



Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH

MAY 1, 2022 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Office Hrs. Monday to Friday - 8:30am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm to 4:30pm. Closed on Holidays.

CLERGY AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Fr. Iqbal Khurshid & Fr Rodel Abanto
& Deacon Robert Risling

RECONCILIATION...

Friday 9:30am–10:30am. & Saturday 3:30–
4:45pm. Or by Appointment

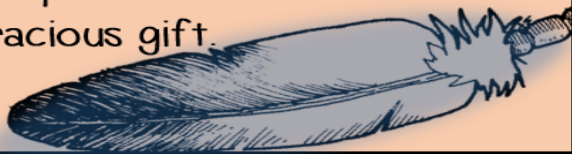
MASS TIMES... **MONDAY to FRIDAY** at 9:00AM
FIRST SATURDAY OF MONTH at 8:30AM, **SATURDAY** at
5:00PM
SUNDAY at 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN
MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30am - 4:00pm
ADORATION FRIDAY 9:30 –

Knights of Columbus - Kirby Peterson
Catholic Women's League - Marjorie

Parish Pastoral Council Chair - Gary Heinbecker
Parish Finance Committee Chair - Cheryl Pocsik

We acknowledge that Treaty 7 territory,
on which we stand, is the ancestral land
of the Indigenous peoples and is common
home to everyone in virtue of God our
Creator's gracious gift.



Sunday 10:30am Mass
Medicine Hat Holy Family Church
Live Stream

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You Tube

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OPERATING FINANCES

MARCH 1-31, 2022

Operating Budget 2022	\$ 59,708
General Envelope Collection	\$ 39,060
Loose Collections	\$ 966
Future Development	\$ 3,886
Sale of Church Supplies & Other	\$ 9,497
Other Ministries	\$ 367
Budget Vs Actual SHORT	-\$ 5,504

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Together in Action (TIA)	\$ 9,281
St Vincent de Paul	\$ 3,843
Clergy Retirement	\$ 25
Mission Mexico	\$ 75
CARO	\$ 120
World Missions	\$ 20
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 5
Seminary Fund	\$ 10

Thank You for your Generous Contributions

Sunday's Readings

1st Reading: Acts 5.28-32, 40-41

We are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: 30

R. I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.

2nd Reading: Revelation 5.11-14

Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might.

Gospel: John 21.1-19

Jesus took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people.

Alleluia, Alleluia.



† Mass Intentions †

Saturday, April 30

5:00pm - Terry & Cabrini Hurst

Sunday, May 1

8:30am - Holy Family Parish

10:30am - Theresa Streifel †

6:00pm - Vipin Kallampallil Mathew

Monday, May 2

9:00am - Veronica Bosch †

Tuesday, May 3

9:00am - Johanna Baiton †

Wednesday, May 4

9:00am - Teresa Studer

Thursday, May 5

9:00am - Deceased Members of Fr. Iqbal's Family †

Friday, May 6

9:00am - Bob Hickerty †

2022 Goal
\$70,938
total to date
\$17,599.85
which is 25%

Together IN ACTION
Annual Bishop's Appeal

Sacramental Preparation

Confirmation Rehearsal...

Friday, May 13, 2022, 6:30pm

Confirmation Mass...

Saturday, May 14, 2022, 11:00am

Followed by fellowship in Hall



E-Transfer Donations accounting@holyfamilymh.ca

12 Hour Adoration

Friday
May 6, 2022
9:30am – 9:30pm



In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent Adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host.

All parishioners welcome and encouraged to attend

**LOONIES
TO DATE**

\$10,491.45



FUNDRAISING

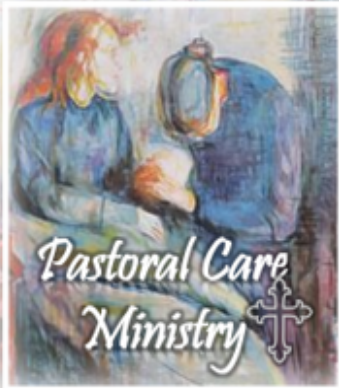
CWL thanks to all who participated in the Bottle Drive



"We would like to show our appreciation to all of our altar servers by having a Pizza Party on Thursday May12th at 6:00 in the Faith Room. Please confirm with Ron Pisoni (ron.pisoni@mhcbe.ab.ca) if you are able to come. Also please let Ron know of any food allergies."



Congratulations to all those who received their First Holy Communion as we hold them in our prayers.



Perhaps you have a family member or know of a friend who is homebound and would like to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist but is unable to attend Mass for various reasons including illness, fear of getting a virus, lack of transportation or mobility issues, etc. Please make a phone call to the Parish office 403-527-6933 to leave a contact name and phone number and someone in the Pastoral Care Ministry will return the call to obtain details and assistance to plan for two members of the Parish Pastoral Care team to visit the homebound person.

Interested in visiting the homebound? Struggles in life often create situations where parish members are unable to attend mass or other parish activities, yet the need and desire is for contact with our Parish community. We are there for them. The Parish Pastoral Care ministry sends two team members to visit private residences to bring Holy Communion, pray & share some time together. Please consider joining this very worthwhile and fruitful ministry to give some time to serve our brothers and sisters in need. Let us bring Jesus to the housebound, bringing them light and hope.



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EMERGENCY FUNDS *for* UKRAINE

Emergency Funds
for Ukraine...
To date we have
raised...
\$ 6,925.00

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE
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DONATE NOW

We are in need of a short term placement for a Ukrainian refugee family that will be arriving in Medicine Hat at the beginning of May. This is a family of five that includes a grandmother, two parents and two children: 13 and 4. If you are able to help out or have further questions please leave a contact name and number to the church or contact MHCBE at 403-527-2292 and for Dwayne Zarichny. Alternatively, you can also email Dwayne at dwayne.zarichny@mhcbe.ab.ca

We will be holding a clothing drive and monetary collection in the future so please keep our families in need in your prayers and hearts.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY *for* Facility Operator (Part-Time) Holy Family Parish, Medicine Hat

REPORTS TO
Parish Pastor

OVERVIEW

The Facility Operator is responsible for the overall operations and maintenance of the Parish buildings, equipment and grounds assets. The Facility Operator is expected to maintain church facilities in accordance with established standards.

**YOU MUST
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CARETAKER POSITION

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WORTHY
IS THE
Lamb
THAT WAS SLAIN

REVELATION 5:12





Prayers for the Souls of the Faithful Departed - Please join the Legion of Mary on Mother's Day, May 8th, from 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm to pray the rosary for your departed loved ones. The rosary will be prayed at Hillside Cemetery (use 13th St. SW entrance and take 1st right to grassed area beside the office). There will be an altar for Mary set up on which we encourage you to place a flower which can later be placed on the grave of a loved one. For more information, please contact Karen-Anne (St. Pat's) at kacherwono@shaw.ca or Cora at Holy Family. PS - Please bring a lawn chair.

Attention All Active and Auxiliary Legion of Mary members: You are encouraged to attend the Marion Mass at 8:30 am at St. Patrick's Church on May 7th to fulfill the conditions for the plenary indulgence announced by Pope Francis on the occasion of the One-hundredth anniversary of the Legion of Mary. Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence to the Legion of Mary worldwide up until September 7, 2022. A plenary indulgence, properly fulfilled under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Holy Communion and prayer for the intention of the Holy Pontiff), to Active and Auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary who are truly penitent may be gained. The rosary will be prayed at 8 am prior to Mass and Fr. Roque will hear Confessions.

MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' EDUCATION FOUNDATION

20TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH, 2022

1:00 p.m - Shotgun Start
Cottonwood Coulee
Golf Course
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Register by calling 403-502-8351
 Registration closes June 1, 2022

Register Early! Only 120 spots!
 Entries will be accepted on a first come, first paid basis

Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education
 The Education Foundation is a registered non-profit organization and registered charity with Canada Revenue Agency.

Seeds of the Word
 Pro-Missi Vita

The Sisters from the Seeds of the Word in Calgary left us some of their *Lectio Divina* Books to sell for **\$20.00** each. Available at the office!

Walk for Life

Kin Coulee Park

May 7, 2022
 1pm-4pm

Medicine Hat Pro-Life Notice of Meeting
 Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:30 pm @ St. Pat's Church & Medicine Hat & District Pro-Life Association is hosting the annual **HIKE for LIFE** on **Saturday, May 7 at 1:00 pm at Kin Coulee Park** (by the band shelter).

Please come join us and support **ALL LIFE**. We need your support. Pledge sheets are available at the back of the Church and in your schools. Phone George Ibach at 403-527-7434 for more information. See you there!



EXCITING NEWS::))

Children's Ministry 10:30 am Mass will resume May 1st ☺ Children will gather on the carpet area in the foyer with their Leaders prior to 10:30 am to join the procession to the altar.

SAINTS ALIVE BIBLE MORNING CAMP

Friday July 15th, 2022.

Registration forms will be available April 30th before 5:00 pm Mass & May 1st before 8:30 am, 10:30am and 6:00 pm Masses.

NO COST - Mid morning snack will be provided.

SCHEDULE Friday July 15th

9:00 am MASS at Holy Family Parish

9:40 am Children to gather in the Faith Room

12:30 Lunch to be sponsored

1:30 pm Dismissal



Blumenfeld Pilgrimage

June 12, 2022

Youth Carnival @1 pm

Reconciliation @2 pm

Rosary & Mass @3 pm

Bishop Mark Hagmoen presiding

Fathers Prince Gipson Owusu, Francis

Appiah-Kubi & John Abban-Bonsu

Flower girls/boys welcome (bring baskets)

Bring lawn chairs, umbrella & bug spray

Supper to follow

16 km S & 6.4 km E
of Leader, Sk on
Blumendfeld Rd

Blumenfeld
& District
Heritage Site

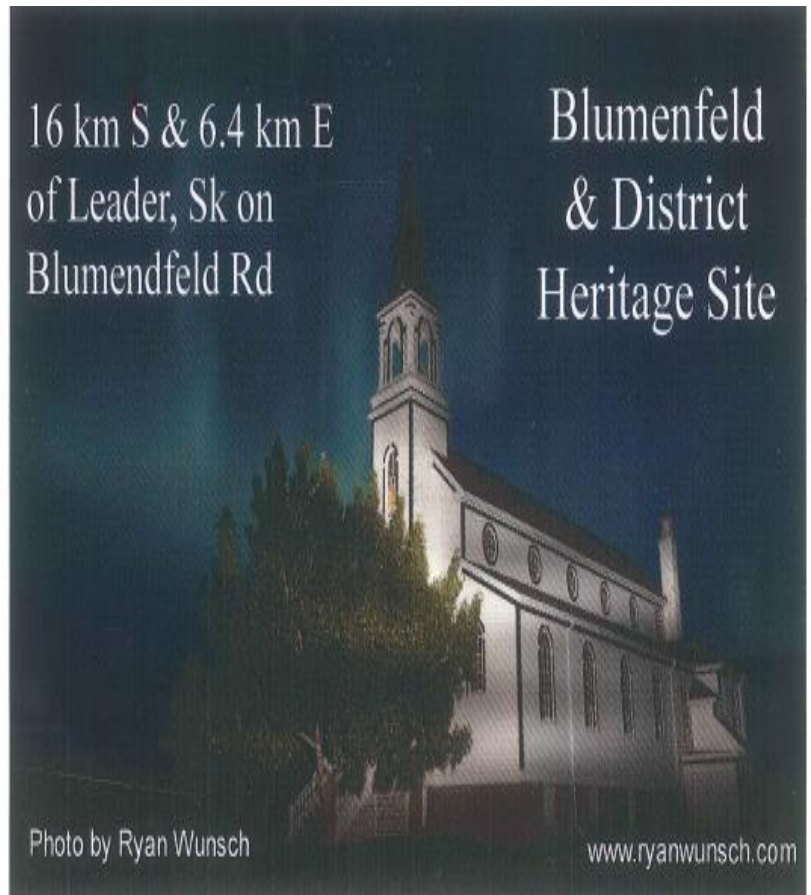


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**** Church Steeple****

“A generous couple will anonymously match donations, dollar for dollar, up to \$25,000 for the refurbishing of the Blumenfeld steeple. Tax receipts will be issued for your portion of the donation.

Anyone donating \$250 or more will receive permanent recognition at the Blumenfeld & District Heritage Site.”

\$250 - Friend of Blumenfeld * \$500 - Sponsor of Blumenfeld *

\$1,000 or more - Patron of Blumenfeld

This donation is in honour of God’s people: His Priests, Sisters, pioneers and descendants

Open to visitors Sundays from 2-4 from July 3 – September 4, 2022

Inquiries contact Karri @ 306-628-8083 (karriwagman.kw@gmail.com)

Ron @ 306-628-7403 or Kendra @ avolk@sasktel.net



3rd Sunday of Easter Year C

Sunday, May 1, 2022

STANDING FOR THE LORD

The season of Easter is the season of celebrating life not death because our Lord has won the victory over the death. He is the author of life and came to give life and life in abundance as St. John says. The New Testament contains many accounts describing for us the experience of the original disciples of Jesus as they found faith through their encounter with their Risen Lord. The writers of the gospels are so certain of the meetings that laid the foundations of Christian faith that they do not attempt to harmonise the details of the stories they are handing on. They pass on these stories in order to share the wonder of finding faith and new purpose through an encounter with the Lord's triumph – a wonder that can hardly be captured by a single account. As our Easter liturgies recall these stories, we are like a family group listening to one another sharing personal recollections of a past events that meant a great deal to the whole family. Given from different points of view, these recollections bring a far fully appreciation of what took place. Last Sunday we heard the story as it was recalled in the community of John's gospel that Jesus appeared to his disciples and breathed on them the Spirit with the words "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And the dialogue with St. Peter, is a wake up call for us to stand for the Lord.

A well-respected scholar and avowed atheist was speaking at a large outdoor picnic. He spoke for two and a half hours attempting to prove that the resurrection of Jesus was false. He quoted scholar after scholar and book after book. He concluded that since there was no such thing as the historical resurrection, the religious tradition of the church was groundless and emotional nonsense. He said it was based on a relationship with a risen Jesus, who never rose from the dead in any literal sense.

He then asked if there were any questions.

After about thirty seconds, an old preacher stood up. "Sir, I have one question," he said, as all eyes turned toward him.

He reached into his sack lunch and pulled out an apple he had been eating. "My question is a simple question," he said before taking another bite out of the apple.

He continued, "I haven't read all the books you have, and I can't recite the Scriptures in the original Greek." He took a couple more bites of the apple and said, "I don't know a thing about Niebuhr and Heidegger."

He finished the apple and said, "All I want to know is...this apple I just finished, was it tart or sweet?" The speaker paused for a moment and answered in exemplary scholarly fashion, "I cannot possibly answer that question, for I haven't tasted your apple."

The white-haired preacher dropped the core of his apple into his crumpled paper bag and said calmly, "Neither have you tasted my Jesus."

