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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, April 21, 2024

MASS TIMES:

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

St. Mary's – Beaverlodge Weekday Mass: Monday -Saturday: 9:00 AM Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM First Friday Mass and Eucharistic Adoration: 9:00am followed by Adoration from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM First Saturday of the Month: 9:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday immediately after Mass Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard before all weekday Masses, after Sunday Mass 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 9:00 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church Meditation: Every Wednesday at 4:30 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church

Youth Mass May 5, 2024. **School Mass** As announced.

St. Edmund's – Hythe

1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays: 9:00 AM 2nd and 4th Sunday Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 7:30 PM 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: The 2nd Tuesday of every month at 5:00 PM Parish Finance Council: As announced. Catholic Women's League Beaverlodge: First Saturday of each month at 10 AM, Church meeting room Knights of Columbus: 3rd Saturday – 2:00 PM

THIS WEEK

Monday ~ Pope Saint Soter Tuesday ~ St. George Wednesday ~ St. Mary Elizabeth Hesselblad Thursday ~ St. Mark the Evangelist Friday ~ Our Lady of Good Counsel Saturday ~ St. Zita of Lucca

Father's footsteps April 22-27, 2024

Monday April 22: Mass at 9:00AM Ministry outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital & neighboring communities **Divine Renovation Session** Meeting Tuesday April 23: Mass at 9:00AM followed by CWL Rosary for Peace St. Mary's School at 10:15AM - Sacramental Preparation **Divine Renovation Session** Sacramental preparations for Children 3:30PM – 4:30PM Ad hoc committee meeting at 7:00PM Wednesday April 24: MASS at 9:00AM followed by Novena Ministry Outreach Hythe Continuing Care at 10:30AM. Hythe Pioneer's Home at 12:20Noon Hythe Pearson Home at 1:45PM Visit to the sick & House bound - Horse Lake First Nations & Hythe Into the Breach K Of C Session at 7:00PM Thursday April 25: Mass at 9:00AM **Divine Renovation Session** Ministry outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital & neighboring communities Sacramental Preparations for Children 3:15PM - 4:15PM St. Mary's School at 4:30PM - Sacramental Preparation Friday: April 26: Mass at 9:00AM followed by **Eucharistic Adoration** Ministry outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital & neighboring communities Visit to the sick and housebound - Beaverlodge & GP Hospital Saturday: April 27: Mass at 9:00AM Meeting Sunday Mass celebrated on Saturday evening – St. Edmund's Church, Hythe, 7:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father will be available for confessions on weekdays half an hour before Mass and upon request. If there is a requirement Sundays after Mass. Holy Communion to the sick and house bond, Blessings: Available anytime upon request. Please note: This is my usual schedule for the week. Unexpected emergencies do pop-up. If you need to contact me for any needs please feel free to do so. 780-814-3471.

BAPTISM: Sacraments: Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. Contact the parish priest/parish office minimum before 2 months for preparation and arrangements.

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

How to Donate to St. Mary's Parish

Pick-up a box of donation envelopes and register the number with the parish office.

Drop off a PAD application form and a void cheque at the Parish office. Donate to your parish online by scanning this QR code:

Thank you for your generosity and

commitment to your Parish family!



The Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan is continuing their monthly magazine **Northern Light** for a third year!

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Celebration of Holy Mass at 9am

We will be having Eucharistic Adoration on ever First Friday of each month from 10am to 1pm at St. Mary's Church, Beaverlodge

Please sign-up for your hour (at least two people for each hour must attend).

BOILER Fundraiser Update

A **HUGE** thank you to all who have generously donated funds to help pay for the new heating system for our church!





Roadside Clean-up Fundraisers

We are pleased to announce that St. Mary's Church, CWL and the K of C have all been selected for the 2024 roadside cleanup program! When:

K of C on Saturday, May 4 St. Mary's Church on Saturday, May 11 CWL date Saturday, May 25

All groups will meet at 9am at St. Mary's Church for maps, instructions, and necessary items. *Please find the sign-up sheets located in the foyer of the Church. SIGN-UP TODAY!

Parish Appreciation Sunday: April 21 immediately after 11:00AM Mass at Parish Hall followed by Continental fellowship meal, Hotdogs and sharing of experiences from volunteers. Please join us downstairs for fellowship.

I take this opportunity to recognize and appreciate all that you have contributed to our parish community over the years and especially during Covid. It's Vocation Sunday (April 21) and coincidentally it happens to be Good Shepherd Sunday.

