



# Holy Cross Parish

**6th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Bulletin #11**

**February 16, 2025**

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## Contact the office

@ 306-757-1325 for Baptism, 1st Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Marriage, Funerals, and other concerns.

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.

## PARISH STAFF TEAM

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## HC Office Hours:

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

## Masses

Sat. 5:00 pm  
Sun. 9:00 am  
Tues. 7:00 pm  
Wed. 9:00 am  
Thur. 9:00 am  
Fri. 9:00 am

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## 6th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 17:5-8 / 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 / Luke 6:17, 20-26

### MONDAY

February 17

*Weekday*

Gn 4:1-15, 25

Mk 8:11-13

### TUESDAY

February 18

*Weekday*

Gn 6:5-8;

7:1-5, 10

Mk 8:14-21

### WEDNESDAY

February 19

*Weekday*

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22

Mk 8:22-26

### THURSDAY

February 20

*Weekday*

Gn 9:1-13

Mk 8:27-33

### FRIDAY

February 21

*Weekday*

Gn 11:1-9

Mk 8:34-9:1

### SATURDAY

February 22

*The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle*

1 Pt 5:1-4

Mt 16:13-19

### SUNDAY

February 23

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9,

12-13, 22-23

1 Cor 15:45-49

Lk 6:27-38



And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

LUKE 6:20

## It's All about the Roots

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**W**here we put down our spiritual roots matters. For some, the old adage "Bloom where you are planted" may offer wisdom; however, the prophet Jeremiah reminds us that if we find ourselves planted in a lava bed or a salty and empty land, we won't do much blooming. We'll be no more than a shriveled, barren bush. So, where we plant our inner spiritual lives makes a difference.

This week's gospel may seem to sap all the joy out of life. Woe if you have money to spend, a banquet to feast on, fun and laughter to dress up your days. Woe to you, it seems to caution, because when you die, the opposite will be your lot. What's so wrong, we wonder, with having cash in our pockets, food on our tables, and a good time once in a while? Life can be downright dreary otherwise.

The answer, of course, is that there is nothing wrong with any of that—unless that's where we put down our roots. In other words, if that's what life is all about, sooner or later, we are likely to discover we have become a barren bush standing in lava waste. Jesus didn't come to suck the joy out of life but to give us a heads up on how to live a life that is full. He hoped we might avoid the lure that can become a wasteland. He hoped we might become "like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream" (Jeremiah 17:8). ●

## Reflect

**Where are your roots? Are you growing and thriving?**

# What's Happening at Holy Cross

## CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNER

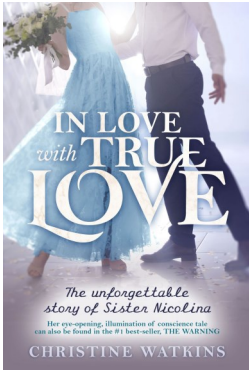
Winner of the February 9, 2025 draw was Rose Flaman.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 15—23, 2025

Sat.	Feb. 15	PRO POPULO
Sun.	Feb. 16	For the repose of the souls of Alma & Ted Dazy, offered by the family.
Tues.	Feb. 18	For the repose of the souls of Leon, Bertha and Martin Richaud, offered by Pam Richaud.
Wed.	Feb. 19	For the repose of the soul of Rose Marie Facht.
Thurs.	Feb. 20	For the repose of the soul of Cal Murphy on the anniversary of his death, offered by Joyce.
Fri.	Feb. 21	For Christians in the Middle East, offered by Cathleen Devraj.
Sat.	Feb. 22	For the repose of the soul of Cecile Boutin, offered by Rita Gareau.
Sun.	Feb. 23	PRO POPULO

### This week's featured new Library book. #3

#### In Love with True Love—The Unforgettable Story of Sister Nicolina, by Christine Watkins.



In this seemingly loveless world of ours, we might wonder if true love is attainable. Is it real, or is it perhaps a dancing illusion captured on Hollywood screens? And if this love dares to exist, does it satisfy as the poets say, or fade in our hearing like a passing whisper?

The souls are few who have discovered these answers, and one of them is Nicolina, a feisty, flirtatious girl who fell in love with the most romantic man in all of post-war Germany. Little did they imagine the places where love would take them.

