

Pelcome to IOLY FAMILY PARISH

NOVEMBER 13, 2022 - THE 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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. Igbal Khurshid & Fr Naveed Arif & 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 - 10:30am

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

1st Reading: Malachi 4.1-2

The sun of righteousness will rise upon you.

Responsorial Psalm: 98.5-9 (R. 9)

 \mathcal{R} . The Cord is coming to judge the peoples with equity.

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12

Anyone unwilling to work should not eat.

Gospel: Cuke 21.5-19

By your endurance you will gain your souls.

The 29th Annual gift sharing sundag



Why Should We Care for the Poor?

The first and gospel readings are responses to the long and tedious waiting for the Cord to come again. It might not be pretty while we wait for this unknown time. What shall we think? How shall we behave, then? Pope Francis, among a long list of popes, tells us to care for the poor. Read again the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World Gaudium et Spes, Chapter III, nos. 63-72.

- T Why are there still poor among us?
- T Who are the poor among us in my town, in my neighborhood?
- † What will I do to help?

November 13, 2022 - The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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OPERATING FINANCES	
OCTOBER 1-31, 2022	
Operating Budget 2022	\$ 59,708
General Envelope Collection	\$ 47,216
Loose Collections	\$ 3,236
Future Development	\$ 3,277
Sale of Church Supplies & Other	\$ 4,016
Budget Vs Actual	-\$ 1,963
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Together in Action (TIA)	\$ 3,654
St Vincent de Paul	\$ 3,270
Clergy Retirement	\$ 25
Mission Mexico	\$ 215
CARO	\$ 100
Seminary Fund	\$ 65
Needs of Cdn Church	\$ 175
Ukraine Relief YTD	\$ 22,126
Thank You for your Generous Contributions	
Average Weekly Attendance	812
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† Mass Intentions †

Saturday, November 12

5:00pm - Derrick Risling +

Sunday, November 13

8:30am - Deloris & Robert Hellman 10:30am - James & Jonathan Wandler † 6:00pm - Holy Family Parish

Monday, November 14

9:00am - Brian Rieger +

Tuesday, November 15

9:00am - Allen Kaupp +

Wednesday, November 16

9:00am - Kim McCeod +

Thursday, November 17

9:00am - Francis Fowler Jr. +

Friday, November 18

9:00am - Con Miller +



Mark Your Calendars

November 12 - 7:30am HFP Hall

That Man is You - Breakfast & Presentation

November 13 - 2:00pm HFP Hall

Faith & Family Meet Up & Potluck

November 14 ~ 6:30pm Chapel

Prayer & Praise

November 14 ~ 7:00pm Faith Room

Knights of Columbus Meeting

November 15 - 9:45am - Faith Room

You Be You Fitness with MJ Rath

November 16 - 9:30am Faith Room

Bible Study

November 16 - 7:00pm Faith Room

RCIA

November 17 - 2:00pm Hope Room

Grief Share

November 18 - 6:30pm Candles & Flowers & Mass Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

November 19 - 7:30am HFP Hall

That Man is You - Breakfast & Presentation



Sacramental Preparation
Confirmation Class - HFP Faith Rm
Thursday, November 17 at 6:00pm
1st Reconciliation Parents - HFP Hall
Thursday, November 17 at 6:30pm
1st Reconciliation Class - HFP Faith Rm
Sunday, November 20 at 10:15am
Confirmation Parents - HFP Hall

Aid to the Church in Need
(ACN Canada, Pontifical
Charity) will hold its 8th
annual Red
Wednesday on November
16. The goal of the event is to
raise awareness and to pray
for persecuted Christians, who
are the most discriminated
against religious group in the
world.



