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Music ministry: Ken Wildcat, Sr. Monika

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Sunday Collection, Candles, etc.

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HOLY MASS : SUNDAY 11:00 AM

Rosary 1/2 hour before Mass

WEEKDAY:

Monday - Friday 12:00pm (confirm with actual bulletin!)

Saturday 10:00am (confirm with actual bulletin)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

The days, when Holy Mass is celebrated - before or after Mass

ADORATION

Thursday 6:00 - 8:00pm / Friday 6:00 - 7:00pm

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION.

March, 2024:

For The Role Of Women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.



Easter Pastor's message

A very sincere THANK YOU to the Sisters of Merciful Jesus for clothing the church in purple to prepare for Holy Week and for getting everything ready for Easter! We are still celebrating that glorious event of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead and will continue to do so for several more weeks. Easter is not over yet; and, actually, never will be! :) Alleluia!



Preparations continue to be under way for the Ladies' Cursillo from **June 6 to 9**, and the Mens' Cursillo from **June 13 to 16**. Please contact **Joanne Oskatamin-Potts, Jules Caisse, or me** if you wish to take part as a candidate or worker. Our next meeting for those working in the Cursillos is **on Saturday, April 20, 1 PM at the Jim Rattlesnake Building**. Come and help build the Kingdom of God.

A retreat for the Leaders of the 2 Cursillos may be held Friday evening and Saturday, April 26, and 27. Let us pray that it will take place and also pray for all those participating.

I do preside at Mass from time to time at St. Augustine's School in Ponoka. I also visit the various grades, together or one class at a time. My particular intention is to let the students from Maskwacis know who I am as the pastor of Our Lady of Seven Sorrows. Many of them already know me because they come to Mass on Sundays. Others also know me from other events that happen in their lives. I quite enjoy being in the class room again. Those grade 2's are awesome, and they have tons of energy! In the next few weeks, I will have Mass with the Grade 5's, and I will also visit a Grade 8 class.

A national gathering of the Oblates belonging to the Lacombe Province will be meeting in St. Albert from May 13 to 17. Our Province includes BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario. Our Superior General and one of his Councillors will be in attendance. After the gathering, our Superior General will be coming to Maskwacis for Mass, lunch, and a meeting with the parish on **Saturday, May 18**. More details will follow.



Easter Blessings for you and your families, I continue to pray.

Sincerely in Him,

Father Garry

Sacraments OLSS : 2023 - 2024

Children (up to 7) BAPTISM *contact:*
Sr. Monika or Fr. Garry, O.M.I.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & RCIC
Sr. Josefina

CONFIRMATION:
Sr. Monika

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adult)
Sr. Josefina

MARRIAGE
For more information, please contact:
Fr. Garry, O.M.I. or Sisters

Week's Parish Activities

Mon. April 15 & 22	Holy Mass 12.15pm
Tues. April 16 April 23	Holy Mass 12.15pm 4pm WT Committee meeting Confirmation Class 5-7pm Holy Mass 12.15pm Confirmation Class 5-7pm
Wed. April 17	Holy Mass 12.15pm 6pm Parish Pastoral Council
Wed. April 24	Holy Mass 12.15pm
Thu. April 18 April 25	Holy Mass 12.15pm 6 pm - 8pm Adoration No Holy Mass 6 pm - 8pm Adoration
Fri. April 19 April 26	No Holy Mass 6pm - 7pm Adoration Holy Mass 12.15pm 6pm - 7pm Adoration
Sat. April 20	Noon Mass at the Jim Rattlesnake Building 1pm The Cursillo Team Meeting
April 27	The time for Mass is yet to be determined

Our Events

Every Sunday 7pm AA meeting in the church hall. Everyone is welcome!

Father Garry on vacation April 28 after Mass to May 5th.

Expenses: \$ 903.84

Sunday Collection: \$ 709.57

61st Anniversary of the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday or Good Shepherd Sunday, and is marked as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to fulfil Jesus' instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38).

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life, children, grandchildren, students, and friend, to ask Jesus to help them recognize their vocation.



"Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us." (St. JP II)

This Day, then, is always a good occasion to recall with gratitude to the Lord the faithful, persevering and frequently hidden efforts of all those who have responded to a call that embraces their entire existence. I think of mothers and fathers who do not think first of themselves or follow fleeting fads of the moment, but shape their lives through relationships marked by love and graciousness, openness to the gift of life and commitment to their children and their growth in maturity. I think of all those who carry out their work in a spirit of cooperation with others, and those who strive in various ways to build a more just world, a more solidary economy, a more equitable social policy and a more humane society.

(Rome, Saint John Lateran, 21 April 2024, Fourth Sunday of Easter. Pope FRANCIS)

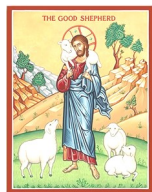
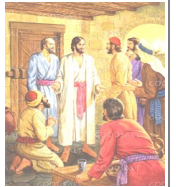
3rd Sunday of Easter 14th April 2024

GOSEL READING: Luke 24:35-48

Today's Gospel continues with the recurring post-Easter theme of Eucharist and discipleship. Christ, broken and offered for us, rises triumphantly out of the tomb, and remains with us. This is the heart of the Paschal Mystery revealed to us, but how was it manifested in those first anxious and uncertain days after the resurrection? The Gospel accounts attest to the reality of the resurrection of Jesus from the grave. Jesus goes to great lengths to assure his disciples that he is no mere ghost or illusion. He shows them the marks of his crucifixion and he explains how the Scriptures foretold his death and rising.

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4th Sunday of Easter 21st April 2024

GOSEL READING: John 10:11-18

Do you know the peace and security of the Good Shepherd who watches over his own? The Old Testament often speaks of God as shepherd of his people, Israel. Jesus as the Good Shepherd is meant to evoke the idea of a shepherd who knows his sheep by name and is willing to lay down his life for them. Jesus says that his sheep hear his voice and follow him, and that he knows them and they know him. This theme emphasizes Jesus' love for his followers and his willingness to protect and guide them through life. Also it underline the hope of eternal life, that we have in Christ.

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