Easter stories are there to help us to taste Jesus who has risen from the dead to make sharers of his resurrection "Taste and see that the LORD is good! Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in Him! If you have, rejoice in the hope of the resurrection that your faith in Him brings", as the Psalmist says (Psalm 34:8-9). And St. John says in his First Letter "And we know that the Son of God has come, and He has given us understanding so that we can know the true God. And now we live in fellowship with the true God because we live in fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ. He is the only true God, and He is eternal life" (1 John 5:20)

St. Leo the Great writes "My dear brethren, there is no doubt that the Son of God took our human nature into so close a union with himself that one and the same Christ is present, not only in the firstborn of all creation, but in all his saints as well. The head cannot be separated from the members, nor the members from the head. Not in this life, it is true, but only in eternity will God be all in all, yet even now he dwells, whole and undivided, in his temple the Church. Such was his promise to us when he said: See, I am with you always, even to the end of the world. And so all that the Son of God did and taught for the world's reconciliation is not for us simply a matter of past history. Here and now, we experience his power at work among us. Born of a virgin mother by the action of the Holy Spirit, Christ keeps his Church spotless and makes her fruitful by the inspiration of the same Spirit. In baptismal regeneration she brings forth children for God beyond all numbering. These are the sons of whom it is written: They are born not of blood, nor of the desire of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. In Christ Abraham's posterity is blessed, because in him the whole world receives the adoption of sons, and in him the patriarch becomes the father of all nations through the birth, not from human stock but by faith, of the descendants that were promised to him. From every nation on earth, without exception, Christ forms a single flock of those he has sanctified, daily fulfilling the promise he once made: I have other sheep, not of this fold, whom it is also ordained that I shall lead; and there shall be one flock and one shepherd".

He continues to say "Although it was primarily to Peter that he said: Feed my sheep, yet the one Lord guides all the pastors in the discharge of their office and leads to rich and fertile pastures all those who come to the rock. There is no counting the sheep who are nourished with his abundant love, and who are prepared to lay down their lives for the sake of the good shepherd who died for them. But it is not only the martyrs who share in his passion by their glorious courage; the same is true, by faith, of all who are reborn through baptism. That is why we are to celebrate the Lord's paschal sacrifice with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. The leaven of our former malice is thrown out, and a new creature is filled and inebriated with the Lord himself. For the effect of our sharing in the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive. As we have died with him and have been buried and raised to life with him, so we bear him within us, both in body and in spirit, in everything we do".

It is amazing to be called "we are an Easter people and Alleluia is our slogan" according to St. Augustine of Hippo? The Easter people always stand for Lord as we remember the great love and sacrifice of the Lord. Is it easy to follow Jesus in the secular world? Our answer could be "no" but the Lord helps us to stand for him because nothing separates us from his love. (please read Romans 8).

During this month of May, we can follow two greatest personalities; St. Joseph whose feast we are going to celebrate on May 1st as "St. Joseph the Worker". He is best known for being silent righteous man and a protector of the Saviour who stood strong in the midst of trials and tribulation. Second personality we can follow is Blessed Virgin Mary as we observe the month of May as the month of the Rosary. She knew her cultural problems but stood for faith and later under the foot of the Cross to encourage and strengthen her Son in his suffering. Do we stand for him?

In the First Reading, what strikes us is the strength of Peter and the other Apostles. In response to the order to be silent, no longer to teach in the name of Jesus, no longer to proclaim his message, they respond clearly: "We must obey God, rather than men". And they remain undeterred even when flogged, ill-treated, and imprisoned. Peter and the Apostles proclaim courageously, fearlessly, that they have received: The Gospel of Jesus. And we? Are we capable of bringing the Word of God into the environment in which we live? Do we know how to speak of Christ, of what he represents for us, in our families, among the people who form part of our daily lives? Faith is born from listening and is strengthened by proclamation. (please read 2 Timothy 4:1-6) But let us take a further step: the proclamation made by Peter and the Apostles does not merely consist of words: fidelity to Christ affects their whole lives, which are changed, given a new direction, and it is through their lives that they bear witness to the faith and to the proclamation of Christ.

A few months ago, my husband and I were invited to spend the weekend at his employer's home. I was nervous about the weekend. The boss was very wealthy, with a fine home on the waterway, and cars costing more than our house. The first day and evening went well, and I was delighted to have this rare glimpse into how the very wealthy live.

My husband's employer was quite generous as a host and took us to the finest restaurants. I knew I would never have the opportunity to indulge in this kind of extravagance again, so I was enjoying myself. As the three of us were about to enter an exclusive restaurant one evening, the boss was walking slightly ahead of us. He stopped suddenly, looking down on the pavement for a long, silent moment. I wondered if I was supposed to pass him. There was nothing on the ground except a single darkened penny that someone had dropped and a few cigarette butts.

Still silent, the man reached down and picked up the penny. He held it up and smiled, then put it in his pocket as if he had found a great treasure.

How absurd! What need did this man have for a single penny? Why would he even take the time to stop and pick it up? Throughout dinner, the entire scene nagged at me. Finally, I could stand it no longer. I casually mentioned that my daughter once had a coin collection and asked if the penny he had found had been of some value.

A smile crept across the man's face as he reached into his pocket for the penny and held it out for us to see. I had seen many pennies before! What was the point of this?

"Look at it," he said. "Read what it says."

I read the words, "United States of America."

"No, not that; read further."

"One cent?"

"No, keep reading."

"In God We Trust?"

"Yes!"

"And?"

"And if I trust in God, the name of God is holy, even on a coin. Whenever I find a coin, I see that inscription. It is written on every single United States coin, but we never seem to notice it! God drops a message right in front of me telling me to trust Him. Who am I to pass it by? When I see a coin, I pray. I stop to see if my trust is in God at that moment. I pick the coin up as a response to God, that I

do trust in Him. For a short time, at least, I cherish it as if it were gold. I think it is God's way of starting a conversation with me. Lucky for me, God is patient and pennies are plentiful!

When I was out shopping today, I found a penny on the sidewalk. I stopped and picked it up and realized that I had been worrying and fretting in my mind about things I can not change. I read the words, "In God We Trust," and had to laugh. Yes, God, I get the message. It seems that I have been finding an inordinate number of pennies in the last few months, but then, pennies are plentiful! And God is patient.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks Peter three times to feed his flock, to feed it with his love, and he prophesies to him: "When you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go". We cannot feed God's flock unless we let ourselves be carried by God's will even where we would rather not go, unless we are prepared to bear witness to Christ with the gift of ourselves, unreservedly, not in a calculating way, sometimes even at the cost of our lives. We all have to proclaim and bear witness to the Gospel as Jesus said "you will be my witnesses to the end of age". We should all ask ourselves: How do I bear witness to Christ through my faith? Do I have the courage of Peter and the other Apostles, to think, to choose and to live as a Christian, obedient to God? To be sure, the testimony of faith comes in very many forms, there is a variety of colours and shades; yet they are all important, even those which do not stand out.

