



# Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH

**MAY 15, 2022 – FIFTH 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

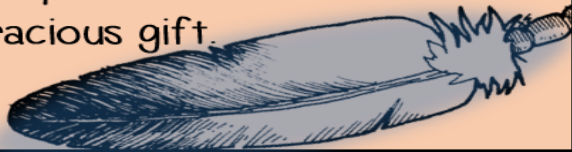
**MASS TIMES...** **MONDAY to FRIDAY** at 9:00AM  
**FIRST SATURDAY OF MONTH** at 8:30AM, **SATURDAY** at  
5:00PM  
**SUNDAY** at 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

**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**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCG6zK-XzuXdDHj79rV6ut\\_Q](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCG6zK-XzuXdDHj79rV6ut_Q)



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# MAY 15, 2022 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## OPERATING FINANCES

**APRIL 1-30, 2022**

<b>Operating Budget 2022</b>	\$ 59,708
<b>General Envelope Collection</b>	\$ 49,668
<b>Loose Collections</b>	\$ 1,047
<b>Future Development</b>	\$ 2,592
<b>Sale of Church Supplies &amp; Other</b>	\$ 7,494
<b>Budget Vs Actual</b>	\$ 1,093

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

<b>Together in Action (TIA)</b>	\$ 3,638
<b>St Vincent de Paul</b>	\$ 1,527
<b>Clergy Retirement</b>	\$ 25
<b>Mission Mexico</b>	\$ 200
<b>CARO</b>	\$ 120
<b>World Missions</b>	\$ 20
<b>Pope's Pastoral Works</b>	\$ 20
<b>Seminary Fund</b>	\$ 120
<b>Ukraine Relief YTD</b>	\$ 7,935
<b>Loonies 4 Lent YTD</b>	\$ 10,491

*Thank You for your Generous Contributions*



2022 Goal  
\$70,938  
total to date  
\$22,315  
which is 32%

## † Mass Intentions †



**Saturday, May 14**

11:00am - Conformation Mass  
5:00pm - Allen Kaupp †

**Sunday, May 15**

8:30am - Italo Dal Molin †  
10:30am - Patricia Conroy †  
6:00pm - Holy Family Parish

**Monday, May 16**

9:00am - John & Veronica Bosch †

**Tuesday, May 17**

9:00am - Special Intention

**Wednesday, May 18**

9:00am - Derrick Risling †

**Thursday, May 19**

9:00am - Tony Bosch †

**Friday, May 20**

9:00am - Phoebe Munro †

## *Gospel Acclamation - John 15*

Alleluia, Alleluia.

*I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will last.*

Alleluia, Alleluia.

*Love One Another*



## *Sunday's Readings*

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 14.21b-27**

They called the Church together and related all that God had done with them.

**Responsorial Psalm: 145.8-13 (R.1)**

R. I will bless your name for ever, my king and my God.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 21.1-5a**

God will wipe every tear from their eyes.

**Gospel: John 13.1, 31-35**

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

## *Loving One Another*

The gospel today is short and sweet. Glorify God - Jesus does it first and implies we should, too. Love one another - a direct comma to each one of us. These are disciple activities. These are essentials for our way of life.

† How will my words and actions glorify God today?

† Whom will I love - even someone who makes it hard for me to do so?

† How will this glorifying God and loving others change me for the better?



# EMERGENCY FUNDS *for* UKRAINE

To date we  
have raised...  
\$ 8,700.00



## Children's Liturgy

Children's Ministry 10:30 am Mass  
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.

## ARE YOU SPRING CLEANING?

The Catholic Women's League are collecting  
gently used, clean clothing for the Parish of  
Cluny/ Brocket.

Please place your donations in the provided  
bins in the front foyer.

We will accept donations up to June 12.

THANK YOU

To make monetary donations to the Ukrainian  
Refugees coming to Medicine Hat  
Please mark your donation...

## St. Vincent de Paul, Hatters for Ukrainians

The Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education  
and the Community Foundation of Southeastern  
Alberta are working together to support our  
soon to arrive new friends and neighbors.

