

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral

Archdiocese of Winnipeg



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Mass Times:

Sunday Eucharist:

Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist:

Monday to Friday 12:10 noon

July/August - Tuesday - Friday 12:10 noon

NO MASS on Mondays

1st Friday - Adoration - 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Holy Names House of Peace located at
211 Edmonton Street

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 am – Noon

Saturday : 10:00 am – Noon

Ordained Ministers:

Rector: Very Reverend Geoffrey Angeles

Deacon: Reverend Mr. Rudy Le Maître

Sacramental Assistant: Fr. Ken Barclay (Retired)

Mission Statement

As the Cathedral parish of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, we welcome and serve all people on their faith journey as we promote and celebrate the Catholic faith in the living Christ.

Through excellent liturgy, we are inspired to embrace social justice and diversity, and foster personal growth. In an atmosphere of acceptance, we encourage hopefulness, love and transformation.




26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MONDAY, Sept 28/15 - Priest Study Days
12:10 pm - NO MASS

TUESDAY, Sept 29/15 - Priest Study Days
12:10 pm - NO MASS

 - Victor Stepanuik
- Benjamin G. Canlapan
- Nicolas Z. Fabricante

WEDNESDAY, Sept 30/15 - Priest Study Days
12:10 pm - NO MASS

 - Elias Rosita David

THURSDAY, Oct 01/15 - Priest Study Days
12:10 pm - NO MASS

FRIDAY, Oct 02/15 - Memorial
- The Holy Guardian of Angles
12:10 pm - † Deceased Members of the Lawley Family
- Theresa Dasilva

SATURDAY, Oct 03/15 - Ferial
5:00 pm - † Gerald Onofrey/Darlene Onofrey

SUNDAY, Oct 04/15 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 am & 11:30 am - for the Parishioners of St. Mary's



Remembered on the Tree of Life

Centennial Event - Vespers at St Mary's Cathedral with the Archdiocesan Choir: Sun., Oct 18, 7:30 p.m., to honour the contribution of Religious Communities to the life and mission of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. All are welcome.

Liturgical Staff:

Director of Music: Ian Campbell
Sacristan: Connie Nepomuceno

Faith Formation:

Children: Don Schroeder
Rite of Christian Initiation:

Parish Councils:

Finance: Bill Wachko
Building & Grounds: Ky Mohammed

Support Staff:

Secretary: Pat Stepanuik
Administrative Assistant: Lori Gagnon
Caretaker/ Building Maintenance: Rickey LaPointe
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Affiliated Organizations:

Catholic Women's League: Eleanor Ulasz
Knights of Columbus: Art Lopuck

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"It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna." Jesus' listeners would have recognized this reference. Gehenna was in fact a deep ravine located outside of Jerusalem that had a sordid past. It had been the site of pagan rituals in which children were forced to walk through fire. Thus the spot had become known as a symbol for the fires of hell.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is making a dramatic contrast between "life" (heaven) and Gehenna (hell). He emphasizes that no sacrifice is too great to keep oneself out of the miseries of hell. His images are shocking. Cutting off hands and feet? Plucking out eyes? Ouch! Is hell really so bad that we'd rather go to heaven maimed than go to hell in one piece? Apparently so.

Some interpreters suggest that Jesus was using hyperbole to make his point. Perhaps. But whether it was literal or figurative, the point remains clear: we need to do whatever it takes to avoid sin and ultimately to avoid hell. The catechism defines this state of eternal misery as "definitive self-exclusion from communion with God" (♦1033). Yes, self-exclusion. God doesn't "send" anyone to hell. Rather, someone chooses hell when he or she freely chooses something over God and won't repent.

The choice is ours: cut out the source of the sin--painful though it may be--or stubbornly march with our beloved sins straight into Gehenna. Realistically, what we choose "over" God are not so much our physical body parts as things like a high-paying job that isn't ethical, a favorite pastime that isn't morally upright, or a relationship that isn't chaste. Jesus tells us clearly today, whatever it is that "causes you to sin, cut it off." Period.

Jesus replied, " Do not prevent him. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink

because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."

Mark 9:39a, 40-41



Readings for the Week of Sept 27, 2015

Sunday: Numbers 11:25-29/James 5:1-6
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
Monday: Zechariah 8:1-8/Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday: Revelation 12:7-12ab/John 1:47-51
Wednesday: Nehemiah 2:1-8/Luke 9:57-62
Thursday: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Luke 10:1-12
Friday: Exodus 23:20-23a/Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29/Luke 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Genesis 2:7ab, 15, 18-24
Hebrews 2:9-11/Mark 10:2-16

Baptism Requests

For Cathedral parishioners who want to have their child celebrate the sacrament of baptism at St. Mary's Cathedral:

1. They must be a registered, attending and contributing parishioner for at least three months at the Cathedral prior to the request.
2. The Godparents must be practicing Catholics who are confirmed and no younger than 16 years of age.
3. They, including all of the Godparents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Seminar.