The passage from the Book of Revelation speaks to us of worship: the myriads of angels, all creatures, the living beings, the elders, prostrate themselves before the Throne of God and of the Lamb that was slain, namely Christ, to whom be praise, honour and glory. I would like all of us to ask ourselves this question: "do we worship the Lord? Do we turn to God only to ask him for things, to thank him, or do we also turn to him to worship him? Worshipping the Lord means giving him the place that he must have; worshipping the Lord means stating, believing – not only by our words – that he alone truly guides our lives; worshipping the Lord means that we are convinced before him that he is the only God, the God of our lives, the God of our history. (Please read Revelation 6)

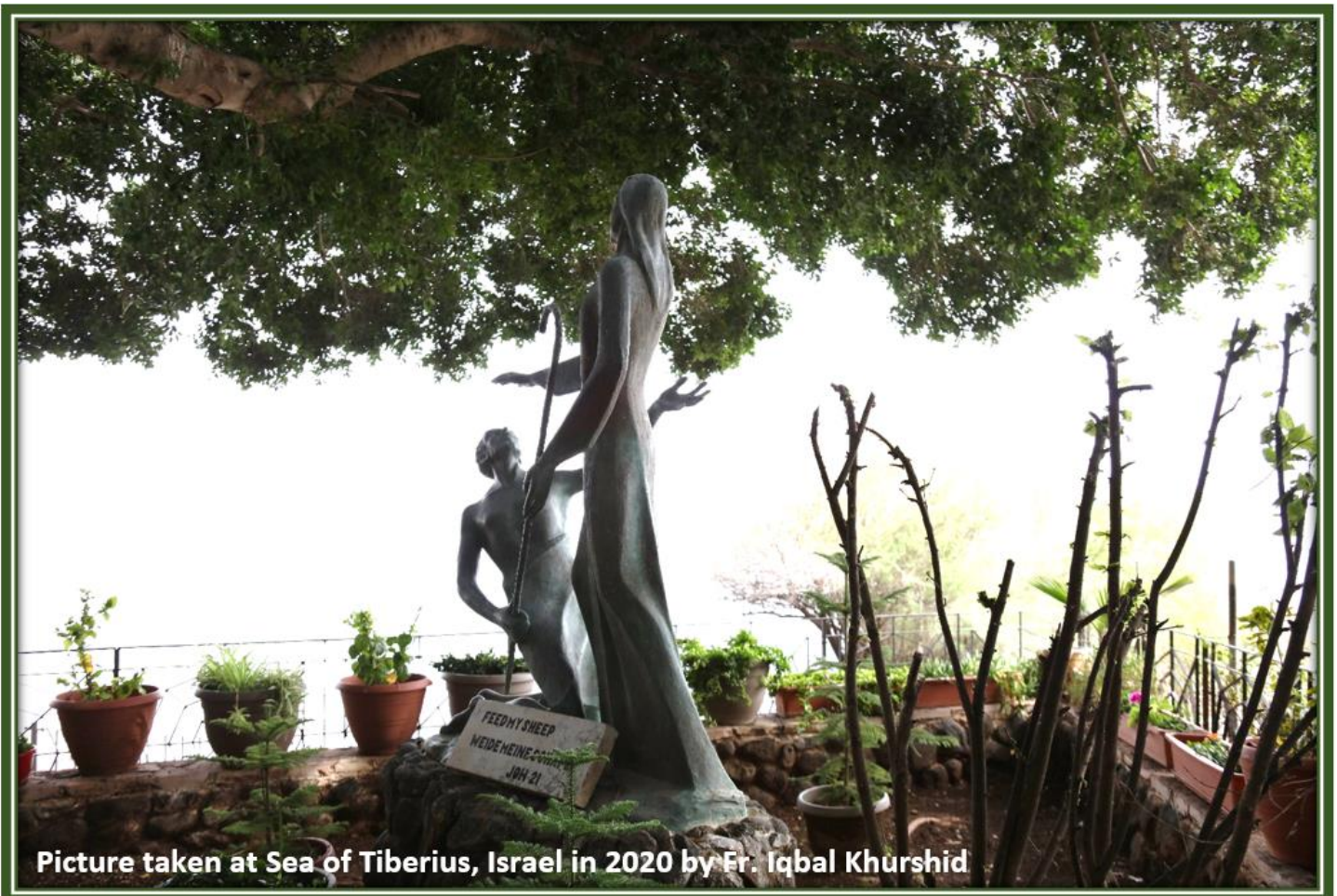
In God's great plan, every detail is important, even yours, even my humble little witness, even the hidden witness of those who live their faith with simplicity in everyday family relationships, work relationships, friendships. There are the saints of every day, the "hidden" saints, a sort of "middle class of holiness". But in different parts of the world, there are also those who suffer, like Peter and the Apostles, on account of the Gospel; there are those who give their lives in order to remain faithful to Christ by means of a witness marked by the shedding of their blood. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you" St. Matthew quotes the words of the Saviour.

Let us all remember this: one cannot proclaim the Gospel of Jesus without the tangible witness of one's life. Those who listen to us and observe us must be able to see in our actions what they hear from our lips, and so give glory to God! I am thinking now of some advice that Saint Francis of Assisi gave his brothers: preach the Gospel and, if necessary, use words. Preaching with your life, with your witness. Inconsistency on the part of pastors and the faithful between what they say and what they do, between word and manner of life, is undermining the Church's credibility. The Evangelist stresses the fact that "no one dared ask him: 'Who are you?' – they knew it was the Lord". And this is important for us: living an intense relationship with Jesus, an intimacy of dialogue and of life, in such a way as to recognize him as "the Lord".

Let me conclude my reflection with a story which already I have shared with you...

Before U were thought of or time had begun,
God had stuck U in the name of His Son.
And each time U pray, you'll see it's true,
You can't spell out JesUs and not include U.
You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,
For U, he was born; that's why He came.
And His great love for U is the reason that he died,
It even takes U to spell crUcified.
Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand,
He rose from the dead with U in His plan.
The stones split away, the gold trUmpet blew,
and this word ressurection is spelled with a U.
When Jesus left the earth at His upward ascension,
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.
"Go into the world and tell them it's true,
That I love them all-Just like I love U.
So many great people are spelled with a U,
Don't they have the right to know JesUs too?
It all depends now on what U will do,
He'd like them to know, but it all starts with U.
Will U pass it on?
JesUs Loves U!!!

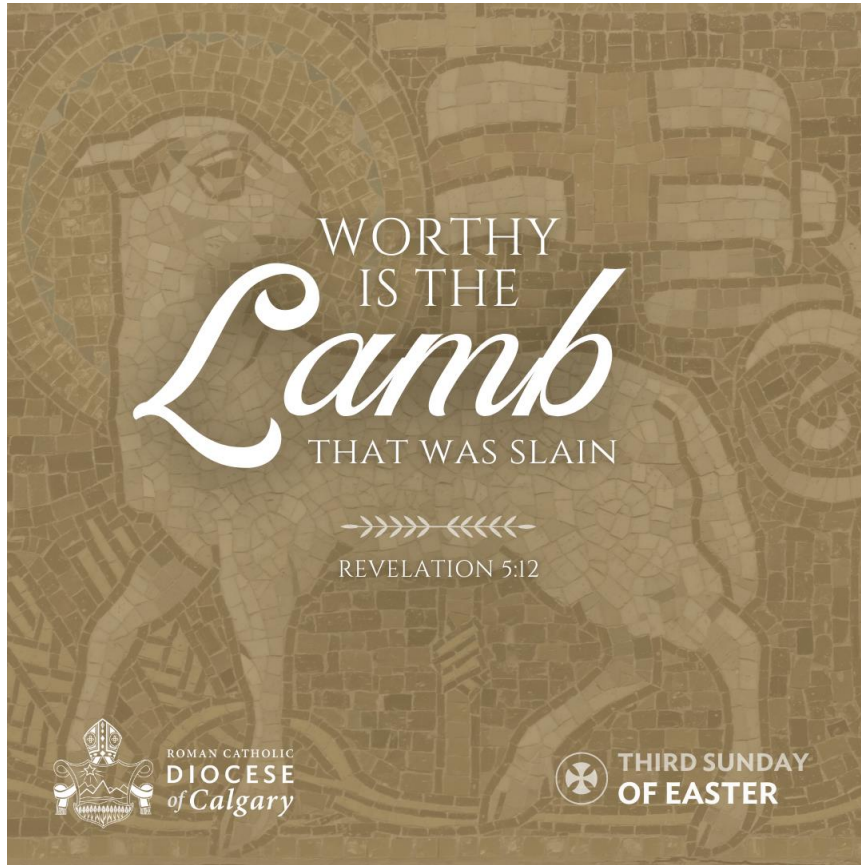
Do we stand for him to say Jesus I love you?



