

## Parish News

### MEETINGS

**Parish Pastoral Council**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

**Finance Committee**  
As Announced

**Knights of Columbus**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

**Youth Meetings**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday (5 pm to 7:30 pm)

**Ladies Group**  
As Announced

### Coming Events at St. Anne's

**Wed. April 5 - Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
3:30 pm - Catechism Children & Youth Group  
6:30 pm - Open to All

**Thursdays, April 6** - St. Anne's Church Hall ( last Thursday)  
Soup & Sandwiches lunch from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

**Fridays During Lent** - 6.30 pm St. Anne's Church  
Way of the Cross

**Tues. April 11 - Chrism Mass at St. Paul Diocese**  
Anyone interested in coming on the bus, contact Lorraine 674-7742

**Fri. April 21** - St. Anne's Church Hall

Crib Tournament @ 7:00 pm

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASS TIMES ST ANNE'S, BARRHEAD AND ST. JOHN'S, SWAN HILLS

<i>Palm Sunday</i>	April 9	9:30 am	<i>Blessing of Palms &amp; Holy Eucharist</i>
<i>St. Paul</i>	April 11	7:00 pm	Chrism Mass
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	April 13	7:00 pm 9 pm to 12	The Lord's supper Midnight Adoration
<i>Good Friday</i>	April 14	10:00 am 3:00 pm  12:15 pm	Outdoor Way of the Cross The Passion of the Lord  Way of the Cross & The Passion of the Lord - Swan Hills
<i>Holy Saturday</i>	April 15	11:00 am 9:00 pm	Blessing of the Food Easter Vigil
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	April 16	10:30 am 2:00 pm	Holy Eucharist St. John Swan Hills

**Holy Thursday:** Attention all ladies of St. Anne's Parish who wish to spend quiet time in prayer before the Lord, you are invited to join together in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday from 10 to 11pm.



### MASS TIMES AND INFORMATION

**St. Anne's Parish, Barrhead**

Saturday: 7:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:30 am

**St. John the Evangelist, Swan Hills**

Sunday: 1:00 pm

**St. John Vianney, Fort Assiniboine**

Last Wed. of the month 7pm

#### Office Hours

Monday to Thursday:  
9:00 am to 1:30 pm

#### Pastor

Fr. Johnny IMS  
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#### Secretary

Cristina Daclis-Cay

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### 5th Sunday of Lent April 2, 2017

"Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength."

#### First reading Ez. 37.12-14

The Lord promises to bring God's people back to their homeland. He will be with them and they will know him.

#### Second reading Rom. 8.8-11

The followers of Jesus live in the spirit of God. The same spirit who brought Jesus back to life will bring mortal bodies to life since God's Spirit dwells in them.

#### Gospel Jn. 11.1-45

Lazarus, the brother of Martha and Mary, died and was buried. When Jesus came, he assured them that he was the resurrection and the life. Jesus gave life back to Lazarus.

### JESUS, THE RESURRECTION AND LIFE

Of all the miracles Jesus did, the raising of Lazarus ranks as the most astonishing to the people of his time. Traditional Jewish belief had it that the soul of a dead person somehow remains with the body for three days. After three days the soul departs finally from the body never to return, and that is when corruption sets in. So for them, this miracle is a challenge never to give up hope even in the hopeless situations. It is never too late for God to revive and revitalise a person, a church or a nation. But first we must learn to cooperate with God. We cooperate with God through our practical obedience and doing God's will. To effect the miracle, Jesus issues three commands and all of them are obeyed to the letter. That is how the miracle happens. Could Jesus have not done all these with a command? He could have. But he wanted human cooperation.

Many Christian individuals and communities today have fallen victim to the death of sin. Many are already in the tomb of hopelessness and decay, in the bondage of sinful habits and attitudes. Nothing short of a miracle can bring us back to life in Christ. Jesus is ready for the miracle. Are we ready to cooperate with him for the miracle by rolling away the stone between us and the light of Christ's face, to take the first step to come out of the place of death and to unbind (i.e. forgive) one another and let them go free?

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### SACRAMENTS

#### Baptism

Please contact the office at 780-674-2662 to register for Baptism.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr. Johnny will be available for the Sacrament an hour before the weekend Masses or call the office for appointment.

