

# St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish

## Our Mission Statement:

**“Together Building Up the Body of Christ”**

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Andrew Sheedy; Seminarian  
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Donna Annett, Administrative Assistant**

March 9, 2025 - Year C

1st Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26.4-10

Romans 10.8-13

Luke 4.1-13

“Worship the Lord your God....”

## March is the Month of St. Joseph



### Holy Face of Jesus:

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 7pm, with 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.

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

~Confirm with calendar inside~

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9am, 11am & 7pm

*Live Stream 5:00pm Mass*

Visit: [stmarysparishreddeer.ca](http://stmarysparishreddeer.ca)

#### DAILY MASSES

Tuesday - 7 pm

Wednesday - Friday - 9 am

#### Rosary

30 minutes before the 9am daily Mass  
and after the 9am daily Mass

#### 24 Hour Adoration

First Friday of the Month

9am Friday to 8:30am Saturday

#### Adoration

8-9am on Saturdays

(1st Saturday of the month: 7:30-8:30am)

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1:00-4:00pm

Tuesday - Thursday:

9:00am - Noon;

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00am - Noon

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

After mass or call the office for an appointment

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office: 403-347-3114

*After hours call: 780-931-6316*

*and leave a detailed message*



## Mass intentions for the week of March 9-15

The intentions in brackets are said by  
retired priests in Edmonton

- Sun. 9 am: †Evan Klein
- Sun. 11 am: Michelle Malvat (†Carlos Perez)
- Sun. 7 pm: †John Ngoc & †Marie Van (Stella Fulawka)
- Tue. 7 pm: Richard Villanueva (†Socorro Bongco)
- Wed. 9 am: Gianluca Cattoni
- Thu. 9 am: NO MASS Denise Gangnier (Mass Intention said privately)
- Fri. 9 am: Bob Glassford
- Sat. 5 pm: †Carol Taton (Alma Arens, †Paul Harrison)

### Special days of this week

Sunday, March 9: First Sunday of Lent

## To the Clergy and Faithful of the Archdiocese of Edmonton

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,  
In a communiqué from Rome dated today, the Holy See announced that Pope Francis has named me as Archbishop of Vancouver, succeeding the Most Reverend J. Michael Miller. I am grateful to His Holiness for the confidence placed in me to assume this new mission, and ask for the assistance of your prayers.

By God's grace, I have had the extraordinary privilege to serve as your Bishop for nearly eighteen years. I am thankful beyond words for the many occasions we have had to work together in our portion of the Lord's vineyard. Within my heart I hold a particular appreciation for the priests, deacons, and consecrated women and men with whom I have enjoyed a close collaboration. The Archdiocese of Edmonton is richly blessed with gifted lay faithful, who readily and eagerly place their gifts at the service of the Church and her mission. Thank you all for your witness to the joy that is ours in Jesus Christ.

I shall remain with you for the next few months of transition, the details of which have yet to be finalized. My formal installation as Archbishop of Vancouver will likely take place in the latter part of May.

Let us continue to hold the Holy Father in prayer. It is a matter of deep concern for us all when our Pope, our spiritual father, is not well. May the Lord give him strength and consolation in this time of serious illness.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Richard W. Smith

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will serve pancake breakfast on  
**Sunday, March 16, after the 9am and 11am Masses.**

Everyone is invited to join us in the Parish Centre with your families and friends to enjoy some food and fellowship! Voluntary offerings are greatly appreciated.

Funds raised will be used to support charities in our community.

Thank you for your continued support!



### The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

The SSVP warehouse is in desperate need of furniture:

**Single/double/queen beds with frames** (no head boards), 2 cushion loveseats (no couches), chest-of-drawers, book cases, small kitchen tables with chairs, coffee tables, end tables, pots & pans, and cutlery.