**HOLY FAMILY CWL GARAGE SALE**  
Friday, June 10 - 3:00pm - 6:00pm  
Saturday, June 11 - 9:00am - 3:00pm  
Table Rental - \$30.00



**More  
Information  
Call Louella  
403-502-6883**

## MOUNT ST FRANCIS MEN'S SILENT RETREAT June 10-12

**"Seeking Wholeness and Holiness"**



Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre

To Book or for further  
information or assistance  
getting there Please call

**Ken Moen at  
403-866-1270**

## SAINTS ALIVE BIBLE MORNING CAMP

Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Registration forms are available in Church Foyer

**NO COST** - Mid morning snack will be provided.

**SCHEDULE** Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>

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





*thank  
you*

*I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation classes and the celebrations. Sharing your time and talent in service to our young children helping them grow in their catholic faith is truly appreciated. I would also like to thank the Knights of Columbus and especially the CWL who share their gifts of hospitality to our families. Your kindness and warmth makes everyone feel welcome. The ministry of Sacramental Preparation is critical to our faith community and to have such wonderful support is a witness and blessing to our candidates and their families and our parish community.*

*Sally Myers,*

*Sacramental Prep Coordinator*

***Congratulations!***

**To Fr. Roque Pereira, the Rock Star  
on his Installation at St. Patrick's  
Church by Bishop William  
McGrattan.**

**Saturday, May 14 at 5:00 pm Mass**



**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



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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Year C**

**May 15, 2022**

### BY OUR ACTIONS

We continue to reflect on our Easter stories which keep reminding us that our Lord and Savior is with us and walks with us every day. Last Sunday we reflected on the attributes of Good Shepherd who cares about his sheep and never loses any of them. The Lord being our Good Shepherd leads us to green pastures and anoints us with the oil of his mercy and love walks before us. St. Maximus explores this mystery in this way "Christ is risen! He has burst open the gates of hell and let the dead go free; he has renewed the earth through the members of his Church now born again in baptism and has made it blossom afresh with men brought back to life. His Holy Spirit has unlocked the doors of heaven, which stand wide open to receive those who rise up from the earth. Because of Christ's resurrection the thief ascends to paradise, the bodies of the blessed enter the holy city, and the dead are restored to the company of the living. There is an upward movement in the whole of creation, each element raising itself to something higher. We see hell restoring its victims to the upper regions, earth sending its buried dead to heaven, and heaven presenting the new arrivals to the Lord. In one and the same movement, our Savior's passion raises men from the depths, lifts them up from the earth, and sets them in the heights"

Our Christian does not depend only on words but also on actions and we can see it through the lives of the apostles and early Christians in the Book of Acts of the Apostle. People were converting to Christian faith because they saw the actions or way of their living as Christian. St. Hilary reflects on the true meaning of Christianity rooted in the Holy Trinity in this way "We believe that the Word became flesh and that we receive his flesh in the Lord's Supper. How then can we fail to believe that he really dwells within us? When he became man, he actually clothed himself in our flesh, uniting it to himself for ever. In the sacrament of his body he actually gives us his own flesh, which he has united to his divinity. This is why we are all one, because the Father is in Christ, and Christ is in us. He is in us through his flesh and we are in him. With him we form a unity which is in God. The manner of our indwelling in him through the sacrament of his body and blood is evident from the Lord's own words: "This world will see me no longer, but you shall see me. Because I live you shall live also, for I am in my Father, you are in me, and I am in you." If it had been a question of mere unity of will, why should he have given us this explanation of the steps by which it is achieved? He is in the Father by reason of his divine nature, we are in him by reason of his human birth, and he is in us through the mystery of the sacraments. This, surely, is what he wished us to believe; this is how he wanted us to understand the perfect unity that is achieved through our Mediator, who lives in the Father while we



live in him, and who, while living in the Father, lives also in us. This is how we attain to unity with the Father. Christ is in very truth in the Father by his eternal generation; we are in very truth in Christ, and he likewise is in us. Christ himself bore witness to the reality of his unity when he said: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in him." No one will be in Christ unless Christ himself has been in him; Christ will take to himself only the flesh of those who have received his flesh. He had already explained the mystery of this perfect unity when he said: "As the living Father sent me and I draw life from the Father, so he who eats my flesh will draw life from me." We draw life from his flesh just as he draws life from the Father. Such comparisons aid our understanding, since we can grasp a point more easily when we have an analogy. And the point is that Christ is the wellspring of our life. Since we who are in the flesh have Christ dwelling in us through his flesh, we shall draw life from him in the same way he draws life from the Father.

