

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 24, 2024



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## ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Wednesday, December 4 at 7:00pm

The season of Advent is a time to be renewed and reconciled with our loving God; an important part of our call to personal holiness with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We are reminded that "Confession is a place where we encounter the mercy of Jesus". In an effort to highlight this important part of our journey, there will be several priests available to welcome you!



## ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SINGALONG

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. We are collecting items for the Parkland Food Bank.

**All are welcome!**



This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

An important theme in John's Gospel is TRUTH. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as King and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.



## 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.**



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 Zelig 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.

**MONDAY November 25 9:30am MASS**

Noon Funeral—C, H, OL  
6:00pm Encounter

**TUESDAY November 26 6:30pm MASS**  
(Confessions from 5:30—6:15)

11:00am Funeral—C, H  
1:00pm Small Christian Communities—L  
7:00pm Bible Study—OL  
7:00pm RCIA—KC  
7:00pm Confirmation Parent Night—H  
7:15pm Separated & Divorced—SJ

**WEDNESDAY November 27 9:30am MASS**

(Adoration until 9:00pm—Divine Mercy at 3:00pm)

2:30pm Pastoral Ministry—OL  
6:00pm Pastoral Ministry—OL, SJ  
6:00pm Catechism & RCIA—KR, CA, STL, SJP  
6:30pm CWL General Mtg.—CWL  
6:45pm PPC—KC

**THURSDAY November 28 9:30am MASS**

10:00am Bible Study—H  
10:00am Quilters—KC  
7:00pm RCIA—OL  
7:00pm Confirmation Parent Night—H

**FRIDAY November 29 9:30am MASS**

(Confessions and Adoration until 11:00am)

10:00am Healing Shawls—MD  
7:00pm Decorating—C

**SATURDAY November 30 5:00pm MASS**

(Confessions 4:00—4:45pm)

8:30am First Reconciliation—KR  
10:00am First Reconciliation Retreat—H, CWL  
12:45pm First Reconciliation Retreat—H, CWL  
6:30pm Healing Service—C

**SUNDAY December 1**

**9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm MASSES**

8:30am Rosary—Chpl  
10:30am Rosary for the Unborn—OL  
**12:15pm Jesus is the Reason nativity play—C,H**  
1:00pm Hope & Dignity—H

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

**Altar Servers:**

Brian Pasmeco 587-785-6389

**Catholic Women’s League:**

Sister Susan Scott, President  
[holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com)

**Children’s Liturgy:**

Sheila Rossi 780-962-8108

**Decorating:**

Brenda Briggs 780-591-4252  
(Please do not text to the above number)

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Colin Schroeder 780-233-2985

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Stephanie Leroux 780-724-2504

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Caroline Campbell 780-975-0822

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Paula Roper 780-932-9545

**Grief as a Journey:**

Bonnie Fyculak 780-960-0135

**Lector Coordinator:**

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Dori Whyte 780-238-4662

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**Pastoral Care:**

Harriet Fraser 780-298-9643

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Priscilla Spratt 780-968-2336

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Darleen Broadbent 780-968-1452

**Social Justice:**

Joshua Merkel 780-233-7882

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**An invitation for an Advent journey via the liturgical environment:**

*“The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world.” John 1:9*

**Advent** — the time of waiting for the arrival of Jesus, and also the time for reflection and repentance. This is a time where the darkening days may draw us into the duality of Advent, and our parish’s environment can be a place to reflect this as well. Colours and textures are visual tools that can assist us, and there are some long-standing liturgical guidelines on decorating for Advent that we are using this year for Holy Trinity.

In the first part of Advent, you won’t see much change except for the appearance of the Advent wreath in the sanctuary. Although not liturgically essential, the wreath is a strong tradition that helps direct our hearts and minds to the season of Advent.

The live plants currently in the sanctuary will remain during Advent since they are small in scale and do not represent Christmas. You may see some dried leaves or grasses appear as the glory of the harvest has now faded into the approaching winter. The colour purple will be used in fabrics and, of course, on the candles of the Advent wreath. These simple decorations are meant to remind us that we are in a very important season before Christmas, journeying in the spirit of poverty to Bethlehem, waiting upon the arrival of Christ.

Starting the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday — rejoice Sunday — the decorations will start to increase and shift in tone as we get closer in our journey to Bethlehem. This is to help build the anticipation for Christmas, and also to simply assist us in making the transition between Advent and Christmas.

There are a lot of special days within Advent, and it isn’t possible to acknowledge them all with specific decorations for each. However, there are some very important feast days for Our Lady, so you might see something appear for those special dates. Not necessarily in the sanctuary, but somewhere in the church.

God bless!

Your Arts and Environment Team

## CONFIRMATION: Grade 6 & up



### Parent Information and Registration:

**Tuesday, November 26 & Thursday, November 28 (choose one) at 7:00pm**, in the Parish Hall.

Contact Jeri Wilson at [htpsacraments@gmail.com](mailto:htpsacraments@gmail.com) or call 780-960-0135 ext. 112

For more information visit [www.trinitycatholic.net](http://www.trinitycatholic.net)

## Jesus Is The Reason For The Season...



Calling all those beautiful little voices out there of Holy Trinity Parish! We would love for you to join us for our Children's Liturgy production, *Jesus Is The Reason For The Season*. The Silver Angel Choir needs you to make this beautiful production complete. Drop by St. Joseph's room after 11:00am Mass this Sunday for more information.

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

## RCIA & RCIC:

On **Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** at the 11:00am mass, the Rite of Acceptance for the unbaptized and the Rite of Welcoming for the baptized, in our **RCIA and RCIC programs** will take place.



We ask, as the family of God, that you keep these individuals in your prayers as they seek baptism and full communion with the Catholic church.

## ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY:

Come, and feel the power of the Holy Spirit at the Healing Service, **Saturday, November 30** beginning at **6:30pm**—following the 5:00pm Mass. All are welcome!



## 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 **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Your generosity is appreciated.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:



For more information please contact Sister Susan at 780-968-5543 or email her at [holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com)

Calling all *snowbirds*, please submit your membership renewal (\$40) before heading south and thank you for continuing your support of our council and the League!

Next regular meeting is **Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**. We will remember our deceased members in a special prayer service at this meeting.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS— HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:



For more information contact Brad Medernach at 780 -984-1728. Membership [kofc.org/JoinUs](http://kofc.org/JoinUs)

## COLLECT FOR CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY:



Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Knights would like to thank the parish and the students at St Thomas Aquinas for their generous donations to our Coats for Kids and Families program. We collected over 600 coats plus numerous boots, toques, scarves and gloves. Your generosity to help the less fortunate in our community is greatly appreciated.



As a man must be born before he can begin to lead his physical life, so he must be born to lead a Divine Life. That birth occurs in the Sacrament of Baptism. To survive, he must be nourished by Divine Life; that is done in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist.



Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH:



You are invited to make a donation of \$20.00 towards the cost of the Christmas flowers in memory of your loved ones. Please place your envelope marked "*Christmas Flowers*" in the collection basket.

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of plants: \_\_\_\_\_

(Deadline for donations will be Monday, December 16)



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allowing staff to attend daily Mass.

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