

Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community

January 8, 2023

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon & 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.



Mass Readings

Isaiah 60.1-6; Psalm 72; Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2.1-12

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The Epiphany of the Lord

A King to Behold

An "epiphany" is an appearance. In today's readings, with their rising stars, splendorous lights, and mysteries revealed, the face of the Child born on Christmas day appears.

Herod, in today's Gospel, asks the chief priests and scribes where the Messiah is to be born. The answer Matthew puts on their lips says much more, combining two strands of Old Testament promise—one revealing the Messiah to be from the line of David (see 2 Samuel 2:5), the other predicting "a ruler of Israel" who will "shepherd his flock" and whose "greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth" (see Micah 5:1-3).

Those promises of Israel's king ruling the nations resound also in today's Psalm. The psalm celebrates David's son, Solomon. His kingdom, we sing, will stretch "to the ends of the earth," and the world's kings will pay him homage. That's the scene too in today's First Reading, as nations stream from the East, bearing "gold and frankincense" for Israel's king.

The Magi's pilgrimage in today's Gospel marks the fulfillment of God's promises. The Magi, probably Persian astrologers, are following the star that Balaam predicted would rise along with the ruler's staff over the house of Jacob (see Numbers 24:17).

Laden with gold and spices, their journey evokes those made to Solomon by the Queen of Sheba and the "kings of the earth" (see 1 Kings 10:2, 25; 2 Chronicles 9:24). Interestingly, the only other places where frankincense and myrrh are mentioned together are in songs about Solomon (see Song of Songs 3:6; 4:6, 14).

One greater than Solomon is here (see Luke 11:31). He has come to reveal that all peoples are "co-heirs" of the royal family of Israel, as today's Epistle teaches.

His manifestation forces us to choose: will we follow the signs that lead to Him as the wise Magi did? Or will we be like those priests and scribes who let God's words of promise become dead letters on an ancient page?

-Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

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Mission Statement - Our Lady of the Foothills, is a Catholic Faith Community, centered on Jesus Christ, called to continue His mission by growing in Holiness and by proclaiming the Good News of our Father's love.

Calendar of Events – January 8th – 15th

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST – The Epiphany of the Lord

Intention – Dan Kathrein † requested by Delia Kathrein and family

Monday: Have a wonderful week!

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Intention – for Youth of Hinton requested by Dennis Slavik

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Intention – Rudy Ross † requested by Barb and Ron Rosmer 7:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council meeting in the hall

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST – St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

Intention – Paul Lemire † requested by Leona Lemire and family

Friday: 9:00 a.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Intention – Leta Rosmer † requested by Barb and Ron Rosmer 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention – Carol Ross † requested by Shelley and Rick Appel

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Intention – Janet Manning † requested by Dennis Slavik

Daily Mass readings

Monday, January 9

Baptism of the Lord Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10.34-38 Matthew 3.13-17

Tuesday, January 10

Hebrews 2.5-12 Mark 1.21-28

Wednesday, January 11

Hebrews 2.14-18 Mark 1.29-39

Thursday, January 12

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Hebrews 3.7-14 Mark 1.40-45

Friday, January 13

Hebrews 4.1-5, 11 Mark 2.1-12

Saturday, January 14

Hebrews 4.12-16 Mark 2.13-17

Sunday, January 15

2nd Sunday in OT Isaiah 49.3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 1.1-3 John 1.29-34

Mass Ministry Volunteers Needed

If you have experience in Mass Ministry, we need volunteers to serve at Mass.

Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

We **need** Adult Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Welcoming families.

The Visit of the Magi

On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. Matthew 2:11 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV).

PRIESTS MYRRH BETHLEHEM
GOD CHILD HOUSE
STAR MAGI TEACHERS
WORSHIPED EAST SEARCH

KING CHRIST INCENSE MARY WORSHIP MOTHER BORN HEROD





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The WINDOW

Archdiocese Newsletter

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: ½ hour before mass on Weekdays and Saturday or by appointment. Father is NOT available on Sunday because he is on his way back from Jasper.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: to properly prepare for this Sacrament, SIX months' notice is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: A Baptism Preparation Course is required before a Baptism can take place. For more information or to register, please call the parish office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, at home and in the hospital, especially the members of our parish living in Hinton Continuing Care and Pine Valley.

Heavenly Father, bless the sick of our community, keep them in your tender care and protect them from all evil. Amen.



YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD



The weekend of December 24/25, 2022 Sunday Offering: \$3187.00 December 27 Auto Debit: \$2881.00 2022 Christmas donations: \$1835.00

The weekend of Dec 31/Jan 1, 2023 Sunday Offering: \$2164.00 New Years donations: \$692.00 2023 Christmas donations: \$105.00

December's Total Gift: \$ 12,990.75 Monthly Budget need: \$17,712.00

If you are interested in donating through **Automatic Debit**, please call the parish office.

"O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his steadfast love endures for ever!" Psalm 118

Evergreen Catholic Schools In Hinton



St. Gregory ECS – Gr. 4 780-865-4555 www.sgces.ca Fr. Gerard Redmond Gr. 5 – 12 780-865-2820 www.grccs.ca

Ever Growing, Learning, and Living in Christ

Volunteers needed

And Youth Group ages 12 to 17
Contact Dennis Slavik for more information
Please call the parish office to volunteer at 780 865 3045

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. Deacon Ed presiding



sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rudolph Ross who passed away December 29, 2022. Rudy was a very devout member of our parish many years. His funeral was held January 5, 2023.