St. James the Apostle strongly believed that our words are not enough to speak about our faith in the Lord, but actions are needed as well "What good is it, my brothers, and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So, faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith" (2:14-19).

The life of the desert fathers is amazing to reflect upon. They lived in desert meditating and praying. Their actions were more important than the words as we can see in the following story. An Egyptian monk was living in the suburbs of Constantinople: and when the Emperor Theodosius II passed that way, he left his train of courtiers and came unattended to the cell. The monk opened the door to his knock, and at once recognized that he was the Emperor, but he received him as though he was only one of the imperial guards. When he had come in, they prayed together and sat down. The Emperor began to ask him, 'How are the hermits in Egypt?' He answered, 'They are all praying for your salvation.' The Emperor looked round the cell to see if he had any food and saw nothing except a basket with a little bread, and a flagon of water. The monk said to him, 'Will you take a little to eat?' He put the bread in front of him, and mixed oil and salt, and gave him that to eat and drink. The Emperor said to him, 'Do you know who I am?' He said, 'God knows who you are.' The Emperor said, 'I am the Emperor Theodosius.' The monk at once fell down before him and did humble obeisance. The Emperor said, 'Blessed are you, for you have an untroubled life, without thought of the world. I tell you truly, I was born an emperor and I have never enjoyed bread and water as I have today: I have eaten with real pleasure.' He began to do honour to the monk, so the hermit went out, and fled back to Egypt.

The conclusion of the Gospel is everything for us this week "you should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another". Jesus is delivering his farewell discourse while sitting at the dinning table with his disciples. He knows what is going to happen to him and to his disciples afterward. He is encouraging everyone to continue to follow what they have seen and heard from him. God the Father was always with him and have glorified him among all generation and protected him. Jesus' instructions to his disciples and to us is show our Christian faith by action but only by words. Holy Father Pope gave a beautiful reflection on the Gospel. And I believe we must examine ourselves to see how our faith is doing and how we are witnessing his name to other people. "What an enormous responsibility the Lord gives us today! He tells us that the world will recognize the disciples of Jesus by the way they love one another. Love, in other words, is the Christian's identity card, the only valid "document" identifying us as Christians. It is the only valid document. If this card expires and is not constantly renewed, we stop being witnesses of the Master. So I ask you: Do you wish to say yes to Jesus' invitation to be his disciples? Do you wish to be his faithful friends? The true friends of Jesus stand out essentially by the genuine love; not some "pie in the sky" love; no, it is a genuine love that shines forth in their way of life. Love is always shown in real actions.

Those who are not real and genuine and who speak of love are like characters in a soap opera, some fake love story. Do you want to experience his love? Do you want this love: yes, or no? Let us learn from him, for his words are a school of life, a school where we learn to love. This is a task which we must engage in every day: to learn how to love". (Please read I Corinthians 13:1-13)

Have you ever used your dining table as classroom to teach your children and grandchildren the family traditions and faith you cherish? I highly recommend if you are not doing so, start now and you will be surprised to see the awe look on your family members. Look to the Lord, who is never outdone in generosity. We receive so many gifts from him, and every day we should thank him. He offers us his faithful friendship, which he will never take back. The Lord is a friend forever. Even if you disappoint him and walk away from him, Jesus continues to want the best for you and to remain close to you; he believes in you even more than you believe in yourself. This is an example of genuine love that Jesus teaches to us. This is very important! Because the biggest threat to growing up well comes from thinking that no one cares about us - and that is always a sadness - from feeling that we are all alone. The Lord, on the other hand, is always with you and he is happy to be with you. As he did with his first disciples, he looks you in the eye and he calls you to follow him, to "put out into the deep" and to "cast your nets wide" trusting in his words and using your talents in life, in union with him, without fear. Jesus is waiting patiently for you. He awaits your response. He is waiting for you to say "yes". This is putting tenderness and love into action.