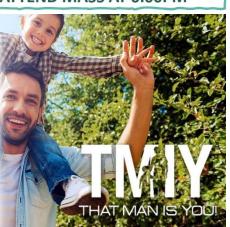
Thursday, November 26 at 10:00am

Wednesday November 16 Faith & Family

Bring the Whole Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2:00-4:00PM REMEMBERING GOD'S GRACE GAMES & SPECIAL ACTIVITES FOR TEENS FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK 4:00-5:00PM BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE WE CAN THEN ATTEND MASS AT 6:00PM

THAT MAN IS YOU!
Holy Family Parish Hall
Breakfast 7:30am
Presentation
8:30 – 9:30 am
November 19, 2022
Theme:
Divine Destiny
Presenter:
Mätthew Leonard



E-Transfer Donations



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Society of St. Vincent de Paul is so very grateful for your prayers and financial support. Without you we could not assist the people in dire need who live in our midst. We are happy to accept E-transfers to our organization at:

ssvpmedhat@gmail.com.

Tax receipts will be issued for donations if requested. May God bless you for sharing with your neighbours.

Hillcrest Church and in partnership with St. Vincent de Paul Furniture Ministry is in need! We are very low on Twin & Double sheet sets, blankets, towels, tea towels & dish cloths, baking items, lamps, tea kettles, cutlery & pots & pans.

HILLCREST 403-526-4010 ext. 243



Medicine Hat Pro-Life Meeting

Monday, November 14/22 @ 7:30 pm
St. Patrick's Church Hall
See you there!
For more info phone
George Ibach at 403-527-7434





CWL POTLUCK SUPPER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022

CWL members plus 1 guest & member's young children. Bring a dish for 6-8 people, Notify your captain with the numbers that will attend by December 1st



DOOR PRIZES

MASS @ 6:00 PM SUPPER @ 7:00PM Thank you to all who participated in our CWL sponsored Parish Fall Supper fundraiser. All volunteers who worked, those who donated food and money, and all who came to enjoy the company of others.

2023 CWL Membership dues are due at \$40.00 this year. Fees can be put in the collection baskets labels CWL.

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Sunday 10:30am Mass on YOUTUBE

Medicine Hat Holy Family Church

Live Stream

https://www.youtube.com/channel/

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You Tube

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The Password is: Liv3HFP*



Faithfully

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HEALING & GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

WORKSHOP - Friday, Dec 09th (6:30 p.m.) & Saturday

Dec 10th (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Location: FCJ

Christian Life Centre, 219 – 19th Avenue S.W., Calgary,

Alberta. There will be a love offering for meal and

facility cost. Friday Workshop: Receiving the infusion

of the Holy Spirit. Saturday Workshops: Forgiveness,

Tongues, Prophecy, Wisdom, Knowledge & Resting in

the Spirit. Presented by: OUR LADY OF THE

ASSUMPTION PRAYER COMMUNITY, All Saints Parish

in Lethbridge, Alberta. Registration: Email

kfabbi@gmail.com or phone Ken at 403-331-8923



UNDER SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE OF FR. IQBAL KHURSHID

MAY 13 – MAY 27, 2023 - 15 DAYS \$5,290.00 INCLUDING TAXES AND TIPS (CALGARY DEPARTURE)



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PREPARING OURSELVES FOR HIS 2ND COMING

Last Sunday we reflected on the mystery of life and death that though we die but we live forever in the Lord. Our life on earth is a journey toward eternal life "never say this is our land because this land belongs to me, and you are just a traveller" as the Lord says in the Old Testament. The mystery of life and death is always difficult to understand but as a believer of the Lord we all know that "if we have died in him, we will also rise with him. Throughout our earthly life the Lord keeps showing us the signs to believe in him that he is the author of life and has died for us so that we "may have life and life in abundance". I would like to share this story which I already shared during my Sunday homily so that we can prepare ourselves for his Second Coming into the world by seeing the signs.

Once lived a man who was very afraid of death. He always to thought "I could die at any moment, what should I do? how can I avoid death. So, he prayed and made friends with the God of Death. One day while talking, he said to the God of Death, "You do not leave anyone alive on earth. Someday you will take me with you...right? God of Death replied. "The one who is born in this world, must die. This is the eternal law of the universe and I have no option other than to take you with me. However, if there is anything other than that, you want me to help with, tell me."

The man said, "Then, I only want that, you write me a letter days before coming to take me with you, so that I can complete all my works which are still pending. I can explain everything to my children, hand down all the responsibilities and business to them and use rest of my time, to worship God, before I leave this world".

