



Holy Cross Parish

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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We acknowledge that Holy Cross Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional homeland of the Nêhiyawak (Cree), Nahkawé (Saulteaux) and Nakota and homeland of the Métis Nation, Dakota and Lakota.

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HC Office Hours:

Monday—Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Masses

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am
Tuesday 7:00pm
Wed. 9:00am
Thur. 9:00am
Friday 9:00am

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 9:26-31 / 1 John 3:18-24 / John 15:1-8

MONDAY

April 29
St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

TUESDAY

April 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

WEDNESDAY

May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

THURSDAY

May 2
St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

FRIDAY

May 3
Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

SATURDAY

May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

SUNDAY

May 5
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17

The Pruning Process

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The common myth is that we receive a new body every seven years as cells die and are replaced. However, stomach cells are renewed every two days or so because of acids and enzymes. Skin cells are replaced every two to three weeks. Bone cells last about ten years, and our brain cells stay with us for our entire lives. In a sense, then, we might say that our bodies are pruned, part of us remaining long-term to nurture and sustain like the trunk of a tree, and part of us severed so that life may be renewed and continue on.

If so with our bodies, are not our spirits also pruned? There is a core part of who we are that wends its way throughout our lives. Yet that "who" has rough edges in need of being smoothed; barbs need to be dulled; and certain inclinations simply need to be severed. Spouses tend to prune one another, the grace of a loving marriage. Children sometimes keep parents honest. Life events may grind down our independence and self-sufficiency. Illnesses, aging, job loss, the death of loved ones—all forcing us to recognize that we are not in control of life. We are thus pruned, forced to surrender much of what we once thought we could control.

Where is God in all of this? If God is woven into the warp and woof of all life, then all the events and rhythms of life can draw us closer to God, pruning us into goodness and fruitfulness. ●

Reflect

How have you been pruned and has this pruning led to new growth, new life?



[Jesus said,] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit."

JOHN 15:1-2

What's Happening at Holy Cross

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

April 21 - LIL GOUDY

Welcome to any new parishioners. Please register with the Parish Office Mon.-Friday, 9am-12 noon
Or call 306-757-1325

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27—MAY 5, 2024

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Sat.	April 27	PRO POPULO
Sun.	April 28	For the repose of the souls of all Knights of Columbus of the Gerein Council, offered by the KofC Gerein Council
Tues.	April 23	For the repose of the soul of Anne Ell, offered by Judy Miazga.
Wed.	April 24	For the repose of the soul of Shirley Perras, offered by Bob & Helen Herauf.
Thurs.	April 25	For the repose of the soul of Frank Deibert, offered by Mike & Sandra Morris.
Fri.	April 26	For the good future of Reya & Gino.
Sat.	May 4	PRO POPULO
Sun.	May 5	For the intentions of all Knights of Columbus Gerein Council and their families who are sick or suffering with chronic illness, offered by the KofC Gerein Council.



CWL News

Just a note: Muffins for Sacred Heart School will again be gladly accepted at the next CWL regular monthly meeting. They can also be left in the freezer in the Gerein Centre kitchen. This will be the last collection for this school year. Many thanks to all the bakers who have faithfully provided this nourishing snack for the students.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION - May 3

For World Peace

8:00am Adoration, 8:30am Rosary
9:00am Mass

Holy Cross Parish, 317 Douglas Ave. East

DAILY ADORATION

St. Faustina's Shrine & EADM Chapel
484 Hamilton St.

Mon to Thurs, noon-4:00pm

Fri, Sat, Sun, 2:00pm—4:00pm

Rosary 2:30pm, Litany to St. Faustina,
Chaplet of Mercy

FIRST FRIDAY/FIRST SATURDAY—May 3/4

In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
And Immaculate Heart of Mary

St. Mary's Church, 2026 Winnipeg St.

6:30pm Confession, 7:00pm Holy Mass Friday &
Overnight vigil, 8:00am Holy Mass Saturday.



KNIGHTS KORNER

POOR MAN'S SUPPER SHARED SUCCESS

As mentioned in last week's Knights Korner, we acknowledge the gracious donations by Holy Cross parishioners and fellow Knights. We would like to inform you that our Council used the proceeds to purchase a Peace Lamp for Holy Cross and provided the funds to purchase a new facet for the Gerein Centre.

