



# Holy Cross Parish

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Bulletin #21**

**May 5, 2024**

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## Contact the office

@ 306-757-1325 for Baptism, 1st Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Marriage, Funerals, and other concerns.

We acknowledge that Holy Cross Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional homeland of the Nêhiyawak (Cree), Nahkawé (Saulteaux) and Nakota and homeland of the Métis Nation, Dakota and Lakota.

## PARISH STAFF TEAM

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## HC Office Hours:

**Monday—Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

## Masses

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am

Tuesday 7:00pm

Wed. 9:00am

Thur. 9:00am

Friday 9:00am

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / 1 John 4:7-10 / John 15:9-17**

### MONDAY

May 6

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 16:11-15

Jn 15:26-16:4a

### TUESDAY

May 7

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 16:22-34

Jn 16:5-11

### WEDNESDAY

May 8

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1

Jn 16:12-15

### THURSDAY

May 9

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 18:1-8

Jn 16:16-20

### FRIDAY

May 10

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 18:9-18

Jn 16:20-23

### SATURDAY

May 11

*Easter Weekday*

Acts 18:23-28

Jn 16:23b-28

### SUNDAY

May 12

*Ascension of the Lord*

Acts 1:1-11

Eph 1:17-23 or

Eph 4:1-13 or

4:1-7, 11-13

Mk 16:15-20



[Jesus said,] "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you."

JOHN 15:12

## We're Like Trees

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A** while back I decided to plant two saplings that were about ten feet tall along the property line of the parish home where I lived. Some time after I planted them, I noticed that one was leaning in one direction and the other a bit in the opposite direction. *Strange*, I thought, *for it seemed that when I planted them they were staked with rope and stood straight.* So I bought some six-foot fence posts and tied the trees to them, thinking that as they grew they would straighten themselves. Not so. After three years the trees seemed to insist on growing their own way, one leaning into the wind and the other a bit twisted. It seemed the only solution was to love them the way they were.

It is so with the people in our lives as well. Sooner or later we find ourselves needing to love them with their idiosyncrasies and foibles and perhaps even their sinfulness. We may try to reshape them, but ultimately it is usually to little avail. They have been created by God, after all, and if God has chosen us—as the Gospel suggests—then God also has chosen us to love them as they are, and perhaps to love them into all that they can be. Ultimately though, God does the pruning, the reshaping, not us. We participate in that process by caring for them and bringing good to them, always in the image of Jesus. ●

### Reflect

**Think of everyone with whom you have some difficulty and name a good quality of each one.**

# What's Happening at Holy Cross

## CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

**April 28 - Mary Marcotte**

Welcome to any new parishioners. Please register with the Parish Office Mon.-Friday, 9am-12 noon  
Or call 306-757-1325

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 4-12, 2024

		<b>MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 4-12, 2024</b>
Sat.	May 4	PRO POPULO
Sun.	May 5	For the intentions of all Knights of Columbus Gerein Council and their families who are sick or suffering from chronic illness, offered by KofC Gerein Council.
Tues.	May 7	For the intentions of Charles Kuntz offered by HC Liturgy Committee in thanks of his work.
Wed.	May 8	For the repose of the soul of Cameron Matthew offered, by Judy Miazga.
Thurs.	May 9	For the repose of the soul of Ted Dizy, offered by Angnes Shmigelsky and family.
Fri.	May 10	For the repose of the soul of Ted Dizy, offered by Liz Maticka and family.
Sat.	May 11	PRO POPULO
Sun.	May 12	For the repose of the soul of Helen De Souza, offered by Michelle and family.



### CWL News

Just a note: Muffins for Sacred Heart School will again be gladly accepted at the next CWL regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 7. They can also be left in the freezer in the Gerein Centre kitchen. This will be the last collection for this school year. Many thanks to all the bakers who have faithfully provided this nourishing snack for the students.



### NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The National March for Life takes place in Ottawa on Thursday, May 9 with the theme: *"I Will Never Forget You"* (Isaiah 49:15). It calls every one of us to remember the sanctity of human life, from conception to natural death without exception.

A quote from Debbie Duval of Campaign Life Coalition: "The scourge of abortion and euthanasia are sapping the life blood from our nation and bringing countless souls to ruin."

Think of this when the time comes to vote for your next representative in government. Are they pro-life? It matters to you.



### KNIGHTS KORNER

36 Years of Service to Holy Cross

#### MAY EVENTS

Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 AM, Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast



Adults: \$10,  
Student: \$5,  
Children Under 6: Free

Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 PM, St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 PM, St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM, Mass & St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> – 7:30 PM, Monthly Council Meeting (after 7:00 PM Mass)

Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM, Mass & CUF K of C Exemplification

**What does it take to become a Knight of Columbus?** Find out by filling out an information request ballot at the K of C information table located in the Gerein Centre of the Church. You will be contacted by a Knight from the Gerein Council.

Welcome to any new parishioners. Please register with the Parish Office. Fill in the blanks below and drop it into the collection basket or email the office ([hc.office@holycrossregina.ca](mailto:hc.office@holycrossregina.ca)). Let's get started!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mass of Choice:     Sat evening 5:00 pm     Sun morning 9:00 am

# What's Happening at Holy Cross 2

## PARISHIONERS' CORNER

**BIRTHDAYS!** Happy Birthday to Sheila Phillips whose day to celebrate is Tuesday, May 7. May God bless you abundantly with good health and happiness.

It was an unusual and unfortunate accident this week that happened to Gladys Herzberger. She fell and dislocated her shoulder. But that was not the end of it. When the doctors were trying to pop her shoulder back in place, her shoulder broke. So now she is in hospital and should have had surgery by now. Please say a prayer for her swift and full recovery.

And a correction: We reported the wrong name of priest who had accompanied Cathleen Devraj's group to Medjugorje and was ill. His name is Fr. Dennis.

Please pass along news of our parishioners for this column to share so we can all pray for or celebrate with them. Call Martin at 306-347-0929 or text Joyce at [byapple@sasktel.net](mailto:byapple@sasktel.net).

May God continue to bless you this Easter Season.

## PRO-LIFE

In February 2024, the Canadian Human Rights Commission expressed ongoing concern over reports indicating that individuals with disabilities opt for MAID (Medical Assistance in Dying) due to lack of essential support services. The CHRC is joined by UN human rights experts, Canadian disability groups, Indigenous advocates, social justice groups and numerous medical and legal professionals in these concerns.

One might ask, why is it that a disabled person can readily apply for and receive MAID? Currently, in Canada, a 27 year old woman has been approved for euthanasia whose sole complaint is her disability of autism. She is otherwise healthy.

Source: *Euthanasia Prevention Coalition: Alex Schadenberg, April 25, 2024, Canada's Euthanasia Regime*

## REGINA PRO-LIFE BANQUET

A table has been reserved for Holy Cross parishioners who would like to attend the Annual Regina Pro Life Banquet on Thursday, May 23. Jeanine Mann will purchase the tickets and collect the money from the people who sign up. If more than eight people from Holy Cross sign up, another table as close as possible to the first one will be reserved.

Tickets are selling fast, so please don't delay if you'd like to sit with fellow parishioners. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the Gerein Centre. See the poster below for details.



24th annual  
Holy Cross Parish

## Cal Murphy Memorial Golf Tournament

Deer Valley Golf Club  
Friday, May 31



Putting contest 9:00 am  
Rolling start 10:00 am  
Banquet 4:00 pm

Tournament fee of \$150 includes  
green fees, power cart, banquet and  
tax receipt.

Deadline for entries is May 24.  
Banquet only \$30.

Entry forms available at [www.holycrossregina.ca](http://www.holycrossregina.ca),  
email Joyce at [byapple@sasktel.net](mailto:byapple@sasktel.net) / phone 306-789-1983  
or phone John at 306-789-7609

*"Fear not, I am with you; be not dismayed;  
I am your God. I will strengthen you, and help  
you, and uphold you with my right hand  
of justice."  
Isaiah 41:10*

Regina  
**PRO-LIFE**  
is hosting their

## Annual Fundraising Gala

May 23, 2024

St Martin de Porres Parish

4720 Castle Road, Regina

Adults: \$35  
Children 7-17: \$15  
Under 6: FREE

Cocktails: 5 pm  
Supper: 6 pm  
(Roast-beef Dinner by Charlotte's Catering)  
Speaker: 7 pm

### Banquet Guest Speaker:

Cam Côté, CCBP's Western Outreach Director, has worked full time in Canada's pro-life movement for over a decade. He is also the host of The Pro-Life Guy's Podcast, the world's largest podcast dedicated to pro-life apologetics.



*Change Minds. Save Lives. Transform Culture.*

To purchase tickets, email [rpla@sasktel.net](mailto:rpla@sasktel.net) with your FULL NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS, HOW MANY TICKETS YOU ARE PURCHASING, AND PHONE NUMBER. Then, please e-transfer the payment to [rpla@sasktel.net](mailto:rpla@sasktel.net). Call 306-569-1985 for other payment options.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

MAY IS PRO-LIFE MONTH IN SASKATCHEWAN

## What's Happening at Holy Cross 3

### Financial Updates to the end of April 30, 2024

	<u>Jan - Apr 24</u>	<u>Budget Jan - Apr 24</u>	<u>Jan - Apr 23</u>
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Collections</b>	56,053	51,733	50,803
<b>Fundraising</b>	4,028	2,000	2,011
<b>Sundry Revenue</b>	12,453	7,533	6,420
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>72,535</u>	<u>61,267</u>	<u>59,234</u>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>Administration</b>	41,233	37,525	35,573
<b>Build &amp; Ground</b>	15,348	17,523	15,774
<b>Diocesan</b>	11,600	11,400	10,225
<b>Ministries</b>	2,040	1,717	1,054
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>70,221</u>	<u>68,165</u>	<u>62,626</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>2,314</u></u>	<u><u>-6,898</u></u>	<u><u>-3,392</u></u>

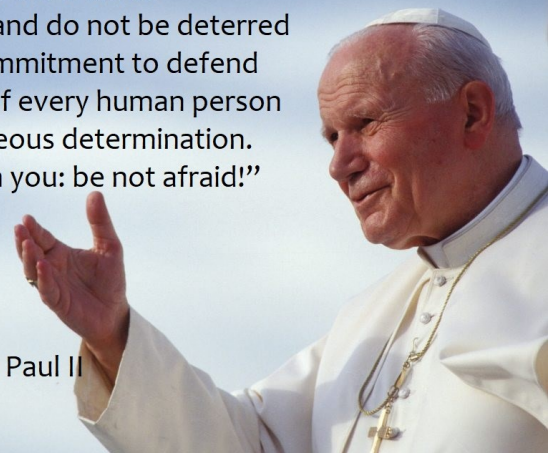
Thanks to Fr. Carlos for his leadership and to our parishioners for their contributions.  
John Lebersback, Chair, Finance Committee

### Reverence for Life Prayer

O Mary, to you do we entrust the cause of life. Look down O Mother upon the vast number of babies not born, on the whose lives are made difficult, on those who are victims of brutal violence, on the elderly and sick killed by indifference or misguided mercy. We ask for the grace to accept the Gospel of Life as a gift ever new, and the courage to bear witness to it. To the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.  
Amen!

“Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. Christ is with you: be not afraid!”

– Pope John Paul II



# What's Happening in the Archdiocese

## STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN BITS

***"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." - John 15:12-13***

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?



## Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

### Would you like to teach the little ones the catechism?

Jesus is the Light of the world! This is the essential message shared with the 3-6-year-olds when we present the Baptism materials. By this point in the year, the children have heard Jesus say, "I am the Light of the World." They know that on Good Friday, the Light went out for a short time and that on Easter Sunday, it came back into the world.

Now, in the presentation for Baptism, they hear that ever since the Resurrection, Christ's light has been growing bigger and bigger until one day, at their Baptism, they receive the Light in their hearts.

