### **Holy Child Roman Catholic Parish**

Holy Child Parish is located on <u>Treaty 4 Territory</u>, 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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Fax: 306-789-2171



May 25, 2025 6th Sunday of Easter



Weekday Masses: Tuesday through Friday at 8:30 am

Weekend Masses: Saturday 7:00 pm

**Sunday 10:00 am (Summer Schedule)** 

### **Children's Bulletin**

For other resources, please go to the Archdiocese of Regina website: www.archregina.sk.ca



### May 25, 2025 - 6th Gunday of Easter

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.

Our Parish Sunday Mass schedule this summer will be, one Mass each Sunday morning at 10:00 am from Sunday, May 18 (Victoria Day weekend) until Sunday, August 31 inclusive. Saturday evening Mass will continue at 7:00 pm as usual.

### Mass Intentions for the week of May 27-30:

Tuesday, May 27 – +Fernand Pleau Wednesday, May 28 - +Antonia Vlahovich Thursday, May 29 - +Andrebrhan Ashedom Friday, May 30 - +For all Souls



Last week it was announced that Fr. Brian will be relocating to a new parish as of August 1. He will be moving to St. Cecilia. Fr. Oliver Inchody will be coming to Holy Child as of August 1. Also, the office staff are retiring after many years of serving the Parish. Gail and Marian have been here 25 years and will be retiring as of July 31, Rita has been here 17 years and will be retiring as of June 27. We wish them well in their next adventure and appreciate all that they have done!



#### Please remember to put your name and \$ amount donating, for accurate purposes.

Parishioners are encouraged to use donation envelopes. You may also use Pre-Authorized Debit or e-transfer, please call the office at 306-789-8276 for instructions. Your donations are recorded, and an income tax receipt is issued. If you would like a box for 2025, please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer or call the office. If you are new to the Parish and have not registered or any changes in your address, phone number, please use the "New Parishioners/Change of Address" form on the back page of the bulletin or call the office.

The Holy Child Memorial Fund was established to remember our deceased loved ones through art and environmental 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.

**Horizons of Hope:** A workshop to explore death and dying with compassion and hope. Saturday, May 31 from 9:30 am to 4 pm at Resurrection Parish. RSVP by May 27 to Resurrection Parish office 306-352-0800 or go on their website. Poster in foyer.



### Knight's (K)news - Archbishop O'Neill # 8896

<u>Chapter Football Pool</u> – this is the last week that the tickets will be available for sale – the first game of the season for the Riders is on June 05 at home. There are still a few tickets available so if you haven't got your ticket yet, or would like to improve your chances (great gift idea), get in-touch with one of our members..... Time is running out!

<u>Special Olympics</u> – there are some provincial events happening in Regina over the next month – interested/available to volunteer some time, contact Rhonda



#### **OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE:**

Our strategic plan focuses on four key pillars:

- Grow and Retain Athletes: Increase the number of athletes and program offerings to harness the transformative power of sports.
- Quality Sports Programs and Events: Enhance the quality and inclusivity of programs through new training initiatives and adaptive sport activities.
- Grow and Retain Volunteers: Strengthen community connections among athletes, coaches, volunteers, and supporters through events and team-building activities.
- Ensure Sustainability and Growth: Diversify funding sources, optimize operations, and invest in technologies and partnerships to support our mission.

The strategic plan includes the following initiatives:

- New Sport Programs: Expand the range of programs to accommodate the diverse interests and abilities of our athletes.
- Volunteer Engagement: Develop a training and recognition program to support and acknowledge the contributions of our volunteers.
- Community Events: Organize regular social events to enhance community bonds and celebrate achievements.
- Advocacy and Awareness: Intensify advocacy efforts to raise awareness about intellectual disabilities and inclusive sports programs.
- Provincial Games: Provide opportunities for our athletes to compete with the goal of qualifying to represent Seskatchewan at the National Games in Medicine Hat, August 11-15,2026.

### **Provincial Games**

- May 30, 31 and June 1, 2025: Regina will be hosting Softball, 10-pin Bowling, Soccer.
- June 7: Swift Current will be hosting Swimming.
- June 13, 14, and 15, 2025: Regina will be hosting Bocce, Golf.
- June 20, 21, 22, 2025: Winnipeg Manitoba will be hosting Rhythmic Gymnastics, Athletics, Basketball.