This enthralling, real-life short story is a glimpse into the grand secrets of true love—secrets that remain a conundrum to most, but become life itself for a grateful few. These hidden treasures wait in hope to be discovered, resting in chambers of the Heart of Love. Through this little book, may you, like Nicolina, enter their mystery, and find life, too.

### PARISHIONERS' CORNER

Birthdays this week—Cathleen Devraj on Wednesday, Feb. 19. Congratulations!

***May the Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace.***

Check out the Poor Man's Supper Lenten schedule and sign up to help out providing soup or sandwiches. We have a few open spots that still need attention. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the Gerein Centre.

This is a great way to take part in Lenten services—excellent homemade soups and sandwiches and, of course, camaraderie, followed by Stations of the Cross and Mass every Friday during Lent.

There is a celebration by the Jamaican Community to honor Huntley O'Connor this Sunday afternoon. You are invited. See the notice in the Knights Korner.

Condolences to Jeanette and family on the death of her husband Edwin Schroeder. Funeral mass is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 15 at 1:00 pm. May he rest in peace.

Please let us know about any parishioner news so we can pass it on to others for prayers in need or in celebration. Contact Martin at 306-347-0929 or [pastoral.assistant@holycrossregina.ca](mailto:pastoral.assistant@holycrossregina.ca) OR Joyce Murphy at 306-789-1983 or [byapple@sasktel.net](mailto:byapple@sasktel.net).

### MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Thinking of one day going to Medjugorje?  
Join us April 4-14 for a pilgrimage.  
Lower airfare presently there.

Daily Mass at St. James Church  
(St. James, patron saint of pilgrims)  
Rosary on Apparition Hill  
Stations of the Cross on Cross Mountain  
Visit Cenacola—rehab for young men  
Professional guide



If you'd like to send a petition to Our Lady, Cathleen is going to gather requests and present them to the seers and have them offer the petitions to Our Lady when their pilgrimage group is in Medjugorje this April. Just put your petition in a sealed envelope and drop it in the basket on the small table at the front of the church.

For more information call Cathleen Devraj at 306-789-0705 or email [cdevraj48@gmail.com](mailto:cdevraj48@gmail.com).

# What's Happening at Holy Cross 2



## KNIGHTS KORNER 37 Years of Service to Holy Cross 1988—2025

### 2025 MEMBER DUES

This is a reminder that membership dues have been sent to Council members for 2025. For those affected, kindly remit your dues at your earliest convenience. Payment options are outlined in the notices. For those who have paid their member dues to date, thank you!

### February Events

Sun. Feb. 16—Pancake Breakfast 10:00 am  
Tues. Feb. 18—Monthly Council meeting following 7:00 pm mass  
Thurs. Feb. 20—4th Degree Social, 6:00 pm, St. Basil's

### March Events

Wed. Mar. 5—Ash Wednesday Mass, 7:00pm  
Fri. Mar. 7—Poor Man's Supper 5:30pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:45pm and Mass at 7:00pm

### 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.

### A SPECIAL INVITATION!

Knights of Council 9859 and Brother Knights and their wives and parishioners are cordially invited by the Jamaican Community to attend a celebration in honor of our late Brother Huntley O'Connor. The event will be held Sunday, Feb. 16 at 7:00 pm at 1600 Broadway Ave. Please arrive by 6:30 pm for seating.

**FORMAL ATTIRE**—Sashes, please

## Knights of Columbus PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, February 16



Adults: \$10,  
Student: \$5,  
Children Under 6: Free

### Donations/Revenue

January 2025	Offerings	7,235.10
January 2025	New Year's/Initial	1,055.00
January 2025	E-transfers	1,221.00
January 2025	Automatic Debit	3,304.00
Coffee		54.00
Donations	K of C	470.00
	Canada Helps	480.00
St Mary's Offset		1,525.00
Missals		40.00
Gerein Centre Rental		120.00
<b>Total December</b>		<b>15,504.10</b>

**2024 Tax receipts are available to pick up in the Gerein Centre.**

### The Peace Lamp

The Knights of Columbus have brought in a ceramic "Peace Lamp" from the small Christian town of



Taybeh in the Holy Land. The lamps are meant to be lit and unite Christians around the world in prayer for peace in the Holy Land and the Middle East, while also providing work for the persecuted Christians in one of the few remaining towns where Christians are the majority.

