

# St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish

## Our Mission Statement:

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

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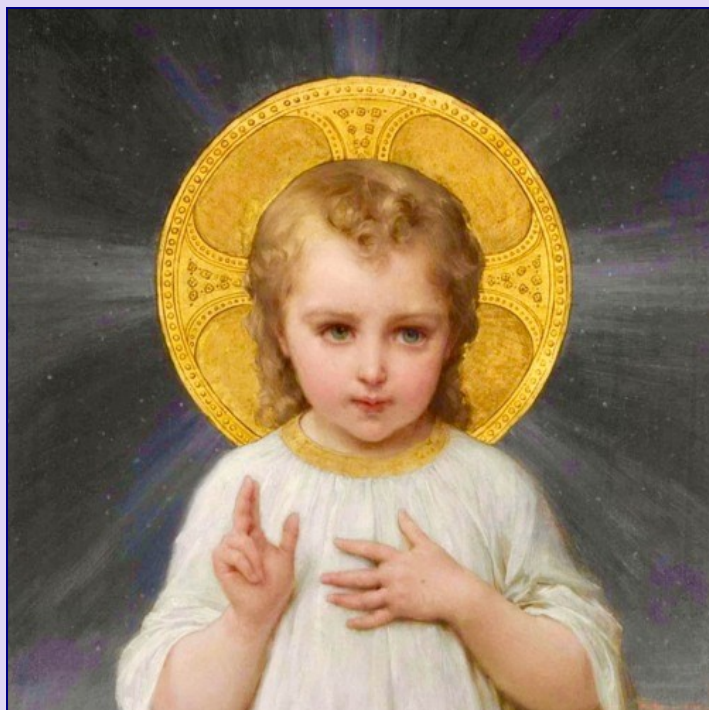
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Deacon Roger Reilander;  
Andrew Sheedy; Seminarian  
Rod Steeves, Administrator,  
Greer McIvor, Pastoral Assistant;  
Donna Annett, Administrative Assistant**

## The Month of January: The Holy Name of Jesus



### 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.

January 26, 2025 - Year C  
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

1 Corinthians 12.12-30

Luke 1.1-4;4.14-21

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...”

### 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  
January 26-February 1**  
The intentions in brackets are said by  
retired priests in Edmonton

Sun. 9 am: Claerhout family  
Sun. 11 am: †Anthony Tuc/†Anne Mai (†Arsenio Padilla)  
Sun. 7 pm: †Sophie Ashdown (†Paul Pendergast)  
Tue. 7 pm: †Caroline Que (Jed/Analyn Jandinero)  
Wed. 9 am: Yohana Arens (Dan & Marriane/family, George Tsenwl, Martha Mapout)  
Thu. 9 am: †Lucia Lopez (Guy/Bev & family)  
Fri. 9 am: †Bishop Fred Henry (Doug/Terry & family, Ted Loughlin)  
Sat. 5 pm: Joanna Clement (Siblings, †Sr. Paquita/†Godofredo Lackar, †Sr. Ruth Fidelis)

**Special days of this week**

Friday, January 31: St. John Bosco, priest

**Called to Protect Sessions**

If you have not taken a Called to Protect Session and are involved in a ministry, please see the following dates to register

January 23, Thursday, 6:30 pm:

<https://forms.gle/v6AKnNpQEkeUk6Cf8>

January 29, Wednesday, 1:00 pm:

<https://forms.gle/Zh4uXiEoWeiuci2k6>

February 10, Monday, 1:00 pm:

<https://forms.gle/eeHFbkTYJF8oPjix6>

**St. Mary's Justice and Mercy Committee**  
**Bottle Drive on January 11-26**

Parishioners are encouraged to drop off empty and clean beverage containers and flattened milk containers at the parish rectory garage before weekend masses.

When the garage doors are open, please place items in the garage. When the doors are closed, place them in front of the garage door closest to the alley.

**Proceeds from the sale of the bottles will buy food cards for the needy**

**God is Healing His People in Red Deer!**

600 people attended the Encounter Ministries Healing Service on January 18 at St. Mary's!

Many people were healed, in the name of Jesus, including:

- Woman healed of chronic neck pinching and had limited rotation. She had zero pain after prayer and her neck moved freely!
- 8 year old girl healed of difficulties breathing through her nose!
- Man was healed of an arthritic ankle!
- Woman with 12 out of 10 pain, suffering from frozen shoulder and back pain, unable to lift her arms had healing after prayer: No pain and full mobility in her arms!
- Man healed of hearing problems!