**For furniture donations, please phone/text Carol Purves at 403-588-2416. Thank you!**

**SSVP Poor Box Collection is this weekend. All financial support is greatly appreciated.**



## CCCB Journey Through Lent

As we journey through Lent 2025, we're pleased to inform you that the **First Sunday of Lent** video of the series titled "Journey through Lent" is now available on the CCCB website:

English: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

French: <https://www.cecc.ca/careme/>

### Lenten Food Drive

Each week of Lent we ask parishioners to help the hungry by contributing various non-perishable food items:

**1st Sunday of Lent: March 8/9-Peanut Butter**

**2nd Sunday of Lent: March 15/16-Canned Fish**

**3rd Sunday of Lent: March 22/23-Pasta**

**4th Sunday of Lent: March 29/30-Pasta Sauce**

**5th Sunday of Lent: April 5/6-Macaroni & Cheese**

**Passion (Palm) Sunday: April 12/13-Canned Fruit**

Please place items in the bins at both entrances of the church. Thank you for supporting the Food Bank.

### Stations of the Cross

**Fridays at 7pm**

**March 14:** Led by Pro-Life

**March 21:** Led by Justice & Mercy Committee

**March 28:** Led by CWL

**April 4:** Led by UAC

**April 11:** Led by Couples for Christ



### Lenten Penitential Service

**St. Mary's Parish**

**Tuesday, April 1 at 7pm**

There will be several priests available for confession.

\*Please note that the 7pm Mass will be cancelled



Pastoral  
Priorities



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worship



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service  
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**NEW EPISODE  
EVERY TUESDAY**



**This week:**

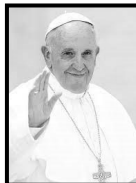
**Reviewing the first 100 episodes.**

Listen to it as a podcast, watch the video on **YouTube**, at <https://www.youtube.com/@UpfrontArchbishop> or online at <https://caedm.ca/upfront>

Read the Archbishop's Sunday homily at:

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

Check 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.



**The Pope's Monthly Intention:**

March 2025

**For families in crisis**

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**Pope Francis' Twitter**

The Ashes remind us of who we are, which does us good. It puts us in our place, smooths out the rough edges of our narcissism, brings us back to reality, and makes us more humble and open to one another. None of us is God; we are all on a journey.

To experience Lent in hope means receiving the hope of Christ, who gave his life on the cross and was raised by God on the third day, and always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls us to account for our hope.



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**Pray for our Seminarians**

**Prayer for Vocations**

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With the Virgin Mother Mary we ask this through Christ your Son.  
Amen

**“Let us commit ourselves to remedying the remote causes of injustice, settling unjust and unpayable debts”**

*Pope Francis*

**Please Give Generously this Lent**  
[devp.org](http://devp.org) | 1-888-234-8533

**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.



**Hospital Mass**

A Catholic Mass is held on the last Friday of every month at 10:30am in the Hospital Chapel.

If you or a loved one is in the hospital and would like to receive communion or the anointing of the sick, please contact the office. You may also let the hospital staff know your Catholic to be put on a list for our pastoral care ministry.

**WELCOME NEWCOMERS:**

We are blessed that you have chosen to join us in worship and ministry here at St. Mary's. If you are new or have not registered, please complete a Registration Form available at both entrances, and drop it off at the office or in the collection table during the weekend masses.

**E-transfer donations**

Send your e-transfer donations to [StMaryRD.etransfer@caedm.ca](mailto: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.**

**OUR HEARTFELT THANKS TO PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE PARISH. YOUR SUPPORT IS ESSENTIAL TO US AS WE CONTINUE OUR MISSION.**

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## Women of Faith

Looking to grow in faith and connect with other women? *Women of Faith* is an ongoing program for adult ladies the first Friday of every month, 10am-noon in the mezzanine. We will be using a Bishop Barron video series, continuing with discussion, prayer and of course coffee. Join us, bring your coffee mug and expect faith enrichment and fellowship.

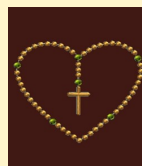
Any questions can be directed to the parish office.



## 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



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