Fr. Raed Abusahlia, founder of the Peace Lamps initiative said, "Our goal is to place a 'Peace Lamp' in every single church in the world and to unite as many Christians and people of faith as possible in a common prayer for peace in the Holy Land."

If you'd like to help our fellow Christians continue to survive in this ancient Holy Land, you may wish to have a Peace Lamp of your own. There are two sizes—the smaller one 6" long, \$40 plus \$15 for shipping; and the larger one 8" long, \$50 plus \$20 for shipping. The larger one is in use during adoration as we pray for peace in the world.

Our Peace Lamp is being used at each Adoration Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm. You can also see it on the Knights' table in the Gerein Centre.

If you are interested in purchasing a lamp for your own personal use, contact <https://cnewa.org/ca/catholic-womens-league/peace-lamps/> or call 1-800-322-4441.

# What's Happening at Holy Cross 4



**MONSIGNOR GEREIN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

## **POOR MAN'S SUPPER**

In the Gerein Centre  
 Every Friday During Lent  
 From March 7th to April 11th  
 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm followed by  
 Stations of the Cross at 6:45 pm and Mass at 7:00 pm  
 Everyone Welcome

**PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE TABLE  
 IN THE GEREIN CENTRE.**



**Freewill Offering**

### MONSIGNOR GEREIN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#### POOR MAN'S SUPPER

Fridays during Lent

Date	Soup	Egg Salad	Salmon / Tuna	Peanut Butter & Jam
	2 soups	(3 sandwich loaves)	(3 sandwich loaves)	(2 sandwich loaves)
Mar. 7 Liturgy L&P	Lynn & Gerry Heymen	Dan & Shirley Devers	Eldon & Gretta Lynn Eil	Joyce Murphy
Mar. 14 PC	John & Marie Lebersback	Neil & Lori Garchinski	Len & Loretta Jelinski	Jack & Gladys Herzberger
Mar. 21 KofC	Cathleen Devraj	Helen Herauf	Reg Hinz	Mary-Anne & Don Harazny
Mar. 28 Chall. Girls	Trudy & Wayne Rutten	Margaret Preiner 2 loaves	Maggie & Edwin Pepper 2 loaves	Joyce Murphy 3 loaves
Mar. 28 Extra needs	Jeanine Mann 1 soup	Neil & Lori Garchinski 2 loaves	2 loaves	
Apr. 4 CWL	Susan Leier		Garry & Wendy Kraushaar 3 loaves	Mary-Anne & Don Harazny
Apr. 11 Altar Serv		Gerard & Erna Woynarski	Mel Fenrick	Pam Richaud

Supper 5:30 pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:45 pm and Mass at 7:00 pm.

Additional help would be appreciated for set up and take down, serve soup, make extra sandwiches, if needed.  
 Inquiries: contact Bob Liska, 306-789-4442.

Challenge Glirls will do Stations of the Cross on March 28 (green) and we expect to DOUBLE attendance at least. Therefore, we have to increase soup & sandwiches—2024 attendance was increased by about 40 people. See extra row for March 28 for extra needs.

## What's Happening in the Archdiocese

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Wednesday, March 19th (1:30 pm)**

at Holy Trinity parish hall (5020 Sherwood Dr.)

we will be joined by

Regina City Police members for a presentation on **FRAUD AWARENESS**.

***Made to Be***, a new Catholic women's ministry in Regina, is hosting an event called **Rest**, a monthly evening of adoration, confession, prayer ministry and fellowship.

Join us on **Sunday, January 26th from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm at St. Martin's Parish**. This event is for women of any age who are seeking rest in the heart of Jesus. For more information please email Kara Philip at [kara@boatsonfire.net](mailto:kara@boatsonfire.net).

### St. Martin de Porres Parish – Drive Through Turkey Fundraising Dinner Sunday, March 2nd

Schmitt's catering provides the food which includes turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, coleslaw and dessert.

Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased at the parish office (4720 Castle Road), or by e-transfer ([st.martinsadmin@sasktel.net](mailto:st.martinsadmin@sasktel.net)). *Deadline to purchase tickets: Sunday, Feb. 23.*

### Charismatic Prayer Gatherings

Resurrection Parish  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Upcoming Dates:

February 23. March 23, May 4, June 22

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention February For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life. <https://thepopevideo.org/>



### Life in Abundance as Proclaimed by a Universal Christ

#### A 7-Episode video series with Father John Weckend

Father John shares some of his reflections on a cosmic and more universal approach to 'The Christ'. It brings a broader approach to the dogma of the Incarnation and how it affects our life and spirituality.