Picture taken at Sea of Tiberius, Israel in 2020 by Fr. Iqbal Khurshid

Sunday Updates

Third Sunday of Easter



Visit the [Diocesan Event Calendar](#)

Follow us on Social Media
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Weekly reflections can be found here:
[Vatican News](#) | [The Sunday Website](#)
[Sunday Connection](#) | [CCCB](#)
[Reflection \(new link\)](#)

Daily and Sunday Mass Prayers & Readings: [CCCB Daily Readings](#)
(pick the desired date)

Full schedule of Parish Livestream Masses:
<https://www.catholiccyyc.ca> | TELUS Optik TV Ch. 877 (choose Diocese of Calgary tile logo). For other online Masses, visit [Salt+Light TV](#), [Shalom World TV](#), [EWTN](#) and [Vision TV](#)

COVID-19 Resources

- [Sacraments & Liturgies](#)
- [Spiritual Resources](#)
- [Sacrament Preparation](#)
- [Online Formation Opportunities](#)

Resources for children

- **Kid's challenge this week:** Jesus shared breakfast on the beach with his disciples. Let's reflect on the importance of sharing food with others throughout the world. Write a prayer for all people who do not have enough to eat, or a prayer of thanksgiving to be said at a meal with others on the back of this [colouring page](#). (Kid's bulletin & CAFOD)
 - [Colouring page this Sunday](#)
 - [Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday](#)
 - [Sunday Connection - 3rd Sunday of Easter](#) (Gr. 1-8 & family)
 - Children's Liturgy of the Word this Sunday
 - [Children's Liturgy for leaders/parents \(with intercessions and activities\)](#) - by CAFOD | [Illustration](#)
 - [Children's Liturgy of the Word with Miss Heidi](#) (Catholic TV)

2021 Annual Impact Report

With a profound sense of gratitude, we would like to share with you the 2021 Diocese of Calgary Impact Report.

- View [2021 Impact Report](https://catholiccyyc.ca/2021impactreport) online at catholiccyyc.ca/2021impactreport
- A [printable 2021 Impact Report](#) (PDF) is downloadable on the website (click Download)

The pandemic in 2021 was challenging and we are grateful for your dedication, commitment and courage in serving the Church especially during the uncertain time. Thank you for answering God's call to love and serve Christ in one another. Please share our gratitude with all parishioners on behalf of those who benefit from the ministries, services, programs, and outreach of the parishes and the Diocese.

- Kindly share the [2021 Impact Report link](#) & information with all parishioners via parish digital communications, bulletin, and on the parish website. [Download image](#)
- **Bishop McGrattan has requested that each parish make available some [printed copies of the 2021 Impact Report](#) for parishioners without access to emails, local Catholic schools, and nursing homes within the parish jurisdiction.** Thank you in advance for your kind help!



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THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

EPHESIANS 2:10

We are incredibly grateful to God for you and your loving service to the Church and the community. Thank you for answering God's call to love and serve Christ in one another.



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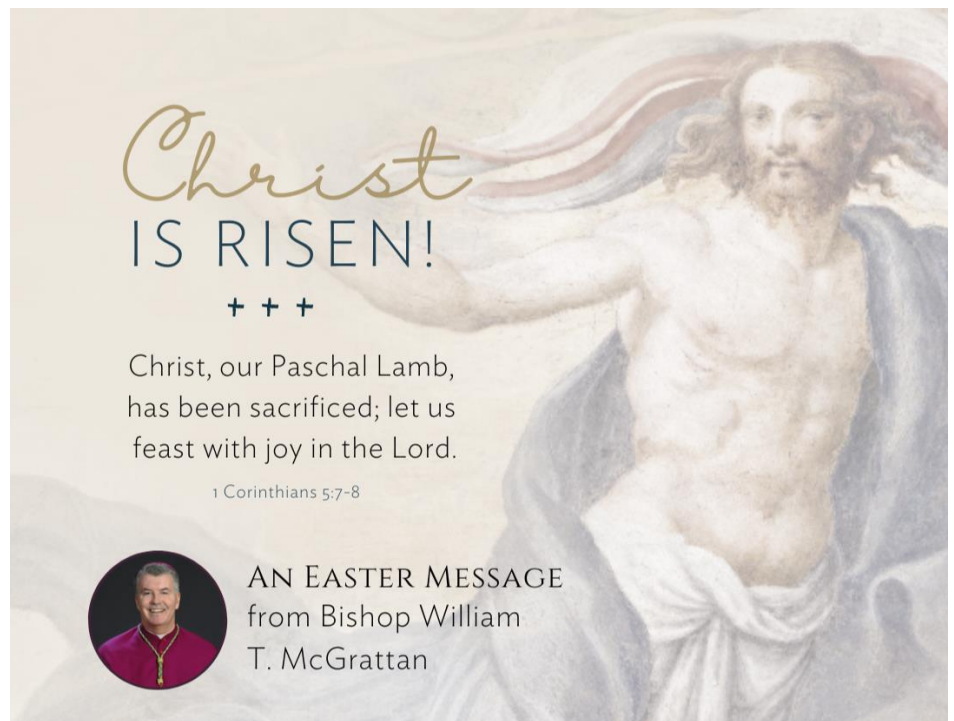
National Volunteer Week

Volunteers: We are incredibly grateful to God for you and your loving service to the Church and the community. We want you to know that your work has not gone unnoticed. God bless you for your generosity, and thank you for being a blessing to others.

Easter Message from Bishop McGrattan

Christ is risen! We wish you and your loved ones, friends, family and communities a most blessed, healthy and graced Easter Season! Please read an Easter message from Bishop McGrattan.

- [Easter message from Bishop McGrattan](#) for all the faithful
- [Easter message from CCCB](#) President, Bishop Raymond Poisson



Breathe: Marriage Conference

2-Day Catholic Marriage Getaway in the Rockies. Experience the "Breathe Marriage Conference" on May 27-28, 2022 in Canmore, at The Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies. This exciting Catholic Marriage conference is creatively designed to enrich your relationship. The conference will provide an opportunity for you to invest in your relationship by stepping away from the busyness of life in order to recharge, refresh and journey deeper into the sacrament. Speakers: Gerald & Denise Montpetit; John & Tracy Connelly and Fr. Kenneth Leblanc. [Register now](#) or contact Denise at 306-369-2220 |

Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

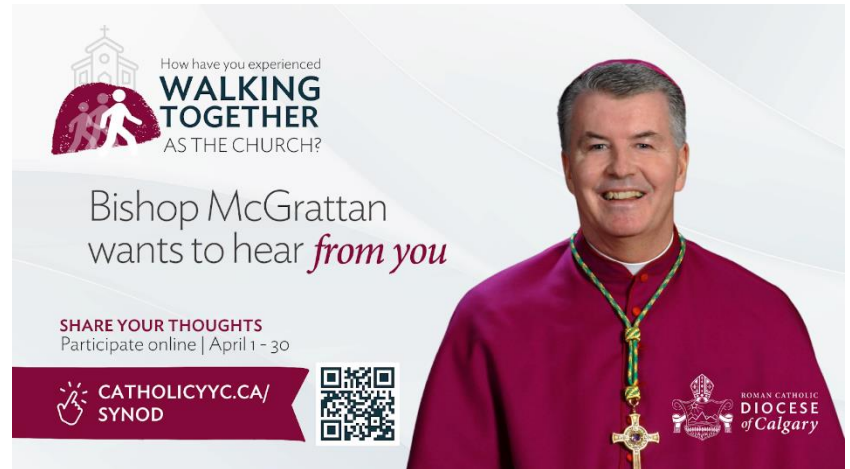


Santiago Torres, currently in seminary formation and studies at St. Joseph Seminary, Edmonton, has been called to Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate. He will be ordained a transitional deacon by Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, at the parish where he completed his pastoral year, All Saints' Parish, Lethbridge, on **Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 11 am**. Please note that due to the limited space, All Saints Parish will be sharing a registration link for those planning to attend the Ordination Mass. Download [Invitation](#)

Last call for Synod online participation

Over 400 small groups from parishes, communities and schools throughout the Diocese have participated in the synodal experience of listening, praying and discerning together the way in which we have carried forward our life and mission of holiness in the Church and in the world.