Monthly Healing Services take place on the last Saturday of the month, following the 5pm Mass, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Spruce Grove.

**The next Transformation Night is February 22 at 6:30pm**

See bulletin boards for more information



**Blessing of Candles**

On Saturday February 1 and Sunday February 2, The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, there will be blessing of candles.

This symbolizes the Light of Christ, who is referred to as the *Light of the World*. The candles are blessed and lit at the beginning of Mass on this day so please bring your candles.



**Knights of Columbus News**  
**Wheelchair Program**

**January 25/26 to February 22/23**

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Annual Wheelchair Drive from January 25 until the end of February. This is the 11th year of the program at St. Mary's. To date we have donated 837 wheelchairs to various countries around the world. Our donor country this year is the Philippines and the cost of a wheelchair is \$205. Donations will be collected at the entrances before and after masses until February 16. A credit card machine will be available after masses and any **cheques should be made payable to the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation.**

You also can mail your donation to the address on the provided envelope or put it into the collection box or bring it to the Parish Office.

You can donate online at the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation website; a link and information on how to donate is provided on the website.

**Thank you for your support.**

**Ham Supper**  
**Friday, February 21**  
**Parish Centre**

Tickets will be available at all masses on **February 1/2, 8/9,15/16.**

You can also pick up tickets at the office.

**Red Deer Live-in Prayer Breakfast**  
**Saturday, February 8 at 9:30am**  
**St. Mary's Parish**

Roger and Bonita Bott from Withrow will be speaking about a tragic farming accident that claimed the lives of their three daughters. Within the immense loss and resulting grief journey, God remains faithful to carry them through life.

**Register with the following link:**  
**<https://forms.gle/FbEX3epDxPVX7eLx6>**  
**Call/email Bonnie at (403) 304-0903**  
**or reabound@gmail.com**



**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.

**Eucharistic Procession**

**There will be a Eucharistic Procession after the 11am Mass Sunday, February 2, The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus. Everyone welcome to join.**

**CWL News**

**NEW! LINE DANCE CLASS**

The CWL is hosting an "Ultra Beginner Line Dance" class at the Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 2-3:30pm for a suggested donation of a toonie. Proceeds will go to St. Marys' building fund.

**Classes run until April 8.**

All parishioners are welcome and you may bring a friend.

**Please note: If there is a funeral on a Tuesday, the class will be cancelled.**



**BELONGING**

Do you want to grow your faith, serve your community, act on social justice issues

and be supported by a Sisterhood that embraces these core values? If so...WELCOME to the Catholic Women's League...you belong with us. Call Anita Kjersem; (306) 421-7538

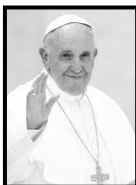


**The Pope's Monthly Intention:**

January 2025

**For the right to an education**

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



**Pope Francis' Twitter**

May the Lord open our ears and hearts so that we may listen to His Word and those of our brothers and sisters. Through our attentiveness and charity, we can make our world more fraternal and restore to it the hope of joy.

**St. Mary's Ministry Schedule**

**April 5/6 – July 26/27, 2025**

Ministries will be scheduling in order to Facilitate scheduling those who are in more than one ministry.

If you have any questions, concerns, or unavailable dates contact your ministry coordinator

**Ministry Completion Date**  
**Adult Server Jan 30, 2025**

Chuck Landry: [yrdnal@shaw.ca](mailto:yrdnal@shaw.ca)

**EMOCH Feb 6, 2025**

Ken Meraw: [ken.meraw@rdcrs.ca](mailto:ken.meraw@rdcrs.ca);

**Proclaimers Feb 13, 2025**

Jeff Tuchscherer: [jeff.tuchscherer@rdcrs.ca](mailto:jeff.tuchscherer@rdcrs.ca)

**Hospitality Feb 20, 2025**

Kristy Gulak: [kjgulak@gmail.com](mailto:kjgulak@gmail.com)

**Altar servers Feb 27, 2025**

Cynthia Leyson: [cynthia.leyson@rdcrs.ca](mailto:cynthia.leyson@rdcrs.ca)

**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.



**Yarn Donations:**

If you have any yarn that you would like to donate, please drop it off at the church anytime during office hours. before/after mass.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will now meet the **last Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm in the classroom.**

**The next date is Tuesday, January 28**

**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!**

**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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From the youngest  
to the oldest,  
There is a ministry for you!  
*Call the office for details.*

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ZOOM account. If you  
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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**PRAYING THE ROSARY**

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:

