

Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Parish

December 3, 2023
1st Sunday of Advent

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.*

Welcome to Holy Trinity!

As Catholic Christians we seek to proclaim, celebrate, and live our faith joyfully and to express our love for Christ and each other.

If you are a visitor or are new to Regina or to our parish, we welcome you and hope you have a positive experience in your worship with us. Check our website for a helpful introduction to Holy Trinity and its various ministries and services. Please feel free to contact us with questions or comments. We look forward to meeting you!

To register in the parish, update your information, or request donation envelopes, pick up a form in the Gathering area (bulletin board) or print a copy from our website, call the parish office or drop in during office hours, www.holytrinityregina.ca.



Reconciliation: By prior arrangement and when possible
45 min. before weekend Masses
30 min. before weekday Masses

Weddings & Funerals: Contact Fr. Gaspar

Coming Up at Holy Trinity (Weekday Rosary 25 minutes before Mass)

Dec. 2 & 3—1st Sun. Advent. Bring wreaths for blessing (see p. 2)

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| Sat. Dec. 2 | 5 pm Mass: Ints Troy Kocur
Gift Bearing Family: Anonas |
| Sun. Dec. 3 | 9 am Mass: Pro populo
Gift Bearing Family: Siapno |
| Sun. Dec. 3 | Pancake Breakfast, 10 am to 1 pm. By donation.
Hosted by Knights of Columbus |
| Sun. Dec. 3 | 11 am Mass: + Gwen Gusway
Gift Bearing Family: Zane Young |
| Mon. Dec. 4 | 1:30 pm CWL Executive meeting |
| Tues. Dec. 5 | 11 am Funeral Mass for Roy Kleininger |
| Tues. Dec. 5 | 1:30 pm Forever in Motion, **meeting room |
| Tues. Dec. 5 | 7 pm Mass: + Edward Joseph "Ted" Sullivan |
| Wed. Dec. 6 | 8:30 am Mass: + Ernie Krammer |
| Wed. Dec. 6 | 1 pm: Angels 4 Warmth meeting, hall |
| Wed. Dec. 6 | 7 pm: Advent Evening of Adoration, prayer,
reflection, reconciliation (details p. 2 'Becoming a
Sanctuary for Christ with Sr. Chantelle Bonk.) |
| Thurs. Dec. 7 | 8:30 am Mass: Ints John & Marion Dimen |
| Thurs. Dec. 7 | 11 am: Ecole St. Mary Advent Liturgy |
| Fri. Dec. 8 | 8:30 am Mass: + Richard Hoffort |

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(bulletin available online)

At Holy Trinity:

We pray for the following:

Gerry Turgeon, Ruth Morrison, Gisele Croteau,
Jacqueline Meeley, Troy Kocur

We pray for the Repose of the Souls of our beloved ones, including Roy Kleininger, Fr. Pat Murphy, Ceferino Bayer, Valerian Karchewski, Brandon Armstrong, Edward Joseph 'Ted' Sullivan, Lloyd Fiddler, Renee Ferguson, Gwen Gusway, Marj Puchyr, Tex Emery Herperger, Janet Cameron

Sunday Donations November
Regular collection: \$5,939.
Average Holy Trinity expenses: \$21,661 monthly.



Use this link or on our website home page.

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism Preparation

For parents of infants & young children and expectant parents. Contact the office to register for next session.
[Registration form on website.](#)

Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation continues. We pray for these young people on their journey to make their first reconciliation on December 2. See bulletin insert.



Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus

General meetings: now 2nd Tuesday of the month. Next meeting Dec. 12 after 7 pm Mass.



Holy Trinity Catholic Women's League

General meetings: 2nd Monday of the month. Next meeting Dec. 11 (details p. 2). Executive: Next meeting Dec. 4.