The God of Death smiled and said, "sure why not, I will send you four letters, not only one. Don't worry, I will give you lot of time between each letter so that you can do the work consciously." Man was very happy. He didn't feel any fear of death like he used to have. He thought, "If I complete all my tasks before leaving, then the God will welcome into the company of saints".

Years passed by, and finally the hour of death arrived. God of Death came to him and said, "Friend, now your time is over. Come with me. I can not leave you here even for a moment". The man was shocked, he raised his eyebrows and said, "How can you call me your friend? Are you not ashamed of yourself for betraying me? You had promised me that you would write a letter before coming to take me with you". But now suddenly you came to take me with you, without any prior notice, you didn't keep your promise.

The God of Death laughed and said, "Friend, I sent you not only one but four letters, you didn't pay attention even once". The man said, "What... but I didn't even receive one? Do you have any proof that you send me letters?" God of Death said, "Yes I have all four letters with me, right now". Then showing letter, God of Death said, "my First Letter was, when your beautiful black hair turned white. It was to warn you that you should do what have left to do. But you made your hair black again by applying artificial colour and until today my white letters are written on your head, lost in your dreams

of becoming young again. A few days later I sent Second Letter, it was when light in your eyes began to dim. Still, by putting thick glasses on your eyes, you again started to see the world instead of closing your eyes from the world for two minutes and meditate on God. Even after this you were not careful, then I felt very sorry for your plight, as a friend, I sent the Third Letter. This letter was when your teeth were shaken and broke. You did not even respond to this letter but got dentures and forcible started savoring the material things of the world. I was very sad that I am sending you warnings, thinking of the way to tell you that little time has left for you, but you were always ready to take a new artificial path to ignore those warnings. As my Last Letter I sent diseases and pains but again you ignored everything out of ego".

The man started weeping after listening about these letters sent by God and started repenting and admitted that he did not read these letters full of good warnings in ignorance. The man said, "I always kept thinking that from tomorrow I will worship God, I will spend my earnings in good works but that tomorrow never came".

Today we are introduced to another phase of our life as we reflect on the Word of God. Holy Bible does prepare us for end time by showing us the ways to see the signs around us but most of the time we ignore the warnings and signs. Before we reflect on the Readings of this Sunday, let's meditate on this very inspirational story. A few years ago, a group of salesmen went to a regional sales convention in Chicago. They had assured their wives that they would be home in plenty of time for Friday night's dinner. In their rush, with tickets and briefcases in hand, moving quickly through the airport terminal, one of these salesmen inadvertently kicked over a table which held a display of apples. Apples flew everywhere. Without stopping or looking back, they all managed to reach the plane in time for their nearly missed boarding. All but one! He paused, took a deep breath, quickly assessed the situation -- and experienced a twinge of compassion for the girl whose apple stand had been overturned. He told his buddies to go on without him, waved good-bye, told one of them to call his wife when they arrived at their home destination and explain his taking a later flight. Then, he returned to the terminal where the apples were still all over the terminal floor. The man was glad he did. The 16-year-old girl running the stand, he discovered, was totally blind! She was softly crying, tears running down her cheeks in frustration, all the while helplessly groping for her spilled produce as the rushing crowd swirled about her, no one stopping and no one caring for her plight. No one else, that is. The salesman knelt on the floor with her, gathered up the apples, put them back on the table and helped organize her display. As he did this, he noticed that many of them had become battered and bruised. These he set aside in another basket. When he had finished, he pulled out his wallet and said to the girl, "Here, please take this \$40 for the damage we did. Are you okay?" She nodded through her tears. "I hope we didn't spoil your day too badly," he said. As the salesman started to walk away, the bewildered blind girl called out to him, "Mister..." He paused and turned to look back into those blind eyes. She continued, "Are you Jesus?" He stopped in mid-stride, and he wondered, stunned by the words. Then slowly, he made his way to catch the later flight with that question burning in his soul: "Are you Jesus?"

