

Holy Child Roman Catholic Parish

Holy Child Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.

2636-7th Avenue East, Regina, Sk., S4N 6A3

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December 15, 2024
3rd Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a Psalm 12 Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:10-18



Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday at 8:30 am

Weekend Masses: Saturday 7:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Children's Bulletin

For other resources, please go to the Archdiocese of Regina website:

www.archregina.sk.ca

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Masks are optional for everyone. Masks are optional for communion ministers.

Some good practices to protect yourself, and others, against Covid-19 and other viruses:

- Practice proper cough and sneezing etiquette (into a tissue or the bend of your elbow).
- Practice frequent handwashing.
- Please stay home if you are sick.



25th Annual Archbishop's Appeal

This year's theme is "Embracing Unity: Many People, One Heart"

Parish Goal: \$33,701

To date: \$29,963. (89% of goal)

Due to the Postal Strike, the donation Appeal envelopes may be dropped off at the Parish office during regular business hours or put in the mailbox on the west side of the church. You may also put in the collection baskets at Mass. There are extra Appeal donation envelopes in the foyer.

Bulletin Reflection Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

When the crowds ask John the Baptist, "What should we do?" he advises them to share with those who have none and act justly. This guidance is timeless, urging us to respond to God's call through generosity and fairness. Supporting the Archbishop's Appeal is a direct way to act on this advice. Our shared contributions fund vital ministries that provide for the less fortunate and promote social justice. In uniting our resources, we answer the question posed to John, actively participating in the joyful preparation for Christ's coming.

Mass Intentions for the week of December 17-20:

Tuesday, December 17 -- Lou Fraess and Sherry Hubick
Wednesday, December 18 - +Beppie Gerspacher
Thursday, December 19 – Intentions for the Wingerter family
Friday, December 20 - +Peter Dielschneider



2025 Church Donation Envelopes are ready to be picked up in the foyer.

Please do not use them till the new year.

Put your name and amount of donation on the front when using envelopes.

Parishioners are encouraged to use donation envelopes or Pre-Authorized Debit.

Your donations are recorded, and an income tax receipt is issued. **If you do not have envelopes and would like them for 2025, please sign the sheet in the foyer or call or email the office to have a box issued to you or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Debit.**

All active envelope users will automatically receive a box.

If you are new to the Parish and have not registered or you are registered but have changes to your address, phone number or anything else, please use the "New Parishioners/Change of Address" form on the back page of the bulletin or email: holychild@sasktel.net with the information.



All donations for the year 2024, must be in by Sunday, December 29. Please use the outside mailbox on the west side, if doors are locked. The Parish Office will be closed between Christmas and the New Year. Phone messages, mail and emails will be checked daily.

Collection Counter Schedules 2025 are ready to be picked up in the office or if you would like it emailed to you, please email or call the office.

The Social Justice Committee will be collecting underwear and socks for children, women and men and sanitary products this Advent season. The items will be distributed in the new year to folks in need through various organizations in the city. Donations can be placed in the decorated box in the foyer.

Thank you for your generosity.

Volunteers are needed for various ministries at the Christmas and New Year's Masses, as well as for decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 22 after the 11 am Mass. Call the office or sign up in the foyer if you are able to assist during this special time of year.



Holy Child Christmas Mass Schedule
Christmas Eve Mass: 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm
Christmas Morning Mass: 10:00 am



New Year's Day Mass: 10:00 am

2025 Religious Calendars \$6 and Missals \$5 are for sale in the office.

Still looking for a Christmas gift? How about the 2025 K of C Charitable Foundation Cash Calendar.....\$25,000 in cash prizes during the year including a final draw on Dec 31 for \$10,000! If you're interested, we'll make sure to get one (or more) for you. For more information: Gerald Hoffart, Grand Knight - 306-331-6858; gphoffart@sasktel.net Paul Ponak, Financial Secretary - 306-790-9317; prponak@sasktel.net Norbert Philippe, Program Director - 306-789-0073; norphi@sasktel.net.