#### Marriage

Please contact the office to make an appointment with Fr. Johnny.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office to arrange for anointing of the sick.

### LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

#### BARRHEAD

General	Children
\$1,961.36	\$17.50

#### SWAN HILLS

General
\$135.00

### Mass Times, Dates and Intentions April 3 to April 9, 2017

**Monday, April 3 - St. Anne's Church** From  
9:30 am Lisa Kane Bernie Scheck

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6:30 pm Syro Malabar

**Tuesday, April 4 - St. Anne's Church**  
9:30 am Bert Proft (RIP) Edith Proft

**Wednesday, April 5- Keir Care Centre**  
10:00 am Mary Thompson (RIP) Knights of Columbus

**Thursday, April 6- Hill Crest Lodge**  
9:30 am Annette Driessen (SI) Driessen Family

**Friday, April 7 - St. Anne's Church Lodge**  
9:00 am Bruce Arnold (RIP) Sonja Steinraths

**Saturday, April 8 - St. Anne's Church**  
7:00 pm Anna Giovanni (RIP) Pina Granger

**Sunday, April 9- St. Anne's Catholic Church**  
9:30 am All Parishioners

#### **St. John the Evangelist (Swan Hills)**

**Sunday, April 9, 2017**  
1:00 pm

#### **St. John Vianney, Fort Assiniboine**

**Wednesday, April 26, 2017**  
7:00 pm Mass

#### **Altar Server Meeting Schedule:**

Wed. April 12 @ 5:00 pm. Practice for Holy Week, Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil). For details pls contact Lorraine Badry 674-7742.

**\*\*Effective March 2017**, The Parish Pastoral Council approved and revised St. Anne's Facility Usage Policy and Rates. For more information, please contact our office.

## Parish News

### Commissariat of the Holy Land in Canada

#### Good Friday Pontifical Collection on April 14, 2017 for the benefit of the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday April 14, 2017. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population. With gratitude,  
Father Gilles Bourdeau, ofm  
*Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada*

**Holy Week Programs on TV.** The National Catholic Mission this year is inspired by the writings and teachings of Fr. Henri Nouwen. Join Sr. Sue Mosteller and Fr. Ron Rolheiser for this two part Mission that will be broadcast during Holy Week on **Salt + Light TV** (April 11 & 12) and on **VisionTV** (April 10 & 11). Each part of the Mission will be rebroadcast the following day following the Daily TV Mass. For more information e-mail the NCBC at [info@ncbc.ca](mailto:info@ncbc.ca), call them toll-free at 1-888-383-6277 or visit [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com)

#### **Save the Date: Summertime Blast VBS 2017:**

Join the club (July 24<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup>) and meet with friends to learn initiative. Join your friends and build a great clubhouse and have a lot of back yard fun. Music, games, cool crafts and yummy snacks are the order of the day. Learn BIG IDEAS by visiting Jesus in the Eucharist. He knows what we need to help others. To register call Dawn Paquette at 780-785-4118.

**St. Anne's Garage Sale** this coming June - Remember when you're doing your cleaning this Spring to save items for the sale. Thank you for your support!

### PARISH CONTACTS

#### Parish Council

Jeannine Kowalski  
780-674-5976

#### Finance Committee

Michele Steele (780-674-3019)

#### Liturgical Ministry / RCIA

Judy Lefebvre (780-674-3805)

#### Altar Servers

Ellen Mourits (780-674-9415)

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Rose Petrushik (674-2576)

#### Catechism

Suzanne Koopman (674-5306)

#### Parish Choir

Chris Mast (780-674-2607)

#### Music Ministry / Decorating

Brenda Dahlseide  
(780-674-4663)

#### Youth Group

Monica Waggoner (674-0637)

#### Knights of Columbus

Mike Maykut (780-305-5053)

#### Prayer Chain

Vicky Properzi (780-674-3258)  
Sharon Espeseth (674-2461)

#### Hill Crest Bingo

Sandra Hein (780-674-3943)

#### Meals on Wheels

Marie Menshik (780-674-3094)

#### Funeral Lunches / Ladies Group

Yvonne Fluet (780-674-3467)

#### St. Anne's Cemetery

Ed Robinson (674-3276)

#### Maintenance

Greg Gramlich (780-674-3520)

#### Communion to the Sick

Lorne Zallas (780-584-2687)