We need to be Jesus to other people by becoming faithful to Jesus and his teachings. In several passages of the New Testament, the "Day of the Lord" is used to denote the Second Coming of Christ or, in the Old Testament, a day of judgment that would spell gloom and doom for those who have not been faithful to the God of Israel. The First Reading is from the Prophet Malachi (3:19-20A). The time is the early part of the 5th century BC when Israel was in great turmoil after the end of the Babylonian Exile. There was much corruption and unfaithfulness to God. The message here is that all humanity must eventually take sides to choose "good" or "evil" because "a Day is coming" when there will be a reckoning, and all must be judged. Today, we look upon this "day of reckoning" as the Last Judgment when the Son of God, Jesus Christ, the "Son of justice" will sit in judgment over the "living and the dead." This is when all mankind will be held accountable for their actions and omissions, their deeds and misdeeds.

St. Paul reminds us in the 2nd Reading that we need to work everyday to towards faithfulness in the Lord. Moreover, the Lord reminds us that though there will be persecution and sufferings, he will never leave us alone but will walk with us; "he leads me to the green pastures. In the Book of Revelation, we read "Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Beware, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison so that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have affliction. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life (2:10)."

In the Gospel Reading from Luke (21.5-19), we hear Jesus' prophesy about the great destruction of Jerusalem that was about to happen. All of this came about in 70 AD as a result of the persecution of the Christians, first by the Jews and then by the Romans. It was a Day of Judgment for the Jewish people who did not accept Christ; but it was not the end of the world. Jesus then goes on to talk about the greater Day of Judgment that we will all face some day, first when we die and then again at the end of the world. Jesus says: "As for these things which you see, the days will come when there shall not be left here one stone upon another". Of course, they asked him: When will this happen? What will the signs be? But Jesus moves the focus from these secondary aspects i.e. when will it be? What will it be like? — to the truly important questions. Firstly, not to let oneself be fooled by false prophets nor to be paralyzed by fear. Secondly, to live this time of expectation as a time of witness and perseverance. We are in this time of waiting, in expectation of the coming of the Lord.

Jesus' words are perennially relevant, even for us today living in the 2 lst century too. He repeats to us: "Take heed that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name". This Christian virtue of understanding is a call to discern where the Lord is, and where the evil spirit is present. Today, too, in fact there are false "saviours" who attempt to replace Jesus: worldly leaders, religious gurus, even sorcerers, people who wish to attract hearts and minds to themselves, especially those of young people. Jesus warns us: "Do not follow them, do not follow them!".

The Lord also helps us not to be afraid in the face of war, revolution, natural disasters, and epidemics. Jesus frees us from fatalism and false apocalyptic visions. The second aspect challenges us as Christians and as a Church: Jesus predicts that his disciples will have to suffer painful trials and persecution for his sake. He reassures them, however, saying: "Not a hair of your head will perish". This reminds us that we are completely in God's hands! The trials we encounter for our faith and our commitment to the Gospel are occasions to give witness; we must not distance ourselves from the Lord, but instead abandon ourselves even more to him, to the power of his Spirit and his grace. At the end Jesus makes a promise which is a guarantee of victory: "By your endurance you will gain your lives". There is so much hope in these words! They are a call to hope and patience, to be able to wait for the certain fruits of salvation, trusting in the profound meaning of life and of history: the trials and difficulties are part of the bigger picture; the Lord, the Lord of history, leads all to fulfilment. Despite the turmoil and disasters that upset the world, God's design of goodness and mercy will be fulfilled! And this is our hope: go forward on this path, in God's plan which will be fulfilled. This is our hope which will never disappoint us.

St. Augustine reflecting on the Second Coming of Jesus says, "All the trees of the forest will exult before the face of the Lord, for he has come, he has come to judge the earth. He has come the first time, and he will come again. At his first coming, his own voice declared in the gospel: Hereafter you shall see the Son of Man coming upon the clouds. What does he mean by hereafter? Does he not mean that the Lord will come at a future time when all the nations of the earth will be striking their breasts in grief? Previously he came through his preachers, and he filled the whole world. Let us not resist his first coming, so that we may not dread the second.