We must remember by baptism we become the member of the Holy Church but by actions we become true disciples of Jesus who for the sake of love died on the Cross so that we may have life and have it in abundance. Jesus wants us to be up on our feet! Think of the beautiful word Jesus said to the paralytic: "Arise!". God has created us to be on our feet. So, arise! God wants us up on our feet, ever on our feet! And that's only through our actions to glorify his name. Once Gandhi said, "I love Christianity but hate Christians because their actions are contrary to the Gospel".

The desert fathers rightly said, 'We become more humbled when we are tempted, because God, knowing our weakness, protects us. But if we boast of our own strength, he takes away his protection, and we are lost'. Today need to ask the Lord to give strength to witness his name by actions so that people may know that we are his disciples. St. Clement, bishop, and martyr has reminded everyone of us to understand that through our actions as Christians we can enjoy the unity of the Risen Christ because his death is our ransom and his rising from the dead has restored our life to himself. "Beloved, Jesus Christ is our salvation, he is the high priest through whom we present our offerings and the helper who supports us in our weakness. Through him our gaze penetrates the heights of heaven, and we see as in a mirror, the most holy face of God. Through Christ the eyes of our hearts are opened, and our weak and clouded understanding reaches up toward the light. Through him the Lord God willed that we should taste eternal knowledge, for Christ is the radiance of God's glory, and as much greater than the angels as the name God has given him is superior to theirs. So then, my brothers, let us do battle with all our might under his unerring command. Think of the men serving under our military commanders. How well disciplined they are! How readily and submissively they carry out orders! Not everyone can be a prefect, a tribune, a centurion, or a captain of fifty, but each man in his own rank executes the orders of the emperor and the officers in command. The great cannot exist without those of humble condition, nor can those of humble condition exist without the great. Always it is the harmonious working together of its various parts that insures the well-being of the whole. Take our own body as an example: The head is helpless without the feet; and the feet can do nothing without the heart. Even our least important members are useful and necessary to the whole body, and all work together for its well-being in harmonious subordination. Let us, then, preserve the unity of the body that we form in Christ Jesus, and let everyone give his neighbor the deference to which his particular gifts entitle him. Let the strong care for the weak and the weak respect the strong. Let the wealthy assist the poor and the poor man thank God for giving him someone to supply his needs. The wise man

should show his wisdom not by his eloquence but by good works; the humble man should not proclaim his own humility but leave others to do so; nor must the man who preserves his chastity ever boast of it but recognize that the ability to control his desires has been given him by another. Think, my brothers, of how we first came into being, of what we were at the first moment of our existence. Think of the dark tomb out of which our Creator brought us into his world where he had his gifts prepared for us even before we were born. All this we owe to him and for everything we must give him thanks. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen”.

Let me conclude my reflection with this short story to remind us of our Christian life in action is very important.

One morning, an elderly man was walking along the beach when he noticed a young boy picking something off the sand and throwing it into the sea.

As he got closer, the man realized the child was throwing stranded starfishes that had washed up on the shore back into the breaking waves.

Approaching the boy, the man asked what he was doing.

“The starfish will die if they’re still on the shore when the sun rises,” he replied.

Perplexed, the old man said, “But that’s pointless! There are countless miles of beach and thousands of starfish. It doesn’t matter how many you return to the water; you can’t make a difference.”

Unfazed, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish, and tossed it into the sea.

“It matters to this one,” he said.



Photo by Fr. Fr. Iqbal Kurshid...

Doors of the Church of Saint Peter in Gallicantu which is a Roman Catholic church located on the eastern slope of Mount Zion, just outside the Old (walled) City of Jerusalem.