MA Y EVENTS

Wednesday, 1st – 7:00 PM, Regina Chapter Meeting, St. Basil Church

Sunday, 12th – 10:00 AM, Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, 12th – 7:30 PM, St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Monday, 13th – 7:30 PM, St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Tuesday, 14th – 7:00 PM, Mass & St. Joseph Prayer Program service

Tuesday, 21st – 7:30 PM, Monthly Council Meeting (after 7:00 PM Mass)

What does it take to become a Knight of Columbus? Find out by filling out an information request ballot at the K of C information table located in the Gerein Centre of the Church. You will be contacted by a Knight from the Gerein Council.

Welcome to any new parishioners. Please register with the Parish Office. Fill in the blanks below and drop it into the collection basket or email the office (hc.office@holycrossregina.ca). Let's get started!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Mass of Choice:

Sat evening 5:00 pm

Sun morning 9:00 am

What's Happening at Holy Cross 2

NET CANADA
retreat

games
small groups
prayer & more!

MORE DETAILS BELOW

Saturday, May 4th

Holy Cross Parish

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Grades 6 to 12

All youth from the
Archdiocese are welcome



NET 2024 Traveling team

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

CALL OR TEXT SHERI AT 306-533-2561

OR EMAIL LAURA AT VINCENT-LAURA@LIVE.COM

Cost \$20 per/person or \$50 for a family of 3 or more - includes pizza lunch

PRO-LIFE

A table has been reserved for Holy Cross parishioners who would like to attend the Annual Regina Pro Life Banquet on Thursday, May 23. Jeanine Mann will purchase the tickets and collect the money from the people who sign up. If more than eight people from Holy Cross sign up, another table as close as possible to the first one will be reserved.

Tickets are selling fast, so please don't delay if you'd like to sit with fellow parishioners. Sign-up sheet is on the table in the Gerein Centre. See the poster below for details.

Regina
PRO-LIFE
is hosting their

Annual Fundraising Gala
May 23, 2024
St Martin de Porres Parish
4720 Castle Road, Regina

Adults: \$35
Children 7-17: \$15
Under 6: FREE

Cocktails: 5 pm
Supper: 6 pm
(Roast-beef Dinner by Charlotte's Catering)
Speaker: 7 pm

Banquet Guest Speaker:
Cam Côté, CCB's Western Outreach Director, has worked full time in Canada's pro-life movement for over a decade. He is also the host of The Pro-Life Guy's Podcast, the world's largest podcast dedicated to pro-life apologetics.

Change Minds. Save Lives. Transform Culture.

To purchase tickets, email rpla@sasktel.net with your FULL NAME, EMAIL ADDRESS, HOW MANY TICKETS YOU ARE PURCHASING, AND PHONE NUMBER. Then, please e-transfer the payment to rpla@sasktel.net. Call 306-569-1985 for other payment options.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

PARISHIONERS' CORNER

BIRTHDAYS! We have three birthdays this week all on Friday, May 3rd—Shirley Devers, Len Jelinski, and Don McIntee. Happy Birthday to you all for a year of good health and happiness. May God bless you abundantly.

Cathleen Devraj has two books entitled "*Salvation of Mankind*", telling the story of Medjugorje from the beginning. The author Draga Vidovic is a cousin and friend of two of the visionaries and she was there when they ran down the mountain saying they had seen the Blessed Virgin Mary. The books will sell for \$15 each. You may pick one up in the Parish Office if you are interested or let Martin know at pastoral.assistant@holycrossregina.ca or 306-347-0929.

Another note concerning Medjugorje: Fr. Henry, who accompanied the group on the trip, has not been well and has taken three weeks medical leave from his parish in Fort Qu'Appelle. Your prayers are requested for his quick return to good health.

Please pass along news of our parishioners for this column to share so we can all pray for or celebrate with them. Call Martin at 306-347-0929 or text Joyce at byapple@sasktel.net.

May God continue to bless you this Easter Season.

