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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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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

1st Reading: Acts 14.21b-27

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145.8-9,

**10-11, 12-13 (R. 1): R. "I will bless
your name for ever, my king and
my God."**

2nd Reading: Revelation 21.1-5a

**Gospel: John 13.1, 31-33a,
34-35++**

Parish Bulletin

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Paul and Barnabas had so much to report as they travelled to spread the Gospel. They shared wonderful stories of how God had led them into new territories, inspiring their preaching. They told about the miracles of healing God had done; how God had opened doors in the hearts of people who heard about Jesus for the first time and became believers. In their ministry, they had to be preachers, teachers, pastors, and administrators. They not only had to spread the Gospel and defend it against heresy, they had to model the words

they spoke.

Paul knew that he couldn't build God's kingdom on his own. He needed the help and commitment of others.

We, too, are needed to spread the love of Jesus to the world. Far from being a to-do list with tasks to be checked off, our walk of faith is much more the process of living our lives for Jesus—not just in active ministry but also in everyday interaction with others! Who knows how God might be working in our hearts through our friendships, as we encourage each other through our daily trials, celebrate each other's joys, and share our victories or struggles?

The first disciples had more than enough reason to be troubled. Jesus was about to leave them. But Jesus was rejoicing because he knew that his departure would bring them peace. He could pour his Spirit into their hearts, revealing God's love to them in new and deeper ways.

There are always things in our lives that can loom over us, making us forget the reality of who we are as God's children. Jesus tells us that being at peace is a choice, "let not your hearts be troubled." Jesus never said that we wouldn't be confronted by frightening situations. But he does exhort us to not allow circumstances to dictate whether or not we are at peace.

When we focus only on our circumstances, we risk losing sight of the truth. But that doesn't have to be our fate. We can allow ourselves to be swept away in worry or anxiety—or we can hold on for dear life to the surpassing reality of who God is. He made the universe; he loves us and sent Jesus to redeem us; we are his children, held in the palm of his hand; he will never abandon us! Our problems may not go away, but we will find peace in Him who loves us!

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

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

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Annual Procession for Our Lady of Fatima

On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11th, following the Noon Mass, Holy Cross held our annual procession through the neighborhood honoring our heavenly mother, Our Lady of Fatima, carrying a litter beautifully decorated with colorful roses and a statue of Our Lady. This was followed by reflection and a pot luck. A beautiful experience and tribute!

Mother's Day Blessings

On Mother's Day, May 11th, at each of the Sunday Masses, our cherished mothers were blessed by Fr. Ani Xavier. May Our Lord Jesus and our Mama Mary continue to bless them in abundance for their great love and sacrifices!



Official Installation of Pope Leo XIV – May 18, 2025

Pope Leo XVI will be installed this Sunday, 18 May, in Rome, during the celebration of the Inauguration of the Petrine

Ministry. We ask all the faithful and parishes to pray for the Pope on this solemn day. You will find a selection of prayers for the Pope on page 15 of the Inauguration to the Petrine Ministry document, which you can access by [clicking here](#).

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, May 18 at 1:00pm in the Church Annex.** Come, join, and be healed by Jesus.

Parish Office Closed

The parish office is closed on Mondays, weekends and holidays. We are closed on **Monday, May 19th** for Victoria Day. The parish office will reopen on Tuesday, May 20th during regular office hours.

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 1st and 3rd 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 or Christophe at 431-866-5138 or cmaguet@hotmail.com for more information. **The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 7:00pm.**

Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works - May 25, 2025

On Sunday, May 25, Catholics across Canada are invited to give to the Pope's Pastoral Works, formerly known as Papal Charities. With the funds raised by this collection, the Pope can provide, on behalf of all Catholics, for various emergency relief efforts around the world. Thank you for your generosity.



Blessed Generations – Honouring the Elderly - May 31, 2025

In celebration of the **Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents, and the Elderly (May 30–June 1)**, we invite you to join us for **Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday, May 31, 2025, at Mary, Mother of the Church (85 Kirkbridge Drive, Winnipeg).** Following Mass, a

celebration hosted by our youth and young adults will take place from 6:30pm–8:30pm in the parish hall, dedicated to honouring our grandparents, grandparent figures, and the elderly. The evening will include fellowship, refreshments, and entertainment by the talented young people of our parish. Please extend this invitation to your grandparents, elders, and spiritual grandparents—those who have made a meaningful impact on your life and faith. **All are welcome!** **Kindly register by May 26, 2025 at: bit.ly/blessed-generations-2025.** Visit www.mmoc.ca/events or contact: nadine@mmoc.ca or youth@mmoc.ca for more information. [Click here](#) for poster.

Holy Cross Parish Bulletin Announcements and Bulletin Board Protocols

Due to limited space on Parish bulletin boards and in the bulletin, it was requested by Fr. AniXavier and supported by the Leadership Team of:

- Father AniXavier, Parochial Administrator
- Diane L'Arrivee, Chair of PPC
- Joanne Mercier, Chair of Finance
- Sister Charlotte Leake, Coordinator of Parish Life

That:

- All posters must be submitted to Parish Office and stamped and initialed prior to placement. Unauthorized posters will be removed.
- Posters or bulletin announcements must be submitted to the Parish Office by the Wednesday of the weekend you wish them published.
- Posters or bulletin notifications will be posted 2 weeks prior to the event date.
- Should the event be over a month away, the notification can be resubmitted 2 weeks before the event.
- Notifications will remain in the bulletin or on bulletin boards for 2 weeks. Then they will be removed.