Holy Child Parishioners – you are invited to donate items to assist in providing tasty and nourishing food to folks using the Warming Centre at Carmichael Outreach this winter. Our parish will be supplying food for the centre on the nights of January 15, February 5, March 12, and April 9. Donations of sandwiches, muffins, cookies, granola bars, fruit, juice, coffee and tea are needed. If you can help by supplying any of these, please contact Agnes at (306) 761-0221 to discuss your donation and to drop off. Monetary donations to purchase needed items would also be appreciated. Place your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked “Warming Centre” – make cheques payable to Holy Child Parish indicating your envelope number for receipt purposes. Please call Agnes at (306) 761-0221 or Faye at (306) 761-0181 with any questions.

The Holy Child Social Justice Committee has an account at Sarcan, if you would like to donate your recyclables. Go to any Sarcan's Drop & Go location and enter Holy Child on the screen when asked for the group. They will then receive an e-transfer from Sarcan for any donations given to them. Thank you for your support!

Holy Child Memorial Fund was established to remember our deceased loved ones through art and environment mediums, such as the stained-glass windows. When donations are received, they are entrusted to this fund until such times when other symbols of faith are purchased to enhance the beauty of the Church. Deceased loved one's name are written in the Memorial Book located at the back wall of the church and remembered by the Parish Community in the month of the anniversary of their death. If you would like to contribute to this fund, Memorial Fund envelopes are available at the entrance of the church, or you may call the Parish Office with the information.



In Loving Memory

MEMORIAL BOOK
This month we will remember

<i>Eva A. Zaron</i>	<i>Dec. 1, 2007</i>
<i>Cecile Perron</i>	<i>Dec. 3, 2001</i>
<i>Ronald Gass</i>	<i>Dec. 3, 2001</i>
<i>Theresa Donauer</i>	<i>Dec. 4, 2005</i>
<i>Annie Herle</i>	<i>Dec. 5, 2017</i>
<i>Elizabeth Balzer</i>	<i>Dec. 7, 1975</i>
<i>Albert Frei</i>	<i>Dec. 8, 1993</i>
<i>Kathleen Uleryk</i>	<i>Dec. 8, 1999</i>
<i>Jordon Herle</i>	<i>Dec. 9, 2002</i>
<i>Ruth Gayton</i>	<i>Dec. 10, 1995</i>
<i>Anna Schneider</i>	<i>Dec. 11, 1977</i>
<i>Michael Stremick</i>	<i>Dec. 11, 1996</i>
<i>Anne Kammer</i>	<i>Dec. 11, 2003</i>
<i>Joseph Henry "Guy" Longpre</i>	<i>Dec. 11, 2007</i>
<i>Rita Judson</i>	<i>Dec. 12, 2005</i>
<i>Pauline Modenhauer</i>	<i>Dec. 13, 2003</i>
<i>Elizabeth Moser</i>	<i>Dec. 14, 1988</i>
<i>Bernice (Bunny) Wingert</i>	<i>Dec. 15, 2006</i>
<i>Yvette Blaker (Goddu)</i>	<i>Dec. 16, 2008</i>
<i>Henrietta Keller</i>	<i>Dec. 16, 2010</i>
<i>Joseph Anton</i>	<i>Dec. 16, 2016</i>
<i>Elizabeth Lang</i>	<i>Dec. 17, 2004</i>
<i>Sherry Hubick</i>	<i>Dec. 17, 2018</i>
<i>Adeline Seiferling</i>	<i>Dec. 17, 2020</i>
<i>Louise Wismer</i>	<i>Dec. 18, 2006</i>
<i>Rosalind Wittman</i>	<i>Dec. 18, 2016</i>
<i>Lou Fraess</i>	<i>Dec. 19, 2015</i>
<i>Rosa Ricci</i>	<i>Dec. 26, 2019</i>
<i>Katherine Watt</i>	<i>Dec. 21, 2002</i>
<i>Priscilla Blondeau</i>	<i>Dec. 21, 2014</i>
<i>Edith Bardutz</i>	<i>Dec. 22, 2021</i>
<i>Wayne Linnen</i>	<i>Dec. 22, 2011</i>
<i>Scott Lynch</i>	<i>Dec. 24, 1995</i>
<i>Benedict Schatz</i>	<i>Dec. 24, 1996</i>
<i>Hazel Malach</i>	<i>Dec. 25, 2017</i>
<i>Alice Ferozdin</i>	<i>Dec. 26, 1998</i>
<i>Sylvia Kusiak</i>	<i>Dec. 26, 2012</i>
<i>Peter Dielschneider</i>	<i>Dec. 26, 2020</i>
<i>Stephen Brodner</i>	<i>Dec. 27, 2016</i>
<i>Eleanore Ferner</i>	<i>Dec. 28, 2005</i>
<i>Yvette Deshaies Vershagen</i>	<i>Dec. 28, 2009</i>
<i>Joseph J. Stroeder</i>	<i>Dec. 28, 2012</i>
<i>Walter Knoll</i>	<i>Dec. 28, 2017</i>
<i>Nick Lang</i>	<i>Dec. 29, 1978</i>
<i>Marie Lang</i>	<i>Dec. 30, 2000</i>
<i>Frances Morhart</i>	<i>Dec. 30, 2003</i>
<i>Leif Helmersen</i>	<i>Dec. 30, 1991</i>
<i>Regina Flick</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1995</i>



