

HOLY FAMILY PARISH

4/7/2013 Second Sunday of Easter, The Divine Mercy



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Mass Times

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:30am, 10:30am & 6:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00-4:00pm



Gospel Acclamation (John 20.29)

Alleluia, Alleluia.

You believed, Thomas, because you have seen me; blessed are those who have not seen, and yet believe.

Alleluia.

Welcome To Holy Family Parish

You have entered this church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. Being a human, you enter this church as a creature of God; as a baptized person, you enter it as a son or daughter of the Father in Christ. This house of God is therefore your family home. Come in then with humility of mind, joy of heart and thanks on your lips. Acknowledge the Lord's presence in the Tabernacle and adore Him. Come in and pause in prayer in the midst of your busy life and its many worries. Be grateful for those who, for the Glory of God, built this place of worship with faith and sacrifice, and sanctified it with their songs and prayers.

Anyone who wishes to practice the Catholic faith by attending this church may consider this parish as his/her own parish. You simply need to register. Please indicate whether you are a new parishioner or have moved and are providing a new address. Thank you.

Name _____
Spouse _____
Address _____
Postal Code _____ Phone _____
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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER. THE DIVINE MERCY

APRIL 6/7, 2013

SUNDAY READING

First Reading (Acts 5:12-16). This is a summary of the life and power of the primitive Christian community in Jerusalem. The ministry of the Church, like that of Jesus, is characterized by the power of healing.

Second Reading (Rev. 1:9-13, 17-19). John, having suffered for the faith, and now in exile, has a wonderful vision of Jesus who is now in glory after his victory over sin and death. With this vision the intense religious insights of the book of the Apocalypse begin and build up to the climax where the whole creation sings the praises of the Lamb.

Gospel (John 20:19-31). The risen Lord bestows on the disciples the gifts of peace, the Holy Spirit, and the power to forgive sin. Thomas confesses his faith in the Risen Lord.

OPERATING FINANCES

(March 28 to April 4, 2013)

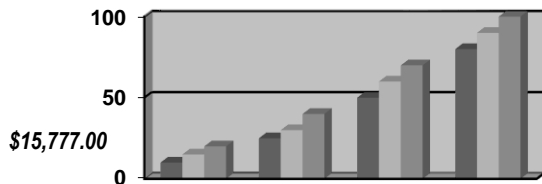
-Cost to operate our Parish (Budget 2013)	\$15,600
-General Collections:	\$17,928
-Debt reduction (Mortgage)	<u>\$21,444</u>
-Total Collections:	\$39,372
-Exceed or (Shortfall)	\$23,772

Special Collections

Together in Action/ Peace 7 Development	\$1,393
Priests Retirement Fund:.....	\$25
World Missions:.....	\$123
Holy Land (Good Friday):.....	\$4,969
St Vincent de Paul:.....	\$619
Parish Needy (Holy Thursday):.....	\$4,853
NET Ministries:.....	\$520

Together in Action YTD: \$15,777.00

Together In Action 2013
Goal is \$55,151.48



Thank you for your Generosity and Support!

PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS & INTENTIONS

**DAILY MASS MAY BE CANCELLED
IN THE CASE OF A FUNERAL**

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY

- + **Mass: 8:30am** (Intention: Dorothy Hecker & Yvonne D'amour ☩)
- + **Mass: 10:30am** (Intention: Holy Family Parish)
- + NO Children's Liturgy
- + Library: open after morning Masses
- + **Mass: 6:00pm** (Intention: Cheryl & Henry Wolfe)
- + UNCHAINED: after 6:00pm Mass in HFP Hall

MONDAY, APRIL 8TH THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

- + **Mass-9:00am** (Intention: Carol Margetts)
- + Knights of Columbus #9502 Meeting: 7:00pm in the Faith Room.
- + Circle of Friends Prayer Group: 7:00pm at St. Joseph's Home

TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH

- + SVDP Meeting: 4:00pm at St. Patrick's Church
- + Light Weigh: 7:00pm in the Hope Room
- + **Mass: 7:00pm** (Intention: Lynne Wunder & Gary & Family)
- + **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** After Mass until 8:30pm
- + CWL Meeting: after 7:00 Mass in the Faith Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH

- + Women's Praise & Worship: 6:45am in the Faith Room
- + **Mass: 8:20am** at St. Francis School
- + **Mass: 9:00am** (Intention: Valerie & Gabe Wolfe & Family)
- + Breakfast after Mass in Hall
- + Bible Study: 9:30am in the Faith Room
- + Ministry to the aged: 1:30pm - Sunnyside
- + Ministry to the aged: 3:30pm - Good Samaritans
- + Choir Practice (6pm Mass): 6:00pm
- + Finance Meeting: 7:00pm in the Hope Room
- + RCIA: 7:00pm in the Faith Room
- + Holy Land Pilgrimage Presentation: 7:00 in the HFP Hall

THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH ST. STANISLAUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

- + Men's Prayer Group: 6:30am in the Charity Room
- + **Mass: 9:00am** (Intention: Marlene & Bob Germann & Family)

- + NO Breakfast after Mass in Hall
- + **Holy Hour: 6:00pm**
- + Choir Practice (8:30&10:30 Mass) 7:00pm
- + K of C #7325 Meeting: 7:30pm in the Faith Room

FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH

- + **Mass: 9:00am** (Intention: Dwaine & Candi Bexson & Family)
- + **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** After Mass until Noon
- + NO Breakfast after Mass in the Hall
- + **Mass: 10:00am** – The Wellington
- + Ministry to the aged: 10:00am – Meadowlands
- + **Mass 1:00pm** with Monsignor McCoy High School
- + Pastoral Zone Meeting: 3:00pm in the Hope Room
- + Wedding Rehearsal: 6:00pm
- + Great Canadian Barn Dance Supper & Show:
- + EQUIP at Holy Family Parish in the Faith Room at 7:00pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH

- + Wedding: 2:00pm
- + **Reconciliation:** 3:00 – 4:00pm
- + Confirmation Class: 4:00pm at St. Patrick's Church
- + 1st Communion/Reconciliation Class: 4:45pm at St. Patrick's
- + Choir Practice (5pm Mass): 4:00pm
- + Library: open before Mass
- + **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
- + **Mass: 5:00pm** (Intention: Peggy Glasgo & Jeff Church Wedding)
- + Great Canadian Barn Dance

SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- + **Mass: 8:30am** (Intention: Marinus Smit ☩)
- + PARISH BREAKFAST after AM Masses hosted by K of C #9502
- + 1st Communion/Reconciliation Class: 10:15am in the Faith Room
- + **Mass: 10:30am** (Intention: Holy Family Parish)
- + 1 Profession of Faith at 10:30 Mass
- + Children's Liturgy at 10:30 Mass
- + Library: open after morning Masses
- + Confirmation Class: 5:00pm in the Faith Room
- + **Mass: 6:00pm** (Intention: Mike Stein ☩)
- + UNCHAINED: after 6:00pm Mass in HFP Hall

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION/ADORATION

Spare an hour with the Lord...

Tuesday: After 7:00pm Mass until 8:30pm

Thursday: Holy Hour from 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Friday: After 9:00am Mass until Noon

MONSIGNOR McCOY BOTTLE DRIVE

Please bring your recyclable bottles to church with you on April 20 & 21st. McCoy is raising money so they can get to the Provincial Music Festival. The Shamrock Bottle Depot Truck will be at all Masses on April 20th and 21st. Please leave your bottles at the truck. Thank You!



4th DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

4th Degree Knights of Columbus will be having a supper at Holy Family Parish at 5:30pm on Sunday, April 21st.



CWL

The CWL Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 9th in the FAITH Room.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus # 9502 Meeting will be on Monday, February 8th in the FAITH Room.



NET TEAM NEWS

Equip Gr. 6-9 - Do you like music? Join us for a night on how music can affect our lives and how it can help us grow in our faith! Be there, Friday April 12th at Holy Family Parish, 7pm-9pm!

Did you ever think saints are just people from a long time ago who never did anything wrong and wear shiny gold halos? Come find out about some awesome saints, and what it really means to be a saint! Friday April 19th at St. Patrick's Church and Friday April 26th at Holy Family Parish, 7pm-9pm!

Unchained Gr. 10-12 - Not so long ago, in a Vatican far far away, there was..... A New Pope! Join us for a night on the importance and the role of the Pope in our Church, Sunday April 7th from 7pm-9pm at Holy Family Parish!

Get ready to discover the awesomeness of God as the Holy Spirit! Join us for this powerful night Sunday April 14th, 7pm-9pm at Holy Family Parish! See you there!

FAMILY RETREAT!! - Join us for our FAMILY RETREAT, Saturday April 20th from 11:30am - 4:30pm at Holy Family Parish! Supper for the retreat will be potluck style, so if each family could bring something for the potluck it would be greatly appreciated! It's going awesome so don't miss out!

Parish-wide Adoration - Come spend time with Jesus at our Adoration night, Tuesday April 23rd following the 7pm Mass at Holy Family Parish! Don't pass up this opportunity to grow closer to God!

Volunteers - Interested in volunteering in Youth Ministry? The NET Team invites you to share your love for God and your gifts with the youth of our parish! There are a variety of different things that we would love your help with, including giving a talk, leading a game, or leading small group for our Middle School/High School youth groups or Family Fundays, or helping with set up or background work. If you feel like you could help in other ways, you also have the options to donate snacks for our events, offer your home to host members of the team, or pray for the ministry. We will be starting our Leadership Training Series very soon, so please contact us at medhatcatholicityouth@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering!