What then should the Christian do? He ought to use the world, not become its slave. And what does this mean? It means having, as though not having. So says the Apostle: My brethren, the appointed time is short: from now on let those who have wives live as though they had none; and those who mourn as though they were not mourning; and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing; and those who buy as though they had no goods; and those who deal with this world as though they had no dealings with it. For the form of this world is passing away. But I wish you to be without anxiety. He who is without anxiety waits without fear until his Lord comes. For what sort of love of Christ is it to fear his coming? Brothers, do we not have to blush for shame? We love him, yet we fear his coming. Are we certain that we love him? Or do we love our sins more? Therefore, let us hate our sins and love him who will exact punishment for them. He will come whether we wish it or not. Do not think that because he is not coming just now, he will not come at all. He will come, you know not when; and provided he finds you prepared, your ignorance of the time of his coming will not be held against you. All the trees of the forest will exult. He has come the first time, and he will come again to judge the earth; he will find those rejoicing who believed in his first coming, for he has come".

He continues to say "He will judge the world with equity and the peoples in his truth. What are equity and truth? He will gather together with him for the judgment his chosen ones, but the others he will set apart; for he will place some on his right, others on his left. What is more equitable, what is more true than that they should not themselves expect mercy from the judge, who themselves were unwilling to show mercy before the judge's coming. Those, however, who were willing to show mercy will be judged with mercy. For it will be said to those placed on his right: Come, blessed of my Father, take possession of the kingdom which has been prepared for you from the beginning of the world. And he reckons to their account their works of mercy: For I was hungry, and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me to drink. What is imputed to those places on his left side? That they refused to show mercy. And where will they go? Depart into the everlasting fire. The hearing of this condemnation will cause much wailing. But what has another psalm said? The just man will be held in everlasting remembrance; he will not fear the evil report. What is the evil report? Depart into the everlasting fire, which was prepared for the devil and his angels. Whoever rejoices to hear the good report will not fear the bad. This is equity, this is truth. Or do you, because you are unjust, expect the judge not to be just? Or because you are a liar, will the truthful one not be true? Rather, if you wish to receive mercy, be merciful before he comes; forgive whatever has been done against you; give of your abundance. Of whose possessions do you give, if not from his? If you were to give of your own, it would be largess; but since you give of his, it is restitution. For what have you that you have not received? These are the sacrifices most pleasing to God: mercy, humility, praise, peace, charity. Such as these, then, let us bring and, free from fear, we shall await the coming of the judge who will judge the world in equity and the peoples in his truth".

Let us prepare ourselves to be with the Lord so that our lives may please him.

The following story will help us to understand ourselves in a better way.

There was a large group of people gathered. On one side of the group stood a man, Jesus. On the other side stood another, Satan. Separating them was a fence running through the group. The scene set, both Jesus and Satan began calling to people in the group. One by one, each having made up his or her own mind, went to either Jesus or Satan. This kept going for a time. Soon enough, Jesus had gathered around him a group of people from the larger crowd, as did Satan.

One man joined neither group. He climbed the fence that was there and sat on it. Jesus and his people left and disappeared, and so too did Satan and his people. The man on the fence sat alone. As this man sat, Satan came back, looking for something which he appeared to have lost. The man said, "Have you lost something?" Satan looked straight at him and replied, "No, there you are. Come with me." The man said, "But I sat on the fence. I chose neither you nor him." Satan said, "That's okay; I own the fence." "Whoever is not with me is against me." - Jesus in Matthew 12:30





World Day of the Poor | Nov 13

"Jesus Christ... for your sakes became poor" (cf. 2 Cor 8:9). With these words, the Apostle Paul addresses the first Christians of Corinth in order to encourage their efforts to show solidarity with their brothers and sisters in need. The World Day of the Poor comes this year as a real challenge, helping us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us.

The Seekers Group for Unmarried Women

The Seekers Group for unmarried women. Women seeking to know how to discern the will of God in their lives are invited to learn how to listen and discover God's call in their life. When: Sundays at 2 pm (Nov. 13, 27, and Dec. 11) at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary).