Bishop McGrattan wants to hear from you! If you missed the parish listening sessions, share your thoughts online by visiting catholicyyc.ca/synod - available until April 30.



Pastoral Care Ministry Training | May 6-7

The Diocese of Calgary is offering a Pastoral Care Ministry Training for those who feel called to assist their parish in a healing ministry to the sick, elderly, dying, homebound and bereaved members. There is no cost to attend this workshop for new or those previously trained in Pastoral Care Ministry.

- For more information, visit catholicyyc.ca/pastoralcare

Resources & Announcements

- 1. Spiritual Direction Training Program | FCJ Centre** The FCJ Christian Life Centre will again be offering a part-time, two-year Ecumenical training program starting September 2022. Program will run until June 2024. If you are currently receiving Spiritual Direction and are interested in training to help others to explore their personal and spiritual experience as they grow closer to God, this program might be for you. Application deadline is July 31, 2022 and space is limited. Please contact Sr. Ann Marie Walsh, FCJ, at 403-228-4215 for more information about the program or visit fcjcentre.ca/sdtp | [Download poster](#)
- 2. Young Adults' Retreat at Mount St. Francis**
Young adults (20's to 40's) are invited to a weekend retreat to reflect on what brings wholeness, and to achieve a greater depth of character and purpose with Jesus as our councilor and guide. [More information](#)
- 3. 10 Inspiring quotes from St. Athanasius (Feast day: May 2)**
St. Athanasius was not afraid to defend the truth at all costs, which got him into difficulties with four different emperors, and many of his brother bishops. To help us appreciate the life of St. Athanasius and the masterful work of *De Incarnatione*, here

are [10 inspiring quotes](#) from a Church Father whose example of standing up for the truth still has relevance today.

4. St. Philip & St. James (Feast day: May 3)

As in the case of the other apostles, we see in James and Philip the foundation stones of the Church, and we are reminded again that holiness and its consequent apostolate are entirely the gift of God, not a matter of human achieving. [More about these holy men.](#)

5. St. François de Laval (Feast day: May 6)

St. François established parishes and schools, worked to oppose the abuse and exploitation of Native Americans, and combatted the anti-clerical and anti-Catholic prejudices of the civil authorities. In 1662, he established the first seminary in Canada. François was named first bishop of Quebec in 1674. [Learn more about St. François.](#)

6. CCEF Distilled

Enjoy an exclusive event in support of the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation at an evening of curated cocktails paired with delicacies from Villa Firenze at Bridgeland Distillery located in Bridgeland. Funds raised at this event will be matched by up to 50% by Shaw Birdies for Kids presented by AltaLink. This is an adults only event. Tickets: \$85 include a \$20 donation to the CCEF. When: **May 4 at 6 pm** at Bridgeland Distillery. Tickets are limited and can be [purchased online](#) | [Promo graphic](#)

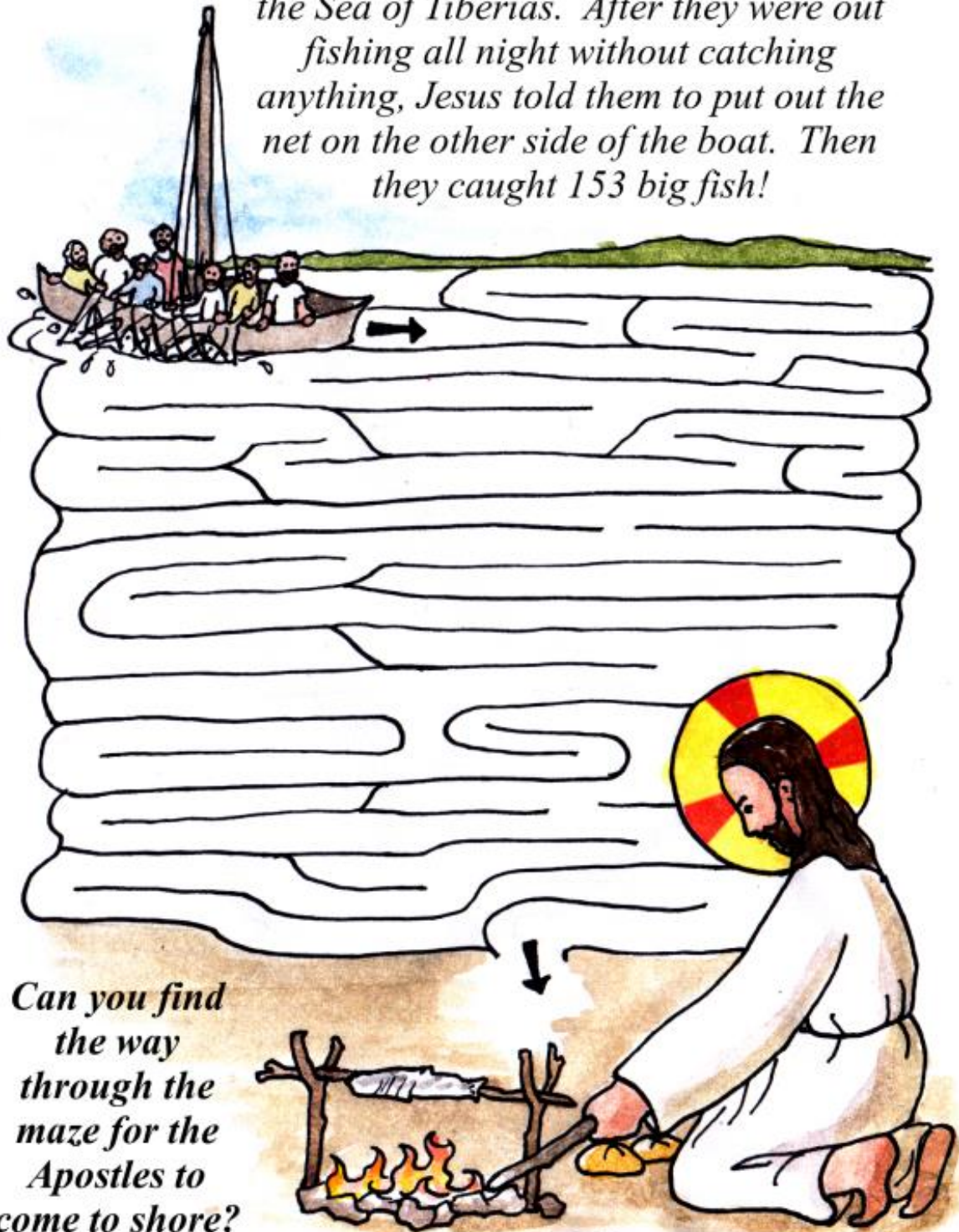
7. *Via Lucis* - Stations of the Resurrection

The Stations of the Light is a spiritual journey with Christ that takes one through fourteen of the most inspiring events of His post-Resurrection life on earth. In the early Church this practice was known as the *Via Lucis*, or Way of the Resurrection. It invites participants to walk along a path of transforming joy by following in the footsteps of the Risen Christ and his friends. Find resources for praying *Via Lucis* [here](#).

