

# Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Parish

December 17, 2023  
3rd 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](http://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)

Sat. Dec. 16	<b>5 pm Mass:</b> Pro populo Gift Bearing Family: Railee Nieva & family
Sun. Dec. 17	<b>9 am Mass:</b> + Caroline Marcotte Gift Bearing Family: Cyruz Atienz & family
Sun. Dec. 17	<b>11 am Mass:</b> + Joanna Hoynacka
Mon. Dec. 18	<b>10 am Ecole St. Mary Liturgy</b> (details p. 3)
Mon. Dec. 18	<b>7 pm St. Josaphat Advent Liturgy</b> (1 pm rehearsal)
Tues. Dec. 19	<b>1 pm Ecole St. Mary Liturgy</b> (details p. 3)
Tues. Dec. 19	1:30 pm Forever in Motion, hall (last class until Jan. 2)
Tues. Dec. 19	<b>7 pm Mass:</b> + Ceferino Bayer & + Elizabeth Bayer
Wed. Dec. 20	<b>8:30 am Mass:</b> + Mike Chopty
Wed. Dec. 20	evening: St. Bernadette School Christmas concert
Thurs. Dec. 21	<b>8:30 am Mass:</b> + Eugene Hryb
Fri. Dec. 22	<b>8:30 am Mass:</b> + Rodel Calvario; + Alan Schwartz
Sat. Dec. 23	<b>5 pm Mass</b>
Sun. Dec. 24	<b>10 am Mass:</b> 4th Sunday of Advent: Pro Populo
Sun. Dec. 24	7 pm & 10 pm Masses: Christmas Eve

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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: \$14,423.  
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 continues. We pray for the 32 young people who made their First Reconciliation on December 2. Classes resume Jan. 14 for First Eucharist & Confirmation.



### Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus

General meetings: now 2nd Tuesday of the month. Next meeting Jan. 9 after 7 pm Mass.



### Holy Trinity Catholic Women's League

General meetings: 2nd Monday of the month. Next meeting Feb. 13. Executive: Next meeting Feb. 5.

### 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 & Dec. 25—Jan. 1

**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

Sign-up sheets for Liturgical ministers in Gathering Area.

**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, Dec. 16 & 17: Coffee after Saturday and Sunday Masses.** Plan to stay and visit with friends, or make new ones.

**Next Pancake Breakfast at Holy Trinity: Sun. Jan. 7  
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.

**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.



**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 Chalice Canada, Regina Food Bank, Regina community fridge.

**Funeral Baking needed**—Wrap well and mark as Funeral Baking with the date and pass to a CWL Executive member or place in kitchenette fridge freezer (main floor).

**Cuernavaca News: Thank you** to all who helped in any way with the Cuernavaca Christmas baking trays — those who baked, purchased trays and helped make up the trays. All is greatly appreciated! You may pick up containers from main floor kitchen.

**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!

**Forever in Motion**—a health initiative at Holy Trinity to promote physical activity with adults.

**Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 pm (no class Dec. 26)**

Forever in Motion is held in the hall, 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](#)

**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.

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

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. 17) Link**

January 1 Levee; Christmas Mass Times

**Archdiocese of Regina Masses On-Line**<https://archregina.sk.ca/live>Links at [www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina](http://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.

**Conquest Boys Club Q&A, Part 5**

Deacon Eric and Dr. Brett continue to delve into the pile of questions sent to them from the Conquest Boys Club at St. Anne's parish in Regina, Saskatchewan. This week we discuss Jesus' mistakes in the woodshop and altar serving.

Show Snippet: "Think of a carpenter shop. How do you learn to make some furniture with Dad in the shop without making mistakes? What do you do when you're teaching your kids about the family business? You hand them a chisel and a mallet and a saw, right?"

[Listen to the podcast.](#)[Link to previous podcasts](#)

**Ecole St. Mary Liturgy presented by Pre-K and Kindergarten students** "The Mystery of the New Noisy Neighbour" on Mon. Dec. 18 at 10 am or Tues. Dec. 19 at 1 pm at Holy Trinity.

