

MEETINGS

Parish Pastoral Council

2nd Thursday

Knights of Columbus

3rd Thursday

Youth Meetings

Youth Group - TBA

Coming Events at St. Anne's

Saturday January 3

Fellowship coffee after 7 pm Mass

"Please bring a few tasty morsels/ baked goodies (if you're able) to share. Thank you!"

Sunday, January 4

Fellowship coffee after Sunday Mass

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Sunday, January 11 & 25

10:00 am Catechism

CHUCKLE CORNER

A sense of humor is a gift from God. Laughter unites us. Funny things help us get through the humdrum of life. Without humor this would be a lot harder.

"A priest was driving and gets stopped for speeding. The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car. He says, "Father, have you been drinking?" "Just water," says the priest, fingers crossed.

The trooper says, "Then why do I smell wine?" The priest looks at the bottle and says, "Praise be to God! He's done it again!"



*May your family have good health, lots of happiness, and a great New Year ahead.
God Bless us All!*



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*

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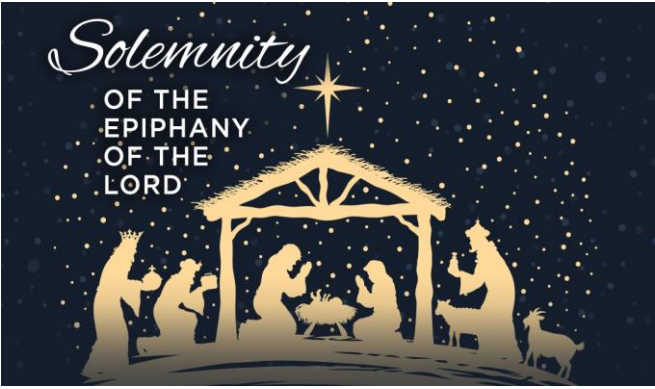
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MISSION: ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, SWAN HILLS

**January 4 2026
Epiphany Of The Lord**

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord.



The Gospel of today's feast, is from the Gospel of Matthew 2:1-12.

The Magi are the central personages in today's feast of Epiphany. They were pagans who did not know the true God of the Jews. Yet that true God revealed to them that the King he had promised to the Jews had come. The expected Prince was born. They came to Jerusalem, the capital of Judah, expecting, of course, to find the city and the whole country rejoicing. Instead they found suspicion and hatred in the reigning king—a hatred which in a few days turned to murder. Among the religious leaders they found knowledge of their past history, but utter indifference as regards the present and the future. These leaders knew the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem; they must have realized that the Magi were very sure of the truth revealed to them—they would not have come such a long journey on a "fool's errand." In spite of that, the thought of going to Bethlehem with the Magi never entered their minds. These were the leaders who some years later refused to listen to Christ and in spite of his miracles refused to admit his claim that he was not only the promised Messiah, but the true Son of God. These were men who rejected him because he had mercy on sinners, and spoke of a future life. What they wanted from their Messiah was political power and earthly freedom and prosperity. Like Herod they ended with murder—the crucifixion of the "King of the Jews." The pagan king was not much worse than the indifferent leaders of God's Chosen People. Let us resolve to make the Magi our models, to follow them to Bethlehem and offer Christ all that we have and are.

Parish News

Baptism

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

Mass Times, Date and Intentions January 5 to January 11 2026

Monday, January 5 – St. Anne's

No Mass

Tuesday, January 6– St. Annes

7:00 pm Allen Potter (RIP) Bonnie Schulte

Wednesday, January 7 – Keir Care

10:00 am Mary Thompson (RIP) Knights

Thursday, January 8– Hill crest

9:30 am

Friday, January 9 – St. Anne's

9:00 am Wilfred Borle (RIP) Borle Family

Saturday, January 10 – St. Anne's

7:00 pm Jarmila Adamkova (RIP) George Adamek

Sunday, January 11 – St. Anne's

9:30 am Deanna & Ernie Lazzer (RIP) Sharon Espeseth

St. John the Evangelist (Swan Hills)

Sunday, January 11, 2025

1:00 pm

LAST WEEK DONATIONS

ST. ANNE'S

General \$ 4,909.15
Christmas Offering: 12,775
Children \$ 14.25
Vigil \$75.00

SWAN HILLS

General \$ 125.00
Christmas Offering \$ 210.00

*Your Financial Support is
Greatly Appreciated!*

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH FUNDRAISING!

St. Anne's regular operational costs have increased, and we need help to maintain utilities. Our fundraisers were well supported and very successful, and we need to keep that momentum going! If you have lots of fun-filled ideas and enjoy raising money, please join St. Anne's Fundraising Committee. The objective is to work on three or four projects a year.

Contact Parish Council if you're willing to lend a hand!

ST ANNE'S COLUMBARIUM

Purchasing a Niche in a Columbarium, is now available! All you need to know about columbaria and their prices, please contact the office for more information; # 780 674 2662. E: officebarrheadsta@dostp.ca

Parish News

Dear Parishioners,

As we stand at the threshold of a New Year, the Church invites us to begin this journey in the loving presence of Mary, the mother of God.

As we cross from old year to new, let us entrust everything to God. At the final General Audience of 2025, Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to give thanks for the past, seek forgiveness, and entrust the journey ahead to God's mercy.

WINTER 2026 PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSION

Diocese of Victoria Pastoral Care Training Winter 2026

"God calls us to touch the lives of our aging, lonely, ill, palliative and dying sisters and brothers with accompaniment, kindness and compassion as the hands and face of Christ. In these sessions, you learn basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ." – Most Reverend Gary Gordon, Bishop of Victoria

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online this winter. The training is open to spouse caregivers, family members who care for their loved ones, clergy and religious, care aides and others in the health industry, and anyone who is personally drawn to learn basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ.

Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on January 24 and running until March 28, 2026 (with no session on March 7). Missed session can be made-up, and a Certificate of Completion is provided to those who complete all nine sessions. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or smart phone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection, and access to **Zoom**. Please register through your parish by January 13, 2026. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

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