



St. Mary's Parish 5th Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023 - Year A

Acts 6: 1 - 7
1 Peter 2: 4 - 9
John 14: 1 - 12

“I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one comes to the Father
except through me.”

Our Mission: “Together Building Up the Body of Christ” Parish Priest: Fr. Mirek Kostarzewski

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9am, 11am & 7pm
Daily Mass:
Tuesday - 7 pm
Wednesday - Friday - 9 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1:00-4:00pm
Tuesday - Thursday:
10:00am - Noon;
1:00pm - 4:00pm
Friday: 10:00am - Noon

Prayer Group:

Join us at 8:30am, before and after the 9am Mass to pray the Rosary, every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The rosary is also prayed after the 9am Mass daily mass.

Adoration:

8-9am on Saturdays. (1st Saturday of the month: 7:30-8:30am)

Holy Face of Jesus:

This group meets on 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 7 pm, but there is no obligation to make a monthly commitment. If you would like to join, please contact Isabel at 403-314-0031 to get the

E-transfer donations

Send your e-transfer donations to 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.

Call for Volunteers

There are many positions to fill: Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Proclaimers, Altar Servers and others. If this is something you would consider, please contact the office at 403-347-3114.

Volunteering is a wonderful way to give back.



**Mass intentions for the week of
May 7 - May 13**
The intentions in brackets
are said by the priests in Edmonton.

- Sun. 9 am: †Rosemary Charlebois *(Carlina Aquino)
- Sun. 11 am: †Keith Bickerton
- Sun. 7 pm: All Parishioners
- Tue. 7 pm: †Michael & †Mary Matsalla *(†Wilihardo Ceriola,
†Vivian Patrick)
- Wed. 9 am: Fr Jan Sobkowicz *(Helen Lindsay, Martha Ramos)
- Thur. 9 am: †Veronica Coumont *(Pansy Hagel)
- Fri. 9 am: †Claude Demers *(Mira Arens, Martha Ramos)
- Sat. 5 pm: †Martin Touchette *(Helen Lindsay)

Pentecost Prayers of the Faithful



St. Mary's Parish has a grand tradition of having the Prayers of the Faithful spoken in several languages during Pentecost Masses, which this year will occur on May 27/28. Within our diverse faith community there are many gifted with the ability to speak a language besides English and it would be wonderful if we could include you in this tradition.

Anybody willing to volunteer or would like more information can contact Jeff Tuchscherer by Wednesday, May 17 at 403-350-8430 or jeff.tuchscherer@rdcrs.ca. The parish office can assist you as well.

Thanks to everyone in advance and God Bless!

CWL Word of the Week

Faith

Catholic Women's League members know faith is important to women. Members are called to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. We are Catholic and living it! Come grow with us!



CWL Baby Bottle Campaign

St. Mary's CWL asks that you help support the Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre's Baby Bottle Campaign.

The funds raised enable the centre to continue operations, and to offer free of charge, support to all who walk through their doors.

CWL members will be handing out baby bottles and envelopes at both entrances of the church on **May 13/14 (Mother's Day)**

for you to use for your monetary donations.

Cheques can be made out to the Pregnancy Care Centre.

Please return filled bottles by

June 17/18 (Father's Day).

A special drop container will be available for returned bottles at the front entrance.

Please pray the Pregnancy Care Centre will be visible in the community as a safe place for all who seek help with an unplanned pregnancy.



May: The Month of Mary

May is the month when we honor Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother.

"God wills that all his gifts should come to us through Mary"
St. Bernard

Pray the rosary at home or pray with others before or after the 9am Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

First Eucharist Celebrations



On **Sunday, May 7 at 1:30 pm**, St. Mary's Parish will celebrate the children who will receive their First Eucharist and attend Father Henri Voisin, Ecole Camille J. Lerouge, St. Martin de Porres, St. Patrick and St. Teresa of Avila schools, as well as students who do not attend Red Deer Catholic schools and whose last name begins with M-Z.



St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, May 10 at 1:30pm
in the classroom.

Dates are every second
Wednesday of the month.

Yarn donations are gratefully accepted.

Knights of Columbus

*Pancake
Breakfast*



Sunday, May 14
after the 9am and 11am
Masses

Cost by donation



Saturday, May 27
(St. Mary's Parking lot)

Donations are being accepted

Please call 403-588-6399 or 403-350-0386



The Pope's Monthly Intention:

May 2023

For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Pope Francis Twitter

If in our hearts we are carrying some burden or suffering that seems to crush us, it is the moment to go out to meet Jesus, who is close, to open the tomb of our problems and look beyond the threshold, toward his light.

Our Lady of Victory Camp Returns

Registration for summer camp is now open, and any young person entering grades 4-12 next fall is welcome to attend!

Read more about what we do at camp, how to register, or how you can get involved or support OLVC at www.olvcamp.com.



We Need Your Help!

Work has already begun at Our Lady of Victory Camp to prepare for the relaunch of camp this summer. This April, we need extra hands to help get ready for work bees in May and June. It's our hope to refresh the camp after it has been sitting dormant the past four summers. Please consider giving a day to camp this month!

Call Deacon Claude Baril at 403-896-3745 to get involved or to learn more details.



NEW EPISODE EVERY TUESDAY



This week:

Ugly Churches and How to Build a Parish

Listen on your favourite podcast app. or at <https://caedm.ca/upfront>

Read the Archbishop's Sunday homily at:

<https://caedm.ca/archbishop/messages-homilies/>

Check also 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.

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Ukrainian Displaced Persons Planning Committee

We are in urgent need for host families. If you can help, please call Cheryl at 403-506-6620.



Star of the North Retreat Centre

Offers many programs on a variety of topics, from justice to Lent, bereavement and others. For more information, please check their website at www.starofthenorth.ca, email them at programs@starofthenorth.ca, or call them at 780-459-5511.



Some current topics offered:

- The Synod on Synodality
- Jesus & the Unpredictable Disciple
- Bereavement Support Group
- Another World is Possible
- Formation Through Word & Creation
- Graceful grand-mothering

World Youth Day

WYD is the gathering of young people from all over the world with Pope Francis. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth and an intense moment of evangelization.

To get more information or to register for the event, got to www.lisboa2023.org/en.

There may also be some local events related to WYD: stay tuned for them!



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