# Sunday Updates

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*



Visit the [Diocesan Event Calendar](#)

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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.catholiccycc.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:** Write your name and the names of some of your friends and family members and [colour this page](#). On the back, write or draw either how you will show that they are listening to Jesus this week, or how you will care for their brothers and sisters around the world. (CAFOD)
  - [Colouring page this Sunday](#)
  - [Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday](#)
  - [Sunday Connection - 5th 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)

## Celebrate the Holy Spirit - A Synodal Celebration

All are welcome! Let us gather in the presence of the Holy Spirit, and invite the Lord to bless our journey together as we celebrate the closing of the Diocesan Phase in preparation for the 2021-2023 Synod.

You are invited to join representatives from throughout the Diocese for a day of prayer, reflection on the synodal experience, sharing of the Diocesan Synthesis, BBQ lunch and Eucharistic celebration with Bishop McGrattan.

When: Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 10 am to 3 pm. Where: St. Michael Catholic Community (800 85 St. SW, Calgary). Please register online at [catholiccyyc.ca/synod](https://catholiccyyc.ca/synod) or call 403-218-5521 (Registration is required by May 31).



## Supporting Ukrainians in our Diocese

In collaboration with Calgary Catholic Immigration Services (CCIS), we invite all the faithful and parish communities in our Diocese to be in solidarity with our Ukrainian brothers and sisters and to consider offering assistance in four different ways, including financial donation and individual hosting. More information online at:

[catholiccyyc.ca/blog/ukraine](https://catholiccyyc.ca/blog/ukraine)

Now more than ever we are called to recognize the responsibilities we have for each other as St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians reminds us, "So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God." (Ephesians 2:19).

- [Download Bishop's Letter](#) (PDF)

## Our Lady of the Cape in Calgary & Canmore

The pilgrim statue of Our Lady of the Cape will be in our Diocese from **May 22 to June 2, 2022**.

We hope to honour Our Blessed Mother by providing the faithful the opportunities to venerate Canada's National Madonna; to promote consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary; and to encourage enrolment in the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary.

Visit [catholiccyyc.ca/ourlady](https://catholiccyyc.ca/ourlady)







**Third Annual GrACE Summit 2022**  
Catholic Education: Together

There are lots of ways to land, and we will be honored to have you as a part of it! —Lorraine Gies

**Catholic Education: REBUILD, RESTORE, RENEW TOGETHER**

As we rebuild, restore and renew together, all stakeholders in Catholic Education are invited to join the GrACE movement across Alberta to inspire, invigorate and embolden the spirit of Catholic education in our province.

Come. Invite others. Celebrate. Spread the word. See you there.  
#BelieveinCatholicEd

**Monday, May 30**  
10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
St. James Church  
1104 – 300 Street SW, Calgary  
Cathedral Mass with Bishop McGroarty and plenary session.

12:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
St. Leo Curriculum Centre, CCSD  
4220 Catherine Drive SW, Calgary  
Breakfast, sharing and learning session.  
Lunch provided.

**Registration**  
\$40 per person — includes lunch  
Registration open March 28 – May 20, 2022  
Register here: [studentquickpay.com/ccsd/](https://studentquickpay.com/ccsd/)

\*No registration fee for CCSD students, educators or staff.  
\*\*Free for all students, educators and staff.  
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Reservations: (403) 267-7035  
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## GrACE Summit 2022

As we rebuild, restore and renew together, all stakeholders in Catholic Education are invited to join the GrACE movement across Alberta to inspire, invigorate and embolden the spirit of Catholic education in our province. Come and join the **GrACE Summit 2022 "Catholic Education: Together"**.

The Summit will be held on **Monday, May 30** from 10 am to 3:30 am in Calgary. Registration is \$40/person - includes lunch. Register before May 20, 2022 at [studentquickpay.com/ccsd/](https://studentquickpay.com/ccsd/) | [Download poster](#)

Read the [latest newsletter from GrACE](#)

## How to bring Catholic Moms Group to your parish?

**Catholic Moms Group** is a ministry that allows women to connect with other moms, providing opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and discussion about topics pertaining to marriage, family and faith in a supportive and encouraging environment. We are inviting you to attend an introductory online session on **Thursday, May 26 at 7 to 9 pm**, on how to bring **Catholic Moms Group** to your parish. Dorothy Pilarski, who spearheaded the group in the Archdiocese of Toronto, will share the importance of this ministry, best practices, effective tools, resources, and practical tips that will make all the difference.