**The Marian Centre would like to extend our thanks** to all who have contributed towards their need of men's clothing in the past months. Our clothing room is now well supplied with men's winter clothing, which we share with those who come to us in need. We request at this time that donations of clothing be suspended until April 1. Again, thank you!

**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 – 6 pm.
- Release prayer for personal healing, from darkness to light – 7 pm.
- Refreshments and fellowship – 7:30 pm.

**Emmaus Family Support Holy Hour of Adoration and Prayer for Mental Health**

Join us at Holy Trinity Parish on Thursday, December 28, from 7 pm to 8 pm for a Holy Hour of Adoration and Prayer focused on mental health during this Christmas season. The Christmas season can be a particularly challenging time for anyone living with mental health challenges. While the public focus of the season is on joy, peace, and hope; depression, anxiety, and other mental health challenges can be exacerbated by the additional stress and even loneliness that some experience. All are welcome to join us for this hour of quiet reflection and communal prayer with the Blessed Sacrament as we unite in faith and seek consolation, peace, and support. For more information and support, visit [www.emmaussupport.ca](http://www.emmaussupport.ca)

**Archbishop's Annual Appeal** Holy Trinity's goal is \$34,533  
To date, we have raised \$25,604

**Archbishop's Appeal Donation Timeline for Year-End Donations**

Dec 23, 2023—Last day for parishioners to mail donations in to the Archdiocese for the 2023 Appeal. (Please note: Gifts will be accepted until Dec 31 but to ensure that they arrive before the end of the year, gifts should be in the mail by Dec 23)

Dec 31, 2023—Last day for parishioners to submit donations to the parish for the 2023 Appeal. This includes cash and cheques (payable to parish), credit cards, auto-debits, and cheques (payable to Archdiocese of Regina).

Dec 31, 2023- Last day for parishioners to donate via e-transfer or online via CanadaHelps for the 2023 Appeal.

Personal donations and parish submissions can be dropped off at Blessed Sacrament during the last week of December. Note the Pastoral Centre will be closed from Dec. 25- Jan. 1. Personal donations and parish submissions can be dropped off at Blessed Sacrament during this time.

**Transitional Diaconate Ordination of Daniel Malone** - to be conferred by Archbishop Donald J. Bolen on Mon., Dec. 18 at 1 pm in Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina. Reception to follow in hall downstairs (elevator not available). All are welcome. Livestream link at [www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina](http://www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina)

**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 coming.

**Letters of Support Needed for Warm Welcome**

Local faith communities, organizations and concerned citizens have come together, recognizing the crisis for the houseless community and the severe cold weather coming. This Warm Welcome Coalition has drafted a proposal to the Saskatchewan Government to fund an overnight warming centre in Regina. Carmichael Outreach has offered their space and has developed a budget for staffing and managing this project.

Please consider writing a letter of support to the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. Gene Makowsky ([ss.minister@gov.sk.ca](mailto:ss.minister@gov.sk.ca) or Room 303, 2405 Legislative Drive, Regina, SK, S4S 0B3), and cc your local MLA and Russell Mitchell-Walker ([russell.eastside@gmail.com](mailto:russell.eastside@gmail.com)). Email addresses for your local MLAs are located here: <https://www.legassembly.sk.ca/mlas/> Stay tuned for other ways that you can support the Warm Welcome Coalition and Carmichael Outreach by volunteering or donations of baking.

**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.](#)

**Christmas Gifts for Indigenous Christian Fellowship (ICF)** to accommodate numerous requests from community members for the 2023 Christmas gift registry. Gifts may be delivered to Indigenous Christian Fellowship, 3131 Dewdney Avenue. They are welcome unwrapped or wrapped (attach note with suggested age range and gender). The blessing of financial support also welcomed; to purchase gift cards or food items. Please do not deliver cash to the ministry. Cheques payable to Indigenous Christian Fellowship or send an e-transfer, (including your email address!) to: [support@icfregina.ca](mailto:support@icfregina.ca)





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**Rob Young**

Cell: **(306) 530-6318**

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