

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT
March 3, 2024



CLEANSING THE TEMPLE

All non-Jews were welcome to pray in the Temple's Courtyard of the Gentiles, which acknowledged God's promise to Abraham ... "I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All communities of the earth shall find blessing in you." (Gen. 12.3)

The Courtyard of the Gentiles was where animal sellers and moneychangers set up business, paying taxes for the privileged. Where services are licensed and taxes collected, there are often opportunities for corruption.

By Jesus' time, this Courtyard had become a marketplace, not a place of prayer. Neither Jews nor Gentiles could truly encounter God there.

Jesus understands human nature well, and he knows that it is really human failure that always needs cleansing.

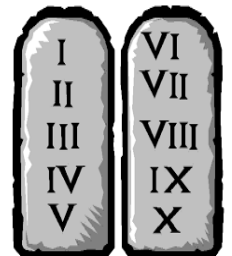
It's time for our annual Lenten cleansing ...

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Our personal relationship with God is to honor Him deeply in our hearts and not just with our lips!

Our personal relationship with God is to be in communion with one another— showing respect and dignity.

God's law will lead us to our destiny—
which ultimately is to enter into heaven!



ARE YOU IN?



EXPANDED RECONCILIATION times in Lent:

Saturdays from 3:00—4:45pm

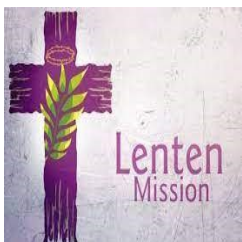
Saturday, March 2

Saturday, March 9

Saturday, March 16

Saturday, March 23

The Lenten Penitential Service will take place on
Thursday, March 14 beginning at 7:00pm.



Lenten Mission with Bishop Paul Terrio

"GRATITUDE"

Evening Mass will be celebrated **March 11, 12 and 13,**
beginning at **7:00pm** with a Mission presentation.

Please note there will be **NO 9:30am morning Mass**
Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The Mission will conclude **Thursday evening, March 14** with a **Penitential Service** beginning at **7:00pm.**
There will be several priests available to hear Confessions at this time.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

For more information please contact Sister Susan at 780-968-5543 or email her at: holytrinitycwl.president@gmail.com

Ladies, the window is closing for you to register for our virtual retreat on **Saturday, March 9th**. The day begins at 9:00 and will finish at 4:00. To register or if you have any questions, please send a \$5 e-transfer to mailto:holytrinitycwl.treasurer@gmail.com or drop off the cash or cheque in an envelope with your name at the office. Please bring your own mug. Lunch will not be provided so you can bring a "bag lunch" or go out for lunch. **Deadline for registration is Thursday, March 7th**.



MAIN FLOOR: OL—Our Lady's; SJ—St. Joseph; L—Library; C—Church; Chpl.—Chapel; BR—Board Room.

UPSTAIRS: KC—Knights of Columbus Room; MD—Martin de Porres Room; KR—Kateri Room; CR—Classrooms; LZM—St. Louis and Zelig Martin; SF—St. Faustina Youth Room; CA—Blessed Carlos Acutis; SA—St. Anne's Kitchen; SJPII—St. John Paul II Classroom; STL—St. Therese of Lisieux; AR—All rooms upstairs, excluding the KC Room.

2024 Tax Receipts are now available for pick up!

In our continued effort to keep our worship space clutter free, the receipts are located in the alcove next to the hall doors.

Thank you for your continued support of your parish home.

GRIEF AS A JOURNEY, OUR WALK TO EMMAUS:

This program is from the Archdiocese of Edmonton and is for those grieving the loss of a loved one. You are invited to join us for our spring session Tuesday evenings following the 6:30pm Mass from 7:15—9:00pm beginning **Tuesday, March 19—May 7**. Please call Bonnie at 780-960-0135 for more information or to register.



MONDAY March 4

9:30am & 6:30pm MASS

5:00pm Confirmation Class—KC

6:00pm Encounter—SJ, H

TUESDAY March 5

5:45—6:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm MASS

1:00pm Small Christian Communities—L

5:00pm Confirmation Class—KC

6:00pm Catechism—CR

7:00pm Choir—S—C

7:00pm K of C—4th Degree Exec. Mtg—KC

7:15pm Bible Study—MD

7:15pm RCIA—OL

7:15pm Surviving Divorce—SA

WEDNESDAY March 6

9:30am MASS followed by Adoration until 9:00pm

THURSDAY March 7

9:30am MASS

10:15am Bible Study—H

4:00pm Choir—B—C

6:00pm K of C Information night—H

FRIDAY March 8

6:00pm Stations of the Cross

6:30pm MASS

10:00am Healing Shawls—MD

SATURDAY March 9

3:00—4:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00pm MASS

9:00am Hall Rental—H

9:00am CWL Retreat—MD, SA, CA

SUNDAY March 10

9:00 & 11:00am MASS

8:30am Rosary for the Souls in Purgatory—OL

10:30am Rosary for Unborn—OL

12:30pm K of C Exemplification—C. H

6:00pm MASS

7:00pm Youth Leader Mtg—MD



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—HOLY TRINITY COUNCIL:

For more information contact Brad Medernach at 780-984-1728. Membership kofc.org/JoinUs

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, March 2 at 8:00am:

Sandwich making for Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00pm—Executive Meeting

Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00pm—General Meeting

SYNOD PART I: THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH

Matters for Consideration:

g) The Sacrament of Baptism cannot be understood in isolation or outside the logic of Christian initiation, nor can it be understood in an individualistic way. Therefore, we need to explore further the contribution that a more unified vision of Christian initiation can make to the understanding of synodality.

h) A mature exercise of the *sensus fidei* requires not only reception of Baptism but a life lived in authentic discipleship that develops the grace of Baptism. This enables us to distinguish the action of the Spirit from merely dominant forms of thinking or cultural conditioning, or from matters inconsistent with the Gospel. Understanding the exercise of the *sensus fidei* is to be deepened with appropriate theological reflection.

i) Reflection on synodality can offer renewed insights into the understanding of Confirmation, by which the grace of the Spirit articulates the variety of gifts and charisms in the harmony of Pentecost. In light of different ecclesial experiences, ways to make the preparation and celebration of this Sacrament more fruitful should be considered, to awaken in all the faithful the call to community building, mission in the world and witness to the faith.

Please note all quotes are taken from the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops: *A Synodal Church in Mission Synthesis Report*.



Eternal Word,
speak your truth into our
hearts and minds,
that we might find rest
in you.

SACRAMENTS:



FIRST COMMUNION:

Please continue working on your "We Share in the Eucharist" book.



CONFIRMATION:

Session 3 on Reconciliation will take place this **Monday, March 4 and Tuesday, March 5 starting at 5pm.** Continue working on your Mass Journals.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:

Reaping our Rights:

Training next-generation farmers in Indonesia

In rural Indonesia, young people are abandoning agriculture to work in cities. Over time, this could threaten food sovereignty.

Our partner PAYOPAYO empowers village communities to work together to find solutions to common challenges related to agriculture, food, energy, natural resource management and the engagement of youths, especially women.



This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Karno Batiran, the executive director of PAYOPAYO. Learn more at devp.org/lent

RICE AND BEAN SUPPER:

Holy Trinity Parish's Social Justice Committee will be having a Rice and Bean supper after the **5:00pm Saturday evening Mass on March 16.** This is to remind us, we are in solidarity with so many people in the global south who have little to eat! And often go hungry. Free will offering will be for Development and Peace.



The next Youth Group night will be **Sunday, March 3 at 7pm in the Church hall!** We will be finishing our series on "Who, What, Why is Jesus?" by talking about how we can live like Christ in our lives.

Complete with snacks, games, a talk, and small group discussion, be sure not to miss it!

Send an email to htcpyouth@gmail.com if you have any questions, or would like to sign up for the youth groups or Flocknote—to receive consistent updates on plans and dates for Youth Group. You may include a phone number in your email as well to receive text message updates.

EASTER FLOWERS FOR CHURCH DECORATION:

Name: _____ # of plants at \$20. each _____
Name(s) to be remembered: _____

The flowers will remain in the Church during the Easter Season as a memorial of a loved one who has passed on or someone that is not able to be present with us at Easter. Thank you for your donation.



PARKLAND PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTRE

First steps to a bright future!

780-962-5505
www.parklandpregnancy.ca



The **Catholic Women's League** council is inviting all parishioners to join us in our Lenten project to support the **Parkland Pregnancy Support Centre.** This is a wonderful opportunity to show that we are Pro Life! They are in need of the following items:

- feminine hygiene products
- shampoo and body wash
- toothpaste and tooth brushes
- diapers—sizes 4, 5, 6 or pullups

Girls' clothing:

- sleepers—sizes 0 to 24 months
- tops—sizes 0 to 24 months

The clothes can be "gently" used, but most be in good condition. Your donations can be dropped off in the front foyer of the church. Thank you.

HEALING SHAWLS:

Parishioners, if you are in need of a "Healing Shawl" please contact Femia at 780-963-3149.



STEADFAST

Western Canadian Catholic Home School Conference:

All parents and their young adults 14+ are welcome to attend the **Conference, March 7-9** at the Providence Renewal Centre, Edmonton.

For more information and to register, please go to <https://WCCHSC.com> or email WCCHSCREG@gmail.com

Just a thought...

The image from today's Gospel of Christ driving out the money-changers and merchants is one we need to give some thought to. When consumerism and materialism, and not our faith in God, become the center of our lives it can be a real problem. Good stewards allow their faith to infuse all of their money management decisions. We can find balance amid the rampant consumerism and materialism in our society by:

Sharing first, saving second, and spending third.

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