

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## 1st Sunday of Advent —November 30, 2025



The story of Noah portrays God cleansing the earth of widespread wickedness. In this passage the same story points to the need for watchfulness. Right up until the flood people were living out their lives as usual, ignoring signs that a tremendous change was coming.

The next parable portrays two sets of people working side by side. Although the two people in each pair seem indistinguishable, Christ's return reveals how different they are. That difference seems to be how ready they each are to meet Christ. The ones who are taken are brought into God's kingdom, while those who are left most likely face destruction.

No one knows when Christ will come again (v. 36). Instead of trying to calculate God's timetable, people should instead live as though Christ might return at any moment. By comparing his return to the flood and to a thief breaking into a person's house, Jesus warns us that our failure to be prepared will be disastrous.

Our liturgical year both ends and begins with readings on the end times. As we enter the season of Advent, we're reminded that we're not only preparing to celebrate Christ's birth, we're also preparing for his return in glory. Advent comes from the Latin *ad venire*, which means to come. During this season we celebrate the first coming of Christ as we also pray for the second.

**Parish Office:** 200 Boundary Road, Spruce Grove

**Office Hours:** Monday to Friday  
9:00am to 4:00pm

Closed for lunch noon—1:00pm; and  
Wednesday morning 9:30am—10:00  
allowing staff to attend daily Mass.

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## FAMILY POTLUCK WITH A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS

**December 6th  
at 6PM**

Bring a dish to share and enjoy an evening of community, joy and celebration. Families will enjoy stories, activities and a chance to meet St. Nicholas himself!

All ages are welcome - bring family and friends!

Hosted by:  
Holy Trinity Catholic Church,  
Spruce Grove

We look forward to celebrating with you!



DEC 12TH  
DEC 13TH  
7PM

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:

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## WEEK AT A GLANCE....



### DOWNSTAIRS:

OL—Our Lady's; SJ—St. Joseph; MD—Martin de Porres; C—Church; Chpl.—Chapel; BR—Board Rm; S—Servery.

### UPSTAIRS:

KC—Knights of Columbus Room; CWL—Catholic Women's League; 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 December 1 9:30am MASS

4:00pm CWL Meeting—CWL  
 6:00pm Encounter—all main floor

### Tuesday December 2 6:30pm MASS

(Confessions 5:30—6:15pm)  
 Small Christian Community—MD  
 1st Reconciliation—CWL, KR  
 Bible Study—OL  
 Separated & Divorced—SJ

### Wednesday December 3 9:30am MASS

(Adoration from 10:00am to 6:00pm)  
 2:30pm Pastoral Ministry—OL  
 6:00pm Catechism & RCIC -KR, CA, JP, STL  
 7:00pm Advent Penitential Service—C

### Thursday December 4 9:30am MASS

10:00am Bible Study—OL  
 6:00pm St. Joseph School Advent Celebration—C,H  
 6:30pm 1st Reconciliation—CWL, KR  
 7:00pm Called and Gifted—SJ  
 7:00pm Cantata rehearsal—C

### Friday December 5 9:30am MASS

(8:30-9:15am Adoration & Confessions)  
 10:00am Healing Shawl—CWL  
 1:00pm CWL—K

### Saturday December 6 9:30am & 5:00pm MASS

(Confessions from 4:00—4:45pm)  
 8:00am Knights of Columbus—K  
 12:45pm 1st Reconciliation—CWL, KR  
 6:00pm St. Nicholas Celebration—H, K

### Sunday Dec. 7 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

K of C Rosary 40 minutes prior to Mass  
 8:30am Rosary for Family in Purgatory—Chpl  
 10:30am Rosary for the Unborn—OL

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:



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

If you are leaving for the "winter" can you please remit your \$40 for 2026 membership before you leave. You can e-transfer to [holytrinitycwl.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycwl.treasurer@gmail.com). You can also write a cheque to "Holy Trinity Catholic Women's League". Our formal membership drive will be in November.