MORE ON THE NET TEAM

From Thursday, April 4th to April 18, the NET Team are staying with the following host homes:

Marie-Anna & Bob Stephens – 3M & 1 supervisor
Jamie & Marta Marroquin – 2F
Dale & Elizabeth McPherson – 2F & 1 supervisor
The supervisors stay from April 12-16.

The remaining 9 weeks are all booked for the NET but **'HELP'** would be appreciated for the host homes. **Anyone can help!** Here are a few ideas: fruit-your choice, eggs, lunch meat; stew or chilli or lasagne; baking of any kind. You decide! Some individuals have chosen to give \$\$ so the host homes can purchase what they need for the NET. Whatever it is that you wish to give is entirely up to you. I do know the host homes are very grateful. For more details, please call Dianna at 403-527-4338.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

THIRD ANNUAL 2013 BENEFIT GALA

April 13, 2013 at Our Lady of Grace Parish starting at 6:00pm. The Headline Speaker is Bishop Frederick Henry. Full Catered Dinner and Cultural Entertainment. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults, \$17.00 for youth (11-17) and kids under 10 are free. Please call or email Doreen for tickets. 403-803-6605 or doreenonly@bell.net

SENIORS TEA

The Seniors Tea will be on the 19th of April in the HFP Hall. Please come and join in good fellowship and maybe a treat.

PARISH BREAKFAST

The April Parish Breakfast will be on Sunday, April 14th after both of the morning Masses. This event will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus # 9502. Pam and Micheline would like to invite everyone to see pictures and hear stories about our trip to Africa. We will be at the Pancake breakfast on April 14 and will do our presentation then. See you there!

GREAT CANADIAN BARN DANCE

It is time to get out those tickets you purchased a while back and dust off your dancin' shoes as the 12th and 13th of April has snuck up on us.

ST. JOSEPH'S FLEA MARKET

Thursday, April 11th 9:00 - 5:00; Friday April 12th 9:00 - 5:00; & Saturday April 13th 9:00 - 2:00 at St. Joseph's Home.

2013 TOGETHER IN ACTION –TIA-

"...You will be my witnesses... Acts: 1: 8). - Please contribute to the Together in Action.

A FATHER'S PROSPECTIVE

Some time ago, I was working in the front yard and my little eight year old girl was riding her bike up and down the block when she walked home with another little girl she must have met down the street. When she came to the house she said, "This is my house". They when off to play in the backyard.

Those were interesting words, "this is my house". You see, she did not contribute anything towards the purchase of it, she paid no bills connected to it, the most she did was minor chores that amounted to nothing, but she was very right, it was her house simply because she belonged to the family that lived there.

You, can say the same thing about this house, Gods house, because you belong to the family that lives here. We all share the same mother, the same father in heaven, and we all share a meal

from the same table. So when it says Holy Family it refers to Mary, Joseph and Jesus, but it also refers to you. We can look around and see the pews, the walls and say "this is my house". More importantly look at everyone in them and say, "this is my family".

HOLY LAND

PILGRIMAGE PRESENTATION

The parish would like to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in the future. If you are interested, please come to the presentation night on Wednesday, April 10 in the church hall at 7 pm.

IT'S TIME TO MOVE FORWARD?

We are grateful to have your financial and spiritual support. It's time for us to think about:

- Building a baptismal font
- Expanding the hall
- Building a columbarium
- Building a grotto

We need your input. Please talk with Fr. Philip. Thanks

YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR

St. Patrick and Holy Family Parishes are in need of a highly-motivated and confident coordinator of Youth Ministry.

The successful candidate for this position will have:

- Personal Catholic Faith conviction and active participation in a Catholic Parish
- Good organizational skills
- Self-motivation to work flexible hours with a minimum supervision
- Good communication skills
- Commitment to the teaching and practices of the Catholic Faith
- Education and/or experience in youth ministry

Specific tasks for this position:

- Continue to develop youth ministry at St. Patrick and Holy Family
- Encourage and assist those engaged in youth ministry in the parishes and schools
- Work with three level of youth: elementary, junior and high schools

For further information, contact Holy Family Parish, Medicine Hat, Alberta 403-527-6933

Candidates are invited to submit a resume before May 31, 2013 by email: frphilip@holymfamilymh.ca

HAVE A QUESTION???

I have recently been asked by several parishioners what is the proper protocol for after you receive the Eucharist at Mass. It was in the bulletin a while back but I guess it was not clear, so I decided to ask Fr. Philip and find out to clear up the confusion. When you return to your seat after communion it is expected that you remain standing if possible and join in the praising through song. When the priest goes back to his chair and sits down you are then invited to either sit or kneel for your own personal reflection time. If you have any other questions you would like answered please submit them to the office in writing or email and I will try to find an answer.