To register, [fill in this registration form](#). Or contact Sr. Mariflor at 403-218-5505 or email [mariflor.jacob@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:mariflor.jacob@calgarydiocese.ca)

- [Watch introduction video](#)
- [Register online](#)



Invite parish women to meet with Dorothy Pilarski for posters, staff, parish lay in lists or members

**HOW TO BRING CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP TO YOUR PARISH**

**SPEAKER**  
Dorothy Pilarski  
Spearheaded Catholic Moms Group in the Archdiocese of Toronto. She will share with you the importance of this ministry, best practices, effective tools, resources, and practical tips that will make all the difference.

**WHEN**  
THURSDAY  
May 26, 2022  
7 pm to 9 pm

**WHERE**  
ZOOM MEETING  
To register, contact Sr. Mariflor  
Phone: 403-218-5505 or email: [mariflor.jacob@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:mariflor.jacob@calgarydiocese.ca)

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**OUR LADY OF FATIMA FEAST**

► **FRIDAY - MAY, 13**  
6:00 PM - Rosary followed by Mass

► **SATURDAY - MAY, 14**  
6:00 PM - Rosary  
6:45 PM - Mass presided by Fr. Cristino Bouvette followed by candlelight procession

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**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
The Church dedicated to the Virgin of Fatima in Calgary  
4747 30 Street SE - [www.ourladyoffatimacalgary.ca](http://www.ourladyoffatimacalgary.ca)

## The Feast of Our Lady of Fatima (May 13)

Our Lady of Fatima Parish invites you to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima with their community:

- **Friday, May 13 at 6 pm** - Rosary followed by Mass with Fr. Fabio DeSouza
- **Saturday, May 14 at 6 pm** - Rosary, followed by Mass at 6:45 pm with Fr. Cristino Bouvette, followed by candlelight procession.

## 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 | Download [Poster \(portrait\)](#) or [Poster \(landscape\)](#)

# 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.

- [You will need to register to attend. Please register here](#)
- [The Ordination Mass will be live-streamed at \[allsaintslethbridge.org\]\(https://allsaintslethbridge.org\)](#)



## Resources & Announcements

- 1. Final reminder: Breathe Marriage Conference**  
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- 2. GrACE Summit 2022 on May 30**  
This is a day event providing a real opportunity for us to rebuild, restore and renew together the most valuable resource of Catholic Education for the evangelization of our culture. Please [read the letter of invitation from the Bishop for Clergy, Religious, Council Chairs, and Parish Staff](#) - More information about [GrACE Summit 2022](#)
- 3. Laudato Si' Week 2022**  
May 22-29, 2022 will mark the seventh anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on creation care and unite the world's 1.3 billion Catholics to listen and respond to the cry of God's creation. [Laudato Si' Week 2022](#) is sponsored by the Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development and facilitated by [Laudato Si' Movement](#)
- 4. St. John I (Feast day: May 18)**  
On May 18, the Catholic Church honours the first "Pope John" in its history. [Saint John I was a martyr for the faith](#), imprisoned and starved to death by a heretical Germanic king during the sixth century.
- 5. St. Bernardine of Siena (Feast day: May 20)**  
One of the greatest promoters of devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus was Franciscan priest, [St. Bernardine of Siena](#). He went so far as to create a sign with the monogram IHS on it and carry it wherever he went.
- 6. 2021 Impact Report**  
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](#)
- 7. 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](https://fcjcentre.ca/sdtp) | [Download poster](#)



# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 15th, 2022

This is how all will know that  
you are my disciples:

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*What did Jesus tell His disciples  
in today's Gospel reading?  
Use the code below to find out!*

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*John 13:31-35*



# Saint Pascal Baylon

May 17

PASCHAL BAYLON WAS BORN TO A POOR FAMILY IN SPAIN IN THE 1500'S. AS A BOY HE WAS SENT OUT TO LOOK AFTER THE SHEEP IN THE FIELDS.