*In Our
 Thoughts
 and Prayers*



Knights (K)news – Archbishop O’Neill # 8896

Angels4warmth – our Council is very involved with the deliveries/distribution of the clothing items sewed/knitted by the organization. These items include toques, blankets for palliative care patients, scarves, mitts & other. There are in excess of 50 organizations/agencies on the list to receive clothing articles & in any given month, deliveries are made to 20 – 25 locations, on average. All recipients are very appreciative of the clothing received – always a place for it. On December 05th we delivered 3,344 to 31 agencies. In 2024 over 14,000 items were distributed.....that’s a lot! The ‘Angels’ crew was started by a small group of seniors in 1998, in the North Central area. Today the group has expanded to over 200 persons – two & three generations of family members volunteer regularly. Thank you to our Council deliverers who volunteer their time each month for this important Ministry. It’s a rewarding task. A big ‘shout out’ also, to Don Miller (Fr. Burns Council # 5949) who joins us with the clothing distribution. Would you like to assist on occasion? We’d like that for sure. Paul can provide information you need to know

Chapter Football Pool - prior to each Rider (our team) season the Regina Chapter K of C has tickets (scores) available for purchase. As you know each ticket envelope contains scores (different for each game) for all 21 CFL games – this includes all the playoffs & Grey Cup. Not only can you win a cash prize for the quarter & final scores/game, a feature of these is that anytime your score ‘hits’, you also win! The nice part is you don’t have to track your scores or you don’t even have to like football....your score ‘hits’, a cheque will ‘magically’ appear in your mailbox (except during a strike)! Our Council sells 400 of the tickets. From the sale of the tickets approximately \$0.54 out of each \$\$ is allocated to various agencies/organizations. 51% of this allocation is directed to our Holy Child Parish, with the remaining 49% divided between 7 other recipients. They are – Rooted Connections (formerly Catholic Family Services), Camp Monahan, Baseball Regina, Sofia House, Marian Centre, Special Olympics & the K of C Charitable Foundation (Vocations), each receiving a cheque for \$310. Thank you to our Parishioners for supporting this campaign, we’ll be doing it all over again in the spring



Council GK Gerald Hoffart presents a cheque in the amount of \$2,220 to Fr. Brian, accepting on behalf of Holy Child Parish – portion of the Chapter Football pool allocations

Council members will be ‘ringing the bells’ for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle this Saturday Dec 14 @ Walmart east. If you happen to be doing some shopping there, stop by, say hello & make a donation for a great cause

This month is flying by....soon we will be celebrating the birth of our Saviour at Christmas. Keep in-mind that on the December 28/29 (5th Sunday) weekend Masses, a member of our Council will lead the Praying of the Rosary prior to each Mass

For more information:

Gerald Hoffart, Grand Knight – 306.331.6858; gphoffart@sasktel.net
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Archdiocese of Regina December 15, 2024