The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Easter
May 1st, 2022

The third time that the Apostles saw Jesus after He rose from the dead was at the Sea of Tiberias. After they were out fishing all night without catching anything, Jesus told them to put out the net on the other side of the boat. Then they caught 153 big fish!

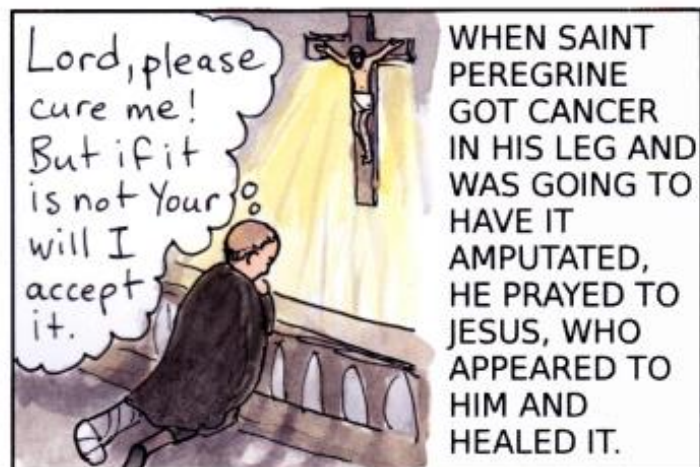
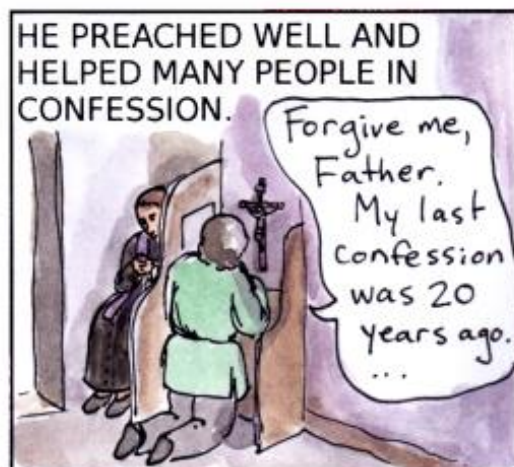
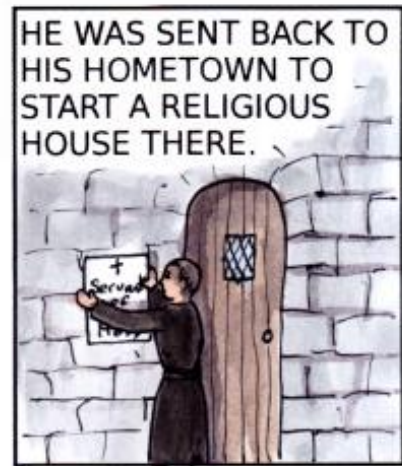
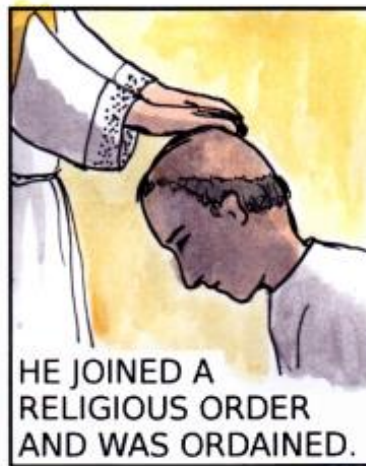
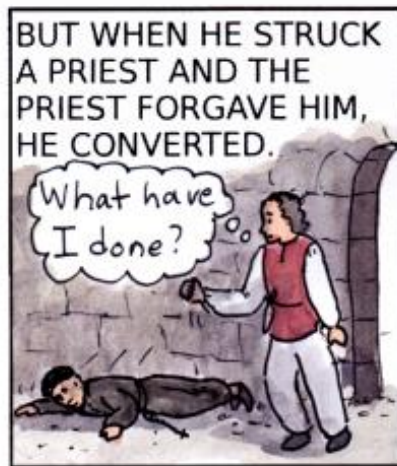
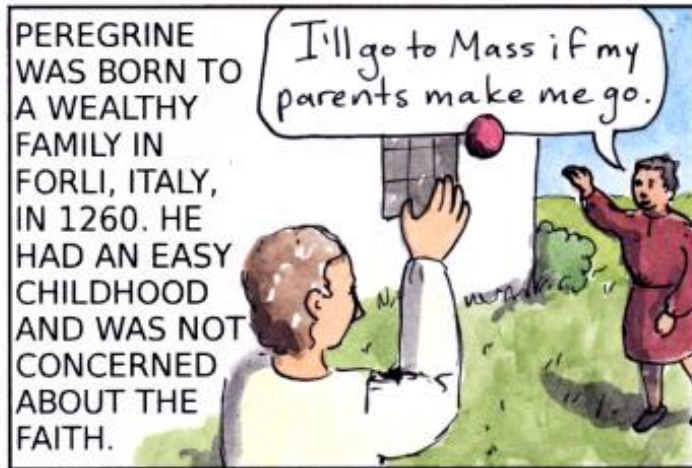


*Can you find
the way
through the
maze for the
Apostles to
come to shore?*

John 21.1-19

Saint Peregrine

May 1

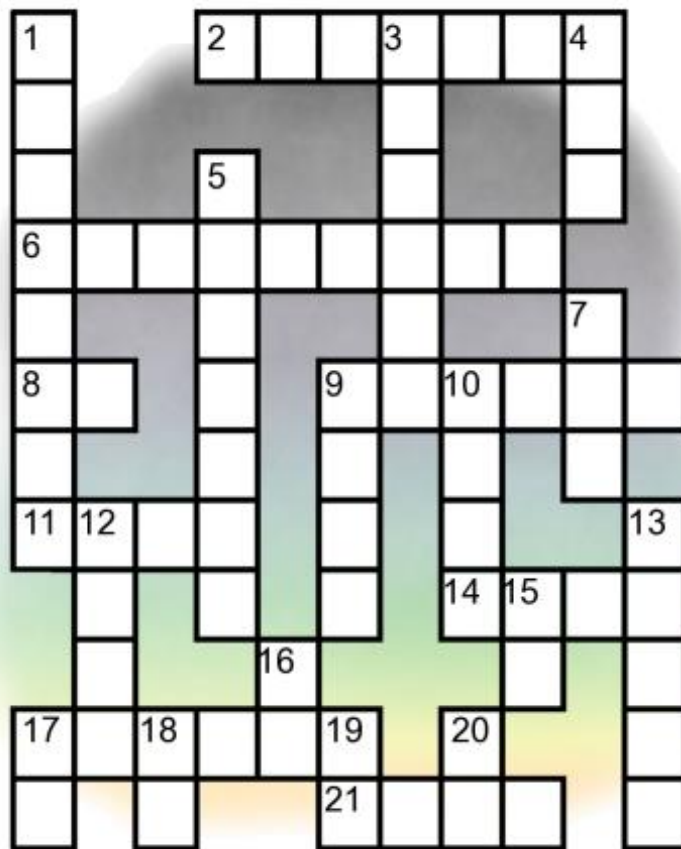


SAINT PEREGRINE DIED WHEN HE WAS IN HIS 80'S. BECAUSE HE HAD CANCER AND WAS CURED, HE IS THE PATRON SAINT OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE CANCER. DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO HAS CANCER OR SOME OTHER BAD SICKNESS? YOU CAN PRAY TO SAINT PEREGRINE THAT GOD WILL MAKE THEM BETTER.

Psalm 30 Cross-Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in the Psalm and the puzzle.

