

City of God: St. Augustine's - Parkland

# NEWSLETTER

April 14, 2025



**Maundy Thursday - April 17th at 7pm**

*(stripping of the altar, optional vigil afterwards, in-person only)*

**Good Friday - April 18th at 10am**

*(Stations of the Cross, hot cross buns served at 9am)*

**Easter Sunday - April 20th at 10am**



Help the Altar Guild create a beautiful sanctuary for Easter Sunday, April 20.

Purchase cut flowers, plants or lilies, and bring them to the church anytime in Holy Week, April 14-20.

Or, we can purchase for you if you want to give a few dollars. Your donations would be gratefully received.



Please note: There will be no bible study and the office will be closed.



On Monday, April 21st at 1pm there will be a Celebration of Life for Hazel's son, Iain at the church. All are welcome to attend and support the family. Iain's obituary can be found here: <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/en-ca/obituaries/stony-plain-ab/iain-marsh-12333294>

*~ May he rest in peace ~*



One of our parishioners is looking for a little help. She has a doctor's appointment on Wednesday, April 16th at 3:10pm at North Gate in Edmonton and is looking for a ride. If you can help, please let us know ASAP. Thank you!



***Please remember in your prayers this week:***

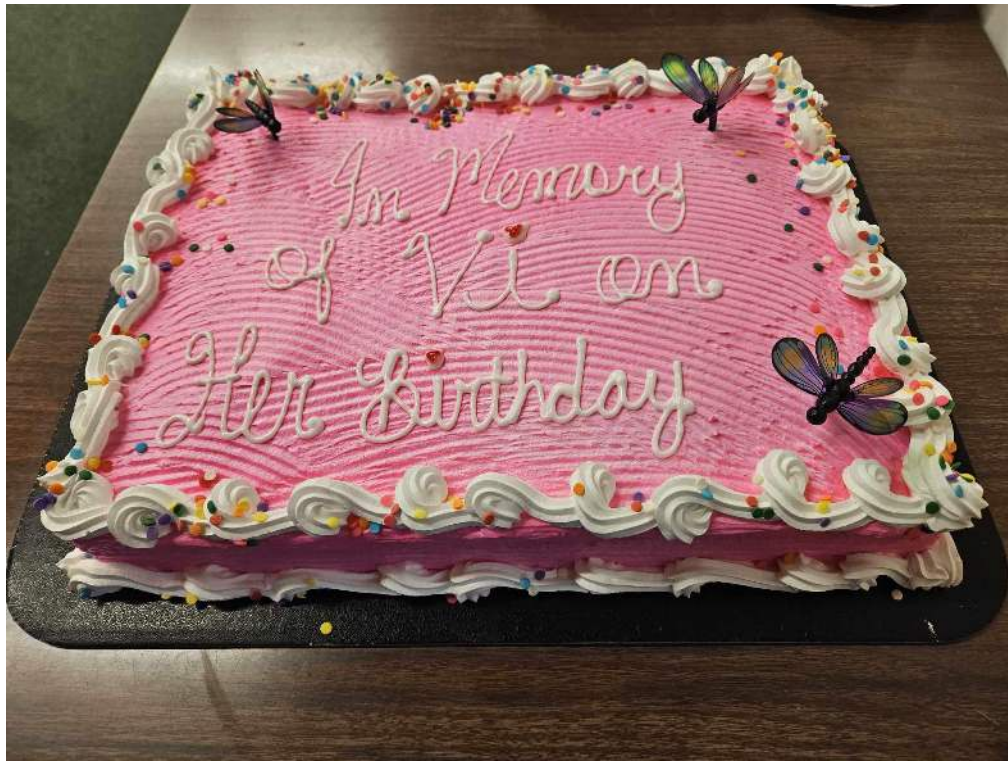
- We pray for Acting Primate Anne, Metropolitan Greg, and Bishop Stephen. We also pray for our clergy, Rev. Kevin and Rev. Lesley.
- We pray for the Diocese of the Arctic, for St. Mary's in Vegreville, for the Mbaba Parish in the Buyé Diocese, for the . Montana First Nation, and for the Church of England.
- We pray for those who are ill, injured, or bereaved; and for all who need God's healing presence, especially remembering Ann, Terry, Jill, Mel, and Lorna.
- We pray for the repose of the soul of Iain, for Hazel, Randy and all who mourn
- We pray for the repose of the soul of Doris, for Lora and all who mourn
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Greg, Lynn, Claudette & Walter, Laura, Nadine; and their families.