HE WAS ABLE TO PRAY WHILE HE WORKED, AND BEGAN TO DO PENANCES.



HE BECAME A FRANCISCAN BROTHER AND DID THE LOW JOBS IN THE MONASTERY.



SOME JOBS WERE BEING A GARDENER, THE PORTER AND EVEN THE BEGGAR!

HE WAS CAREFUL NOT TO WASTE, BUT WAS VERY GENEROUS TO THE POOR.



BROTHER PASCHAL SPENT MUCH OF HIS TIME PRAYING IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.



AS SOON AS HE HAD DIED, PEOPLE BEGAN TO PRAY TO PASCHAL, AND MIRACLES STARTED HAPPENING.

PASCHAL NEVER STUDIED OR HAD ANY IMPORTANT JOBS, BUT HE BECAME A GREAT SAINT ANYWAY. HE KNEW WHAT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING: LOVING JESUS. WHEN YOU REALLY LOVE JESUS YOU WILL BE GENEROUS WITH OTHERS TOO. DO YOU REALLY LOVE JESUS? HOW CAN YOU BE GENEROUS ?



# The New Jerusalem Word-Find

*Try to find  
all the words  
in  
CAPITALS  
in today's  
second  
reading.  
The leftover  
letters fit  
into the  
blanks at the  
end.*

J J O H N E T E A R A O S  
U E A R T H R O N E D R H  
B R I D E A T H E M O D A  
H U M A N P R E P A R E D  
U S H A L L S A E L N R M  
S A Y I N G C V O W E A O  
B L M W M A K E P A D C U  
A E O A O V M N L Y E E R  
N M R I L O U D E S S Y N  
D W E L L I N G W I P E I  
T H E I R C E V E R Y S N  
D O W N B E H O L D A G G  
A I N G O D H I M S E L F

Then I, JOHN, saw a new HEAVEN and a new EARTH. The former heaven and the former earth HAD passed away, and the sea was no MORE. I also saw the holy city, a new JERUSALEM, coming DOWN out of heaven from God, PREPARED as a BRIDE ADORNED for her HUSBAND. I heard a LOUD VOICE from the throne SAYING "BEHOLD, God's DWELLING is with the HUMAN RACE. He will dwell with THEM and they will be his PEOPLE and GOD HIMSELF will ALWAYS be with them as THEIR God. He will WIPE EVERY TEAR from their EYES, and there SHALL be no more DEATH or MOURNING, WAILING or pain, for the old ORDER has passed away."

The One who sat on the THRONE said, "Behold, I MAKE all things new."

*Rev.21:1-5*

**This tells about what will happen after**

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# The New Commandment

In the Old Testament, before Jesus came, there were many commandments. They told the people how they should live and what they should and shouldn't do. Jesus obeyed the commandments, but He gave His followers a new one, something different than any of the others:

## LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

The love that Jesus was talking about is called charity. It means doing what is best for a person. Here are some ways to love others:



Always think kindly of people. Even when you know something bad about someone, try to think nice thoughts about them.

Always speak kindly about people. Saying bad things about others can hurt them.



Always act kindly toward others. Treat everyone in the way that you would want to be treated. Show that you are a follower of Jesus by how you love others!

