



SACRED HEART PARISH

Sharing the love of Christ through our gifts

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - December 3, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS - December 2-8

Sat.	December 2	9:00 am	(+) Elisa Arens <i>(birthday)</i>
		7:00 pm	(+) John Ngoc & Marie Van
Sun.	December 3	9:00 am	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
		11:00 am	Arvin & Mitzie Fernandez <i>(Anniversary)</i>
		3:00 pm	(+) Ernesto Tinio
Mon.	December 4		<i>No Mass</i>
Tues.	December 5	9:30 am	(+) Bregida Villanuera <i>(with Father Henry Voisin School)</i>
Wed.	December 6	9:30 am	(+) Phan Nguyen <i>(with St. Teresa School)</i>
Thurs	December 7	9:00 am	(+) Ralph Lettner
Fri.	December 8	7:00 pm	Berube Family
Sat.	December 9	10:30am (Villa Marie)	(+) Hilda Cockram



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday - 7:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am
11:00 am and 3:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday: closed
Tues: 9:30 am - noon; 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Wed: 9:30 am - noon; 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Thurs: 9:30 am - noon; 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Fri: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after every Mass, and Saturday from 6:15 - 6:50 pm; as well as by appointment.



*"If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts..."*

Sacred Heart Parish Penitential Service

will be on

Thurs, December 14, at 7:00 pm.

2024 DONATION ENVELOPE BOXES

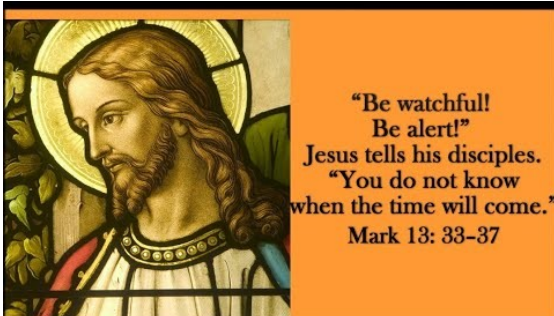
can be picked up in the foyer.

NOTE: numbers have changed ...
Please DO NOT use envelopes from previous years, to ensure you receive a tax receipt for your donation.

Any donation's received in the 2024 envelopes before January 1, 2024 will be recognized in 2024

"Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved."

- Responsorial Psalm



Prayer and Praise

with discussion based on the Sunday Advent readings.

Tuesday December 5

10am -12pm Bible Study
7pm-9pm Prayer and Praise with discussions

Enjoy the riches of
God's Word through

FORMED

Daily Reflections from
Dr. Tim Gray.

PRAYER MEETING

Every Tuesday at 8:00 pm
in the chapel.

Text Gerard at 587-693-2116
on arrival, to be let in.

Red Deer Catholic School Division is proud to host an evening with Chris Stefanick for parents and parishioners. Make living joy a part of your Advent journey this year, and join Chris at **St Mary's Parish on December 7th at 7-8pm** as he shares the ways we can build new habits, change our thinking, and live a more joyful life.

Pastoral Care Volunteer Gathering

Tuesday, December 5th after the 9am Mass

This is an important gathering. If you are currently involved in Pastoral Care Ministry please join us in class room 4 for fellowship and information.

Advent Dinner

Sunday, December 10th at 5:30pm

After mass, you can purchase your ticket to attend. \$20 per person or \$50 per family of four with children less than 12. **You can call David or Cathy at 403-357-9117 or electronically purchase a ticket through the QR Code.** All proceeds are going to purchase a new stove.



Selections found in our Parish Library Reading for the Season of Advent

"When we pray we speak to God; but when we read,
God speaks to us."

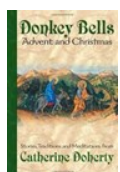
St. Jerome



Getting Ready for Christmas / Yolanda Browne. A daily Advent prayer and activity book for children 4 to 8 that will help prepare them for Jesus' birth. (CH 242.33 BRO)



The little way of Advent : meditations in the spirit of St. Therese of Lisieux / Gary Caster. Focuses on St. Therese's deep insights into the Child Jesus and the connection between the innocent child and the crucified Saviour, thus providing a rich Advent experience. (242.33 CAS)



Donkey Bells : Advent and Christmas stories, traditions and meditations with Catherine de Hueck Doherty / compiled and edited by Mary Bassett. Discover how Christians celebrated Christmas before the days of television, shopping malls, and the internet. (242.33 DOH)

www.wikilibRARY.com/library/sacred-heart-library

CWL

Sacred Heart Parish Council of the Catholic Women's League is working on rejuvenating and coming back to life. We have a new email address for contact sacredheartcwlreddeer@gmail.com

The Catholic's Women's League of Canada means many things to people. Our core values of faith, service and social justice guide us as we follow Catholic teaching, provide service locally, nationally and internationally, and work to advocate for social justice.

FAITH Catholic Women's League members know faith is important to women. Members are called to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. We are Catholic and Living It! Come grow with us!



SACRED HEART 2023 SIMBANG GABI (NIGHT MASS)

All are welcome to attend and celebrate Simbang Gabi, 9 days Novena Mass starting on December 16, 2023 @ 7:00PM.

Simbang Gabi (Filipino for "Night Mass") is a devotional, nine-day series of Masses attended by Filipino Catholics in anticipation of Christmas. Simbang Gabi in the Philippines is held daily from December 16 to 23, and occur at different times. It has an important role in Philippine culture. The tradition of Simbang Gabi traces back to the arrival of Spanish missionaries in the Philippines about 500 years ago. At the time, they had a tradition of celebrating pre-Christmas novena Masses in honor of the Annunciation. This event is organized by the Couples for Christ

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul accepts ONLINE DONATIONS

1. Go to the website: canadahelps.org
 2. In the website search bar type the SSVP business number: 132410671RR0548
 3. Click on the SSVP Red Deer icon to donate
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of the following items: chest of drawers, shelving, coffee tables, end tables, small kitchen table and chairs, Living Room chairs, double and queen beds. Also continue to need cutlery, pot & pans, kettles, toasters, coffee makers, slow cookers, bedding, and towels. Sincere thanks to those who have donated items. Please contact Carol at 403-588-2416.**

**POOR BOX weekends are on the 2nd full weekend.
Dec. 9 & 10**



**Baptism Preparation is held once a month, and is required for parents to attend before scheduling your child's Baptism.
Next preparation by Zoom is on Monday, January 29 at 5:30 pm.
Please call the parish office to pre-register.**



FORMED

Formed is a Catholic website which offers a great number of programs including Faith Formation, Sacrament Preparation, Bible Studies, Speaker Presentations, Movies (for all ages), Audio Books, Youth Programing and various Presentations on current topics of interest. Some of the programs are also available in the Spanish language.

We are very grateful to one of our parishioners, an anonymous donor, who has made it possible for our parish to purchase an annual subscription to FORMED. Because of this, there is no cost to our parishioners, who we hope will benefit from this opportunity to grow in their faith.

Steps to set up your contact information and sign in:

Search bar - type in: formed.org

Click: [Sign-Up](#)

Click: [Sign-Up as a parishioner](#)

Find parish; type in: [Sacred Heart Red Deer](#)

Click: [Next](#)

Set up personal access (Create a new account): [type in name & email address](#)

After the initial set up, you may log on with [Formed.org sign in](#) to start watching.

*We sincerely encourage our parish families
to take advantage of this 'generous gift'
to rekindle our desire to grow closer to Our Lord
and in understanding the wonders of our Catholic faith.*

May God's blessings guide and inspire you, always and everywhere.