The War in Ukraine

Ukraine and its people are still in crisis. Let us renew our efforts to pray, fast, and act. Together we can make a difference in the millions of lives of the children, men and women who are counting on us. Read the <u>Pastoral Letter from The Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of Canada</u> and kindly donate through your local parish or online at cnewa.org/ca and devp.org

Memorial Liturgy for those mourning the loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth

When families lose a baby in the womb, the cries of birth go unheard; the grasp of tiny fingers slips away. This profound loss needs articulation. Join Bishop McGrattan in a prayer gathering to commend our children communally into the embrace of our merciful God and to support those who are grieving the loss of a child. When: **Thursday, Nov. 24 at 7 pm,** St. Mary's Cathedral. To register, visit <u>miscarriageliturgy.ca</u>

Red Wednesday

<u>Red Wednesday</u> is on **Nov. 16** this year. This is a day to remember persecuted Christians all over the world through our prayer and gestures of solidarity and remembrance. What will you do this year to mark this day for persecuted Christians? For more info, visit <u>catholicyyc.ca/blog/redwednesday</u>

Like A Mighty River Conference

The Calgary Catholic Charismatic Renewal Society (CCCRS) invites you to the annual *Like A Mighty River Conference* on the weekend of **Nov. 18 & 19**, with the theme: "but as for me, and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15). Register at cccrs.com or call 587-894-5314.

Breakfast with the Bishop

Franciscan & Friends Mission invites you to the 13th annual "Breakfast with the Bishop's on **Saturday, Nov. 26** at **8:30 am**, at St. Peter's Church (541 SIlvergrove Dr. NW). To register, contact 403-243-1049.

St. James Parish Fall Fundraising Dinner

St. James in Okotoks invites you to their parish fundraising dinner "Dwelling Together in Faith". Featuring: dinner, silent auction, wine raffle and live music. When: Saturday, Nov. 26 at 6pm. To book tickets, call 403-938-3122 or email office@stjamesparishrc.com

Women's Advent Retreat

The CWL invites you to the Women's Advent Retreat at St. Martha's Church, Lethbridge on **Saturday, Nov. 26 from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm**. This year's theme is "Saint Francis, Rebuilld My Church" with guest speakers Fr. Andrew Pyon and Fr. William Monis. To register, contact 403-894-9282.

St. Paul's Christmas Market

St. Paul's CWL invites you to the Christmas Market on **Nov. 26 from 9 am to 3 pm** at St. Paul's Church in Airdrie. There will be a lot of delicious baking, vendor tables, raffles, and cafe style seating. For more information, contact 403-554-4947.

Live-In Retreat in Coaldale, AB

Grow in faith with Jesus, and join the Live-In weekend retreat in Red Deer on Nov. 11-13 (Call 403-510-1208) or Nov. 25-27 in Coaldale (call 403-382-1235).

Join a Guided Pilgrimage to Rome with St. Mary's University on May 13-28, 2023 - Led by Dr. Peter Baltutis |

This travel study course explores the development of Christian spirituality from its origins to the present day through the lens of Rome. Deadline for applications: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 - for more information, contact peter.baltutis@stmu.ca

Employment opportunities

- · Executive Director Pastoral Centre
- · Assistant Coord. Feed the Hungry
- · Cook (PT) St. Mary's Cathedral

Visit <u>catholicyyc.ca/careers</u> for more information and application details.

Parenting for Purity: A Virtual Event with Jason Evert

How do you talk to your kids about chastity, especially when your parents never had "the talk" with you? During this virtual event on **Thursday, Nov. 17 at 8 pm**, Jason will offer a wealth of communication techniques and effective strategies to transmit the message of purity to your kids at any age. Register here or contact Emily at 403-217-8448

Dinner with Mike MacDonald, Mission Mexico

Let's have supper together with Mike MacDonald and talk about Mission Mexico - Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022, at 6 pm at Tu Tierra Mexican Restaurant (8995 Bonaventure Drive SE, Calgary). All are welcome. Note that Mission Mexico is a charitable program, we kindly ask that each pay for their own meal.