To schedule a baptism, call the office at 204-947-0294 to fill out a Baptism Registration form for your child.

Baptisms are scheduled one weekend a month.

CWL FUNDRAISER SALE FOR ST. MARY'S:

**Sunday October 4 after 9:30 and 11:30 Mass
in the parish hall.**

Have you any household items that you no longer need? Please donate them to St. Mary's and we'll sell them, with the proceeds going to the parish. Bring your items to the parish office - please call ahead at 204-947-0294. Call Eleanor 204-943-8557 or Mercy 204-898-7563 for further information.

EXPLORING DISCIPLESHIP

On Saturday, October 17 from 1:30-3:30PM in the parish hall, we will have a parish gathering to further explore our discipleship with Christ as members of the cathedral faith community. Last spring, we were invited at Mass to participate in pondering our God-given gifts as 'planters', 'nurturers', or 'harvesters' as a way of deepening and rediscovering our place in the parish ministries.

Our gathering on October 17th will take what we have discovered and begin to piece together our common vision for the cathedral community as true disciples of Jesus. So, mark your calendars and we will see you there!

Rising Refugee Crisis: Archbishop Gagnon's Pastoral Letter

The Archbishop's letter (which was read at all the Masses 2 Sundays ago) can be found on the Archdiocesan Website at www.archwinnipeg.ca under "news". A letter from the Canadian Bishops can be found in there as well.

Music Ministry - Choir rehearsal is every Thursday from 7pm to 9pm. All voices welcome.

Engaging Parents – Forming Family Faith

On Thursday 1 October - from 7:00 pm to 9:30 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Winnipeg, Susan Searle of the Center for Ministry Development will present a workshop giving participants a better understanding of parents of today and strategies for connection; ways to support parents in the deepening of their own faith and that of their family; ways to involve parents in faith formation, sacramental preparation and youth ministry; and strategies for engaging families through technology. The evening is free and all those interested are welcomed. Confirm attendance via catechetics@archwinnipeg.ca

Parish Offerings

Total offering for the week ended Sept 20, 2015:

Weekday	\$ 813.60
Loose	\$ 1,526.80
Envelopes	\$ 5,873.02
Votives	\$ 580.80
PAR/PAD Contributions	\$ <u>869.53</u>
Total	\$ <u>9,663.75</u>

Capital Campaign for Sept 20, 2015:

Actual offering	\$ 463.00
PAR/PAD Contributions	\$ 193.68
Budget per week	\$ <u>2,000.00</u>
Deficit	(\$ <u>1,343.32</u>)

Let there Be Light Campaign for Sept 20, 2015

Offering this week	\$ 809.00
Total To Date	\$ <u>32119.11</u>

(Offerings and Parking are the only revenue the Cathedral receives)

AGAPE TABLE

The item for September is Dish Soap (please place items in the container by the Hospitality Room) to volunteer: 204-783-6369 or volunteer@agapetable.ca

STUDY DAYS - TO ALL PARISHONERS

The Priests will be away at **STUDY DAYS** during the week of Monday, Sep 28 through Thursday Oct 1, 2015.

The Cathedral will be **CLOSED** during this period for floor cleaning and there will be **NO MASS** on those days.

Fr. Geoffrey will take the mass intentions for that week with him to study days.

Regular mass times will resume on Friday, Oct 2, 2015 at 12:10 pm beginning with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:30AM.

The parish office will be open for regular hours during the study days week.

Blessings of Homes and Vehicles

If you wish to have your home or vehicle blessed, please schedule an appointment by calling the office at 204-947-0294.

Lectors Schedule

Group 4 will read next Saturday, Oct 03, 2015.

Group 2 will read next Sunday, Oct 04, 2015.

Needs of the Church in Canada

Each year the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is asked to speak out to the faithful on a wider variety of topics. In order for our Bishops to be able to make proper judgements on modern topics, they must have the benefit of research and expert advice. Research and gathering information require staff, time and money. Finding ways to provide channels to the Bishops from the people of God also requires resources. Through the yearly Bishops' collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada, an appeal is made to all Catholics to be generous in supporting the work of their Bishop.

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