

## 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> Thursday (5 pm to 7:30 pm)

**Ladies Group**  
As Announced

### CHUCKLE CORNER

The story goes that a certain court jester went too far one day and insulted his king. The king became so infuriated that he sentenced the jester to be executed. His court prayed to the king to have mercy for this man who had served him well for so many years. After a time, the king relented only enough to give the jester his "choice" as to how he would like to die. True to form, the jester replied, "If it's all the same to you my Lord, I'd like to die of old age."

### Coming Events at St. Anne's

**April 26 -, May 26 - St. Anne's Church**

Fr. Johnny will be on vacation. Fr. Edmond Croteau will be here in his absence.

**Thursday, May 11 - St. Anne's Church Hall**

7:00 pm PPC Meeting

**Sunday, May 14 - St Anne's - St. Anne's Church Hall**

After Mass Mother's Day Breakfast  
Everyone is Welcome!

**Wed, May 31 - St Anne's Church**

Rosary with Procession

**Friday & Saturday, June 2-3 - St. Anne's Church Hall**

**Annual Garage Sale**

### CENTENARY OF FATIMA APPARITIONS

#### First visit of the Angel

In 1916, as if in preparation for the Visits of Our Lady, the three children were graced with three visits by an Angel. The children were tending their sheep on the east side of the Cabeço, (a small hill about 5 minutes' walk from their village called Aljustrel, which is a hamlet of Fatima), when a strong wind began to shake the trees. A figure appeared above the olive trees and as it came closer Lucy describes: "It was a young man, about fourteen ... whiter than snow, transparent as crystal when the sun shines through it, and of great beauty."

The young man spoke: "Do not be afraid! I am the Angel of Peace. Pray with me."

Kneeling on the ground, he bowed down until his forehead reached the ground. The children did the same. Then he led them in this prayer three times: "My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask pardon of Thee for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee!"



### 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:  
8:30 am to 1:00 pm

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**2nd Sunday of Easter (or Divine Mercy)**  
April 23, 2017

*"Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia."*

#### 1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47

The faithful lived a common life, sharing all their goods. The apostles worked many miracles. They prayed together and broke bread. Daily their numbers increased.

#### 2nd Reading: 1 Pet. 1.3-9

God, our Father, has given us a new hope in Jesus, a birthright kept in heaven. Although there may be suffering, this is at the same time a cause for rejoicing. Faith in Jesus will bring salvation.

#### Gospel: Jn.20. 19-31

Jesus appears to the disciples, coming through locked doors. He shows them his hands and side. He greets them in peace and gives them the power to forgive sin. A week later Jesus appears again directly to Thomas who now professes his belief.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The celebration of the Divine Mercy Sunday is an invitation to reflect on the mercy of God we have received in our personal lives abundantly. It is also a day when we are reminded that we are called to share that mercy with others. We are called to be agents of God's mercy and reconciliation. The gospel passage from John (20: 19-23) describes how Jesus entrusted to the apostles His mission of preaching the "Good News" of God's love, mercy, forgiveness and salvation. It teaches us that Jesus uses the Church as the earthly means of continuing His mission. The Church becomes Christ's true messenger only when it perfectly loves and obeys Him. The risen Lord gives the apostles the power of imparting God's mercy to sinners through the gift of forgiving sins from God's treasury of mercy. One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to receive Divine Mercy. The Gospel command, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," demands that we show mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God's mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. It is mainly through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that we practice mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God's merciful judgment.

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### SACRAMENTS

#### Baptisms

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.

### Mass Times, Dates and Intentions

April 24 to April 23, 2017

**Monday, April 24 - St. Anne's Church** From

**No Mass**

**Tuesday, April 25 - St. Anne's Church**

**7:00 pm** Cameron Scheck Bernie Scheck

**Wednesday, April 26 - Fort Assiniboine Church**

**7:00 pm** **No Mass**

**Thursday, April 26 - Hillcrest Lodge**

**9:30 am** **No Mass**

**Friday, April 27 - St. Anne's Church**

**9:00 am** **No Mass**

**Saturday, April 28 - St. Anne's Church**

**7:00 pm** Deanna Lazzer Ross Adelman

**Sunday, April 29 - St. Anne's**

**9:30 am** All Parishoners

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

**Sunday, April 29, 2016**

**1:00 pm**

**\*Mass at St. John Vianney, Fort Assiniboine:  
Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 7:00 pm \***

**Prayer Chain Notice:** It is time to update our prayer chain list. If anyone would like to become a prayer partner with us or have your name removed from the list, please contact Theresa Cherwonka @ 780-674-5613 or Dorothy Zallas @780-584-2687.

### LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

#### BARRHEAD

**General** **Children**

\$ 3,041.95 \$19.05

**Special Donations:** \$1,368.00

#### SWAN HILLS

**General**

\$ 210.00

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### Retreat for all catechism children

Next week, April 26<sup>th</sup>, is an early dismissal Wednesday. There will be a retreat for all catechism children, focused on the sacraments, from 2:30 pm until 5pm.

**1st Communion and Confirmation:** These Holy Sacraments will take place on Sunday June 18, with Bishop Paul officiating. We have one student this year and he will be introduced to the Parish this weekend. You will find his picture on the bulletin board. He will need your prayers as he prepares for the sacraments. Please feel free to write down your name under his picture.

### Ladies Group New Elected Officer:

Thanks to the 20 ladies who attended our meeting on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. The new executive is Yvonne Fluet, Chair; Lorna Kallal, Vice-Chair, Judy Lefebvre, Secretary; Marcia Moon, Treasurer. It looks like we are well on our way to a fresh start.

### 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

**Marriage Enrichment:** *Beloved* is an enrichment activity that explores the spiritual, emotional, and practical aspects of the sacrament of marriage through Scripture, Tradition, and Church teaching. Join us for the sessions on Tuesday evenings starting on May 2. Thought-provoking questions for 5 sessions are posted on St. Anne's website

**St. Anne's Garage Sale** this coming June! - Remember when you're doing your cleaning this Spring to save items for the sale. Donations accepted are gently used items, plants and perennials. **No clothing, electronics such as TVs, computers, phones, etc.** Thank you for your support.

### PARISH CONTACTS

#### Parish Council

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#### Finance Committee

Michelle Steele ( 674-3019)

#### Sacristan

Marie-D Stoby (780-967-4045)

#### Liturgical Ministry / RCIA

Judy Lefebvre (780-674-3805)

#### Altar Servers

Lorraine Badry (780-674-7742)

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Rose Petruchik (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

Teresa Cherwonka ( 674-5613)  
Dorothy Zallas ( 780-584-2687)

#### Hillcrest 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  
Richard Rau ( 305-8367)

#### Maintenance

Greg Gramlich (780-674-3520)

#### Communion to the Sick

Lorne Zallas ( 780-584-2687)