PRO-LIFE MONTH IN SASKATCHEWAN

The month of May will be proclaimed as Pro-Life Month in Saskatchewan at the Legislative Grounds on May 1st at 1:00pm.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The National March for Life takes place in Ottawa on Thursday, May 9 with the theme: "*I Will Never Forget You*" (Isaiah 49:15). It calls every one of us to remember the sanctity of human life, from conception to natural death without exception.

A quote from Debbie Duval of Campaign Life Coalition: "The scourge of abortion and euthanasia are sapping the life blood from our nation and bringing countless souls to ruin."

Think of this when the time comes to vote for your next representative in government. Are they pro-life? It matters to you.



24th annual
Holy Cross Parish

Cal Murphy Memorial Golf Tournament

Deer Valley Golf Club
Friday, May 31



Putting contest 9:00 am
Rolling start 10:00 am
Banquet 4:00 pm

Tournament fee of \$150 includes
green fees, power cart, banquet and
tax receipt.

Deadline for entries is May 24.
Banquet only \$30.

Entry forms available at www.holycrossregina.ca,
email Joyce at byapple@sasktel.net / phone 306-789-1983
or phone John at 306-789-7609

Sixteen Bible-Reading Rules Everyone Should Know (Plus One)

Rule 1: *The Bible's human authors were not divine stenographers.* Everything asserted in Scripture is asserted by the Holy Spirit, but God allowed the human authors of Scripture to incorporate their own words, ideas, and worldviews into the sacred texts.

Rule 2: *The Bible's human authors were not writing scientific textbooks.* Scripture does not assert a scientific description of the world, so details in the Bible that utilize “the language of appearances” are not erroneous.

Rule 3: *The Bible contains many different literary styles.* The Bible contains many different genres, some of which communicate true, historical facts through the use of poetic, nonliteral language.

Rule 4: *Check the original language.* Some Scripture passages are only difficult because they have been mistranslated. Examining the original language can help us better understand the sacred author's intended meaning.

Rule 5: *The Bible is allowed to be a sole witness to history.* Ancient nonbiblical historians could make mistakes or fail to record events. Therefore, it is not necessary to require biblical events to be corroborated by nonbiblical sources.

Rule 6: *Read it in context!* Sometimes biblical passages only sound bad because they are isolated from their original context. Find the context and you'll usually find the explanation of the passage.

Rule 7: *Consult a reliable commentary.* Commentaries provide details or facts not found in Scripture that can help explain Bible difficulties.

Rule 8: *Evaluate Scripture against the whole of divine revelation.* Interpret Scripture in light of what God has revealed in natural law as well as through his Church in the form of Sacred Tradition and the teaching office of the Magisterium.

Rule 9: *Differing descriptions do not equal contradictions.* The authors of Scripture may have differed in their descriptions of an event's details, but not in the essential truths they were asserting about those events.

Rule 10: *Incomplete is not inaccurate.* Just because the sacred author did not record something another author recorded does not mean his text is in error.

Rule 11: *Only the original texts are inspired, not their copies.* Errors that came about through the copying process do not fall under the doctrine of inerrancy and can usually be located and corrected with ease.

Rule 12: *The burden of proof is on the critic, not the believer.* If a critic alleges that Scripture is in error, he has the burden of proving that is the case. If the believer even shows a possible way of resolving the text, then the critic's objection that there is an intractable contradiction is refuted.

Rule 13: *When the Bible talks about God, it does so in a nonliteral way.* Because God is so unlike us, Scripture must speak about him with anthropomorphic language that should not be taken literally.

Rule 14: *Just because the Bible records it doesn't mean God recommends it.* The Bible is not an instruction book for how we should live, though sometimes it teaches us life lessons through stories that show us what not to do.

Rule 15: *Just because the Bible regulates it doesn't mean God recommends it.* God progressively revealed himself to mankind over several centuries. During this progression, the authors of Scripture regulated sinful practices in order to help God's people eventually reject them in the future.

Rule 16: *Life is a gift from God and he has complete authority over it.* It is not morally impermissible for God to take away the mortal life he freely gave us.

Plus One: *Give God's word the benefit of the doubt.*

Trent Horn

from [Hard Sayings: A Catholic Approach to Answering Bible Difficulties](#)

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