# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC **CHURCH**

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024





# ACTOFHOPE

O my God, relying on Thy almighty power and infinite mercy and promises, | hope to obtain pardon of my sins, the help of Thy grace, and life

everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and redeemer.

Amen.

Parish Office: Mailing Address: Phone: Emergency only: Office email: Parish website:

Pastor:

Associate Pastor:

Deacon Patrick Hessel: Deacon Wesley Turton:

### CHRISTMAS MASS **SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24** St. Thomas Aquinas School: 4:00pm Mass

Holy Trinity Masses: 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, and Midnight.

**Christmas Day:** Wednesday, December 25

Thursday and Friday Saturday, December 28

Sunday, December 29

5:00pm Mass (Confessions 4 pm to 4:45 pm) 9:00 & 11:00am; 6:00pm Mass 9:30am Mass

9:30am Mass

Monday, December 30

### Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God:

Tuesday, December 31 5:00pm Mass (NO Confessions) Wednesday, January 1

9:00 & 11:00am Mass

Thursday, January 2 9:30am Mass First Friday, January 3 9:30am Mass (followed by Confessions and Adoration until 11:00am)

# **CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL MASS** Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00pm

Christmas, is a time for memories and remembering. The Candlelight Memorial is a Mass for all who have lost a loved one. Following Mass you are invited to join us in the hall for hospitality and munchies. If you are able to bring a plate of goodies to share, please do.

## We look forward to seeing you!





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OL—Our Lady's; SJ—St. Joseph; L—Library; C— Church; Chpl.—Chapel; BR—Board Rm.

**UPSTAIRS:** 

**C**—Knights of Columbus Room; CWL— Catholic Women's League (formerly Martin de Porres room) KR-Kateri Room; CR-Classrooms; LZM—St. Louis and Zelie Martin; SF—St. Faustina Youth Room; CA-Blessed Carlos Acutis; SA-St. Anne's Kitchen; SJPII-St. John Paul II Classroom; **STL**—St. Therese of Lisieux; **AR**—All rooms upstairs, excluding the KC Room.

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| MONDAY                       | December 2                    | 9:30am MASS     |  |  |  |
| 6:00pm                       | Encounter                     |                 |  |  |  |
| <u>TUESDAY</u>               | December 3                    | 6:30pm MASS     |  |  |  |
| (Confessions from 5:30—6:15) |                               |                 |  |  |  |
| 12:30pm                      | Choir—S—C                     |                 |  |  |  |
| 1:00pm                       | Small Christia                | n Communities—L |  |  |  |
| 6:15pm                       | First Reconcili               | iation—KR, CWL  |  |  |  |
| 7:00pm                       | Bible Study—                  | OL              |  |  |  |
| 7:00pm                       | K of C - (4 <sup>th</sup> Ger | n. Fraterno)—KC |  |  |  |
| 7:15pm                       | Separated & I                 | Divorced—SJ     |  |  |  |
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#### WEDNESDAY December 4 9:30am MASS

(Adoration from 10:00am—<u>6:00pm</u> Divine Mercy at 3:00pm) 1:00pm Hope—L 2:30pm Pastoral Ministry—OL 6:00pm Pastoral Ministry—OL, SJ Catechism & RCIC—KR, CA, STL, SJP 6:00pm ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE 7:00pm

#### THURSDAY December 5 9:30am MASS

| 10:00am          | Bible Study—H<br>Choir—B—C   |
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| 1:00pm<br>6:15pm | First Reconciliation—KR, CWL |
| 7:00pm           | RCIA—OL                      |

FIRST FRIDAY December 6 9:30am MASS (Confessions and Adoration until 11:00am)

Healing Shawls—MD 10:00am

FIRST SATURDAY December 7 5:00pm MASS (Confessions 4:00—4:45pm)

| 8:00am           | K of C—KI                            |
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| 9:30am           | First Saturday Mass                  |
| 10:00am          | First Reconciliation Retreat—KR, CWL |
| 12 <b>:</b> 45pm | First Reconciliation Retreat—KR, CWL |

#### SUNDAY December 8 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception) 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm MASSES

K of C Rosary 40 minutes prior to Mass 8:30am Rosary—Chpl 10:00am Children's play set-up—H 10:30am Rosary for the Unborn—OL

#### 12:15pm JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

7:00pm 7:00pm

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# MINISTRIES

|  | LITURGICAL                       | _ MINISTRIES                                 |         |
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| Altar Servers:<br>Brian Pasemco                                  | 587-785-6389                     | <b>Grief as a Journey:</b><br>Bonnie Fyculak | 780-9   |
| Catholic Women's Leag<br>Sister Susan Scott, Presi               | ident                            | Lector Coordinator:<br>Theresa Trommelen     | 780-9   |
| holytrinitycwl.president@<br>Children's Liturgy:<br>Sheila Rossi | 780-962-8108                     | <b>Music Coordinator:</b><br>Dori Whyte      | 780-2   |
|  | 700 902 0100                     | NeighbourLink:                               | 780-9   |
| <b>Decorating:</b><br>Brenda Briggs<br>(Please do not text to th | 780-591-4252<br>ne above number) | <b>Pastoral Care:</b><br>Harriet Fraser      | 780-2   |
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b><br>Colin Schroeder                 | 780-233-2985                     | <b>Sacristan:</b><br>Priscilla Spratt        | 780-9   |
| <b>Family Planning:</b><br>Billings Ovulation Method:            |                                  | <b>Seniors:</b><br>Darleen Broadbent         | 780-9   |
| Stephanie Leroux   | 780-724-2504                     | Social Justice:                              |         |
| Creighton Model Fertilit   | ty Care:                         | Joshua Merkel                                | 780-2   |
| Caroline Campbell  | 780-975-0822                     | Safe Environment Coordin                     | nators: |
| Greeters:  |                                  | Brad & Bernie Watters                        | 780-9   |
| Paula Roper  | 780-932-9545                     |  |         |
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780-968-2336

