



SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH



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EASTER SEASON (Week 3: Apr 14-Apr 20)

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

14 APRIL 2024

May the Joy of the Risen Lord fill you with hope and peace.

Schedule of Masses

1st Saturday: 9:00 AM
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM
and 7:00 PM
(12:00 NN French)
Monday: 12:10 PM
Tuesday: 12:10 PM
Wednesday: 12:10 PM
Thursday: 12:10 PM
Friday : 12:10 PM
(Special Mass per request)



Schedule of Confession

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM
or call for an appointment
Sunday: Before the Mass
Monday to Friday:
11:30 AM to
12:00 NN

PARISH UPDATES

Please Be Informed, Interested and Willing To Get Involved, Share/Donate, Support, Participate, Cooperate

I. ADULT CATECHESIS:

Called to Love – Resume Session
April 26, 2024 Friday at 7:00 PM,
CYO Hall.

Session 13: *Inculturation and Education For Love*
By JD and Claire Caudle
Sacred Heart Parishioners



II. MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS

For guidance of those who are planning to get married soon in the Church, the Marriage Preparation Activities will start on the **17th April 2024, Wednesday at 7:00 PM.**, at the Conference Room of the Rectory. There are 6 Sessions to be conducted scheduled as follows: April 17: Session 1; April 24: Session 2; May 1: Session 3; May 8: Session 4; May 15: Session 5; and May 22: Session 6. Feel free to come to our Office for more details.

III. YOUTH ON FIRE – SCARED HEART CATHEDRAL GROUP

Activities going on for Grades 5-8, every Friday at 6:30 PM -8:30 PM; Christ the King Gym

Please be guided with the following schedules:

Friday: April 05, CKES Gym
Friday: April 12, TBA
Friday: April 19, CKES Gym

Friday: April 26, CKES Gym
Friday: May 3, TBA

All Grade 5-8 students are welcome! Please bring your own indoor shoes.



VIII. CATECHESIS NEWS:

The children who have duly completed and complied all the requirements in the Catechesis for the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be initiated on **May 05, 2024 Sunday at 2:00 PM** Holy Mass in the Cathedral. Parents are encouraged to see the Catechists for more details in the preparation of the activity.

III. ON SPIRITUALITY : Prayer Intention for April



For the role of women: *We pray that the dignity and immense Value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of Discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.*

X. MUSIC MINISTRY: INVITING MORE CHOIR MEMBERS

Schola Cantorum North, the choir at Sacred Heart Cathedral, has decided to sing repertoire for Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass, we are therefore **inviting men** and women ages 16 and up to join our choir. We sing sacred liturgical music written by the great composers including JS Bach, Palestrina and Pachelbel. Our goal is to bring this beautiful music to the faithful, and to reach out to the community with a concert of this music in 2025.

If you wish to try it out, here is what the choir needs:

- Singers who can sing in **tune** and in **time** (i.e in **tempo**)
- Singers who can read music to some extent.
- Singers who are able to attend practices regularly. We practice on Friday evenings from 6:45-8:30 pm from September to late June.
- Singers who will commit to sing at one Mass per month, on the second Sunday of each month at 10:30 am Mass from September to the end of June.
- Singers who are willing to sing in different languages. Pronunciation guide and translation are provided.
- Singers who will commit to practicing on their own between choir practices. Practice recordings are provided.

If you think this is something you would enjoy and would like to try it out, please contact Lucille Stuart at Lstuart@northwestel.net, or call or text me at (867) 334-7700.

XI. SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE: DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE INTERACTIVE LEARNING

Students at St. Francis Secondary will be fasting for 25 hours beginning on Friday, April 19. They will ask sponsors to support them in their efforts and the funds raised will support local and global social justice projects. If you would like to support these students contact Michelle Olejarz, Religious Education Coordinator, michelle.olejarz@yesnet.yk.ca

XII. FAMILY CAMP AT BRAEBURN CAMP

All parishioners are invited to a Family Camp on **June 14-17 at Braeburn Camp**. Please notify the office if you are interested and save the dates. More details will be announced later.