Christmas Masses: (full schedule page 2)

Dec. 24 (Sunday): 10 am (Fourth Sunday of Advent)
Dec. 24: Christmas Eve: 7 pm and 10 pm
Dec. 25 (Monday): 10 am

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Gaspar Lucas 306-924-1993

Deacon Rev. Mr. Eric Gurash

Sacramental Prep: Leslie Young

Support Staff

Office Coordinator

Heather Deis: 306-543-3838

Custodian: Dominic Dias

Office Hours Mon. to Fri.—9 am to 3 pm
Closed statutory holidays

Mass Times:

Sunday Mass Times 9 am & 11 am

Saturday 5 pm

Monday— no Mass

Tuesday—7 pm Mass

Wednesday, Thursday &

Friday Masses 8:30 am

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration after 8:30 am Mass, next is Jan. 5.

For the comfort and safety of others,
please do not wear fragrance to church.

Christmas Mass Times at Holy Trinity

Dec. 24 (Sunday): 10 am: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec. 24: Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Eve: 7 pm and 10 pm

Dec. 25 (Monday): Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Day: 10 am

Dec. 30 (Saturday) 5 pm (Holy Family)

Dec. 31 (Sunday): 10 am: Holy Family

Dec. 31 (Sunday) 7 pm (Holy Mother of God)

Jan. 1 (Monday) 10 am: Holy Mother of God

2024 Donation Envelopes available in the Gathering Area.

Note you will have a new Envelope Number Please do not use previous year envelopes for 2024 donations.

2023 donations must be received in collection box by 11 am on Sunday, December 31 to be included on charitable donation receipt for 2023. Outdoor mail slot may not be checked, so bring into main collection box that morning.

****Donations received at the 7 pm Mass for Holy Mother of God will be counted toward 2024 donations. Thank you!

Building Fund at Holy Trinity Parish, As the end of the year 2023 draws near, we ask you to consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Parish's Building Fund. Parish Finance Committee, Building and Grounds, has worked hard to identify some major projects for 2024, such as fixing and re-surfacing the front steps, paving and marking the parking lot and the flooring in the Church basement — a few of the on-going projects required to maintain the Parish. Building Fund envelopes available in the pews or on the table by the Donation box at the entrance to the worship area. Please consider a generous donation. Must be received by Dec. 31, 11 am to receive charitable donation receipt for 2023.

Alex Wlodarczyk, Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson
Michelle Gibney, Parish Finance Committee Chairperson

**This Weekend: Pancake Breakfast at Holy Trinity:
Sun. Dec. 3, 10 am to 1 pm**

Pancakes, eggs, sausage, ham, syrup, strawberries, whipped topping, coffee, juice. Served 10 am to 1 pm. By donation. Hosted by Knights of Columbus.

Becoming a Sanctuary for Christ—Advent evening of adoration, prayer, reflection with Sr. Chantelle Bonk, PM. Creative component optional. Priests available for individual reconciliation.

Wednesday, December 6 @ 7pm

Holy Trinity Parish – 5020 Sherwood Dr.

Drawing and colouring supplies for the creative component will be provided. You are welcome to bring your journal, Bible, and any other creative medium that can be done from your pew.

No cost; donations for the creative supplies optional.

Questions? Email htrinityfaithformation@outlook.com



Advent Love Collection—pick up a special Love Collection envelope for your gift to help those in need in our community. Holy Trinity Social Justice committee organizes and disburses funds to organizations who operate locally, nationally or globally to helping those most in need. Some of those organizations include Development & Peace and Sophia House.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - Holy Trinity Parish is looking for a Building and Grounds Coordinator to oversee the operation and maintenance of Holy Trinity Parish building and grounds. For details of the activities and responsibilities, contact the parish office.

Communion to Shut-ins. If you, or someone in your family would like communion brought to a care home or own home in our parish, contact the Holy Trinity office (306) 543-38383.

Holy Trinity Parish on Facebook—A great opportunity to be connected and up-to-date on our events and activities.



You can find us by searching for "Holy Trinity Parish, Regina" on Facebook, or with this link; <https://www.facebook.com/holytrinityregina> 'Like' and 'Follow' us to stay informed and engaged!