***Please note: Submitted names will be kept on the prayer list for a period of two weeks unless intentionally renewed.***



**Is it YOU we're looking for?**

PLEASE take a look at your 2025 offering envelopes. If your current offering envelopes are #25, please contact Debbie Curtis!



Tuesday was a special day at Auggie's Cafe. In memory of our dear friend Violet Holden on her birthday, her family sponsored a pulled-pork meal (one of Vi's favorites!) There were 282 meals served. The family has also invited all to attend her Celebration of life on Saturday, May 10th at 2pm



# GET SMART WITH SMARTPHONES!

Learn more about your smart phone or tablet!

*First in a series.....*

## **Class #1: Texting Fun!**

*Everyone is texting these days - are you missing out?*

*This class is designed specifically for seniors who want to learn the ins and outs of texting on their smartphones and tablets. In this fun and interactive class, you'll discover how to send and receive text messages, share photos and much more.*



- Bring your smartphone or tablet  
(Please, no flip phones!)
- Get ready for some fun!
- May 13, 2025  
10:30 AM - 2:30 PM  
Lunch break 12:00-1:00  
(Lunch not included)
- NO COST!
- OPEN TO ALL SENIORS IN THE COMMUNITY!

**St. Michael's Fenwyck Heights  
260 Pioneer Rd, Spruce Grove**

Training provided by:

For more information  
joanne@knowitsooner.com  
780-940-6772

  
**Know it Sooner**  
Computer Training

## ***Tabernacle Candle:***

The candle was sponsored this week by Betty Squance remembering her dad on his birthday



If you would like to sponsor the candle for \$10 in memory of a loved one (perhaps on a birthday, anniversary or other important date), please do let us know! We are not limited to one sponsor per week.

April 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Myrna Hanmer remembering Richard's birthday</li><li>· Louise Fairfield in memory of her hubby, Allan</li><li>· Helen Steinburg in loving memory of her brother, Brian</li></ul>
April 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Winnie Kennair in memory of Ted</li><li>· Bonnie Kovlaske in celebration of Leonard's birthday (April 26th)</li></ul>
May 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· open</li></ul>
May 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Judy &amp; Bill Kesanko celebrating grandson Cameron's birthday</li></ul>

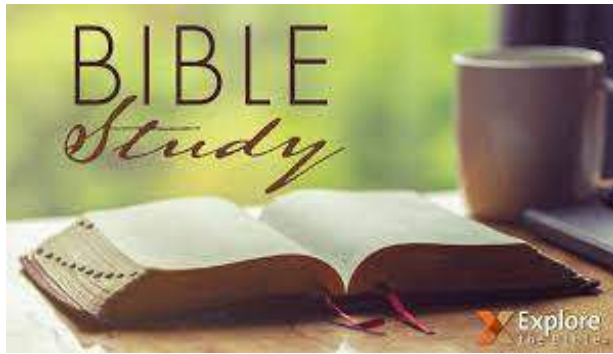


## ***Palm Sunday Success!***

We extend immense gratitude to all who had a hand in helping create such a beautiful service yesterday. Pictured above are the wonderful team who came together to make the palm crosses we used. (thanks to Bill Curtis for the photos!) On Sunday we had so many readers, the musicians, the server, the intercessor, greeters, sidespeople, the chalice bearers, the sound booth team, the counters, the coffee team, and of course all of you who attended! Thank you!

 ***Save the date!*** 

**Saturday, May 10th - Spring plant sale and Car Boot Sale!**  
More info coming soon!



### ***Bible Study!***

Every Monday at 10:00 a.m. our weekly bible study will continue in the church hall. Each Monday the focus will be on the readings scheduled for the following Sunday. *(fun fact: this is often when Rev. Kevin & Aglaia come up with hymn selections for the service!)* The readings for upcoming service's are:

*Apr. 13 - Luke 19:28-40; Isaiah 50: 4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16, Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 22:14-23:56*

*Apr. 20 - Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; John 20:1-18*

*Apr. 27 - Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 150, Revelation 1:4-8, John 20:19-31*



## **ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN**

### ACW Annual Meeting 2025

*Let your light shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. ~ Matthew 5:16*

Part 1 of the annual meeting will be on Friday, May 2, 2025. This will be an information meeting held through Zoom to report on the good work that the ACWs in our Diocese has done throughout the past year. Here is the link to join the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85461620290?pwd=W24jBMbBpuozJADYDSbyrrMyZafRYw.1>

Meeting ID: 854 6162 0290

Passcode: 860857

The chat room will open at 10:30 a.m. for visiting. The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. There will be lots of opportunities for you to add to the discussions. Members may attend individually or meet as a group and attend together. We have planned for the meeting to last as long as 2 hours but it could be shorter. In any event, be prepared by having a pot of tea, water, snacks and even a sandwich to tie you over. There is no cost for attending the ZOOM session on Friday May 2.