PARISH MINISTRY

1. DAILY HOLY MASS CELEBRATIONS

A. Sunday Masses					B. Daily Masses		C. Special Masses		
5:00 PM Saturday	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 NN	7:00 PM	} Sunday	12:10 NN Monday to Friday	9:00 AM First Saturday of the Month	Weddings and Funerals (by Appointments)	
D. Mass Intentions									
Date	Day	Time	Intentions		Date	Day	Time	Intentions	
Apr 13	Sat	5:00 PM	+ Krystyna Bak		Apr 16	Tue	12:10 PM	+ Fr. Marian Podgórný	
Apr 14	Sun	9:00 AM	All Parishioners		Apr 17	Wed	12:10 PM	+ Madison Heighington	
		10:30 AM	Lilian Fraser-Health/Recovery		Apr 18	Thu	12:10 PM	+Hermenegildo Osita	
		12:00 NN	Marielle Monfette – for Health		Apr 19	Fri	12:10 PM	+ Serge Labelle	
		7:00 PM	Jane Laundry-Health/ Recovery		Apr 20	Sat	12:10 PM	+James Fraser	
Apr 15	Mon	12:10 PM	Ozdrowie Teresa Podgórná & Zofia Milo						

Peacefully do at each moment what at that moment ought to be done. If we do what each moment requires, we will eventually complete God's plan, whatever it is. We can trust God to take care of the master plan when we take care of the details. – Katherine Drexel

E. Requests for Special Intentions during Holy Mass Celebrations (In case you want Mass Cards, they are available.)

You may request to offer the following Mass Intentions: 1. Requiem Mass (Funeral services, Death anniversary/ remembering the souls)
2. Special Milestones (Birthdays, Anniversaries, etc.)

3. Healing Mass (fast recovery from sickness, reconciliation of relationships /ties)
4. Thanksgiving Mass (for most special intentions)

2. SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS AND RITES

(Forms are downloadable from our website. It is also available in our Church's Lobby or at the Rectory Office. SACRAMENTS ARE FREE! Your Thanksgiving Offering for the Sacramental Rites will depend on the generosity of your hearts. God knows the contriteness of your hearts and He will reward you abundantly and accordingly.)

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism Preparations: 1st & 2nd Friday of the Month: @ 7:00PM
Baptism Ceremony: Saturday at 6:00 PM & Sunday at 1:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:45 PM or call for an appointment
Sunday: Before the Mass; **Monday to Friday:** 11:30 AM – 12:00 NN

Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion

Catechesis Classes: October 2023 - May 2024
Sacramental Rites: Spring and Summer 2024

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage Preparations: Spring Time; **starts on April 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM;** **Wedding Ceremony:** Couples' Preference

Sacrament of the Sick:

This is administered once a Year during the **World Day of the Sick (February 11)** during Holy Masses. On other days, this sacrament is administered by special request. Indicate clearly the Name of the Sick, Place, Time and the Contact Person. The priest will administer this sacrament ASAP.

3. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Regular Schedule: Thursday: 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Sacred Heart Cathedral;
We are with you in Praying for your intentions, petitions & all forms of supplications. Drop them in the Prayer Intent Box. Prayer Leaders and Alternates are still needed. **Please contact Katanne Belisle for more details.**



"Consecrate yourselves today to the Lord...that He may bestow upon you a blessing this day". (Exodus 32.29)

The greatest of all [feast days] is Easter Day, the Day of the Lord's Resurrection, because on Easter Day assurance was given to us to obtain eternal and immortal life in soul and body. ~ St. Vicente Ferrer

SIMPLE TRIBUTE TO OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST, BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE SAINTS AND THE FAITHFUL

April 17: Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha – the first North American indigenous woman to be canonized and is often called the Lily of the Mohawks. She had a strong devotion to the Eucharist and a deep concern for others.



