266 Enfield Crescent in St. Boniface, has been in operation since 1974, with the main intent of providing low cost, affordable housing to marginalized and/or disadvantaged parishioners of Holy Cross Parish. We offer bachelor and one-bedroom suites in a secure 35 suite apartment building. Utilities and washer/dryer services are included in the rent.

At this time, we are reaching out to other Catholic parishes in the diocese. Returning to our original intention, we are also offering housing to parishioners of our sister churches.

If you have identified someone as qualifying, please have them complete the <u>attached Tenancy Application</u> and mail or deliver to Holy Cross Parish at 252 Dubuc Street, Winnipeg MB, R2H 1E3

For more information, please contact Caroline at 204-237-6177 or Chantal at 204-479-6362.

Thank you,

Larry Wozney, Chairperson, Holy Cross Manor Board

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.



CWL Corner Happy Easter to all from the ladies of Holy Cross

Catholic Women's League

(Image by **Beverly Buckley** from **Pixabay**)

Happy Birthday!!!

Happy Birthday wishes, prayers and blessings to everyone celebrating their birthday in the month of April. (Image by <u>Alexandra Koch</u> from <u>Pixabay</u>)



Happy Wedding Anniversary!!! Congratulations and blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding

(Image by OpenClipart-Vectors from Pixabay)

anniversary in the month of April.



Sunday Offerings April 13, 2025						
Loose	\$456.75					
Envelopes	\$2,635.00					
Pre-Authorized Donations	\$1,166.25					
TOTAL	\$4,258.00					
Food Depot	\$1,310.00					
Thank you for your generosity.						
Please no foreign currency.						

The Week Ahead April 20–26, 2025

	Sunday April 20	Monday April 21	Tuesday April 22	Wednesday April 23	Thursday April 24	Friday April 25	Saturday April 26
Morning	11:00am Fellowship	Parish Office Closed		9:00am Food Bank 9:30am-11:30am Children's Atrium			9:30am-11:30am Children's Atrium 11:00am-4:00pm Holy Cross Parish First Communion Retreat
Afternoon	1:30pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury's				1:30pm Holy Cross School Easter Mass	1:30pm-3:30pm RCIA-Teen
Evening			6:30pm-8:00pm Holy Cross School Communion Meditation Evening	5:00pm-7:00pm Children's Atrium	7:00pm Youth Group Easter Party		7:00pm Tamil Mass