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Together We Serve - Annual Appeal

(The yellow envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)
Our 2023 Goal \$ 16,000.00

Total Raised so far in 2023: \$725.00 (4% of Goal)
Total Raised in 2022: \$10,452.75 (65% of Goal)

2022 FALL APPEAL Together Again!

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6

Together We Serve is an opportunity for Catholics in the Archdiocese of Edmonton to work together to "glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." It shows both Catholics and those around us that we are all one Church, acting together to advance the Mission given to us by Jesus Christ.



Ask at the parish office how you can give to Together We Serve or visit: caedm.ca/togetherweserve



- The 10 different Catholic organizations supported by TWS:
- Catholic Social Services
- Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith
- Evangelization of Nations
- · Needs of the Canadian Church
- · Needs of the Church in the Holy Land
- Newman Theological College
- Pope's Pastoral Works
- St. Joseph Priests' Foundation of Edmonton
- St. Joseph Seminary
- St. Joseph's College

Weekly Collection – All cheques *must* be made out to <u>Our Lady of the Foothills</u> (OLOF) if you want a tax receipt for your donations. **This includes Together We Serve. Please note on the <u>memo</u> line on your cheque.** If you do not use the numbered envelopes or Automatic Debit, and would like to, please call the parish office.

Please consider donating 1 hour of your wages/week or tithing 10%.

The Rosary

- 1. <u>On Zoom</u>: **Monday Evenings at 7pm** a Rosary for our Priests, Deacon, and parish team
- At the church: Wednesday mornings before Mass a Rosary for our parish family.
- 3. At the cemetery: Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. a Rosary for the souls in purgatory

 For zoom link or info, email Gary: gcgiffin@gmail.com

Wednesday morning Men's ZOOM Group

For zoom link or info, email Gary: gcgiffin@gmail.com

Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention" training

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Thursday January 12, 2023, 7 pm - 9:30 pm. The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. The virtual session will be by zoom. To register, please use the link below:

Registration: https://forms.gle/zdvjRPi92YNcbP6YA

Ministry Schedule

| MINISTRY SCHEDULE | ADULT SERVERS | LECTORS (READERS) | MUSIC MINISTRY | WELCOMING | USHERS | Church Cleaning (The following Monday) |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| Saturday January 14 5:00 p.m. | Randy Jones | Angele Lemire Paula Nolan | Kathleen's Group | Mike and Bonnie Meagher | Ken Brady Glenn Ross Ken Work Mike Meagher | |
| Sunday January 15 11:00 a.m. | Ange Giffin - Cross Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed Meding | Ron Rosmer Gwen Meding Deacon Carries book | Kathleen's Group | Ron and Barb Rosmer | Christian Ludwig Ron Rosmer Cel Marchildon Dodie Reyes Pinpin | PPC |

Ministry Schedules

Just a reminder, please check to see if you are scheduled for ministry. If you are unable to make your commitment to your scheduled ministry, *please find a replacement for yourself*. Thank you and God Bless



NeighbourLink

780-865-0389

or email neighbourlink1@gmail.com

NeighbourLink needs beds all sizes, washing machines and stoves. Please call 865-0389 to arrange a pickup.

Also, NeighbourLink is looking for people who would volunteer their time to delivery lunch to the Adult Day Center. You pick up at the hospital kitchen at 11:30 am and deliver to the Adult Day Center in the valley - about 15 minutes. Please call Wendy for more information.



124 Market St.

Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

For information call 780-865-3045 Volunteers are welcome.

Knights of Columbus

All men (18 and up) are welcome to become members of the Knights of Columbus.

Please contact the parish office for more information 780-865-3045 www.kofc.org



KofC online video series – Into the Breach



St Gregory PAC is doing a Fundraiser with Farm to School. Please contact Colleen at St. Gregory school for more information. 780-865-4555

www.farmtoschool.ca

ATTENTION: If you, <u>or any member of your</u> household are sick, please stay at home.

Are you new to the Parish?

Register with our parish. Please call the office. (865-3045) or fill out the registration form found on the wall to your left as you exit the church and bring it into the parish office or drop it into the collection basket.

Scent Free Makes Sense

We would like the parish to be sensitive to folks with allergies and refrain from wearing perfume and aftershave at Mass.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.



Prayer for Vocations

God of all creation, in every generation you call men and women to serve your people as priests, brothers, sisters and consecrated laity. Help us welcome out youth so they know your loving goodness and the value of faith. Enliven them through the Holy Spirit to hear and answer you in faith. Amen.

Prayer for our parish

Heavenly Father, we praise you; we worship you; we adore you. We come before you on bended knees to ask in our need: Please fill our church to overflowing, so that we might sing your praises on high! Help us to meet our financial obligations. Increase in us a personal mission to faithfully fulfill the ministries of our Parish Community and serve you and your people. Grant us the grace to forgive those in our community who have hurt us and forgive us for the times we have hurt others. You are the One True God through whom all things are possible. Jesus, we surrender ourselves to you, Take care of everything! Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

(Can be also found in the new green 2023 Sunday Missal on page 567)