

MEETINGS

Parish Pastoral Council

2nd Thursday

Knights of Columbus

3rd Thursday

Youth Meetings

Youth Group - TBA

Chuckle Corner

A small town had three churches: Presbyterian, Methodist, and Catholic. All three had a serious problem with squirrels in the church building and each, in its own fashion, had a meeting to deal with the problem.

The Presbyterians decided that it was predestined that squirrels be in the church and that they would just have to live with them.

The Methodists decided they should deal with the squirrels lovingly in the style of Charles Wesley. They humanely trapped them and released them in a park at the edge of town. Within 3 days, they were all back in the church.

The Catholics had the best solution. They baptized and confirmed the squirrels. Now they only see them at Christmas and Easter.

Coming Events at St. Anne's

Saturday, January 4, 2025
After Saturday Mass – Fellowship coffee

Sunday, Jan 5 –
After Sunday Mass - Fellowship Coffee

Wednesday, January 8
Catechism and Youth Group - resume

Thursday, January 9
7:00 pm RCIA resume

Thursday, January 9
7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

January 27 to February 21 2025
Fr. Francis' vacation

Call to Service

*Stewardship is a beautiful expression of discipleship! Stewardship is an opportunity to offer our time, talents and treasures to bring life to our parish! **Learn more.***

VOLUNTEERS

Response to our monthly Fellowship Coffee and Continental Breakfast gatherings has been great! Everyone is very happy to connect with friends and church family for an hour after Mass. To keep this going, we need help. If you can volunteer to organize it once during the year, you will be doing a great service for many parishioners who look forward to it! Please contact the Office (780-674-2662) or Alex Marinutti (780-232-8090) if you can help.

Maintenance Volunteers Needed for 2025

Our church needs more maintenance volunteers to keep up with the repairs all year round. If you would like to help, please contact Josh Gervais 780 916 7893.



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

Office Hours

*Tuesday to Thursday:
9:00 am to 3:00 pm*

Pastor

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MISSION: ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, SWAN HILLS

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 5, 2025

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12



When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Parish New

Baptism

Please contact the Office at 780-674-2662 to register for Baptism course offered only in January, May, or September.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr. Francis Khai Phan 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. Francis Khai Phan.

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office to arrange for anointing of the sick.

LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS



ST. ANNE'S

General \$4,016

Christmas offering \$ 4,930

Children: \$29.95

Knights of Columbus: 10, 000

SWAN HILLS

General \$ 185.00

Christmas offering \$ 705.00

Thank you for your Generosity!

Mass Times, Date and Intentions
January 6 to January 12 2025

Monday, January 6 – St. Anne's

No Mass

Tuesday, January 7 – St. Anne's

7:00 pm Alfredo & Cristina Cay Family
(Blessing)

Wednesday, January 8 – Ft. Assiniboine

7:00 pm All Parishioners

Thursday, January 9 – Hill Crest

9:30 am All Parishioners

Friday, January 10 – St. Anne's

9:00 am Jarmila Adamkova (RIP) George

Saturday, January 11 – St. Anne's

7:00 pm All Parishioners

Sunday, January 12 – St. Anne's

9:30 am Alex Fluet (RIP) Esch Family

St. John the Evangelist (Swan Hills)

Sunday, January 12, 2025

1:00 pm Kaitlyn Roach Sharon Slager
(Blessing)

UPDATE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

To reduce the number of undeliverable tax receipts in the new year (and the associated cost to your Parish) please notify us of any changes to your MAILING ADDRESS, email: officebarrheadsta@dostp.ca or phone number 780 674 2662 and we'll make the necessary updates.

Baptism Course: If you wish to have your child baptized in the Catholic Faith you must first attend a baptism preparation course. The next course will be on January 2025. Those who are expecting babies within the next six months are also welcome.

Please note: Baptism course offered only in January, May, and September.

Parish News

The Year of the Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

The Holy Father has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, something which happens every 25 years. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope."

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the
whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen



Charitable Donation Extension - message from the Diocese of St. Paul: Due to the Canada Post strike, the government has extended the 2024 charitable tax deadline to February 28, 2025. Please refer to the link below for more information. Essentially, donors can donate towards the 2024 calendar year up to February 28, 2025. Additionally, any donations received in 2025 for 2024 will need to be clearly indicated on the donation envelope/cheque or e-transfer and clearly reported to the finance department to ensure the donation is recorded in the proper fiscal year. All donations received in 2025 for 2024 will be shown in the financial reports as a December 2024 donation. **LINK:** <https://www.canada.ca/en/departement-finance/news/2024/12/government-of-canada-announces-extension>

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Communion to the Sick

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