ANGER	GOD
HELPER	DAWN
WEeping	LET
REJOICING	AT
OVER	LORD
PRAISE	BE
HOLY	TO
FOREVER	ON
MOMENT	ME
GIVE	IN
MOURNING	MY
INTO	



I will extol you, _____, **10D** for you drew me clear
and did not _____ **7D** _____ **17D** enemies rejoice _____ **21A** me.
O Lord, you brought _____ **18D** up from the netherworld;
You preserved me from among those
going down _____ **12D** the pit.

Sing _____ **3D** to the Lord, you his faithful ones,
and _____ **11A** thanks _____ **19D** his _____ **9D** name.
For his _____ **13D** lasts but a _____; **17A**
A lifetime, his good will.

_____ **15D** nightfall _____ **2A** enters _____, **8A**
But with the _____, **14A** _____, **6A**

Hear, O Lord, and have pity _____ **16D** me;
O Lord, _____ **20D** my _____, **9A**
You changed my _____ **1D** into dancing;
O Lord my _____, **4D** _____ **5D** I will give you thanks.



Do You Love Me?

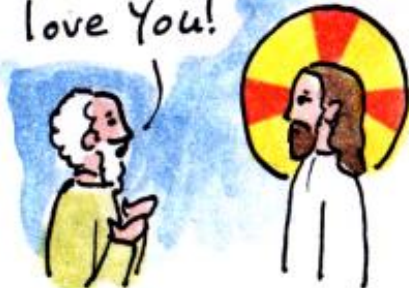
Simon, son
of John, do
you love me?



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him. Peter was a bit offended that Jesus asked him the same thing three times. After all, Jesus knew everything- so He knew that Peter loved Him.

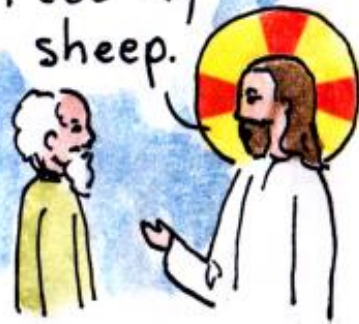
But think back to a few weeks ago: on Holy Thursday night some people asked Peter if he even knew Jesus, and he said "No!" three times! Maybe Jesus was trying to show Peter that it's easy to say "I love you," but it's harder to really love Him.

Lord, You
know I
love You!



If Jesus asked you today, "Do you love me?"

Feed My
sheep.



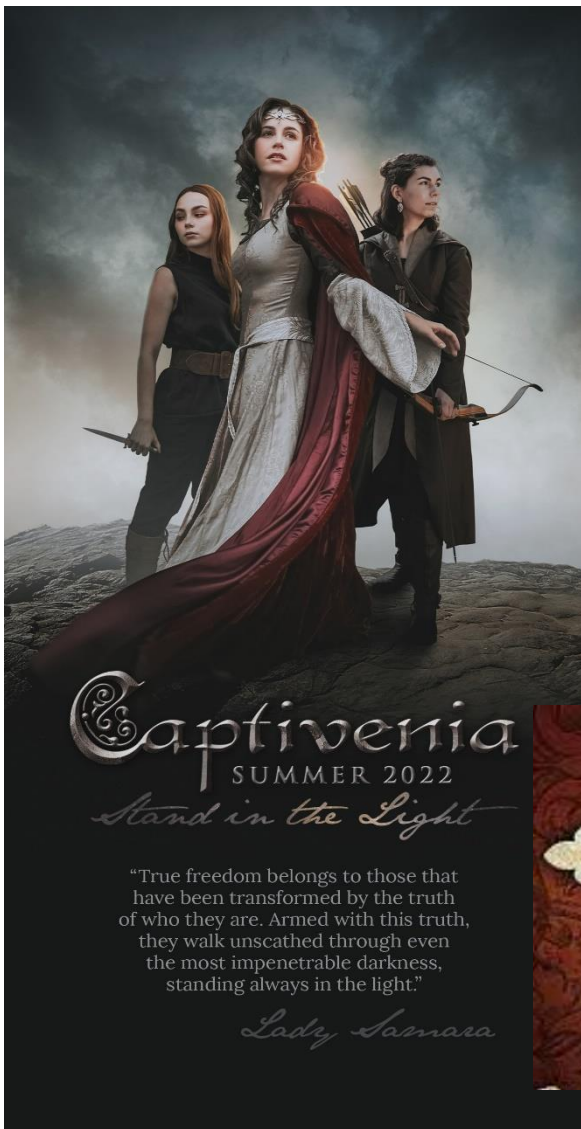
what would you say to Him? What would you do to show Him that you really do love Him? The best ways to love Jesus are talking to Him every day in prayer, and being good to the people around you- they are taking Jesus' place for you. Are

you ready to show your love for Jesus?

Answers to Cross-Word puzzle: Across: 2. weeping 6. rejoicing 8. in 9. helper
11. give 14. dawn 17. moment 21. over
Down: 1. mourning 3. praise 4. God 5. forever 7. let 9. holy 10. Lord 12. into
13. anger 15. at 16. on 17. my 18. me 19. to 20. be

Hello!

I write to you today on behalf of both Arcātheos (<https://www.arcatheos.com/>) and Captivenia (<https://captivenia.com/>), two Catholic medieval summer camps designed to create an encounter with Christ while fostering authentic masculinity and femininity in the hearts of their participants. Boys and girls of all ages should be ready for the adventure of their life! Following a theatrical storyline, they will encounter danger, risk, and trial, learning that through it all, God is their strength and their shield.



Those who register prior to May 1st will be entered into a draw and could win a 25% discount off of their registration fee!

If you, or anyone you know, might feel called to participate in our mission in a financial way, please see our websites for more details:

- <https://www.arcatheos.com/support-us>
- <https://captivenia.com/donate/>

Following the uncertainty of the pandemic and living currently in a world fraught with its own darkness, we hope to be able to provide the youth of today with the eternal hope of the heavenly kingdom and to help them deepen their relationship with Christ in order that they might face all the trials of this world with Him.



Retreat Centers in Southern Alberta

AN "OASIS" IN THE HEART OF CALGARY

FCJ Retreat & Conference Centre is seen by many as a spiritual home where God feels very present both in the building and the surrounding landscape, and every year welcomes thousands of visitors to a unique experience of warm hospitality and deep spirituality.

Our hope is that those who come to the FCJ Centre will encounter God, whether in prayer, in the Word, in the silence and the beauty; and that this encounter will touch many other lives too.



Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre is nestled in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains where we are all welcome in the name of Christ. The Franciscan Friars of Canada, inspired by the vision and example of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi, have served here since 1949.

We offer silent retreats and spiritual direction. We also serve those in the 12 Step Program through weekend and evening Serenity retreats. We listen to 5th steps. We host groups and individuals seeking a place of quiet and stillness in an often-hecktic world. We can accommodate up to 50 people (46 rooms/50 beds). We have one large and one small meeting room, a library and chapel. We can accommodate most dietary restrictions. There are approximately 500 acres to explore.

Our retreats are organized through a group of dedicated volunteer Captains that oversee the registration. Please see our retreats page for more information.

We have strong ties with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary; other Christian Churches, schools, and organizations; as well as others not affiliated with any particular faith but who are in accord with our mission of peace, healing and prayer. We value the many loyal friends and benefactors that have supported us in our ministry for over 70 years.

Martha Retreat Centre, situated on the edge of the beautiful Lethbridge coulees, is a ministry of the Martha Retreat Centre Society, which was established in 2018. Originally founded by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Martha of Antigonish, Nova Scotia in 1968, the Centre continues to be supported by and aligned with the mission of the Sisters of St. Martha: inspired by God's graciousness, we strive to hear, embrace and respond to the cry for gospel hospitality.