**Catholic Women's League at Holy Trinity**

Mark your calendars! Annual Christmas potluck is **Monday, Dec. 11** Doors open at 5:30 pm with supper at 6:00 pm. There will be an appetizer table, main course table, dessert table, punch and other refreshments. All are welcome to attend. Invite your spouse, family, and friends. Come and enjoy fellowship, fun and great food.

Plans for the evening include someone from O'Neill High School to explain how the Angel Program works. Your purchase of a \$2 ticket(s) can win you a beautiful Christmas item made by one of our members.

Someone will also be presenting from Angels 4 Warmth. Donations of yarn, fabric and monies (for a tax receipt) may be made that evening. This great organization makes items of warmth by knitting, crocheting and quilting. The finished items are passed on to the needy in Regina.

CWL memberships now due \$40. Give to an executive member, in your blue envelope or place in brown envelope on the CWL bulletin board.

If you are diabetic and experience an extreme drop in your blood sugar while in the church and are in need of something to elevate it, there are some items in a labelled blue container on the microwave in the kitchenette (main level just past the bathrooms). There are also two drinks (orange juice & iced tea) in the fridge, labelled 'For Diabetic Use Only'.

Archdiocese of Regina Bulletin (Dec. 3) [Link](#)
Advent Reflections by email, Christmas Mass Times



Archdiocese of Regina Masses On-Line
<https://archregina.sk.ca/live>

Links at www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina
Past Masses available online.

THINKING FAITH Podcast hosted by Deacon Eric Gurash and Dr. Brett Salkeld of the Archdiocese of Regina.

Theology Teachers & Curriculum Permeation Part 2

In this part two of two, Dr. Brett Salkeld and Dr. Brett Fawcett discuss interdisciplinary collaboration and the role of theology teachers in curriculum permeation.

[Listen to the podcast.](#)

[Link to previous podcasts](#)

The Archdiocese of Regina is happy to present: **Bridging the Unbridgeable Gap: Beyond Polarization in the Church and in Society with Fr. Ron Rolheiser**

Monday, December 4, 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Resurrection Parish, Regina (also livestreamed on Archdiocese YouTube channel).

We live in a bitter divided time. Today, everywhere in the church and in the world, we find ourselves divided by different histories, ideologies, politics, religions, moral views and temperaments. Politics are stalemated, churches are splitting, and families struggle to sit down at a common table. And all of this being fed and enflamed by a hundred million websites vilifying each other. The gap is growing and seems unbridgeable.

How can we respond? How can we begin to bridge this unbridgeable gap, as faithful Christians, as loving citizens, and as aching family members?

Advent Recollection: Reconciliation, Adoration, and Healing, Sunday, Dec. 17

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) 5:00 to 7:30 pm
St. Cecilia Parish, 5020 – 7th Avenue, Regina

In the holy Advent season, experience a time of enlightenment through adoration and healing with Jesus who brought light to the world. During this busy time of preparing for Christmas, pause and take advantage of this recollection opportunity. Led by Fr. Sathi Antony, St. Gerard Parish, Yorkton

- Holy Mass – 5 pm.
- Adoration and individual Reconciliation – 5:45 pm.
- Release prayer for personal healing, from darkness to light – 7 pm.
- Refreshments and fellowship – 7:30 pm.

Nativity Displays “Scenes of Wonder” at Norman Kennedy Presbyterian Church, 5303 Sherwood. Sat. Dec. 2: 1-5 pm and 6:30-8 pm. Sun. Dec. 3: 1-5 pm; Mon. Dec. 4: 1-5 pm and 6:30– 8 pm. Free admission; accepting Food Bank donations or coins for missions. Tea & baking; silent auction of Gift Bags.

An Evening of Prayer for Parents of Teenage and Adult Children

First Tuesday of the month at Christ the King Parish, Regina
6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass - December 5.

Archbishop’s Annual Appeal Holy Trinity’s goal is \$34,533 To date, we have raised \$17,157. As the Archbishop’s Appeal comes to a close, consider making a one-time donation or giving monthly.

