Holy Trinity December 24, 2024 Roman Catholic Parish Christmas (no bulletin December 29)

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.

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

Weekend Masses: Sat. 5 pm; Sunday 9 am & 11 am



"To you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour"

Luke 2: 11

Tues. Dec. 24 7 pm Mass: Christmas Eve Tues. Dec. 24 10 pm Mass: Christmas Eve Wed. Dec. 25 10 am Mass: Christmas Day Thurs. Dec. 26 8:30 am Mass: Ints Mary Philip

Thurs, Dec. 26 Office Closed

Fri. Dec. 27 8:30 am Mass: + Murry Macow

Fri. Dec. 27 Office Closed

Sat. Dec. 28 5 pm Mass: Pro populo

Sun. Dec. 29 9 am Mass: Ints Angela Ottenbreit Sun. Dec. 29 11 am Mass: Ints Yvette Dubey Children's Liturgy of the Word

Tues. Dec. 31 7 pm Mass: Mary, The Holy Mother of God Wed. Jan. 1 10 am Mass: Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Wed. Jan. 1 5 pm Vietnamese Mass

Thurs. Jan. 2 8:30 am Mass: Ints Gwen Gibney

Fri. Jan. 3 **8:30 am Mass** followed by Eucharistic Adoration 5020 Sherwood Drive Regina, SK S4R 4C2 Phone: 306-543-3838

Email: htrinity@sasktel.net Website: holytrinityregina.ca

(bulletin available online)

At Holy Trinity:

We pray for the following:

Colleen Lefebvre, Martin & Gisele Croteau, MaryAnn Young, Gwen Gibney, Ruth Morrison, Gerry Turgeon, Troy Kocur

We pray for the Repose of the Souls of our beloved ones, including Frank Deitz, Gloria Brezinski, Margaret Piotrofsky, Doreen Ewen, Lynn Lenius, Eva Enns, Elaine Eyndhoven, Barry Ludwar, Robert Roddy, Ann Beuker, Lillian Burnett

Regular Donations from Dec. 8 to 21: \$16,397 Average expenses: \$21,661 monthly.



Use this link or on our website home

Use your credit card for occasional or regular giving. Details on page 3.

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism Preparation

For parents of infants & young children and expectant parents. Contact the office to register for next session in January. Registration form on website.



Holy Trinity Catholic Women's League

General meetings: 2nd Monday of the month. Next meeting is Feb. 3, 2025 Executive: Next meeting Jan. 27



Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus

General meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting Jan.14, 7:30 pm

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Gaspar Lucas 306-924-1993

Support Staff Office Coordinator

Heather Deis: 306-543-3838 Custodian: Dominic Dias

Office Hours Mon. to Fri.—9 am to 3 pm

Closed Dec. 25, 26, 27 and Jan. 1

Mass Times: Saturday: 5 pm Sunday: 9 & 11 am

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

Christmas schedule below and Page 1

Thursday & Friday Masses (Dec. 26 & 27 and Jan. 2 & 3): 8:30 am First Friday Eucharistic Adoration after 8:30 am Mass. next Jan. 3.

Holy Trinity Christmas:

Tues. Dec. 24, Christmas Eve Masses—7 pm and 10 pm

Wed. Dec. 25, Christmas Day Mass-10 am

Tues. Dec. 31, New Year's Eve-7 pm Wed. Jan. 1, New Year's Day-10 am

SIGN-UP Sheets for Liturgical Ministries for Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 in the Gathering Area for ministries of Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharist Ministers, Usher-Greeters, Collection volunteers and Gift Bearing families.

2025 Donation Envelopes available in Gathering Area.

Donations for 2024 must be received by Dec. 31, 3 pm. **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

Dec. 25, 26, 27-office closed Mon. Dec. 30-9 am to 3 pm Tues. Dec. 31-9 am to 3 pm Wed. Jan 1-office closed Jan. 2 & 3-9 am to 3 pm



Sunday Missals for 2024-25 available for \$5. from table in the gathering area or from the office during regular office hours.

Children's Liturgy - program is in need of leaders for all Mass times. If you would like to see consistent children's liturgy available for our children, please prayerfully consider becoming a leader. Training and resources will be provided. Contact the office if interested.

Donations to Cuernavaca Project Thank you to anyone who donated baking or purchased trays in support of this project in Mexico — an outreach of the Archdiocese of Regina. It benefits this community by helping them become self-sustaining through projects such as gardens, school, housing. You can also help through Sarcan Recyclables. Bag your refundable cans and use the key word "project" when you use the Drop & Go option at Sarcan. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone



An offering from the PAUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and I Ignatias press

Love Collection—pick up a special Love Collection envelope for your gift to help those in need in our community. Holy Trinity Social Justice team organizes and disburses funds to organizations who operate locally, nationally or globally to helping those most in need. Some of those organizations include Regina Food Bank, Regina Pro-Life, Chalice Canada.

2024 Bible Study — "LECTIO - EUCHARIST" with Dr. Brant Pitre. Study books available for \$30. Buy a copy to do at home on your own or with a family member or friend! All videos are available on Formed and you can go at your own pace. Makes a great gift."

In person sessions resume mid January: Morning sessions: Jan. 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5 & 11. Evening sessions: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4 & 11.



Next Pancake Breakfast is Sunday: Jan. 12, 10 am to 1 pm. Pancakes, eggs, sausage, ham, syrup, strawberries, whipped topping, coffee, juice. Adults \$10; children \$5. Hosted by K of C.

Catholic Women's League at Holy Trinity



Living Faith Books for Jan./Feb./March have been delivered and will be in your hanging folder in the next few days

No General Meeting in January. Next meeting Feb. 3.

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) 543-3838.