### Volunteer Opportunities

- May 31 and June 1:
  - Pick up and distribute lunch at the Soccer field, approximately 11:00 am 1:00 pm
    - 6 volunteers required each day
  - Support funch hour at ball diamonds approximately 11:00 am 1:00 pm
    - About 4 volunteers required each day
  - Participate in medal presentations.
- June 13 and 14:
  - Provide and distribute lunch at the Bocce field approximately 11:00 am 1:00 pm
    - About 6-8 volunteers required
  - · Participate in medal presentations.
  - Scorekeepers for Bocce 12 15 volunteers needed throughout the day

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Special Otympics Regina at: specialolympicsregina@gmail.com or Rhonda Penno 306-529-4337

For more information:

Gerald Hoffart, Grand Knight - 306.331.6858; <a href="mailto:gphoffart@sasktel.net">gphoffart@sasktel.net</a> Paul Ponak, Financial Secretary - 306.790.9317; <a href="mailto:prponak@sasktel.net">prponak@sasktel.net</a> Norbert Philippe, Program Director - 306.789.0073; <a href="mailto:net">norbert Philippe</a>, Program Director - 306.789.0073; <a href="mailto:net">norbert</a>, <a href="mailto:net"

# In Loving Wemary

### MEMORIAL BOOK This month we will remember

Elaine Engel	May 1, 1991
Nicholas Berger	May 1, 1997
Rev. Joseph Balzer	May 1, 1998
Kay Boeĥm	May 1, 2002
Nick Stremick	May 1, 2010
Frank Kessel	May 2, 2007
John Fuchs	May 5, 2007
Agatha Wollbaum	May 6, 2023
Cory Morrison	May 7, 2021
William Halbgewacks	May 8, 2000
Anton Petrovic	May 8, 1936
Franklin E. Hamilton	Мау 9, 2008
Rose Harding	May 9, 2011
Peter Bacsu	Мау 12, 2007
Ted Sinnott	Мау 12, 2017
Anna Marie Runge	May 13, 2010
John Gangl	May 14, 1994
Philip Grebinski	May 14, 2010
Kay Martin	May 15, 1996
Eda Metz	May 15, 2010
Len Ortman, Sr.	May 17, 1992
Annie Prokop	May 18, 1987
Annie Gelsinger	May 19, 1975
Walter Kos	Мау 19, 2007
Samuel Melenchuk	May 20, 1979
Sr. Joyce Lorentz	Мау 21, 2020
Walter Ksonzena	May 22, 1976
Elsie I. Chobot	May 22, 2014
Emily Berger	May 23, 1997
Dominic Rink	May 23, 2010
Rosalia Wittman	May 24, 1980
Raymond Strand	May 24, 1999
Lillian Knoll	May 24, 2004
Suzanne Francais	May 24, 2007
Peter Weinkauf	May 24, 2019
Alexander Melenchuk	Мау 26, 1990
Ronald Geiger	Мау 26, 1996
Fr. Art Vandendriessche	Мау 26, 2017
Ben Baumgartner	May 27, 1996
Wendelin Schwab	May 29, 1973
Mary Ellen Chernick	May 30, 1988
Mervin Savoie	Мау 30, 2015
Raymond Landry	May 31, 2020









# A Note on Prayer

Prayer is a universal *human activity*. It can be found in every country, in every period of human history, at every age of life. It expresses the awareness of a relationship with a Being greater than oneself, distinct from oneself, present within oneself.

Christian prayer is clearly marked by *faith in God who has made himself known*, not only as the Creator of the universe, but as *Father, Son and Holy Spirit*. The faithful pray to the Father through the Son in the Spirit.

We learn to pray, just as we learn to speak, walk or sing. The Gospel offers a profound insight into this. Impressed by Jesus' prayer, the disciples ask him to teach them how to pray: he teaches them the "Our Father," with its two poles: God and humanity. Several other Gospel passages show Jesus at prayer, in close contact with his Father (*abba* = dad), jubilant under the action of the Holy Spirit (Mt 11:25-27), in anguish before death

(Lk 22:39-46), and confident on the Cross (Mt 27:46; Lk 23:46). The great prayer recounted in chapter 17 of Saint John's Gospel reveals the heart of Christ.

Prayer is *personal*, that is, it expresses and enriches the faith of each person, unique and precious in God's eyes. It is also *communal*, since it is lived in union with others, whether physically or spiritually present, those living in this world and those who have already entered into eternity. It is *spiritual*: "The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words" (Rom 8:26).