I know that none of you are looking for recognition, but please allow me to thank you and give praise to God for your humble service and dedication to the church and to the people of God. Thank you once again on behalf of all of our parishioners for your contributions. Know that you and your loved ones are in my prayers.

Thanks God bless Fr. Michael Dias



SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

May 1, 2024

Mass at 9am followed by recitation of the Novena,



In honor of St. Joseph the Worker and International Workers' Day

Novena begins on April 23, 2024 You can pick-up a copy of the Novena located at the back of St. Mary's Church.

The initial session of an **"Introduction to Christian Meditation"** will start on Sunday, April 21 at St Joseph's Church, GP, at 3pm. This course will run once weekly for 6 weeks and provide interested newcomers to this form of silent prayer. For more information contact Mia at 780-354-2108.

> Next CWL meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2/2024 at 7PM St. Mary's Church basement.

Guest speaker will be Fr Ed Eherer, on topic of Palliative Care. (Parishioners are welcome to attend this short presentation but please know that this is part of CWL's regular meeting). All Ladies are Welcome!

Altar Servers Welcome!

*Next Altar Server Training: Tuesday, April 30 at 1pm New Altar Servers are always Welcome. Open to all children that have completed their first Holy Communion. No experience required. Contact Fr. Michael

/Parish office if you are interested.

Friday April 19th, 2024

New Parish Ad Hoc Committee

Since COVID restrictions were lifted, I have wondered and several of you have asked, "when can we restore Communion under both species?" I believe we have come to the point of being able to restore Communion from the Cup in our archdiocese, barring, of course, that there is not another similar outbreak or pandemic in the future. I have chosen the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ on June 2nd, also known as Corpus Christi, as the date on which to restore this practice in our Archdiocese. I am happy to share this good news with you all. I realize that, in some parishes, it may not be possible to re-introduce reception of the Precious Blood, due to a lack of extraordinary ministers. Other parishes may have several things to do before being ready to re-introduce this practice. such as the re-training of their extraordinary ministers and ensuring they have proper amounts of communion wine. For this reason, I leave it up to the pastor, in consultation with his parish council and staff, on how to best proceed. We hope you will welcome this news with humble hearts as we prepare to share together in the body and blood of Our Lord, and so unify ourselves ever more intimately as members of His Mystical Body – the Church.

Yours sincerely in Christ the Redeemer, Most Rev. Gerard Pettipas, C.Ss.R. Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan



First Holy Communion, May 5, 2024

This will be held on Sunday May 5, at 11:00AM – St. Mary's Church, Beaverlodge. I encourage you all to pray for all the kids who will be making their First Sacrament of Reconciliation (May 3, 2024, at 7:00PM) and First Holy Communion.

Sr. Conni Harken will be our guest speaker for the day. This was discussed in our last PPC meeting. She will be talking about over all participation and engagement within our community, if any one of you have any other suggestion you are welcome to let me know by April 26. More details to follow.

Thanks God bless Fr. Michael Dias In our March PPC meeting (March 12) the PPC appointed/approved Bernadine McPherson, Brenda Yamkowy, Brian Lieverse and Gregory Mulcahy to be the members of an **Ad hoc committee**- which is a committee that will assist in preparing tools for Pastoral Planning and to start the process of strategic planning for parish pastoral plan. They will be meeting on April 23 Tuesday at 7:00PM and we will keep you updated on this process.

Please return all completed volunteer screening forms to Brenda Yamkowy for submission to the Archdiocese as they are requesting them as soon as possible.

Thank You

warmly Brenda Yamkowy Parish Screening Co-coordinator St. Mary's Church, Beaverlodge



Please pray for the sick,

especially for Fr Albert, Fr. Raymond, Archbishop Pettipas, Bernie Coulas

Request: Please leave the front four/five parking spaces adjacent to the Basement Ramp, open to those with mobility issues and parents with babies to carry.

"Place it in your heart to be courteous."

Election for PPC Members

It has been quite a while since we had our last election for PPC members. This was discussed in our last meeting and a decision was made to go for election and to have our new members on board by June 11th if possible. This is an opportunity for everyone in our parish to step forward to be part of PPC. I encourage everyone to participate in this process of election.

We need and appreciate your input during this process. The method of election will be nomination and as per the polices laid down by the Archdiocesan Parish Pastoral Constitution approved by His Grace on 11th August 2023. More information to follow.