Bulletin

Third Sunday of Advent

Youth Ministry Workshop

On **Saturday, January, 25th from 10:00 - 4:00**, at the diocesan center, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is having a workshop for the training, support and collaboration of those who work in ministering to young people, with lunch provided. It is our hope that as many people as possible who are involved in ministering to the young people of our archdiocese, would be willing to bring their minds and hearts to this table of sharing. We are also more than willing to take this workshop on the road! Invite us to come to your community! TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE OR ASK QUESTIONS PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO: oyyam@archregina.sk.ca

Archbishop's Appeal

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TF #431: Meet the Archivist with Rae Horseman - Part 2



This week on Thinking faith we dust off the stacks and pour through ancient tomes as we step into the fascinating world of history, records and storytelling with Rae Horseman, the Archivist for the Archdiocese of Regina. In this two-part series Rae shares captivating stories from the archives,

explains how historical records shape our understanding of faith and community, and highlights the importance of preserving the legacy and stories of our local Church for future generations.

thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/meet-the-archivist-with-rae-horseman-part-2

Archbishop's Appeal: Alternate Donation Options Amid Canada Post Strike

We recognize that the ongoing Canada Post strike may impact your plans to contribute to this year's Archbishop's Appeal, especially as we near the end of the year when many wish to ensure their donations count toward 2024 charitable giving.

To ensure your generous gifts are received in a timely manner, we encourage you to consider alternate donation methods, which can be found online at archregina.sk.ca/grouppage/donate-archbishops-appeal.

Donations can also be dropped off at your local parish or delivered directly to the Archdiocese of Regina Offices at 200-2151 Scarth Street in Regina.

Pope Francis' Monthly Intentions - December For pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope. popevideo.org

For after-hours convenience, donations may be dropped off securely at:

From the Archivist

St. Joseph's Church in Moose Jaw is looking for chairs with kneelers for their Chapel space. If a parish has any to spare, please contact the archivist at the Archdiocese of Regina: rhorsman@archregina.sk.ca.

- Resurrection Parish (3155 Windsor Park Rd)
- Christ the King Parish (3239 Garnet St)
- Holy Family Parish (1021 McCarthy Blvd)

Thank you to all who have already contributed to this year's Appeal and to those who are still prayerfully discerning their gift. Your support helps us continue the vital work of ministry and outreach in our Archdiocese.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (Philippians 4:6)
St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

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December 13, 2024

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, we are invited to rejoice at the coming of God into our midst, with the birth of a little child long ago. God's coming in the flesh leaves us with a profound gratitude for God's great mercy.

It is also with a heart full of gratitude that I want to express thanks to all who have contributed to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Of course the postal strike has made it very challenging to receive and process donations for the Appeal, but despite those challenges, I am happy to share that we are aware of having raised over \$750,000 in donations. And we know there are more gifts and contributions on the way. Those gifts, coming from your generosity, enable us to continue many vital aspects of work of the Archdiocese, which provide resources for our parishes and serve many in need. We still have a ways to go to reach our Appeal goal, and if you have not yet had a chance to contribute a gift, it is not too late.

As we prepare to bring this year and this Appeal to a close, and prepare for the joyous celebration of the birth of our Lord, may the hope and joy of this season grow in your hearts. Let us make room in our hearts to joyfully celebrate and proclaim the Lord's birth. The Gospel he proclaimed, at the heart of our lives as church, is not just a message to be heard, but a call to be lived. Let us continue to share His love and generosity with all those in need. God bless!

Yours in Christ,

✠ Donald J. Bolen
Archbishop of Regina

2025 HERITAGE PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO POLAND



JUNE 17th to JULY 1st 2025

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, December 15th, 2024 at 4:00 pm

In St. Anthony's church basement – 2275 Atkinson Street

Escorted by Society of Christ Fathers, Fr. Gerry Grupczynski of Las Vegas, Fr. Richard Philiposki of Saskatoon & Fr. Karol Twarowski from Regina.



