



St. Mary's Parish 3rd Sunday of Easter April 23, 2023 - Year A

Acts 2: 2 - 14, 22 - 23
1 Peter 1: 17 - 21
Luke 24: 13 - 35

“Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?”

Our Mission: “Together Building Up the Body of Christ” Parish Priest: Fr. Mirek Kostarzewski

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9am, 11am & 7pm
Daily Mass:
Tuesday - 7 pm
Wednesday - Friday - 9 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1:00-4:00pm
Tuesday - Thursday:
10:00am - Noon;
1:00pm - 4:00pm
Friday: 10:00am - Noon

Prayer Group:

St. Mary's prayer group meets before and after the 9am Mass to pray the rosary every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Holy Face of Jesus:

This group meets on Tuesdays, from 1-2pm, in front of the Blessed Sacrament for prayer, devotion and reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus, as well as recitation of the Rosary for priests.

Zoom Rosary

A monthly Rosary is prayed on Zoom, usually on the 22nd of each month at 7 pm, but there is no obligation to make a monthly commitment. If you would like to join, please contact Isabel at 403-314-0031 to get the Zoom link. The date for April is *Friday, April 21*.

E-transfer donations

Send your e-transfer donations to StMaryRD.etransfer@caedm.ca

Please notice that neither Father Mirek nor anyone from St. Mary's Parish will ever send anyone email messages asking for help, money or gift cards.

These are scam emails. Please report them and move them to the junk folder.

**A new wave of scammers is at work:
beware and be careful!**

Call for Volunteers

There are many positions to fill: Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Proclaimers, Altar Servers and others. If this is something you would consider, please contact the office at 403-347-3114.

Volunteering is a wonderful way to give back.



Mass intentions for the week of April 23 - 29

The intentions in brackets
are said by the priests in Edmonton.

Sun. 9 am: †Cecilia Hugo
 Sun. 11 am: †John Spruyt *(†Alfredo Carillo)
 Sun. 7 pm: All Parishioners
 Tue. 7 pm: Clara Bast *(Jaime de Jesus)
 Wed. 9 am: †Elizabeth Ojeda
 Thur. 9 am: †Marylin Alford
 Fri. 9 am: Bernard Demers & family
 Sat. 5 pm: †Martin Touchette

Special days this week

Tue. Apr. 25: Feast of St. Mark
 Wed. Apr. 26: Our Lady of Counsel
 Sat. Apr. 29: Feast of St. Catherine of Siena



First Eucharist Celebrations

St. Mary's Parish will celebrate the children who will receive their First Eucharist on two special dates:

Sunday, April 30 at 1:30 pm for children who attend Holy Family, Maryview, St. Elizabeth Seton and Ecole La Prairie schools, as well as students who do not attend Red Deer Catholic schools and whose last name begins with A-L.

Sunday, May 7 at 1:30 pm for children who attend Father Henri Voisin, Ecole Camille J. Lerouge, St. Martin de Porres, St. Patrick and St. Teresa of Avila schools, as well as students who do not attend Red Deer Catholic schools and whose last name begins with M-Z.



The Knights of Columbus Annual Garage Sale is Saturday, May 27th. We will start accepting donations for the sale the week of May 1st.

Please call 403-588-6399 or 403-350-0386 if you wish to contribute items for the sale.



Ukrainian Displaced Persons Planning Committee

We are in urgent need for host families. If you can help, please call Cheryl at 403-506-6620.

SSVP needs:

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of chest of drawers, shelving, coffee tables, end tables, small kitchen table and chairs, living room chairs, single, double and queen beds, cutlery, kettles, toasters, coffee makers and slow cookers. Sincere thanks to those who have donated bedding and other items.

Please contact Carol at 403-588-2416 and thank you for your support.

The SSVP can now accept **ONLINE DONATIONS**.

1. Go to the website: canadahelps.org
2. In the search bar, type the SSVP business number: **132410671RR0548**
3. Click on the **SSVP Red Deer** icon to donate.



