4th Sunday of Advent



HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL

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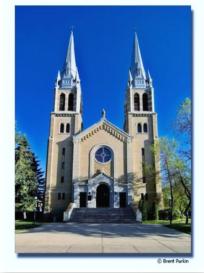
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Archbishop of Regina Coat of Arms

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Roman Catholic community of faith and of service to others, open to all who wish to worship God, to celebrate together His blessings, and to find solace and meaning in their lives. We work to realize Christ's message of love and compassion.



REGULAR MASS TIMES

Sunday	9 AM, 11 AM, 7 PM
Tuesday-Friday	9 AM
Saturday	9 AM
CONFESSIONS	
Saturday	8 AM

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chairperson	Samira McCarthy
Past Chairperson	Rob Chapple
Pastoral Team	Rev. Danilo Rafael
	Deacon Barry Wood

Representatives:

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CWL	.Shannon Chapple
Ecumenism	Shannon Hengen
Finance	.Jim Hall, Paul Malone
Knights of Columbus	.G.K. Efren Reyes
Liturgy	.Bradley Hanowski
St. Vincent de Paul	.Carol Schimnosky
Social Justice	.Bernadette Kutarna
Spiritual Life	.Shannon Novak
Couples for Christ	.Josephine/Joel Ong

Leaders: Parish Adjuncts

CateringShannon Chapple Children's Liturgy.....Miri Schiller Good Shepherd Catechist* Angela Montano * inter-parochial Most Rev. Donald Bolen Archbishop of Regina

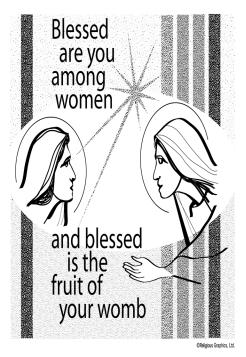
Rev. Danilo Rafael Administrator/Rector

Rev. Scott Lewis, S.J. Sunday Ministry

Rev. Mr. Barry Wood Assisting Deacon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM & Friday 9 AM - 1 PM Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays Email: <u>holyrosary@myaccess.ca</u> Website: <u>www.holyrosaryregina.ca</u> FB: www.facebook.com/HolyRosaryReginaSK





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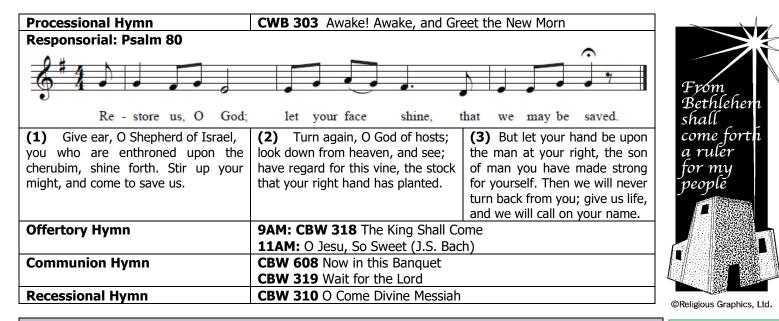
HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL

December 22, 2024

4th Sunday of Advent

Celebrant: Rev. Danilo Rafael

Lectors, EMHC, Cantors, and Music Ministry				
Readings:	Micah 5:2-5	Hebrews 10:5-10	Luke 1:39-45	
	9 AM	11 AM	7 PM	
Lector	Margaret Molloy	Erika Pamisaran	Greg Loziak	
	Michelle Tiloy	Tam Hoang	Susan Letourneau	
EMHC	Carol Zahn	Deacon Barry Wood	Don Morales	
	Joe Zahn	Paul Boryski	Rod Yaun	
		Rob Chapple	James Rosales	
		Paul Chavez (choir)	Paul Canlas	
Cantor/Choir	April Polasek	Gina Quon	Strings & Voices	
Director of Music: Jessy Stroeder 9AM Organist: Jessy Stroeder 11AM Organist: Andrew Polasek				