[Archbishop Don Bolen’s final message for this year’s Appeal](#) (You Tube)

Forever in Motion—a health initiative to promote physical activity with adults.

At Holy Trinity,
Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Forever in Motion is held in the hall (**note change for Dec. 5 to main floor meeting room**), elevator access from the north door where there is accessible parking.

The program is led by a trained volunteer (Holy Trinity parishioner). Everyone welcome. [Brochure on bulletin board](#)

GriefSHARE Sessions at Christ the King, 3239 Garnet Street. Sessions 2 – 4 p.m. Jan 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5, 14, 19, 26, Apr 9, 16. Registration open now. Contact lucykindaann@gmail.com

itwewin Corner (*itwewin* is the Cree word which means ‘the word’ or ‘as it is said...’)

Archdiocese of Regina Truth and Reconciliation Healing Committee.

Did you know... From February 4 to 29, 2024, a display of paintings depicting each of the 94 Calls to Action resulting from the National Truth and Reconciliation Commission (2015) will be on display at the Neil Balkwill Arts Centre in Regina. The paintings are the work of students from the Balcarres Community School. More details will be coming.

Advent Prayer Service for Healing from Clergy Sexual Abuse

The Light Shines Through the Broken Places: Many people feel overwhelmed and unsure of how to respond to victims and survivors of sexual abuse. Within the Advent spirit of light and hope, all are invited to join in prayer to offer support and compassion to those who have experienced clergy sexual abuse. Your presence matters as we build a responsive community of care. Join us on Sunday evening, December 3, the First Sunday of Advent, at 7 pm at Holy Child Parish, 2636 7th Ave. East.

Prayer Request Box in Holy Trinity Church. Place your written request in the wood box (inside entrance to church worship area). All remain confidential.

The Church is open for prayer during office hours (Mon. to Fri., 9 am to 3 pm).

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada Urgent Help Needed

Development and Peace is raising funds for the Palestinian people besieged in the southern Gaza Strip, who are in urgent need of help. Facing a near-total blockade and ongoing bombardment, our partner Caritas Jerusalem urgently needs help to provide food, water, shelter, hygiene kits, healthcare and psychosocial support to the wounded, the displaced and the bereaved. You are invited to give generously to help our sisters and brothers in Gaza.

Advent Music Sacra at Campion College. on December 10 at 2 pm. 2nd floor Chapel. Theme is Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love: Meditations on Advent. Embrace the joyful meaning of the season.

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Archdiocese of Regina Weekly Report

The week's top local stories, parish and diocesan events, and national and international news of Catholic interest delivered to your in-box every Friday.



Congratulations to our 32 young people who worked hard to prepare, and celebrated the
Sacrament of First Reconciliation
On Saturday, December 2, 2023

Cayden Anonas

Kiershlyne Aquino

Cyruz Atienza

Luna Bastida Escalante

Sean Carlson

Cyrine Dionglay

Gabriel Gartner

Hudson Hil

Eromomene Ikezahu

Ofure Ikezahu

Osemudiame Ikezahu

Malaya Keating

Blake Korchinski

Maxim Kudasov

Gianna Laureola

Enrico Macalindong

Declan Malach

Ryker Morin

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Railee Nieva

Allen Ong

Lydia Racioppo

Zachary Rau

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Tyana Runge

Francesca Siapno

Francis Siapno

Alison Springinatic

Landen Springinatic

Oliver Young

Zane Young

Liam Young

“For I was hungry and you gave me food.” Mathew 25:35

A big thank you to each of our Holy Trinity sacramental preparation families for providing a loaf of sandwiches for Waterston House. Waterston House provides compassionate care and support to marginalized and displaced clients in downtown Regina. This service project helped the children to develop an awareness of our shared responsibility to help and serve the needy, in preparation for their upcoming Sacraments of Initiation.

Sacramental preparation resumes Sunday, January 14, 2024 for 33 young people working toward Confirmation and First Eucharist.