

VEGREVILLE YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Sunday March 19, 2017, Meeting 5:30pm-7:30pm.

First Friday of Each month, Adoration from 4:00pm-5:00pm.
Benediction.5:00pm.

Youth group is open for any youth grades 6-12. Direct any questions to Caron Berube at caronberube@hotmail.com.



PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

The Parishes of Vegreville, Viking and Holden are once again setting up dates, time and location to have parishioners sign up to have their family or single photos taken for our Parish Directory. There is no cost to have this done. You are under no obligation to purchase any additional photo's if you wish not to. The dates and times set up are:

Holden: Thursday March 9, 2:30pm - 8:30pm,

**Viking: Friday March 24, 2:30pm-8:30pm,
Saturday March 25, 9:30am-3:00pm**

**Vegreville: Friday March 10, 2:30pm-8:30pm,
Saturday March 11, 9:30am-3:00pm
Thursday March 23, 2:30-8:30pm.**

If for some reason you are unable to make it to any of these parishes you can choose to have your photo's taken at the Ukrainian Catholic church in Vegreville on March 2, 3, or 4, 20,21,22, or in one of the parish of Viking or Holden if space is available, and they will transfer it over to the respective Parish. Please let the parish office know if you will be taking this option.

Sign up sheets are on the window of St. Anne's Room at the back of the church.
For Holy Heart of Mary, you may call Marlene at 780-688-2286.
For St. Gregory The Great in Holden you may call Dave at 780-688-2465.
For more info you may call the parish office, during office hours at 780-632-3272.

Roman Catholic Churches of St. Martin of Tours Holy Heart of Mary and St. Gregory

Pastor: Fr. Luan Vu

Secretaries: Denise Komick, Gyna Quintos

**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:30am to 3:30pm**

Thursday: 9:30am to 12:30pm

**In case of an emergency please contact the office
780-632-3272 or after hours call 780-632-7454.**

St. Martin of Tours

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Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday: 4:30 pm
1st & 3rd Sunday: 9:00am
2nd & 4th Sunday: 11:15am
5th Sunday: 11:15am

Weekday* Mass Times:

Tuesday: 9:00am
St. Joseph's Hospital
Wednesday: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm or by
appointment.

Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Mass,
except July and August.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Friday of each month
3:00 pm Divine Mercy and
Confession

Holy Heart of Mary

5208 54 Avenue
Viking, AB T0B 4N0
Phone: (780) 336-3382
Email: hmary@telus.net

Weekend Mass Times:

2nd & 4th Saturday: 6:30pm
1st & 3rd Sunday: 11:15 am
5th Sunday: 9:00am

Weekday* Mass Times:

3rd Thursday/Lodges

St. Gregory

4824 49 Avenue
Holden, AB T0B 2C0
Phone: (780)688-2465

Weekend Mass Times:

1st & 3rd Saturday: 6:30 pm
2nd & 4th Sunday: 9:00 am
5th Saturday: 6:30 pm

Weekday* Mass Times:

2nd Tuesday 2pm at Lodge

Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Thursday 4:00pm

FEBRUARY 26, 2017 8th Sunday in ordinary time

The Lord who knows us from our conception will never forget or abandon us in our time of need.

There are so many things that can occupy our minds. We have many concerns as well as hopes. We are told to offer them all to God. In strengthening our relationship with the Lord, we will be able to know him better. This is why we are called to seek the Kingdom of God. It is in this way that we will know God's love.

***Week-day mass times may
change, please check the
bulletin or the monthly calendar**



If you are new to our parishes please fill out a **New Parishioner Form**.

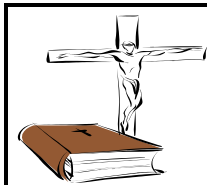
We continue to pray for: the needs of all parishioners of St. Martin of Tours, Holy Heart Of Mary and St. Gregory The Great and especially the aging, the elderly, the sick and the suffering.

Upcoming Week Mass Intentions

Thursday March 2, 2017 Holden	†Matt & Jean Helfrich
Saturday March 4, 2017 Holden	†Jean Helfrich
Sunday March 5 2017 Vegreville	Colby Coers, Healing

And continue to pray for the Holy perseverance of the Seminarians in our Archdiocese.

Let us remember in our prayers, our priests who have died during the month of February.



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 5, 2017

1st Reading	Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7
2nd Reading:	Romans 5. 12-19
Gospel:	Matthew 4.1-11

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday March 1, 2017	9:00am Mass Vegreville with St. Martin's School Students
	6:00pm Mass Viking
	8:00pm Mass Vegreville

VIKING-WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer for 2017 will be coordinated by the Ladies of the Kinsella Community Church and will be held at the Viking Vialta Lodge on Friday March 3, 2017 at 1:30pm. This years Ecumenical Service was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of the Philippines. Please come and join in this World Day of Prayer service.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER-VEGREVILLE

The Annual World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday March 3, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Alliance church in Vegreville. The theme for this year is "Am I Being Unfair To You?" and is prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of the Philippines. All parishioners, are welcome to attend.



SEASON OF LENT

The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. In our Parish we will have Catechumens who are preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. While the season of Lent and Easter is a time of deepening conversion and preparation for our elect, it is also a time for us all to reflect on our own baptism and prepare to renew this commitment at Easter.

One way to remind ourselves of the dignity of baptism is to pray the Apostles' Creed. The Apostles' Creed has a clear connection with baptism, and is the basis of the baptismal promises. In Canada many (Arch) dioceses prayed the Apostles' Creed exclusively on Sundays and when called for in the Ordo.

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

To fast is to do without food. Its purpose is to experience the effects of not eating. It also serves to be a penance or a sacrifice for the purpose of strengthening us.

To abstain is to not eat meat. It's purpose is to be an act of penance-an act of sacrifice, that helps us to grow in freedom to make much bigger sacrifices.

The Code of Canon Law gives the rules for penitential days:

Can. 1250 The penitential days and times in the universal Church are every Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent.

Can. 1251 Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Friday, unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Can. 1252 The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year. The law of fasting binds those who have attained their majority, until the beginning of their sixtieth year. Pastors of souls and parents are to ensure that even those who by reason of their age are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence, are taught the true meaning of penance.

Can. 1253 The conference of bishops can determine more precisely the observance of fast and abstinence as well as substitute other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety, in whole or in part, for abstinence and fast.