Episode 5 is now available.

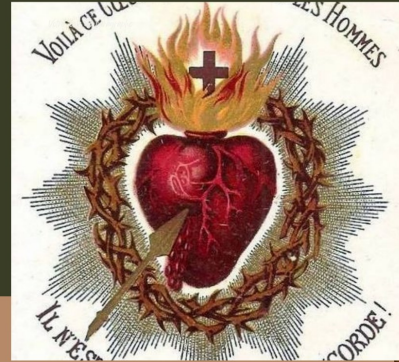
The remaining episodes will be released weekly on Friday at 7:00 am.

Use one of these ways to watch:

[Father John Weckend YouTube Channel](#).

On YouTube, search [@FatherJohnWeckend](#).

Youth retreat March 7-8 2025



**Who?** For youth 13-17 years old

**When?** Starting Friday March 7th at 5h00 pm  
Ending Saturday March 8th at 3h00 pm

**Where?** At the Myriam Family of the Prairies, McLean, 45 km east of Regina

**Cost:** Suggested donation 25\$

**To register,** please contact Sr. Stephanie  
306-761-0528

[pss.prairies@famillemymriam.org](mailto:pss.prairies@famillemymriam.org)

LOVE GOD, LOVE  
YOUR NEIGHBOR

MATTHEW 22:34-46

### Stewardship Bulletin Bits

***"Blessed are you when people hate you...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." - Luke 6:22***

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad?

Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

## What's Happening in the Archdiocese 2

**The Myriam Family of the Prairies invites you  
For a day retreat on February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025  
From 9h30 to 4h00**

*The adventure of my spiritual journey;*

**1) The purgative phase**



Including Mass, Holy hour, talks, sharing, and lunch, in the beauty of nature and the silence of the countryside at our house of prayer in McLean, Sk, 45 km East of Regina.

**To register**, and to get location directions,  
Please contact Sr. Stephanie at **306-761-0528** or by email  
[pss.prairies@famillemyriam.org](mailto:pss.prairies@famillemyriam.org)  
*Donation based, to help our mission continue!*

## FRIENDSHIP WITH JESUS RETREAT

**FEB 24 - MAR 24**  
**7pm Mondays**  
**REGISTER by FEB 20**

free, limited spots  
Christ the King, Regina  
registration required  
[www.christtheking.ca](http://www.christtheking.ca)

Deepen your  
Relationship with God  
& Strengthen your  
Prayer Life

Experience the "Inner Peace in Friendship with Jesus",  
as we prepare ourselves for the Lenten season.

It is an unique opportunity to experience the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

## St. Peter Parish Building Fund Dinner

**Sunday Feb. 23, 2025 4:00 P.M. - 8 P.M.**  
**Leicester's Family Restaurant & Lounge**  
**474 McCarthy Blvd., Regina Sask.**

**\$30.00 PER PERSON (ADULTS OR CHILDREN)**  
**DOOR PRIZES, 50/50 DRAWS**  
**DINNER CHOICES: STEAK, BURGER, CHICKEN WRAP,**  
**LASAGNA**

**TICKETS SOLD AT ST. PETER CHURCH (100 ARGYLE ST.)**  
**BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES, AND AT THE**  
**PARISH OFFICE MON-THU 9:30-12:30 & 1:00-4:00**

**Contact Ken for more info**  
**[kendumont@accesscomm.ca](mailto:kendumont@accesscomm.ca)**  
**306-519-0313**

*In honour of Indigenous Storytelling Month*  
TRC REGINA IRS SURVIVORS CIRCLE AND THE CIRCLE OF ALLIES PRESENTS:

## Master Storyteller DICKIE YUZICAPI



Dickie Yuzicapi, Dakota /Cree Master Storyteller  
will take us on a journey with the art of traditional  
storytelling featuring, cultural oral histories and the  
music of the flute and drum.



*Join us on*

**February 18th**  
**7:00pm to 9:00pm**

**All ages Event!!!!**

Neil Balkwill Civic Arts Centre  
2420 Elphinstone Street  
Regina, Sask

