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April 2023

Welcome Home!

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Sunday @ 9:00 am

Sunday @ 11:00 am

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Wednesday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Thursday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Friday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Parish Office Staff

Admin Assistants: Koreen C. & Judy S.— Ext. 5

Bookkeeper: Rose B.— Ext. 6

At A Glance ...

Weekday Masses at St. FX Church

Tuesday @ 6:30 pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday @ 9 am

Adoration

1st Friday following Mass until 7pm

Remaining Fridays: 9:30am—10:30am

Confession

By Appointment at Any Time

During Adoration:

*1st Friday 9:30am - Noon

Remaining Fridays: 9:30am-10:30am

Saturday: 3:00 pm –3:45 pm

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call emergency number ASAP anytime;

DAY OR NIGHT

Fr. Kris 780-995-3930



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via email & text.

**Text "Camrose"
to 514-900-0130**

to sign up

READINGS

Easter Sunday

April 9

Acts 10.34a, 37-43

Colossians 3. 1-4

John 20. 1-18

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 15 & 16

Acts 2. 42-47

1 Peter 1.3-9

John 20.19-31

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 22 & 23

Acts 2. 14, 22b-28

1 Peter 1. 17-21

Luke 24. 13-35

4th Sunday of Easter

April 29 & 30

Acts 2. 14a, 36b-41

1 Peter 2.20b-25

John 10.1-10



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www.youtube.com/
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NEW PARISHIONERS ...



Registration forms
are available at the Parish Office
during office hours. Contact
information can be found on the
front of this Bulletin.

We look forward to meeting you!

Marriages: Please contact Fr. Kris Schmidt at least **1 year** prior to the marriage date.

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office for information on Baptisms & Baptism Preparation

CWL: Please contact Virginia Rogers, CWL President at (780) 672-2323 or via Email: vrogers@telusplanet.net

K of C: Please contact James Kohlman, Grand Knight at (587)322-8455 or via Email: jfkohlman56@gmail.com



Every once in a while, when talking to teenagers about the faith, someone will comment to me about how heaven must be boring if it lasts for eternity. While we could just chalk that up to teenage cynicism, there is a real profound question that underlies it: what benefit is Jesus' Resurrection and the consequent gift of eternal life?

When we look at those who had a direct experience of the Resurrection and the resulting growth in their faith, what is emphasized is not awe in the sight of the miraculous, or a sense of victory over the evil powers of this life, but rather an opening of the mind and heart to eternal truths and realities. For St. Thomas it was "My Lord and My God!" (John 20:28), for the disciples on the road to Emmaus it was "did not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us on the road" (Luke 24:32), for Peter it was the experience of Jesus' infinite love and mercy by the Sea of Galilee "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" (John 21:16), for St. Paul it was "Who are you Lord?" (Acts 9:5). The gift of faith in the Resurrection is not first and foremost an escape from everything we dislike in this life, it is not an idea of some future reality, it is not God exercising His superpowers on earth, it is a knowing and loving Jesus - the one Son of God - who by His gift and presence in our life opens our minds and hearts through created realities to the eternal gifts of God - "have this mind among yourselves, which was in Christ Jesus" (Phil 2:5) and "be not conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Rom 12:2).

May this Easter season be for you a time where you are open to having your mind and heart enlightened by faith through coming to know and love Jesus more intimately.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Kris



HOLY WEEK 2023

Palm Sunday (April 1 & 2):

- 4:00 pm Saturday
- 9:00 am Sunday
- 11:00 am Sunday

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday (April 6):

- 7:00 pm Mass
- Adoration till Midnight

Good Friday (April 7):

- 10:00 am Passion of the Lord
- 3:00 pm Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday (April 8):

- 1:00 pm Blessing of Easter Baskets
- 9:00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday (April 9):

- 9:00 am Mass
- 11:00 am Mass

EASTER FLOWERS

Donations for flowers "in memory of" a loved one that has passed away, can be made to decorate the church throughout the Easter Season. Please make donations with your parish envelopes in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. Write the name of the loved one(s) being honored on or in the envelope. *Thank you for helping create a beautiful & joyous space this Easter Season.*



Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution.

This Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 7, 2023. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may do so by Interac e-transfer or CanadaHelps by visiting www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us



Easter Vigil

Please keep in your prayers...
• six Elect of our parish as they prepare for baptism at the Easter Vigil:

Summer A. Cale S.
Anyia C. Adria V.
Thaedeon K. Jack V.

- three Candidates of our parish who will be received into full Communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil :

Shane A
Bert L.
Kelly M.

ALLELUIA!

Refreshments will be served following Easter Vigil.
Please bring some baking or snacks to share and join us in the hall.



ST FRANCIS XAVIER FINANCIAL REPORT—February 2023

	Cost of Operating The Parish	Building Fund Target Amount—Interest Only	Together We Serve Target Amount
Average month Amount required (based on 2022 budget)	\$37,170.00	\$35,000.00	\$2375.00
Donations this month	February 2023 info available at a later date.		
This months surplus/shortfall			



A humble & heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has continued to support the financial needs of the parish With POP, PayPal, E-transfers or by bringing your Sunday Giving Envelopes to the church.

Please pray for our young people
preparing to celebrate their
1ST COMMUNION on Sunday April 16th:



Maryam A.	Jeremiah M.	Gabriel R.
Gavin A.	Brynley M.	Harper R.
Nadezhda B.	Quinten M.	Natasha R.
Isaiah D.	Jacob M.	Aleisha R.
Titus D.	Carrera M.	Emilia R.
Karson H.	Everly M.	Lizeth R.
Kaylee H.	Madeleine O.	Addison S.
Elise I.	Luca P.	Hendrick S.
Jaxon I.	Dominic R.	Aleisha S.
Jayce L.	Victoria R.	Scottie T.
Diego L.	Keeno R.	Gian U.
Nadia L.	Nhel R.	Hunter Z.
Davina M.	Kendall R.	

**Confirmation program begins:
April 17, 2023**



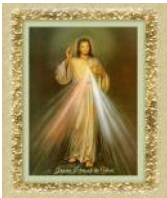
Catholic Women's League News



- ◊ April 4: Regular Meeting (Hall) @ 7:00 pm
- ◊ April 25: Executive Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- ◊ April 26: Feast of Our Lady of Good Council
 - ◊ Details TBA.
- ◊ St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary is seeking new members.
 - ◊ Contact Jadene Mah: 780-679-6100
- ◊ Are you able to bake cookies for the parish cooler for use of different church groups?
 - ◊ Sign up in the gallery or contact Connie Prost: 780-672-8905
- ◊ If any parishioners of St. Francis Xavier would like home visits, contact Therese Mazure: 780-608-5573.

St. Francis CWL Council welcomed 3 new members which brings the council to a total of 165 members. The League's Mission: "to call its members to grow in faith, and to make witness to the love of God through ministry and service." All ladies over the age of 16 are welcome to join.

Divine Mercy Sunday



Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina on Divine Mercy Sunday in the year 2000. He also established Divine Mercy Sunday as a feast day for the entire Church. Join us on **April 16, 2:30 pm for Eucharistic Adoration, with prayers and song.** "I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy", word of Jesus to the St. Faustina. "Whoever approaches the Faunt of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to my mercy." Lunch to follow the service. Everyone is welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ...

- ◆ KofC Regular Meeting:
April 12 @ 7:30 pm
- ◆ KofC Breakfast:
April 16 8:30am -1:00pm



Thanks

Thanks for all the great support of the Knights of Columbus monthly breakfasts. Proceeds from the breakfasts have allowed the Knights to purchase a new Floor Scrubber to assist in the cleaning of our Church.



We have finally received the long awaited proof for the New Parish Directory! Corrections are being made and will be sent away ASAP. Stay tuned for the arrival of the completed directories!

CAMROSE PRO-LIFE

40 Days for Life Spring 2023 Campaign:

Halfway through this campaign, 156 babies have been saved worldwide (that we know of).

