

# Welcome to St. Mary's Parish



For a child has been born for us,  
a Son given to us



**St. Mary's Parish**  
 6 McMillan Ave, Red Deer, AB  
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# WELCOME AND MERRY CHRISTMAS

*Wishing you a Joyful Christmas Season  
 Sharing with you the Glory, the Wonder,  
 the Miracle of this Holy Season.  
 Have a Blessed Christmas and New Year.*

**Fr. Mirek Kostarzewski, Deacon Roger Reilander,  
 Rod Steeves, Greer Mclvor, Donna Annett**



A special thanks to  
 Rev. Fr. Murray Kuemper who comes to  
 us from St. Joseph Seminary, Edmonton  
 to help us celebrate Christmas

*Thank you, God bless you and  
 Merry Christmas!*

## Mass intentions for the week of December 24-30

*The intentions in brackets are said by  
 retired priests in Edmonton*

- Sunday 9 am: Bernadette Brul
- Sunday 11 am: All Parishioners
- Sunday 5 pm: Deceased members of Adam family
- Sunday 7:30pm: †Anghelina Varquez
- Sunday 10pm: Ron Barchuk (†Fernando Fernandez)
- Sunday Midnight: Kim Whiting (†Peter Liska & Josie & Phil)
- Monday 10am: †Elizabeth Rankin (†Stephanie Conroy,  
 †Eriberto Jandinero, Jandinero family)
- Tue. 7 pm: \*No Mass †Peter Harasym
- Wed. 9 am: \*No Mass †Mary Harasym
- Thu. 9 am: \*No Mass †members of Gangnier family
- Fri. 9 am: \*No Mass †Barb Prospero
- Sat. 5 pm: †Barb Prospero  
 \*Mass Intentions will be said privately

### Women of Faith

Looking to grow in faith and connect with other women?  
 This ongoing program begins **January 5, 2024** and runs  
 the **First Friday** of every month, **10am-noon** in the  
 mezzanine. Call the office for more information.

### Bible Study on the Book of Revelations:

**A group study of the Book of Revelations is planned  
 for after Christmas on Wednesdays after the 9 am  
 mass, from January 10 to March 20 (11 sessions) in  
 the Parish Hall.**

This is an Ascension Press production with Jeff Cavins as  
 the presenter. Each video is approximately 55 minutes  
 with some discussion to follow.

A study book is available for \$45, although not required  
 to accompany these sessions. **If you would like to  
 participate, please sign up at the Parish office before  
 December 31.** For more information contact  
 Glenn or Marna Claerhout at 403-784-2868.

### NEW YEARS MASS TIMES

#### New Year's Eve

**(The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph)**

Sunday, December 31:

9am

11am

7pm

#### New Year's Day

**(Feast of the Holy Mother of God)**

Monday, January 1, 2024:

9am

11am

### Pray an AVE today

AVE is an apostolate of prayer for  
 parish priests. Parishioners are encouraged to  
 make a commitment to pray one Hail Mary  
 everyday for our priest, Father Mirek.  
 Together we can provide thousands of prayers to  
 offer our love, appreciation, and care for  
 God's great gift to us in our parish priest.



*Generous God, teach us to give*

*without expecting in return, and fill our  
 hearts to overflowing thanks for  
 everything we receive. Amen.*

Please check the  
 bulletin boards at  
 both entrances for  
 up coming  
 events.

### Envelopes/Donations

The **2024 Sunday offering envelopes** are available at the back of  
 the church for pick up. If you do not have envelopes and would like  
 some designated to you, please stop by or call the parish office  
 during office hours.

*Pre-authorized debit is also available as an easy option.*

### Donations for 2023

**All donations for 2023 must be received by December 31, 2023.  
 Donations received after December 31, will be accepted for the  
 2024 calendar year. Thank you.**

### Have you moved recently?

Have you contacted us with your new address?  
 Tax receipts will be sent in the new year, so please  
 ensure we have your current address.

### St. Andrews Live-In

#### HEALING SERVICE BUS TRIP

Join the Red Deer Live In Centre for a Bus Trip to Spruce Grove  
 on **Saturday, January 27, 2024**

The bus leaves Red Deer at 2pm and returns at Midnight.  
 Cost: \$40/person; bring your own lunch, snacks & drinks.

**See bulletin board to register.**