

St. Mary's Parish 4th Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023 - Year A

Acts 2: 14a, 36 - 41 1 Peter 2: 20b - 25 John 10: 1 - 10

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly"

Our Mission:

"Together Building Up the Body of Christ"

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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:

Join us at 8:30am, before the 9am Mass to pray the Rosary, every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The rosary is also prayed after the 9am Mass daily mass.

Adoration:

8-9am on Saturdays. (1st Saturday of the month: 7:30-8:30am)

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 next date is *Monday*, *May 22*.

E-transfer donations

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

Scammers at work: beware and be careful!

Father Mirek nor anyone from St. Mary's Parish would 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.

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 30 - May 6 The intentions in brackets

are said by the priests in Edmonton.

†Brenda Stelmack *(John & Carl Hugo) Sun

All Parishioners Sun. 11 am:

Sun. 7 pm: †Don Goodman *(†Douglas Kolasa)

Tue. 7 pm: Ken & Pauline Brozer

Ron Barchuk-Thanksgiving *(Helen Lindsay) Wed. 9 am: †Renato Bencivenga *(†Maurice & †Therese Demers) Thur. 9 am:

Fri. 9 am: Loretta Bast (Helen Lindsay) †Marylin Alford (†Eleanor Matz) Sat. 5 pm:

Special days this week

Tue. May 2: St. Athanasius

Wed. May 3: St. Philip and St. James Sat. May 6: St. François de Laval



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.

St Mary's Justice and Mercy Committee



Are you looking for a way to get rid of those old pennies and loose change? We have collection baskets at the front and the back of the Church to accept the coins.

Collection ends May 4. 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!

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:

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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.

May 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Pope Francis Twitter

Faith was passed down from generation to generation through life, through witnesses who brought the flame of the Gospel, the joy of the saving love of Jesus, and the hope of his promise. Faith grows through witness.



Ukrainian Displaced Persons Planning Committee

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



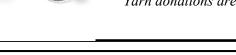
Knights of Columbus

All St. Mary's members of the Knights of Columbus (Our Lady of Victory Council) are invited to the annual meeting on Tuesday, May 2 at 7:30 pm at the Red Deer Columbus Club.



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 on Saturday, April 29.

Cash only please.



The Knights of Columbus Annual Garage Sale 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.

CWL Word of the Week Diversity

The Catholic Women's League welcomes women of all ages and diverse backgrounds. Throughout Canada, you will find Catholic women growing in faith, caring through a wide range of service, and seeking true justice for all.

Did you know that non-Catholics can become associate members? Want to make a difference but not sure how to get started?

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.





We Need Your Help!

Work has already begun at Our Lady of Victory Camp to prepare for the relaunch of camp this summer. This April, we need extra hands to help get ready for work bees in May and June. It's our hope to refresh the camp after it has been sitting dormant the past four summers. Please consider giving a day to camp this month!

Call Deacon Claude Baril at 403-896-3745 to get involved or to learn more details.



Called to Protect

The next training session will be on Monday, May 22, 7:00-9:30 pm, in-person at St. Charles Parish, Edmonton.
Attending this program is mandatory for all volunteers and employees in the Archdiocese. Please check the Parish website for information on how to register.



This week:

What is Appropriate to Wear to Mass, The Virtue of Religion, and How Our Bodies Impact What We Believe

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.

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

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, got to www.lisboa2023.org/en
There may also be some local events related to WYD: stay tuned for them!

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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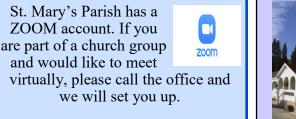
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PRAYING THE ROSARY

Have you been thinking about how to enrich your prayer life? Come, pray the rosary with us! No experience necessary! **Group recitation of the rosary:**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday after daily Masses - in the church





Tuesday at 1pm:

The Holy Face and Rosary

for the priest



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