The Tiniest Crucifixion (Collen Dahlman)

Lord Jesus, could you rock him for awhile? He has no mother's breast, no father's smile,
No downy silken pillow for his head; they placed him in that bloody basin: dead.
He was so small, this baby doomed to die; his mother's rights the only reason why.
From somewhere safe and warm, they tore this child; Lord Jesus, could you rock him for a while?

Poor little one, who was it took your breath? Who made the healer's hands a thing of death?
Who was your judas—mother? Doctor? State? Or was it we who fought your cause too late?
Please, Jesus, rock the babies, too; forgive us, Lord, we do know what they do.
He has no cradle, cross, no grave, no tomb, this baby crucified inside the womb.

Join us for an

EASTER FAMILY NIGHT



hosted by OLMP School
at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall

*Everyone is
Welcome*

CREATE A RESURRECTION GARDEN

All materials and instructions are included.



Photo by Melissa Holt

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

5:30 pm- Resurrection Garden

6:30 pm- Mass

Cost \$20/Garden

Profits will be going to

Faith Formation programs at OLMP.

Orders can be placed through the parent portal of powerschool.
OR email katherinen@eics.ab.ca to obtain a registration link.

Deadline to register: April 10

Questions? Contact Mrs. Nagy at: katherinen@eics.ab.ca or leave a message at: (780) 672-2975

EASTER
JOY
He Is Risen!
Alleluia!
NEW LIFE
Rejoice
Amen.

St. Patrick Catholic School

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Site Blessing for

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday April 13 @ 10 AM

We're excited to announce the site blessing for Elk Island Catholic Schools' new high school, which will open in September 2025.

All parishioners are invited to attend the blessing:

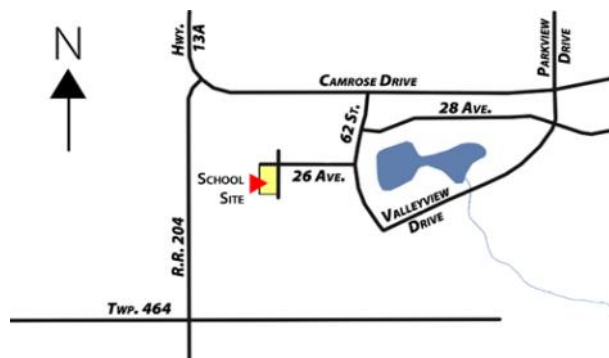
- ♦ Valleyview West subdivision in southwest Camrose on 26 Avenue, west of 62 Street

Roadside parking will be limited, so carpooling (if feasible) is encouraged.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by

- ♦ emailing elkiscatholic@eics.ab.ca or
- ♦ calling 780-449-7487

We hope to see you there!



The first Tuesday
and third Wednesday of every month
7-9 pm

St. Francis Xavier YOUNG ADULT Group

Ages 18 - 35

Married, single, student, parent... all are welcome!

Socials, community, faith-based
discussions, catechesis and more!

Text "Camrose" to 514-900-0130 and sign up under "Young Adult"
to stay up to date

CAT CHAT

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 17-21, 2023

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CONTACT
stfxyouthleaders@gmail.com
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER!

World Youth Day
Pilgrims Present

St. Joseph, Terror of Demons

SELF DEFENSE SEMINAR

Children, Adults, Families
All are Welcome!

Sunday, April 30th
1:00 - 3:00 pm
Snacks to Follow

Register Here!
Walk-ins welcome



Wear comfy clothes with no zippers!



Located on Main Street
at MVM Fitness
5003 50th Ave, Camrose



Suggested Donations:
Individual \$40-\$80
Families \$100-\$150

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JULY 9-13
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(GRADES 10-12)

JULY 16-20
ELEMENTARY CAMP
(GRADES 4-6)

JULY 30-AUGUST 3
JUNIOR HIGH CAMP
(GRADES 7-9)

AUGUST 6-10
ALL AGES CAMP
(GRADES 4-9)

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CWL funds are available to assist youth attending Our Lady of Victory Camp. Participants are asked to submit a paragraph explaining how going to OLVC will enhance growth in their faith. Please address submissions to St. Francis Xavier CWL and drop them off at the Parish Office by June 1, 2023.



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