780-968-1452

780-233-7882

780-963-1167

local organization provides compassionate support for families with children, new mothers and pregnant women. Some of their services include information, resources, and referrals for

low-income families in need. Parishioners are invited to donate items, please see the display board at the back of the church for a complete list and information about this important local organization. Let's express our commitment for these women who are doing the best they can for their children.



First steps to a bright future!

Add your voice, speak out against euthanasia in Alberta! Each of us has a unique chance to add your Catholic perspective to the conversations around MAID (Medical assistance in dying = euthanasia). You are strongly encouraged to participate in the survey using this link https://www.alberta.ca/medical-assistancein-dying-engagement.

The survey is open only until **December 20<sup>th</sup>** so act now. Let's flood the government with our opposition to this procedure!

In Luke's Gospel today....

Jesus predicts signs in the sun, moon, and the stars, as well as distress on the earth and the shaking of the powers of the heavens. He also says that the Son of Man will come in a cloud with power and great glory....

### **DONATION ENVELOPES 2025:**

Your 2025 box of Donation envelopes are ready for pick up in the **hallway** by the office. **PLEASE DO NOT** 



USE THEM UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2025. We ask that you put your name and address on the first couple of envelopes you use. If for some reason you don't use your assigned boxed set-please let the parish office know. Thank you.



**CONFIRMATION:** Grade 6 & up **Registrations will close January 6, 2025**. Please register soon to secure your spot!

Contact Jeri Wilson at <u>htpsacraments@gmail.com</u> or call 780-960-0135 ext. 112.

For more information visit www.trinitycatholic.net



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

For more information please contact Sister Susan at 780-968-5543 or email her at holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com

Our **Advent Project for 2024** invites our members to bring donations to support the women who rely on the *Parkland Pregnancy Support Centre*. Specific items required include: dish soap, laundry soap, hand soap, and Ziploc bags. Treats: granola bars, bear paws, fruit snacks, cookies etc.

Our next meeting is a "Finger Food" potluck in the hall beginning at **6:00pm on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.** Bring a friend along so they can experience our celebrations!

### CARMELITE CRAFT SALE:

Thank you Holy Trinity parishioners for your incredible generosity supporting our Carmelite craft sale last weekend. We realized \$6,303.90 in Canadian currency, and \$50.00 in US for the sale of our crafts and in cash donations. May God reward you for your generosity.



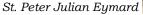


Catholic RenewalThe Catholic RenewalServices of the<br/>Archdiocese of Edmonton is hosting<br/>their next Mass with Healing Service on<br/>Saturday, December 21, 6:30pm at

St. Emeric's Hungarian Catholic Church (12960-112 St NW, Edmonton). Father Matthew Hysell is presiding. Reconciliation on Saturday, with Father Matthew, will only be available between 3:30-5:00pm at St. Emeric's.

When we work hard, we must eat well. What a joy, that you can receive Holy Communion often! It's our life and support in this life. Receive Communion often, and Jesus will change you into himself.





CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH:



In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Donor's name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Jesus is the Reason for the Season

### Jesus is the Reason for the Season...

The Nativity play will take place on Sunday, December 8 following the 11:00am Mass.

### EVERGLADES SPECIAL CARE LODGE:

The Lodge provides support for those with addictions, mental health issues and those that are hard to house. They house up to 81 residents (70 men, 10 ladies) who live just west of Stony Plain. Each year just before Christmas the generous parishioners at Holy Trinity provide necessary items for these residents.

The items needed are: Disposable Razors, Liquid Soap (no bars), Toothbrushes/toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo & conditioner, Women's Underwear (M,L,XL), Men's Boxers (M,L,XL), Socks (all kinds). Other items needed: single and double sized blankets and comforters and pillows.

The Knights will be collecting these items in the box at the back of the church until next **Sunday**, **December 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Your generosity is appreciated.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS-HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:

For more information contact Brad Medernach at 780-984-1728. Membership <u>kofc.org/JoinUs</u>

The Knights of Columbus will be leading the Rosary at the week-end Masses during Advent. They will begin 40 minutes prior to the Mass times. All are welcome!



### \_\_\_\_\_Number of plants: \_\_\_\_\_

You are invited to make a donation of \$20.00 towards the cost of the Christmas flowers in memory of your

(Deadline for donations will be Monday, December 16)

loved ones. Please place your envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" in the collection basket.



# PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am—4:00pm (Closed for lunch from noon—1:00pm)

Wednesday morning the office is closed from 9:30—10:00am allowing staff to attend daily Mass. Friday, December 13 at 7:00pm



You are invited for an evening of Scripture and musical selections from the choirs of Holy Trinity (and a surprise choir) depicting the "**Season**". Please join us for fellowship in the hall following the singalong. If you are able, please bring a snack to share.

Parkland Food Bank will be collecting non-perishable food items and cash donations.

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