The Pope's Monthly Intention: April 2023

For a culture of peace and non-violence
We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Pope Francis Twitter

God's gaze never stops with our past filled of errors, but looks with infinite confidence at what we can become.



The CWL Edmonton Diocesan 101st Convention is being held at St. Mary's Parish Hall on April 28 and 29.

CWL members are invited to register. Please call Mary at 403-346-1407.



St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry is starting again next month, **Wednesday, May 10 at 1:30pm** in the classroom.

Dates are every second Wednesday of the month. *Yarn donations are greatly accepted.*

Looking for a special gift for a child who is receiving First Eucharist or Confirmation?

The CWL will be selling religious articles after the 5pm Mass next weekend. **Cash only please.**

St Mary's Justice and Mercy Committee

Are you looking for a way to get rid of those old pennies and loose change? We will have collection baskets at the front and the back of the Church to accept the coins. We will start collecting at the weekend masses beginning April 22 and going until May 13. Proceeds will go to the 49 Street Youth Shelter in Red Deer.



To dispose of old palms

As the palms your received in previous years are blessed liturgical items, they must be disposed properly. You can bury them in the ground in a proper location, such as your backyard, or you can bring them to the Parish office anytime during the year, so that they may be properly burned and used at the following Ash Wednesday Mass.

Please do NOT throw them away!

CWL Word of the Week

Courage

If you only knew the courage of Catholic Women's League members. In the 1920s, Winnifred Fulton travelled by horseback to start more than 30 councils! Today we continue to carry the message of faith, service and social justice to women across Canada and internationally.

Pack your courage! Your place is among us!



Our Lady of Victory Camp returns

Registration for summer camp is now open, and any young person entering grades 4-12 next fall is welcome to attend!

Read more about what we do at camp, how to register, or how you can get involved or support OLVC at www.olvcamp.com.

Memorial Service

Keith Scissons, former parishioner, passed away of aggressive cancer in Vernon on October 26, 2022.

He was the former coordinator of Religion and Family Life for RDCRS, choir director at St. Mary's Parish for 15 years, chair of Pastoral Council, leader of Scripture Studies and chair of Red Deer Regional Council.

Keith led the Stewardship Program as well as many other ministries. The Memorial Service is on May 4 at 5pm at St. Philip Neri Parish in Saskatoon, SK.



This week:

The Great Sunday: Staying Invested in the Easter Season

Listen on your favourite podcast app or at <https://caedm.ca/upfront>

Read the Archbishop's Sunday homily at:

<https://caedm.ca/archbishop/messages-homilies/>

Check also other news and resources at the Archdiocesan website: <https://caedm.ca/>.

You may also want to consider subscribing to other diocesan publications and resources, such as the *People of Mission Bulletin* or the *Window* newsletter.

Reminder from Mount Calvary Cemetery



Please remember that **NO CANDLES ARE ALLOWED** to be placed on graves at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Thank you!

World Youth Day

WYD is the gathering of young people from all over the world with Pope Francis. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth and an intense moment of evangelization.

To get more information or to register for the event, go to www.lisboa2023.org/en

There may also be some local events related to WYD: stay tuned for them!



Red Deer Food Bank

We are in need of canned goods for emergency hampers, as well as baby food, any non-perishable items and other basic necessities.

Please drop your donations in the Parish's hamper at either entrance of the Church, or at the Food bank.

Thank you

Star of the North Retreat Centre

Offers many programs on a variety of topics, from justice to Lent, bereavement and others. For more information, please check their website at www.starofthenorth.ca, email them at programs@starofthenorth.ca, or call them at 780-459-5511.

Some current topics offered:

- **The Synod on Synodality**
- **Jesus & the Unpredictable Disciple**
- **Bereavement Support Group**
- **Another World is Possible**
- **Formation Through Word & Creation**
- **Graceful grand-mothering**



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