Answer to Front page: If you love one another.  
Answer to Word-Find: Jesus comes again



# 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

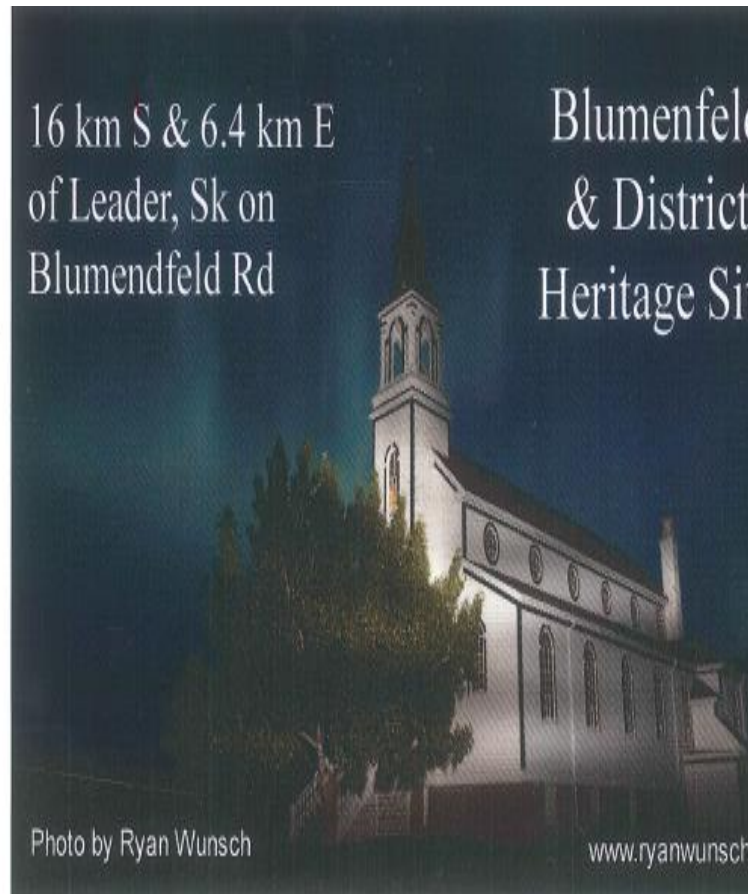


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## **\*\* Church Steeple \*\***

**“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

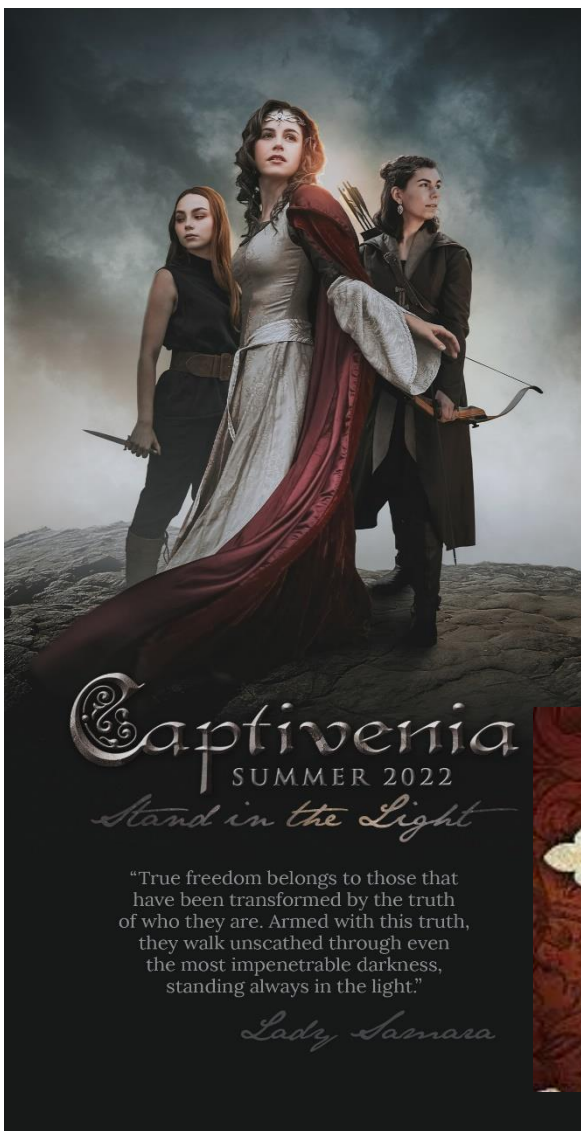
**Open to visitors Sundays from 2-4 from July 3 – September 4, 2022**

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

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

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.



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-hectic 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.

