



# St. Mary's Roman Catholic Parish

## Our Mission Statement:

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

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**Parish Staff: Father Mirek Kostarzewski;  
Deacon Roger Reilander;  
Andrew Sheedy; Seminarian  
Rod Steeves, Administrator,  
Greer McIvor, Pastoral Assistant;  
Donna Annett, Administrative Assistant**

March 16, 2025 - Year C

2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18

Philippians 3.17-4.1

Luke 9.28b-36

“our citizenship is in heaven....”

## 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 16-22

The intentions in brackets are said by  
retired priests in Edmonton

Sun. 9 am: Randy Baker (†Roly Daz)  
 Sun. 11 am: †Peter Minh (Baker Family)  
 Sun. 7 pm: All Parishioners  
 Tue. 7 pm: Myla Soliman (Lorne & Dianne Matsalla)  
 Wed. 9 am: †Clifford & †Anne Mattice)  
 Thu. 9 am: Denise Gangnier  
 Fri. 9 am: Jody Deck (†Linda Wysminity)  
 Sat. 5 pm: †Joe & †Lydia Dimayuga (†Fred Martyn)

### Special days of this week

Sunday, March 16: Second Sunday of Lent  
 Wednesday, March 19: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## FRIENDSHIP

The 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 new friends from your parish and beyond. Your place is among friends.



For more information, call or text  
**Anita** at 306-421-7538



## 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 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.

## 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.

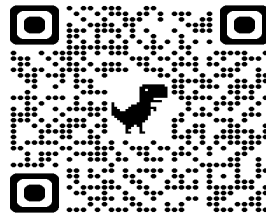
For furniture donations, please phone/text  
**Carol Purves** at 403-588-2416. Thank you!

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

## THE CHOSEN: Season 2

Parishioners interested in viewing and discussing Season 2 of The Chosen can register by calling David at 403-357-9117 or call the parish office. We plan to meet once a week on Wednesdays at 2 pm starting on March 26. This is a good way to celebrate our Jubilee Year. Set aside some time during Lent to grow in your relationship with God by watching , The Chosen.

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## 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



## Providence Renewal Centre

3005 119 Street NW Edmonton,  
<http://www.providencerenewal.ca>

email

[programs@starofthenorth.ca](mailto:programs@starofthenorth.ca),  
 or call 780-459-5511.

## 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.



# The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

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.

## 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.**

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## Secular Franciscans

An opportunity to pray, learn and share by living the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the example of St. Francis and St. Clare.

Join us the **first Monday** of each month, St. Mary's mezzanine at 6:30pm.

**Call Irene at 403-318-8238.**

## Call for Volunteers

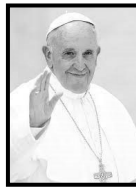
Adult Servers, Hospitality Ministers, Eucharistic Ministers, Proclaimers, Altar Servers, Social Justice and Mercy, Saint Vincent de Paul and others.

If interested, please contact the office at 403-347-3114.

**Volunteering is a wonderful way to give back.**

## 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.



## 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

I think of the many people who find various ways to be close to the sick, becoming a sign of the Lord's presence for them.

We need this "miracle of tenderness" to accompany those who face adversity, in order to bring a little light into the night of pain. Dear brothers and sister who are ill or who care for the

suffering, you play a very important part in this Jubilee 2025. Your journey together is a sign for everyone, a hymn to human dignity, a song of hope. The whole Church thanks you for this!

## Prayer for the health and recovery of Pope Francis

May the Lord, through Our Lady's powerful intercession, grant him renewed strength, health, and energy in his vocation to serve the Church as the Successor of Peter and the Vicar of Christ on earth.



## Get informed on the Catholic Teaching on End-of-Life issues

Watch the video "Responding to Euthanasia with Hope and Dignity"

Prepared by the Archdiocese of Edmonton and available on YouTube at [hopeanddignity.caedm.ca/](http://hopeanddignity.caedm.ca/)



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service  
to Marriage & Family

## 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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are part of a church group  
and would like to meet  
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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:

