



St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish

**Our Mission Statement:
“Together Building Up the Body of Christ”**

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“...to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Christ, the Lord... you will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.”

Wishing you and your family a Blessed Christmas!

Holiday Season

Office Hours



Parish Office Holiday Hours

Wednesday, December 24	Closed at Noon
Thursday, December 25	Closed
Friday, December 26	Closed
Monday, December 29	Open (1:00pm - 5:00pm)
Tuesday, December 30	Open (9:30am - 5:00pm)
Wednesday, December 31	Closed at Noon
Thursday, January 1	Closed
Friday, January 2	Open (9:30am - 5:00pm)

Readings for Christmas & New Years, Year A

[Christmas Eve, December 24](#)

Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7

Titus 2.11-14

Luke 2.1-16

Nativity of the Lord:

[Christmas Day, December 25](#)

Isaiah 52.7-10

Hebrews 1.1-6

John 1.1-18

[New Year's Eve, December 31](#)

1 John 2.18-21

John 1.1-18

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God:

[New Year's Day, January 1](#)

Numbers 6.22-27

Galatians 4.4-7

Luke 2.16-21

Message from Father Robert

"The light shone in the darkness, and the darkness overcame it not." John 1:5

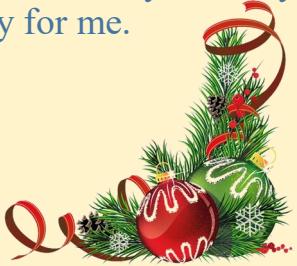


Finally! Our advent has ended and Christ has come. Outside the small village, in the quiet of the stable, in the hands of His mother, in the dark of night, the light shines out. It is our joy to celebrate with gratitude the birth of our saviour, Jesus Christ. Christmas is not just a date on the calendar but a state of being, a desire of the heart. Emmanuel has come, hope has come, and He is here to stay.

I am grateful to God to be here among you as your pastor and I assure you of my prayers for you and your families. Please also pray for me.

Merry Christmas! Christ has come!

Fr. Robert Lee



Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Pageant	4:30pm
Christmas Eve Masses	5:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm & Midnight
Christmas Day Mass	10:00am
New Year's Eve Mass	5:00pm
New Year's Day	9:00am & 11:00am

Mass intentions for the week of December 28 - January 3

The intentions in brackets are said by retired priests in Edmonton

Sun., Dec 28	9 am: †Dave Borle (Fr. Mirek Kostarzewski, †Alvin Messaros)
Sun., Dec 28	11 am: Brian & Genevieve Kristian, Joanna Clement)
Sun., Dec 28	7 pm: †Marie Hansen (Colleen McIntyre, †Mary Chadwick, Macaraeg & Balajadia family)
Tues., Dec 30	7 pm: Glenn Claerhout (†Leo Legault)
Wed., Dec 31	5 pm: Edna Soliven (†Ida Garcia Barreto)
Thurs., Jan 1	9 am: †Socorro Bongco (†Ida Garcia Barreto)
Thurs., Jan 1	11 am: †Florence Crowe
Fri., Jan 2	9 am: (†Ida Garcia Barreto)
Sat., Jan 3	5 pm: †Mary Chadwick (†Ida Garcia Barreto, Joanna Clement)

Thank you to Father Harrison Ayre who helped Father Robert with Christmas Masses this year.



Sacrament Preparation starts in January

If you have not registered or have not yet received an email please email the parish office or register online now at <https://www.stmarysparishreddeer.ca/>



A heartfelt thank you to our parishioners and all those involved in ministry for helping keep St. Mary's such a beautiful and welcoming place to attend Mass and pray.

A special thank you to everyone who helped decorate the church and to those who donated poinsettias, adding to the beauty of our Christmas celebrations.

We are also deeply grateful to Roger and Cynthia Leyson for the beautiful Nativity scene they create each year—your time and talent are truly appreciated.



A Heartfelt Thank You & Christmas Blessings

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who so thoughtfully dropped off Christmas cards, kind notes, and treats for the office staff and for Father Robert. Your generosity, prayers, and kindness are truly appreciated and brought much joy to us this season.

May you and your loved ones be blessed with a joyful and peaceful Christmas, and a New Year filled with God's grace and blessings.

~From the Parish Office~
Father Robert, Deacon Roger Reilander, Rod Steeves, Greer McIvor, Catherine Adrias