Day 2 of the annual meeting will be a road trip to Camrose on Saturday May 2, 2025. Please see the poster for details. A sign-up sheet for those wishing to attend will be on the bulletin board. The deadline to sign up is April 20, 2025.



# DIOCESAN ACW ROAD TRIP SAT., MAY 3RD, 2025

- Learn about the friendly city of Camrose, past and present
- Explore several paths of prayer

**10 a.m.-Camrose & District Centennial Museum, 4522 53 St**

Welcome & Prayer Service in St. Dunstan (on museum grounds) followed by self-guided tour of museum

**12:15 p.m.-Bag lunch at St. Andrew's church hall: 4713 50 St.** Tea & coffee provided.

**1 p.m. Mirror Lake Nature Guided Prayer Walk-** (For those unable to walk far, a 'sitting' nature prayer activity will be available in the church hall)



Please **RSVP by April 21st** with approximate number of people who plan to attend to Elaine:  
elaine.johnstonmacmillan@gmail.com or  
780-678-6304

**2:15-Anglican Prayer Beads, St. Andrew's church hall**-Introduction to prayer beads. Beads and instruction provided.

**3:30 -Tea, Coffee and Treats in St. Andrew's hall**-Celebrate Camrose's Scandinavian heritage by tasting some delicacies brought in from The Lefse House bakery.

**Note-Please wear comfortable, outdoor wear and bring a bag lunch.**  
Donations gratefully accepted at Centennial Museum (\$2-5 suggestion) and for beads & Lefse House coffee time treats (\$2-5)

# *Christian Basics Course with the Rev. Tim Chesterton*

June 2nd, June 9th, June 16th, and June 23rd (Monday evenings).

There is no fee but a free will offering basket will be out.

Christian Basics was originally designed as a four-week inquirers' course but has also proved very useful in renewing the faith of ordinary Christians and deepening their joy in the good news of Jesus.

The four presentations follow the content of the first four chapters of Chesterton's book *Starting at the Beginning*. After a session on the basic timeline of the biblical story, course participants will take a deep dive into the person of Jesus, looking at his life, death and resurrection and what they mean for us today. They will then examine the question, 'What is the Gospel and how do I respond to it?' Finally, they will look at the foundational habits that help Christians grow in their faith. These four presentations are supplemented with group discussion times, with opportunities for questions to be asked and considered.

Rev. Tim will have copies of his book available to purchase for \$10 but they are not required to participate in the course.

**Pre-registration is required. Contact the church office to register.**

## **Rev. Kev's Agenda:**

Aside from the many regular recurring things that he does, this is what's coming up in his calendar. Friday's will be a regularly scheduled (& needed!) day off with the exception of pastoral emergencies and other important functions

- Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>: Holy Week Clergy Chrism Mass at Cathedral
- Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>: Baptismal Preparation Meeting
- Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>: Copper Sky Service
- Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>: Maundy Thursday Service and stripping of the altar
- Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>: Hot Cross Buns & Good Friday Service
- Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>: Diocesan Easter Vigil

Rev. Kevin can be contacted by calling the church at 780-962-5131 or by email at [parklandpriest@gmail.com](mailto:parklandpriest@gmail.com). In pastoral emergencies he can be reached at 780-993-9985

## ***Easter Oddity:***

364 days of the year: Do NOT eat anything you find on the ground.

Easter: Go and search in the dirt for candy a strange giant bunny left for you, kids.

## Upcoming events:

April 17th - 7pm Maundy Thursday service

April 18th - 10am Good Friday service - Stations of the Cross (hot cross buns before!)

April 20th - 10am Easter Sunday!

April 21st - Office closed, Service for Iain at 1pm

May 9th - 6:30 pm Games Night

May 10th - Plant sale, Car boot sale, etc!

May 10th - 2 pm Celebration of life for Vi Holden

