



St. Mary's Parish Ascension Sunday May 21, 2023 - Year A

Acts 1: 1 - 11
Ephesians 1: 17 - 23
Matthew 28: 16 - 20

“And behold, I am with you always,
until the close of the age.”

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:

Join us at 8:30am, before the 9am daily Mass, to pray the Rosary.
The rosary is also prayed after the 9am 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
May 21 - May 27**
The intentions in brackets
are said by the priests in Edmonton.

- Sun. 9 am: Carlina Aquino (Sister Lynn Rouleau)
- Sun. 11 am: †Irene Helfrick (†Alejandro Ramirez)
- Sun. 7 pm: All Parishioners
- Tue. 7 pm: †Joe Prospero (†Robin Bishop)
- Wed. 9 am: Jan Landry (†Claude Demers)
- Thur. 9 am: †Dennis & †Roberta McCarthy
- Fri. 9 am: †Ludgar Bockmann
- Sat. 5 pm: Pauline Brozer (†Robin Bishop, †David Pickering)

Special days this week

Fri. May 26: St. Philip Neri

CWL Word of the Week
Friendship

Catholic Women's League members build enduring friendships. We celebrate new members, anniversaries, and special events along the way. Meetings, socials, projects and conventions create bonds of friendship. Meet friends from your parish and beyond. Your place is among friends.



Please support the
**Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre's
Baby Bottle Campaign.**

The funds raised enable the Centre to continue operations, and to offer, free of charge, support to all who walk through their doors. Cheques can be made out to the Pregnancy Care Centre. Please return filled bottles by **June 17/18 (Father's Day).**

A special drop container is available for returned bottles at the front entrance. Please pray that the Pregnancy Care Centre will be visible in the community as a safe place for all who seek help with an unplanned pregnancy.
Thank you for your support.

CWL 1st Annual Strawberry Tea

St. Mary's CWL would love for you to join us for a

**Strawberry Tea on June 3,
1:30-3:30pm in the Parish Hall**
\$5/person; kids 6 and under are free.

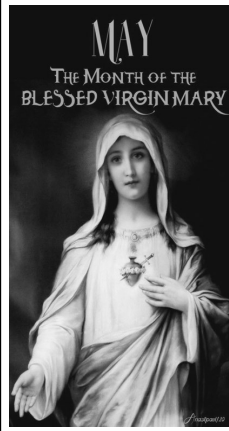


Tickets available: after 11am Mass on Sunday, May 21 and after all Masses on May 27/28, at the office and The Knights of Columbus Garage Sale

Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of visiting, Strawberry Shortcake and a beverage.

Volunteers needed.

Please contact Marie Grote at
403-506-7006 or mgrate30@gmail.com



May: The Month of Mary

May is the month when we honor Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother.

"God wills that all his gifts should come to us through Mary"
St. Bernard

Pray the rosary at home or pray with others before or after the 9am Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

CONFIRMATION

St. Mary's Parish will celebrate the young adults who will be receiving the sacrament of **Confirmation** on the following dates:



Sunday May 28 @ 1:30pm:

St. Francis of Assisi Middle School,
St. Joseph High School & St. Patrick's Community School.

Sunday June 4 @ 1:30pm— St. Thomas Aquinas School,
Ecole J. Lerouge, & for all students registered who do not attend Red Deer Catholic schools.

NOTE:

Please ensure your child attends one of these dates as there will be no other alternative dates for them to receive Confirmation.

Social and Justice Committee Coin Collection

The Social and Justice Committee would like to thank everyone who donated their pennies (over 10,000), loose change and bills.

The total came to: \$1109.15

A cheque will be given to the 49 Street Youth Shelter.

THANK YOU!!



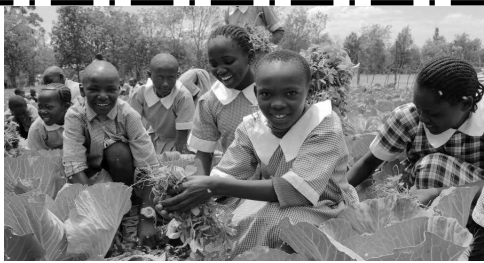
Knights of Columbus



Saturday, May 27
(St. Mary's Parking lot)

Donations are being accepted

Please call Ed at 403-314-9590



PLANT SALE

Sunday, June 4, 10am-4pm
14 Muir Ave

All proceeds go to The Africa School Farming and Nutrition Program through Chalice Canada

See bulletin boards for more information about this important fundraiser and program

PRAYER BREAKFAST

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Speaker: Deacon Eddie Lavoie

9 - 11:30 AM, JUNE 3
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CONFIRM ATTENDANCE BY MAY 26

Click Here: [Prayer Breakfast RSVP](#)

Or RSVP to Bonnie: reabound@gmail.com 403-304-0903

Playground Fundraiser

St. Teresa of Avila School is fundraising for a new inclusive **playground**. It is our goal to raise funds to build a barrier-free playground that all students can access. If you are interested in making a donation, please email nicole.zimmerman@rdcrs.ca



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.



Ukrainian Displaced Persons Planning Committee

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



The Pope's Monthly Intention: *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

The family is the main antidote to material and spiritual poverty, and to the problem of the demographic winter. Family-friendly social, economic and cultural policies need to be promoted in every country, as well as policies that welcome life.



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Read the Archbishop's Sunday homily at:

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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.

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.

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.

- Addiction and the family
- Twilight recovery
- World refugee day





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are part of a church group
and would like to meet
virtually, please call the office and
we will set you up.



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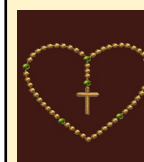
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PRAYING THE ROSARY

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
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Tuesday at 1pm:
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