

ST. MARY'S: ST. PATRICK'S: ST. EDMUNDS: HORSE LAKE RESERVE

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NATIVITY OF THE LORD, December 25, 2022



MASS TIMES: SUNDAY MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH Sunday 11AM and 6:30PM

St. Mary's – Beaverlodge
Weekday Mass: Monday –Saturday: 9:00 AM
Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday immediately after Mass
Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM
First Saturday of the Month: 9:00 AM
Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard after all Masses and anytime upon request.
Rosary for Peace ~ The CWL invites all to join them in the recitation of the Rosary on every Tuesday after the 9 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church
Meditation: Every Wednesday at 4:30 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church

School Mass To be announced monthly.

St. Edmund's – Hythe 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays: 9:00 AM 2nd and 4th Sunday Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 4:30 PM **St. Edmund's Church prays the Rosary every Thursday afternoon at 4:00pm.** All are welcome.

St. Patrick's – Rio Grande 2nd & 4th Sundays: 9:00 AM 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sunday Mass will be Celebrated on Saturday at 7:30 PM

Parish Pastoral Council: January, March, May, September, November on the 2nd Tuesday of these months – 5 PM Parish Finance Council: As announced Catholic Women's League: Beaverlodge: 1st Wednesday – 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus: 3rd Saturday – 2:00 PM

| OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS Monday: St. Stephen, first martyr Tuesday: St. John, apostle Wednesday: The Holy Innocents, martyrs Thursday: The Holy Family Friday: St. Eugene Saturday: St. Sylvester I, NEW YEAR'S EVE | BAPTISM: Please contact the rectory for baptismal preparations and to set a date. MARRIAGES: Please contact the rectory to make arrangements and to begin marriage preparation at least six months prior to the desired date. OCIA AND ANY OTHER SACRAMENTS: Please contact the Parish office at 780.354.2415 or Email: stmarys1@telus.net |
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| Father's Footsteps: | November 2022 Collections |
| Father's footsteps: Dec. 26 - Dec. 31, 2022 Daily Rosary at 8:30AM. Mass at 9:00AM Monday Dec 26: Mass at 9:00 AM Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighboring communities. RCIA – Sacramental Preparation | Ordinary Collection: \$3867.27 PAD: \$2301 Total Revenue: \$6168.27 Total Expense: \$13141.27 Net Income: -\$6973.07 YTD Ordinary Collection: \$66514.30 YTD Total Other Revenue: \$29712.71 |
| Tuesday Dec 27: Mass at 9:00AM. Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighboring communities Theology of the Body, Rio – Grande Meeting Wednesday Dec 28: Mass at 9:00AM | YTD Total Revenue: \$96227.01 YTD Net Income: -\$30652.22 Thank you for your generosity and commitment to your church |
| Ministry Outreach Hythe Continuing Care at 10:00AM. Hythe Pioneer's Home at 12:20Noon Visits to Housebound and sick – Horselake First Nation Ministry Outreach - Pearson Home, Hythe Thursday Dec 29: Mass at 9:00AM Ministry Outreach Rio-Grande Ministry Outreach, Beaverodge Hospital and neighbouring communities Friday Dec 30: Mass at 9:00AM followed by Eucharistic adoration Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighboring | RetreatA day of reflection for men and women who are experiencing loss and griefSaturday, January 21, 2023, St. Mary's Church Hall, Beaverlodge Maximum Capacity of 15 Lunch and refreshments will be provided Call Parish office to register 780.354.2415 More information to follow |
| communities Sacramental preparation RCIA Sacramental preparation Saturday Dec 31: Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00AM followed by Eucharistic adoration till 10:30AM. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary's 8:00AM – | January's Potluck will take place on January 15, 2023 Immediately after the 11AM Mass Please Join us for food and fellowship! |
| 8:30AM. 8:30AM Rosary. Men's prayer Group 2:30PM – 3:30PM. New Year Eve Mass at St. Patrick's Rio Grande 5:30PM. Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father will be available for | Youth Mass January 15 th 2023. St. Mary's Church at 11AM. Please join us afterwards for Parish Potluck! |
| confessions on weekdays half an hour before Mass and upon request. If there is a requirement Sunday's after Mass. Holy Communion to the sick and house bond, Blessings: Available anytime upon request You are welcome to send us prayer request so that we can place your prayer intention at the feet of the Lord and pray as a community. | CWL Membership Fees for 2023 are now due amount is 39.50 (First increase in over 10 years) Please see Jeannine to pay your dues. CWL's next meeting is on January 14, 2023 at 10am in the church meeting room |



Altar Flowers for the Christmas season were donated by:

Bernice Clease: In memory of her Mom and Dad & In thanksgiving for good health

Mia Klein-Gebbinck: In thanksgiving for the beauty of flowers in the depth of winter...the marvel of God's Creation

Ginny Letendre: In memory of Albert and Mary Vant Erve

Jarrod and Nadine Peters: In Memory of Ervin and Ann Peters Dwight Rutherford & In thanksgiving for the miraculous healing of Dwight Graham

> Jeannine Wood: In memory of her Parents & In thanksgiving for Faith and Family





"Celebrate the new year with His Grace Archbishop Pettipas!

The Archbishop's Levee will return this January 1st, hosted from the chancery office in Grande Prairie. This event will offer all people the chance to meet and converse with Archbishop Pettipas as we look ahead to 2023. The office will be open to the public from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm, with cake and refreshments provided." Eve of the Solemnity of Mary, The Most Holy Mother of God New Year's Eve Mass December 31, 2022 St. Patrick's, Rio Grande at 5:30pm



Solemnity of Mary, The Most Holy Mother of God New Year's Day Mass January 1, 2023, St. Edmund's, Hythe at 9am St. Mary's, Beaverlodge at 11am and 6:30pm



In Honor of Christmas the rectory office will be closed during the Octave of Christmas and will re-open on January 3, 2023

A Christmas message from Archbishop Pettipas

For this year's Christmas message, Archbishop Pettipas shares a poem

on the birth of Jesus – the event that underlies all of Christmas's many symbols and celebrations.



Watch his full message here ->

Opportunity to Donate!

Looking for household items for a Christian Pakistan refugee family who will be arriving in Grande Prairie. Furniture, beds, bedding, kitchen items are all welcome!

If you can help, or need more info please contact Mia at 780.933.5478 or call the parish office at 780.354.2415



Dear Parish Family,

With deep joy and gratitude, I extend to you my prayerful best wishes for a Holy and Blessed Christmas and a happy New Year 2023. May the **Hope, Love, Peace & Joy** of Baby Jesus Be in your hearts and your homes. Let us HOPE for PEACE with LOVE as we carry JOY to where and with whom we find ourselves each day. I thank you sincerely for your commitment, the giving of your time, talent and treasure to the Lord. May you all be blessed hundredfold. Thank you.

Wish you Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2023.

Father Michael Dias



A BLESSING FOR A HOPEFUL BEGINNING

"When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back with the flocks, then the work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost, to heal those broken in spirit, to feed the hungry, to release the oppressed, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among all peoples, to make a little music with the heart.

And to radiate the Light of Christ, every day, in every way, in all that we do and in all that we say.

Then the work of Christmas begins." <u>Howard Thurman</u>