Prayer takes on different *hues*: *adoration* before God's unfathomable mystery, *thanksgiving* for his countless and unceasing benefits, *petition* in the face of daily difficulties, *intercession* for our sisters and brothers in humanity. It can be *vocal* (out loud), *mental* (in the mind through

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meditation); the body participates (seated to listen; kneeling to adore and implore), eyes closed and recollected. It has a daily rhythm: morning or evening prayer, the Lord's Day....

Prayer is *nourished* by the *word of God*, the Old and New Testaments, in particular the book of Psalms that Jesus himself used; it is also nourished by the liturgy, the privileged place of God's presence; by the teaching of the Church's *Magisterium*: for example, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, which devotes its entire fourth part to prayer (n. 2558-2865); in the life and experience of *the saints*, who are inspiring models and privileged intercessors, especially the *Blessed Virgin Mary*.

Prayer is connected to daily life, with its ups and downs. Jesus himself showed this when he rejoiced at the Holy Spirit's action in the humble (Lk 10:21) and when he trusted in his Father after the death of his friend Lazarus (Jn 11:41-42).

We can pray in different places: in nature, in the bedroom, in a church; alone, as a couple, as a family, as a Church.

The *cycle of the liturgical year* colours Christian prayer, from Advent to Christmas, from Lent to Easter and Ordinary Time, with the great mysteries of the faith (Creation, Incarnation, Redemption, Eternal Life) and the figures of the saints. The sacraments, lived out in prayer, are all essential places for this, with the celebration of the Eucharist and its extension, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, at the forefront.

The official prayer of the Church (the liturgy of the hours), the recitation of the rosary, the stations of the Cross or other devotions remain important sources for the life of prayer. Gazing at the Cross of Christ, statues of the Blessed Virgin or other saints is a great help in fixing the mind. Sacred music can also inspire us.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (n. 2650) states: "in order to pray, one must have the will to pray."

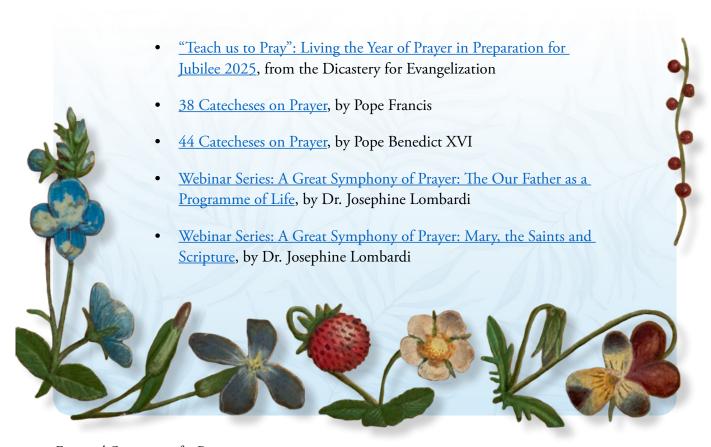
"Looking to Jesus" (Heb 12:2), the faithful can have their faces radiant and be transformed in him, as the experience of the Transfiguration (Lk 9:29) reminds us.

## In order to pray, one must have the will to pray.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2650)



The resources on prayer that have been compiled by the CCCB Ad hoc Committee for the Preparation of the Jubilee can be a great help to all of us as we seek to grow in the life of prayer. These consist of:



Episcopal Commission for Doctrine

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Elements of pages 7, 15 and 21 of the *Rosarium Psalter*. Illuminator, Simon Bening, 1483 or 1484-1561. Boston Public Library, MA.

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# Horizons of Hope



A workshop to explore death and dying with compassion and hope.

Saturday, May 31, 2025 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Resurrection Parish 3155 Windsor Pk. Rd. Regina, SK.

RSVP by May 27, 2025 by calling 306-352-0800 or by clicking <u>here</u>. Lunch is provided.

### Designed for:

- Those seeking to learn more about Palliative care and Catholic Church teaching on end-of-life;
- \* Caregivers;
- Persons who have recently been diagnosed with a terminal illness;
- Family members who need resources and guidance as they journey with a loved one who is seriously or terminally ill; and
- Parishioners and pastoral care teams who want to form a Compassionate or Care Giving Ministry.

### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Gerald Hoffart Chairperson
Vacant 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 Ron and Marsha Nicolson Members at Large Charlene Rogalski 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**

<u>St. Catherine</u>, 150 Brotherton Ave., 306-791-7323 <u>St. Elizabeth</u>, 5149 E. Green Brooks Way, 306-791-7300 St. Theresa, 2707-7<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., 306-791-7390 Miller High School, 1027 College Ave., 306-791-7230

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