Masses For The Week			Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into			
Sun	Dec 22	MASSES	MASS OFFERING	REQUESTED BY	our hearts, that we,	
		9AM	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)		to whom the	
	Mass	11AM			Incarnation of Christ	
Int	entions	7PM	8th Day Simbang Gabi		your Son was made	
			🕆 Magdalena De Guzman	Viernes Family	known by the message of an	
			🕆 Alejandro Capule, Jr.	Jenneth Capule	Angel, may by his	
Mon	Dec 23	6PM	9th Day Simbang Gabi		Passion and Cross	
			🕆 Mariano & Regina Rafael		be brought to the	
			🕆 Porferia Hernando	Jessica Hernando	glory of his	
			🕆 Virgilio Capule	Jenneth Capule	Resurrection. Who	
Tue	Dec 24	7PM	CHRISTMAS EVE		lives and reigns with you in the unity of the	
Wed	Dec 25	12AM	MIDNIGHT MASS		Holy Spirit, God, for	
		9&11AM,7PM	CHRISTMAS DAY		ever and ever.	
Thu	Dec 26	9AM	Special Intentions for Luke Saretsky	Ray & Joan Martin		
			Special Intentions for Gord & Elaine Green	Joe & Carol Zahn	Parish office	
Fri	Dec 27	9AM	Special Intentions for Suzanne Leuke	Joan Martin	CLOSED	
Sat	Dec 28	9AM	🕆 Patricia Sowiak	Slaw Sowiak	Dec24-Jan1,2025	

"For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (LUKE 1:44) When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass

each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.



ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL 2024

"Embracing Unity: Many People, One Heart." Our Parish Goal is \$55,879. **To date we have collected \$ 30,935**.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL DONATION TIMELINE FOR YEAR-END DONATIONS

Tuesday, Dec 31, 2024: Last day for parishioners to submit donations for the 2024 Appeal.

All donations must be submitted to the parish or the Appeal office by Dec 31. That includes cash and cheques (payable to parish or Archdiocese), credit cards, auto-debits, etransfers, and online gifts via Canada Helps. Please note that the Pastoral Centre will be closed from December 25th- January 1st.

SIMBANG GABI NOVENA

<u>December 22</u>: Simbang Gabi Novena or Rooster Mass at 7:00 pm on Sunday and <u>December 23</u> (9^{TH} Day) at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to offer the following items for Marian Centre.

Onions	Canned meat or tuna	Shampoo	
Peanut Butter	Mac & Cheese	Body Wash	
Jelly or Jam	Instant Noodles	Disposable Razors	
Dry Milk	Chunky Canned Soups	Winter Gloves	

Any nonperishable items to share with the less fortunate this winter. Many thanks to all who participate in the special novena. Host families are encouraged to bring poinsettia for the altar.

PARISH BOOKKEEPER

Holy Rosary Parish is looking for a part-time parish bookkeeper, experienced with Online QuickBooks. We estimate this will require 10-15 hours per week. Salary range: \$20-\$30 per hour, depending on qualifications and experience. If you are interested, please contact Ana Harris at the parish office (306 565-0909) before December 31st.

2023 PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The parish financial statements for 2023 were recently finalized and the required Charity Return was filed with the Canada Revenue Agency. Our parish ended 2023 with a small surplus of \$3,300 in our operating fund based on donations and other revenue of \$442,470 and expenses of \$439,160. Our building fund paid \$246,600 for building repairs and accessibility upgrading.

If you would like to receive a copy of the parish financial statements, please contact Ana Harris at the parish office. Heartfelt thanks for your continued support of our parish.

2024 COLLECTIONS UPDATE

Our parish Mass collections budget for this year is \$408,000, to help meet our expected expenses and "break even" for the year.

We are full of gratitude that Holy Rosary parishioners and visitors generously gave \$358,000 over the first 11 months of the year. We would have needed an additional \$16,000 to meet our Mass collections budget for that time period.

Please prayerfully consider adding what you can to your Holy Rosary financial support in order to help our parish meet our collection budget by the end of the year.

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2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The 2025 church offering envelopes are ready and available at the front entrance of the church. For new parishioners, if you would like envelopes, you can fill out the forms that are at the east side and

front entrances of the church. Thank you.

ADVENT 2024

Mary sets out "with haste" to visit her relative Elizabeth. We know that Mary was "much perplexed" by Gabriel's visit. But her reply to the angel had been simply, "let it be with me according to your word."

A young, perplexed woman facing a life change that seems beyond her chooses to set out on a long journey to stay with an older woman whose guidance and comfort she needs. In moments of overwhelming experience do we not still turn to one another, and do we not feel, like Elizabeth, that through confessing our powerful feelings we can become "filled with the Holy Spirit"?