April 18: Ferial; Blessed Marie – Anne Blondin – founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Anne. She is very devoted to Christian Education. Some Sister of Saint Anne Are living in Whitehorse and Serving in our Diocese with their active apostolates through spiritual and Community services



IN SPIRIT OF FAMILY SOLIDARITY AND GRATITUDE:

On **April 23, 2024, Father Slawek Szwagrzyk** will be graciously turning **60 Years** of Existence in this beautiful Earth. In unison, let us offer prayers and well-wishes for him that God will be glorified of him and ever bless him to become the best-version-of-himself as what He intend him to be and fulfill his missions. With this very significant event of his life, everyone is cordially invited to come and join us to his celebration on **Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 1:00 PM -5:00 PM at the CYO Hall.** Sidelights of the event is the **Shakespeare play entitled "Julius Caesar", games, snack potluck and of course BIRTHDAY CAKE!!!!...**

Spiritual Knowledge From Within

“Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” [Luke 24:38–39](#)

Imagine if Jesus appeared to you. What if He showed you the wounds in His hands and feet and invited you to touch Him so as to believe. Would you believe? Most likely you would, to a certain extent. It would be the beginning of an experience that could be life-changing, just as it was for these disciples. Our Lord’s appearance to the disciples led to their transformation from men who were confused and doubtful to men who were filled with joy and zeal. Eventually, they would go forth preaching about Jesus as witnesses to His death and Resurrection with courage and with a desire that all who heard them would turn to Jesus as their Savior.

In the first reading of today’s Mass, Saint Peter is recorded as doing this very thing. After healing a crippled man at the gate of the Temple, a crowd gathered in amazement and Peter preached to them about Jesus. He concluded His sermon by saying, “God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”

Today, we are entrusted with the same mission given to our Lord’s disciples, and we must preach with the same zeal, courage and conviction with which they preached. First, we must become as certain as they were about Jesus’ triumph over sin and death. We must turn from all sin and believe that the fullness of life is found only in Christ Jesus. But then we must commit ourselves to the proclamation of this faith with every fiber of our being.

Begin by considering how deeply you believe in Jesus as the Savior of the World. Though it might be tempting to think that having Jesus appear to you in person would help deepen your faith in Him, the truth is that the first disciples were not primarily convinced because of the physical appearances of Jesus. Rather, this gift came primarily through the spiritual touching of their minds. After appearing to the disciples physically, we read that Jesus “opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.” This was what convinced them more than anything—the spiritual gift of understanding. And that gift is offered to you today, just as it was to the first followers of Jesus.

Saint Thomas Aquinas explains that the spiritual gift of understanding is a gift that reveals to us the very essence of God. He explains that it is a much deeper form of knowledge than that which is obtained through our five senses. Thus, simply seeing something with our eyes, touching it or hearing it is not nearly as convincing as the knowledge obtained through the spiritual gift of understanding. The gift of understanding enables us to “read inwardly” and to penetrate the very essence of something. For that reason, the physical appearance of Jesus might have been the first step toward believing, but it wasn’t until these same disciples encountered our Lord within their souls, perceiving the very essence of His Resurrection inwardly, that they were forever changed. Only this form of knowledge could then convince them to go forth and proclaim the message of salvation.

Reflect, today, upon your own knowledge of Jesus and the transforming power of His Resurrection in your life. Has God spoken to you within the depths of your soul? Have you perceived this inward knowledge and had your mind opened? Listen attentively to our Lord—not just with your ears but primarily with your spirit. It is there, within you, that you, like the first disciples, will come to know and believe in the life, death and resurrection of Christ so that you can then go forth empowered to proclaim these truths to others.

My revealing Lord, You showed Yourself to Your disciples not only physically but spiritually, revealing Your very essence to them interiorly. Please bestow this gift upon me, dear Lord. May I come to know You and believe in You with all my heart. As I do, please use me as an instrument of Your mercy to others. Jesus, I trust in You. (My Catholic Life)

Specially meant for us all!

With sincere thanks and appreciation to all Parishioners and Visitors to our Sacred Heart Parish especially the Choir Groups, the Readers, the Donors of Flowers, and all those who in one way or another have contributed much in any form, kind and financial offerings for the glorious success of our celebration of the Holy Week, the Divine Mercy Sunday and Consecration of the Faithful of the Diocese of Whitehorse to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Equally the same appreciation and thanks for all who have extended their time, efforts and resources during the General Cleaning of the CYO Hall last April 13, 2024. God ever bless us always.

It is our humble pleasure to serve you in cooperation with our **Rector, Fr. Slawek** and our **Diocese Bishop, Msgr. Vila**.

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