If you know the joy of Christ's light and have ever felt any inkling of a desire to share it with the littlest among us, then we invite you to please consider joining us in this work so you can more fully wonder with us! For information on Regina's upcoming catechist training opportunity visit [cgsac.ca](http://cgsac.ca) or contact us at [regina.cgs33@gmail.com](mailto:regina.cgs33@gmail.com)

## Emmaus Family Support

1 in 4 families experience mental health challenges. If you're looking for support, Emmaus Family Support is here to help. Join our community of caring individuals, meeting monthly at Holy Trinity parish in Regina (and accessible online via Zoom), who understand what you're going through. Visit [emmaussupport.ca](http://emmaussupport.ca) or contact Deacon Eric Gurash at

[emmausmentalhealth@gmail.com](mailto:emmausmentalhealth@gmail.com) or 306-721-6724 to learn more.

## Emmaus Women's Peer Support

In partnership with Emmaus Support Mental Health Ministries (<https://emmaussupport.ca/>), we will begin an Emmaus Women's Peer Support Group at Holy Rosary, offering a safe space for women navigating the complexities of mental health and mental illness. Whether battling anxiety, depression, or any other challenge, you're not alone. Find comfort in our community of shared experiences, and empathy, as we journey towards healing and hope through Jesus together. Email [Bronwyn.angley@outlook.com](mailto:Bronwyn.angley@outlook.com) to RSVP and with any questions you may have.

## VARIETY NIGHT

Join us for a night of "Wonder"! Variety Night 2024 is a fundraising/community-building initiative of the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and this year features an incredibly talented and dedicated cast of young people who will share music, drama, and dance that will have us marvelling at the "wonder" that still exists in this world! Tickets are \$20. Concession items are available for sale. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.bit.ly/vn24](http://www.bit.ly/vn24) OR picked up in person at Christ the King during office hours. The show dates are May 24, 25, 26, and 27. For more info please email [oyyam@archregina.sk.ca](mailto:oyyam@archregina.sk.ca)

## TF #398: The Four Pillars of A Coach On Mission with Thomas Wurtz - Part 1

In this two-part series, Dr. Brett Salkeld visits with Thomas Wurtz, founder of FOCUS Ministries' Varsity Catholic program, to discuss his four pillars of Catholic coaching. They examine the natural goods of sports, their connection to deeper truths, and how participation in sports can offer insights into the human desire for God and the pursuit of excellence. <https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/the-four-pillars-of-a-coach-on-mission-with-thomas-wurtz-part-1>

## Stones Cry Out: Praying with the Land

### ELCIC/ACC National Worship Conference July 18-21, 2024

Registration is now open! Visit our website at <https://www.nationalworshipconference.org/> and follow us on Facebook @nationalworshipconference for updates. The focus of the conference is to help us to think about, talk about, and pray about how we can transform our worship in authentic ways - from language and image of empire and colonialism to one that recognizes our rich multi-cultural and Indigenous heritage. Early bird registration ends on May 31. <https://www.nationalworshipconference.org/registration/>

**Nine inspiring workshops:** Ceremony and Liturgy; New Words, New Melodies, New Inspiration; Mysterium: the development and practice of an Ancient-Future worship service; Sacred Treaty relationships and promises; Understanding Indigenous Spirituality; Walking together in a good way: stories from Indigenous and Ally perspectives; An Indigenous Creed; Crafting and Leading Rituals of Healing and Reconciliation; Singing and Praying Justly.



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## *A Letter to Women Who Had An Abortion*

I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. We are aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and we do not doubt that, in many cases, it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly, what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement, and do not lose hope. Try rather to understand what happened and face it honestly. If you have not done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The God of mercies is ready to give you forgiveness and peace in the sacrament of reconciliation. To the same God of loving mercy, you can, with sure hope, entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone's right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life.

*Evangelium Vitae 99.*

**These Statistics are from: the Canadian Institute for Health Information**

<https://bit.ly/4aLjGzu>

Number of induced abortions reported by hospitals in 2022

In Saskatchewan 1,362

In Canada 20,327

Number of induced abortions reported by non-hospitals in 2022

In Saskatchewan 486

In Canada 76,884

**Real-time Statistics on Abortions Worldwide:**



May, 2024