Join us for our annual "Fingerfood Advent Celebration" on December 9th. Please note the date change! We begin at 6:00 p.m. in the hall. This is an election year and we ask every member to prayerfully consider allowing her name to stand for an executive position. All positions need to be filled for a two year term beginning in January. The positions are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the three chairs for Faith, Service and Social Justice. If you are willing to serve or would like additional information contact Mariette Huot at: [holytrinitycwl.pastpresident@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycwl.pastpresident@gmail.com) Details are posted on our display board across from the food bank box. Know that your willingness to serve is deeply appreciated!

Contact Sr. Susan at the above address if you would like to become a member of this wonderful organization!

## H+TCP YOUTH

Youth Group runs on Sundays for youth in grades 10-12 and on Wednesdays for youth in grades 7-9, meeting in the parish hall, running from 7-9pm. Come join us for evenings filled with fun, faith, and fellowship (and snack)! Youth Group does not run in the first week of the month, and if you would like to receive consistent updates on the Youth Group, then please send an email to [htcpyouth@gmail.com](mailto:htcpyouth@gmail.com) to be added to the group's Flock-note!

Thank you to everyone who donated toys, gift cards, and cash to the **Kinette Club** of Spruce Grove and Stony Plain **Kinsmen Christmas Hampers** last weekend at the donation drive! It was a huge success thanks to your generosity. The donations will help make Christmas brighter for families in the local area.

**EVERGLADES SPECIAL CARE LODGE** provides support for those with addictions, mental health issues and those that are hard to house. They house up to 81 residents (70men, 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 Knights will be collecting these items in the box at the back of the church until **December 14**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The items they need 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). Single or Double Sized blankets and comforters and pillows.

**ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:  
Wednesday, December 3th—7:00 pm**



The season of Advent is a time to be renewed and reconciled with our merciful and loving God. An important part of our call to personal holiness is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In an effort to highlight this important part of our journey, we will have several Priests in attendance for our Penitential Service on **Wednesday, December 3** to hear confessions.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will end at **6:00 pm** on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 in view of the Advent Penitential Service at 7:00 pm.



Dear Parishioners, the Catholic Women's Council of Holy Trinity invite you to support Neighbourlink Parkland by donating any of the items listed on the bins located at the entry of the church. This is where you can also drop off your donations. Thank you for your generosity!



We are so very blessed! Thank you to all of our dedicated parents who stepped up to give their time in helping make this year's **Jesus is the Reason for the Season Nativity Play** such a wonderful success.

May God continue to bless you all abundantly!



**GRIEF AS A JOURNEY,  
OUR WALK TO EMMAUS:**

This program is from the Archdiocese of Edmonton and is for those grieving the loss of a loved one. The format is a weekly meeting/support group for those who are trying to cope with the troubling effects of grief. In this faith-based program, you will learn valuable information that will help you heal in this difficult time in your life. You will be together with others who are able to empathize with how you feel in the pain of your loss. You are invited to join us for our spring session Tuesday evenings following the 6:30pm Mass from 7:15—9:00pm beginning March 24, 2026—May 12, 2026. Please call Bonnie at 780-960-0135 for more information or to register.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRIB TOURNAMENT:**



Saturday, December 13th beginning at noon. To register email Brad Medernach at [bmed@telus.net](mailto:bmed@telus.net) or call 780-984-1728.

Proceeds will benefit the Sacred Heart of the First People's Inner City lunch program.

**Carmelite Craft Sale:**



Dear Holy Trinity Parishioners. Thank you very much for your wonderful generosity supporting the **Carmelite Sisters** during their **craft sale** this past weekend. \$6095.70 in proceeds and donations were realized which will greatly assist them with their daily needs/payments during the year. May God bless you all!

**5 LOAVES 2 FISH**



This program allows us to assist those who find themselves in need. Please contact Deacon Wesley Turton at 780-221-2265 or email him at [wesley.turton@caedm.ca](mailto:wesley.turton@caedm.ca)



**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.

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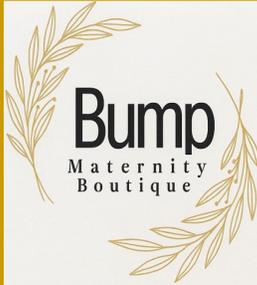
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