Those in hospital should contact the Chaplain (contact info page 4)

Communion Ministry to the Homebound—looking for a parishioners or two to take communion to a few residents of a care home in our area. Contact the office. Since this is a ministry to a vulnerable group, a criminal record check will be needed (cost is reimbursed by parish).

Buildings and Grounds Co-ordinator - Holy Trinity Parish needs a volunteer Building and Grounds Coordinator to oversee the operation and maintenance of Holy Trinity Parish building and grounds. For details of the activities and responsibilities, see bulletin board or contact the parish office.

<u>Archdiocese of Regina Bulletin (Christmas & New Years Link</u>—Archbishop's Message, Office Hours



Archdiocese of Regina Masses On-Line

https://archregina.sk.ca/live

Links at www.youtube.com/ArchdioceseRegina

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



TF #432: Discovering Advent Hope

As we enter this Third Week of Advent, Deacon Eric reflects on the first gift of the season, the gift of hope as encountered through the lens of Luke's Gospel. Join us as we explore the gritty, courageous nature of hope—

not as naive optimism but as a radical response to life's uncertainties. Drawing on insights from Scripture, spiritual writers, and the Advent tradition, we uncover how hope can inspire us to be active co-workers in God's promise, even in the darkest moments. Light your Advent candle, and journey with us into the heart of Advent hope. https://thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/discovering-advent-hope

Listen to the podcast.

<u>Christmas Mass times for Archdiocese of Regina parishes on</u> Archdiocese website: archregina.sk.ca

Archbishop Don's Christmas message online

Pilgrims of Hope international Jubilee Year begins Dec. 24 when Pope Francis conducts the Holy Rite of opening the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. In Regina, a special Mass at Holy Rosary Cathedral will be Sun. Dec. 29 at 10 am. This Jubilee Year is a time of grace and renewal in unity and prayer. We are called to search for signs of hope and be signs of hope in our families, for our neighbours, the imprisoned, the sick and dying, the young and old.



Employment Opportunities:

Archdiocese Appeal —Donor Services Co-ordinator— Full description on Archdiocese website.

Office co-ordinator, part-time (job share), Holy Trinity, Regina.

Computer efficiency essential; experience using Microsoft Publisher, Word, Excel. Excellent English communication skills (written & verbal). Experience with Catholic databases an asset. Knowledge of Catholic documentation of sacraments, liturgy. Organized and able to work independently.

Duties include answering phone, greeting office visitors, booking facilities for meetings and social functions. Prepare weekly bulletin, bill payments, manage office equipment, entry of donations. Generate annual receipts, certificates and record keeping for sacraments. Update website. Order/manage office supplies. Attend Parish Council meetings and Annual General Meeting to take summary notes and prepare minutes.

Parish office experience an asset.

For more information, call the parish office (306) 543-3838 or email htmity@sasktel.net

Medjugorje Pilgrimage early April 2025. Daily Mass at St James church, Rosary on Apparition Hill, Stations of the Cross on Cross Mountain Visit Cenacola - rehab for young men. Professional guide. For more information, call and leave your name. You will be contacted once the dates

Ways to Donate:

If you wish to donate on-line, Canada Helps has an option to give to any special collections at Holy Trinity, as well as to the regular collection.

Canada Helps is an easy way to donate to Holy Trinity either once, occasionally, or monthly, using your credit card. (PayPal and Google Pay also accepted.) Canada Helps charges a 3.5% fee for monthly donations; you receive a tax receipt for your full donation. Canada Helps issues tax receipts so Holy Trinity also benefits by not needing additional staff time.

Email transfers directly to Holy Trinity are also available. Contact the office for this option.

If you wish to have Holy Trinity donation envelopes, contact the office.



Holy Trinity has a mail slot to the right of the front door for after-hours donations (including for Appeal).

Embracing Unity: Many People, One Heart

Give through your parish or Donate online through Canada Helps

YouTube link Appeal; Archbishop Don's Concluding Message



Holy Trinity Annual Appeal goal is \$36,717 To date, we have received 61 percent of our goal

Brochure and letter from the Appeal available from the table in the gathering area at Holy Trinity. Donations must be received by December 31 at the Appeal office or at Holy Trinity..

CONGRATULATIONS TO HOLY FAMILY PARISH on the completion of their sanctuary renovations and roof repair. Grand Opening Mass celebration with Archbishop Don is January 4 & 5 (5 pm Sat.; 9 & 11 am Sunday).

Archbishop's New Year's Day Levee—January 1 at 1 pm, Holy Rosary Cathedral, 3125—13th Ave. The faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to the reception and to receive the Archbishop's blessing for the New Year.

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!

2025 PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND June 17 to July 1. Info meeting Dec. 15, 4 pm, St. Anthony's church basement (2275 Atkinson St.). Pilgrimage led by Society of Christ priests. Religious and historical sites, from the Baltic Sea in the north to the Tatra Mountains in the south, including Wadowice (home town of St. John Paul II), the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Łagiewniki, Częstochowa (home of the Black Madonna), Legnica (site of a Eucharistic miracle), Malbork castle (UNESCO World Heritage site), Auschwitz concentration camp, Gdansk shipyard (home of the Solidarity movement), Wieliczka salt mine (UNESCO World Heritage site), Krakow, Warsaw, Gdansk, Zakopane (mountain resort) and more! Guided tour led in English by Polish guides. Limited seats available. For more information, call Theresa at 306-550-7649.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Legion of Mary—Weekly meetings: Saturdays after 9 am Mass. Holy Rosary Cathedral, O'Neil room. Contact 306-201-4229 or 306-539-3553 for more information.

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Catholic Women's League

We invite you to join our Council.



For information on membership and benefits, please contact: Sherry Enns at 306-530-5846

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