The child in Elizabeth's womb "leaped for joy." Mary's Song of Praise that follows this beautiful meeting with Elizabeth repeats in a spectacular way the shift she felt above her confusion: "'my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

Our faithful connections with one another, maybe especially at such a grace-filled time as Advent, can remind us that indeed "the Mighty One has done great things" for us. Our gatherings this holy season, in church and in our homes wherever we go--can move us from doubt and fear to celebration... Shannon

JUBILEE 2025

As we join the global Catholic Church in celebrating the Jubilee Year, "Pilgrims of Hope," we are invited to mark this special time of grace and renewal in unity and prayer. The Jubilee will begin with opening Masses celebrated simultaneously on December 29, 2024, at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Regina with Bishop Emeritus James Weisgerber and at Our Lady of Assumption Co-Cathedral in Gravelbourg with Archbishop Donald Bolen.

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You can send your donations and mass offerings to us directly. Please utilize the message portion for transfer details and your mailing address and send it to

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Schedule for Chrístmas 2024

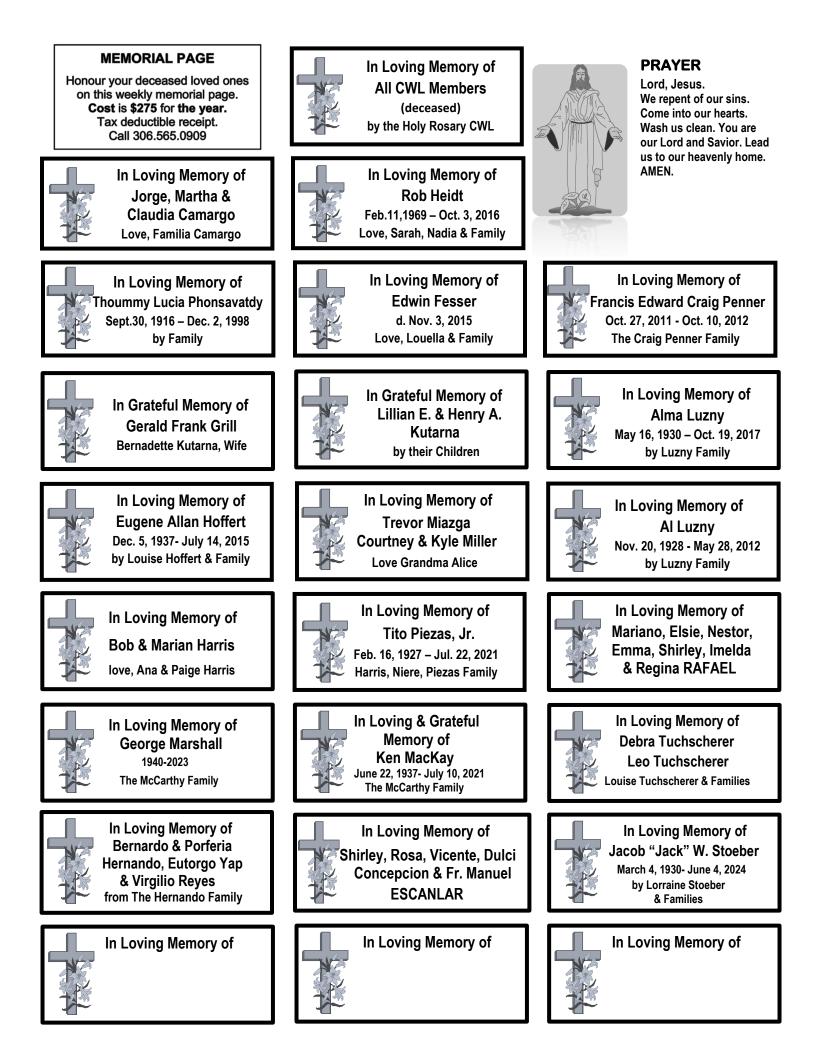


<u>Date</u>	Day	Mass Time	Presider
December 24	Christmas Eve	7:00 pm	Fr. Scott Lewis
December 25	Midnight Mass	12:00 am	Archbishop Don Bolen
December 25	Christmas Day	9:00 am	Fr. Scott Lewis
December 25	Christmas Day	11:00 am	Fr. Scott Lewis
December 25	Christmas Day	7:00 pm	Fr. Dan Rafael
December 29	Jubilee Mass	11:00 am	Archb. Emer. Jim Weisgerber
and New Year 2025			
January 1	New Year's Dav	11:00 am	Archbishop Don Bolen

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There will be Archbishop's Levee at 1:00 pm in the Auditorium







Christmas Greetings from Archbishop Don

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In the midst of the wars which continue on relentlessly in our world, the over 100 million refugees and displaced persons, amidst the deep and polarizing differences which only seem to be getting more entrenched throughout the Western world, it does seem like a late, late time to be living.