Habemus Papam! Pope Leo XIV

Today, the Church in Canada and throughout the world rejoices, as His Eminence Robert Francis Cardinal Prevost, O.S.A., after being duly elected by the College of Cardinals, has accepted to become the 267th Bishop of Rome, successor of Saint Peter, and vicar of Christ on earth! Taking the name Leo XIV, the Roman Pontiff, as the successor of Saint Peter, is the “perpetual and visible source and foundation of the unity both of the Bishops and the whole company of the faithful” (Lumen Gentium, no. 23). As our loving shepherd and spiritual guide, Pope Leo XIV’s ministry is to orient Christ’s flock toward the kingdom of heaven, where the citizenship of Christians truly lies (cf. Philippians 3:20-21).

Pope Leo XIV was born in Chicago, Illinois, on 14 September 1955. As a member of the Order of Saint Augustine (O.S.A.), in which he held various leadership positions, he dedicated many years of service to the Augustinian missions in Peru as a priest and seminary professor. He was eventually appointed Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru, by Pope Francis. As a Bishop of the Church in Peru, he served as Vice President and member of the Permanent Council of the Peruvian Bishops’ Conference. In 2023, Pope Francis appointed him as Prefect of the Dicastery of Bishops and elevated him to the College of Cardinals. Pope Leo XIV holds a doctorate in canon law from the Pontifical College of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome. Commenting on this historic moment, the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary, asks the faithful to embrace the new Pope: “I encourage the faithful in Canada to unite with their local Ordinary in welcoming Pope Leo XIV as our new Holy Father, and to remember him daily in their prayers so that he may embark on his Petrine ministry with fidelity, confident that the Lord will help him.”

As the Church in Canada rejoices today with Christians throughout the world, let us remember our new Holy Father in prayer, that despite the considerable weight of his role and responsibilities, his yoke may be easy and his burden light (cf. Matthew 11:28-20). May God grant strength and wisdom to our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, and may Mary, Mother of the Church, be ever at his side, guarding him with her mantle of protection.

[Prayer card for Pope Leo XIV](#)

Mass Intentions May 17–25, 2025

Saturday, May 17: Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 4:00pm + Irene Pepin by the family
- 4:00pm Marc Bouvier by the Muloin family

Sunday, May 18: Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 7:45am + Aurele Bremault by his wife, Caroline Bremault and family
- 10:00am + Carlos Guerrero by Carol and Ranie Rara
- 12:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Monday, May 19

- 7:45am John and Susanne Scatliff by Edward and Cecile Myslicki

Tuesday, May 20

- 7:45am + Paul Wong by Betty Man
- 7:45am For the Wellbeing and Intentions of Corine Bouchard by Alcide Bouchard

Wednesday, May 21

- 7:45am + John and + Toni Scatliff by John and Susanne Scatliff

Thursday, May 22

- 7:45am Margaret O’Brien by Erin and family

Friday, May 23

- 7:45am + Claire Chenier by Betty Man

Saturday, May 24

- 7:45am Kataring Vugrin by Darija Vugrin

Saturday, May 24: Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 4:00pm For the Intentions of All Parishioners

Sunday, May 25: Sixth Sunday of Easter

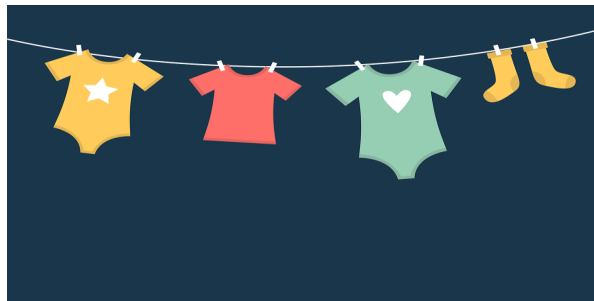
- 7:45am John and Susanne Scatliff by Georges and Carla Gervais
- 10:00am Birthday Intentions for Jean Lafrance by the Lafrance family
- 12:00pm + Carole Trudeau by Rita Tan and family



Holy Cross Parish Confirmations

On **Friday, May 30th at 7:00pm**, His Grace, Archbishop Albert LeGatt will give the Sacrament of Confirmation to the children of Holy Cross Parish. We are asking our parishioners to pray for the intentions of our children receiving their Sacraments.

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CWL Corner

The Annual CWL Drive for NEW Baby Items, in Support of Thrive Community Services

BEGINS: Mother's Day May 11th
ENDS: Father's Day June 15th
ITEMS NEEDED: Sleepers & onesies (0 to 12 months), diapers, baby caps, bibs, wash cloths, body wash, moisturizer, diaper cream, baby wipes

COLLECTION POINTS: Back of the church & annex

Collection Bin Will Be Available May 10th

Thank you for your generosity, but we can only accept NEW ITEMS.

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Sunday Offerings May 11, 2025	
Loose	\$398.95
Envelopes	\$2,425.00
Pre-Authorized Donations	\$1,166.25
TOTAL	\$3,990.20
<i>Thank you for your generosity. Please no foreign currency.</i>	

The righteous gives and does not hold back.

Proverbs 21: 26

May 2025 Papal Prayer Intentions

For working conditions: Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



Stewardship

May 18, 2025 - 5th Sunday of Easter

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.



Happy Birthday!!!

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

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Happy Wedding Anniversary!!!

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

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The Week Ahead May 18—24, 2025

	Sunday May 18	Monday May 19	Tuesday May 20	Wednesday May 21	Thursday May 22	Friday May 23	Saturday May 24
Morning	11:00am Fellowship	Parish Office Closed		9:00am Food Bank			
Afternoon	1:00pm The Word of God Heals 1:30pm Legion of Mary	3:30pm-5:00pm Bradbury's					
Evening			7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	7:00pm Men's Group	7:00pm Youth Group		