

MEETINGS

Parish Pastoral Council

2nd Thursday

Knights of Columbus

3rd Thursday

Youth Meetings

Youth Group - TBA

CHUCKLE CORNER

Before performing a Baptism, the priest approached the young father and said solemnly, "Baptism is a serious step. Are you prepared for it?" "I think so," the man replied. "My wife has made appetizers and we have a caterer coming to provide plenty of cookies and cakes for all of our guests."

"I don't mean that," the priest responded. "I mean, are you prepared spiritually?" "Oh, sure," came the reply. "I've got a keg of beer and a case of whiskey."



Coming Events at St. Anne's

Saturday, March 1

Fellowship coffee after evening Mass

Sunday, March 2

10:45 am Continental breakfast

Wednesday, March 5

Ash Wednesday – details to follow

Lenten Mission – details to follow

March 1, April 1 and April 2



JUBILEE 2025...

Love hopes all things...

*Family prayer and the Sacraments as a source of hope
Prayer is a way of inviting Christ to dwell with in our hearts and homes.*

Fostering a life of prayer in our families deepens our awareness of God's presence in our daily lives. When we allow God to guide us, we grow in our ability to choose the true, the good and the beautiful, which in turn makes us more open to receiving the gift of hope. "Hope is nurtured by prayer. Prayer preserves and renews hope. It helps fan the spark of hope into flame." "Baptism is the beginning of hope, that hope — of God, and we will be able to pass on to future generations the meaning of life."

Each Sacrament nourishes within us the life of Christ, the source of all hope.

Through our reception of the Sacraments, we receive grace to walk this pilgrimage of life with hopeful expectation that Love awaits us in the Kingdom of Heaven.

St. Anne's Parish

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MISSION: ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, SWAN HILLS

February 23, 2025

7th Sunday In Ordinary Time

"God wills that all his gifts should come to us through Mary"



OUR LADY'S SATURDAY

To dedicate Saturday in honor of Mary is an ancient custom. It is based on a legendary account that Jesus appeared to Mary on the Saturday, the day after His death. He did so to reward her for her steadfast faith in His divinity, which did not waver under the Cross.

"To whoever embraces this devotion, I promise salvation."

Our world faces an unprecedented political, economic, social, moral, and spiritual crisis for which there is no human solution. God loves us and foresaw these times. In 1917, He sent the Blessed Virgin Mary to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal with Heaven's solution. The prophecies of Our Lady of Fatima are being realized in our times. Russia has spread her errors throughout the world. The wars of the past century have caused more death and destruction than all the wars in previous centuries combined. The Church has been terribly persecuted from without and within. The threat of the annihilation of nations looms over us as a realistic prospect.

To date, Our Lady of Fatima's requests have not been fulfilled. While the Consecration of Russia can only be accomplished by the Pope in union with the world's Catholic bishops, all of us can practice the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays. The First Saturday Devotion is an essential element in establishing in the world devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Every Catholic should learn, practice, and promote this devotion.



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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Parish News

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 \$ 2210.43

Vigil \$ 44.00

Children: \$14.35

SWAN HILLS

General \$ 365.00

Thank you for your Generosity!

Mass Times, Date and Intentions February 24 to March 2 2025

Monday, February 24– St. Anne's

No Mass

Tuesday, February 25– St. Anne's

7:00 pm All Parishioners

Wednesday, February 26– St. Anne's

9:00 am Alexander Fluet (RIP) Esch family

Thursday, February 27– St. Anne's

9:00 am All Parishioners

Friday, February 28 – St. Anne's

9:00 am Dorothy Heisler (RIP) Theresa Cherwonka

Saturday, March 1 – St. Anne's

9:00 am All Parishioners

7:00 pm James Kremp (RIP) Susan Kremp

Sunday, March 2 – St. Anne's

9:30 am Hank Espeseth (RIP) Sharon Espeseth

St. John the Evangelist (Swan Hills)

Sunday, March 2 2025

1:00 pm All Parishioners

Message by the Most Rev. William McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary praying for the health and recovery of Pope Francis.

As President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB), I wish to assure the faithful of Canada that I am united with my brother Bishops in praying for the full recovery of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, as he continues to lead the Church with courage and a generosity of spirit.

I invite individuals, families, parishes, and all Catholic movements and associations in Canada to join their local Bishops in lifting up Pope Francis in their prayers and intentions.

May the Lord, through Our Lady's powerful intercession, grant him renewed strength, health, and energy in his vocation to serve the Church as the Successor of Peter and the Vicar of Christ on earth.

Parish News

HOW TO PREPARE FOR LENT—BEFORE IT ARRIVES

Don't blink. Lent will be here before you know it. Isn't that how it always is? The Christmas season is behind us and it feels like Ordinary Time has only just begun. But suddenly it's Ash Wednesday, and we're scrambling to decide what we're doing for Lent and wondering whether our choice of penance is too hard or too easy. This year, don't let Lent take you by surprise—have your plan in place. Before Ash Wednesday catches you unawares, make a point of sitting down—at the kitchen table, or at the chapel—and give some thought to how you want to spend this Lent. If you have no idea where to begin, rest assured: there is a solid foundation to work from. The Church doesn't leave us to figure things out ourselves. There are three holy practices which Catholics are called to embrace in penitential seasons such as Lent and Advent. These three practices are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. When you make your Lenten plan, choose something specific from each category—and you're set for a grace-filled journey to Easter.

1. Prayer
2. Fasting
3. Almsgiving

ANNUAL MEETING: Our Annual meeting is fast approaching. Merv Boser is busy working on it. With your help, we could make it easier for him to finish all his work by submitting your report.

Committee Reports: All reports for the Annual meeting must be submitted to officebarrheadsta@dostp.ca by March 2. Your cooperation is very much appreciated. Thank you in advance.

UPDATE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER:

Please notify us at 780-674-2662 or officebarrheadsta@dostp.ca of any changes to your mailing address, email & phone number and we'll make the necessary updates.

**“Lenten Parish Mission March 31, April 1 & 2, 2025
– Details to follow!”**

PARISH CONTACTS

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Anthony Oswald (674-4412)

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