**BOLESŁAWIEC • LEGNICA • WROCLAW • AUSCHWITZ • BIRKENAU • WADOWICE • ZAKOPANE
LUDZIMERZ • KRAKOW • LAGIEWNIKI • WIELCZKA • CZESTOCHOWA • WARSAW • GDANSK
NIEPOKALNOW • LICHEN • POZNAN • SWIEBODZIN • FRANKFURT**

Price per person is approximately \$4,300 (double occupancy), and includes transportation, accommodations, daily breakfast and dinner, admissions to attractions, tour guide and local guides, driver and pastoral services of priest chaplains.

The Eucharist, Christ's Real Presence

Jan 22 & 29, Feb 5 & 12

7 - 9 pm

Christ The King Parish

Parish Hall, 3239 Garnet Street, Regina



In Part 2 of our Adult Formation Series
on the Sacraments...

come explore the mystery of the
Eucharist and its transformative power
in our lives

we will deepen our understanding and
appreciation of the Eucharist, the
source and summit of our faith

**REGISTER ON OUR
PARISH WEBSITE**





SASKATCHEWAN PRO-LIFE 2025 MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW DUE

Due to the postal strike the SPLA membership renewal letter is being held at the printer's. At this time, it is very possible that, even with a resolution to the strike, our renewal notice will not reach our members before the end of the year. We ask that, if possible, members renew online at the website www.saskprolife.com or by e-transfer to: info@saskprolife.com

Also, due to the strike, we will not be mailing out our Christmas greeting and year-end donation request letter. If you would like to make a donation to SPLA for the 2024 tax year, please contact our office for instructions 306.992.6941 or 306.352.3480 or email info@saskprolife.com Donations to Saskatchewan Pro-Life Association are not tax deductible. Donations to Saskatchewan Pro-Life Educational Trust are eligible for a tax deduction.

We are eternally grateful for the support we receive – prayers, words of encouragement, letter writing, active participation in events and monetary.

Your help is always needed as we seek to protect the most vulnerable among us and to build a culture that cherishes every life at all stages.

Blessings,
Frances Stang
Saskatchewan Pro-Life Association.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please call the parish office (306-789-8276).

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Celebrated 45 minutes before each Mass (ending 15 minutes before Mass). Also, by appointment: contact the pastor (306-789-8276).

Sacrament of Anointing:

Contact the pastor (306-789-8276).

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call the pastor (306-789-8276) at least 8 months prior to the intended marriage date.

Spiritual Care at the Hospitals:

If you or a family member are at the General Hospital, Pasqua Hospital, or Wascana Rehabilitation Centre and would like a visit from a Catholic Chaplain, or to arrange for the anointing of the sick, please call the chaplain directly:

- General Hospital (306-519-1405)
- Pasqua Hospital (306-519-1380)
- Wascana Rehabilitation (306-530-6511)

**Holy Child Parish Council
Meetings 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.**

Charlene Rogalski	Chairperson
Gerald Hoffart	Vice-Chairperson
Agnes Parisloff	Social Justice
Faye Helmerson	Social Justice
Gerald Hoffart, GK	Knights of Columbus
Paul Ponak	Finance
Wayne Matt	Hall/Catering
Dave Helmerson	Building & Grounds
Maureen Wild	Secretary
Sharon Bender	Deanery Representative
Laurie Kirkness	Member at Large
Vacant	Member at Large

Parish Team

Pastor	Fr. Brian Meredith
Permanent Deacon	Rev. Mr. Dennis Ziegler
Pastoral Assistant	Marian Grady
Business Manager	Gail Kraft
Administrative Assistant	Rita Wingert

Catholic Schools

[St. Catherine](#), 150 Brotherton Ave., 306-791-7323

[St. Elizabeth](#), 5149 E. Green Brooks Way, 306-791-7300

[St. Theresa](#), 2707-7th Ave. E., 306-791-7390

[Miller High School](#), 1027 College Ave., 306-791-7230

NEW PARISHIONERS / CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please complete this form and place it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Postal Code _____ Phone _____

Children's name(s) (living at home), and year of birth

Email Address (optional)

New Change of Address

Wish to have church envelopes

(Direct deposit available upon request)

For questions about donations, please click [here](#) or email holychild@sasktel.net