The other quote comes from C. S. Lewis, who is writing about the impact of his mother's death when he was still a child: "With my mother's death all settled happiness, all that was tranquil and reliable, disappeared from my life. There was to be much fun, many pleasures... but no more of the old security. It was sea and islands now; the great continent had sunk like Atlantis."

I offer those reflections because I think they help name the experience today that the foundations on which our society, and indeed our world, have been built upon, now seem very shaky. The collective values which have sought to uphold human dignity and the value of each human person, advancing in some ways, are deeply threatened in others. Trying to describe this moment in history, C. S. Lewis's words come to mind: it is all sea and islands now.

But faith offers a different kind of foundation, not rooted in a general and perhaps naive sense that things are ever progressing in a good direction. Rather, faith grounds us in God's capacity and desire to enter into our history in all its struggles, and bring a different kind of transformation. The birth of Jesus, the coming of God in the flesh, proclaims God's desire to be near us, to walk with us, to show us a face of incredible mercy and great tenderness. This is the foundation on which we can live with hope and joy, despite shakiness of the moral and political landscape with which we live. I am sure that at the time of Jesus's birth, in the midst of tremendous political instability and oppression, it also felt like a late time to be living. The fact is, God has created us to live here and now, trusting that God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, is here with us in the mess and fray, in this time and place.

Finally, I invite you to consider one more thing, which has to do with the way that God has come into the world in Jesus. If you were all powerful and trying to change the world, trying to bring about a kingdom of peace and justice, seeking to create a communion of joy among all peoples, would you do so by sending a baby into the world? Would you step aside from your power and might and send yourself in vulnerability and hiddenness?

This is what God does. This is who our God is. This is how God is revealed to us. In the most intimate, tender, vulnerable way imaginable. God has come to walk with us. This Christmas season, I invite you to ponder that, and to reflect upon the incredible mercy and compassion that is revealed there. And put a hold on all temptations to discouragement or despair. And look at what God is doing. Then trust in that, find joy in that, and try to do things God's way, to live and act in the way God opens up before us, with great trust and hope, joy and mercy.

Nerry Christmas to you all! Nay you know the great plessings of the Christ Child!

Bishop Donald Bolen

Due to backlogs and delays related to the postal strike, we encourage you to use these two convenient ways to donate to the Archbishop's Appeal:

E-Transfer:

Send your donation to annualappeal@archregina.sk.ca. In the message field, include your address and phone number for a tax receipt, as well as your parish name to allocate your gift to your parish's goal.

Cheque:

Make your cheque payable to your parish, marking "Archbishop's Appeal" in the memo line.

Place it in the collection plate or deliver it to your parish office.

For more details, visit the <u>Archdiocese website</u>. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Pastoral Centre Christmas Hours

The Archdiocese of Regina Pastoral Centre will be closed to the public for Christmas beginning Wednesday, December 25. We will reopen on Thursday, January 2nd. Staff from the Finance and Appeal Offices will be present occasionally on Friday, December 27th, December 30th and December 31st. If you need to contact someone from the finance or appeal department for year-end purposes, please contact:

306-721-6733

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ArchRegina Weekly Report



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WE ARE HIRING Donor Services Coordinator

The Archolocese of Regins Development Department is seeling a detail one-reed, self motivated individual with fundsaring and donor relations experience to join their team as a Donor Services Coordinatos More information can be found on the Archolocese of Regina website. Please apply promptly to ensure your application will be considered.

For more information please visit archregina.sk.ca/employment

Youth Ministry Workshop

On **Saturday, Jan. 25th from 10:00 -4:00**, at the diocesan center, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is having a workshop for the training, support and collaboration of those who work in ministering to young people, with lunch provided. It is our hope that as many people as possible who are involved in ministering to the young people of our archdiocese, would be willing to bring their minds and hearts to this table of sharing. We are also more than willing to take this workshop on the road! Invite us to come to your community! TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE OR ASK QUESTIONS PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO: oyyam@archregina.sk.ca

TODAY A SAVIOUR IS BORN FOR US

Merry Christmas from Archbishop Donald Bolen and all of the staff of the Archdiocese of Regina