Resources for children

• **Kid's challenge this week:** When we think about the end of the world, or some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world, it's difficult to not feel scared about it. One of the challenges of being a disciple of Jesus is learning to trust his assurance that he would be with us, even in the most difficult of times. (The Kids Bulletin & Lovola Press)

Colouring page this Sunday

Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday

Sunday Connection - 33rd
 Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gr. 1-8 & family)

 Children's Liturgy of the Word this Sunday

<u>Children's Liturgy sheet for</u>
 <u>leaders/parents</u> (CAFOD) | <u>Illustration</u>

<u>Children's Liturgy of the</u>
 Word with Miss Heidi (Catholic TV)

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<u>Sunday Connection</u>

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877 (choose Diocese of Calgary tile logo). For other online Masses, visit Salt+Light TV, Shalom World
TV, EWTN and Vision TV

Resources

- Sacraments & Liturgies
- Spiritual Resources
- Sacrament Preparation
- Online Formation Opportunities

Other Resources & Events

1. Bulletin Shorts, free to use

- Luke's Gospel began in the Temple with Zechariah's vision; the infant Jesus was presented in the Temple; the 12-year old Jesus was "lost" and found in the Temple; and now we find Jesus back in the Temple giving the disciples and the crowds his final teachings. Jesus' words have an edge, creating healthy unease. During these last days of the Church year, as the dark of winter increases, Jesus' words hold deep reminders of how to remain faithful until the end of time.
 - Who are the false teachers in our own day? How do you tell falseness from truth?
 - In light of the world's calamities, how do you refrain from being overwhelmed with fear?
 - As a parish community, how can we best prepare for "the last day"? (Source: Diocese of Saskatoon)

2. Resources for children

- o **Kid's challenge this week:** When we think about the end of the world, or some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world, it's difficult to not feel scared about it. One of the challenges of being a disciple of Jesus is learning to trust his assurance that he would be with us, even in the most difficult of times. (The Kids Bulletin & Lovola Press)
 - Colouring page this Sunday
 - Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday
 - Sunday Connection 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gr. 1-8 & family)
 - Children's Liturgy of the Word this Sunday
 - Children's Liturgy sheet for leaders/parents (CAFOD) | Illustration
 - Children's Liturgy of the Word with Miss Heidi (Catholic TV)

3. Weekly Bulletin info for People and Planet First campaign

Find weekly bulletin information to promote Development and Peace - Caritas Canada's **People and Planet First** campaign. Feel free to adapt these messages to your needs. <u>Download bulletin messages</u>

4. World Day of Youth (Nov. 20)

Instituted in 1985 at the conclusion of the International year of Youth and in conjuction with Saint John Paul II's World Youth Day gatherings, this observance has taken place on Palm Sunday. In 2020 Pope Francis transferred the date to the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. "Young people must say to the world: It is good to follow Jesus! You bring us the joy of faith and tell us that we must live the faith always with a young heart." (Pope Francis)

5. St. Mary's in Calgary joins Universities Canada

Universities Canada, self-branded as "the voice of Canada's universities at home and abroad," welcomed Calgary-based St. Mary's University as the 97th member to its ranks Oct. 25. Read more

6. **Memorial Liturgy for those mourning the loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth** | When families lose a baby in the womb, the cries of birth go unheard; the grasp of tiny fingers slips away. This profound loss needs articulation. Join Bishop McGrattan in a prayer gathering to commend our children communally into the embrace of our merciful God and to support those who are grieving the loss of a child. When: **Thursday, Nov. 24 at 7 pm** at **St. Mary's Cathedral**. To attend, please register at www.miscarriageliturgy.ca

7. Winter gifts for Feed the Hungry guests

We invite you to donate **new** mittens/gloves, socks, toques, or \$10 gift cards (from fast food places) to share with Feed the Hungry's guests closer to Christmas. Kindly deliver items or gift cards to the Catholic Pastoral Centre Reception (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary **before Dec. 1**. Reception is open during business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm). For any questions, please email: feedthehungry@calgarydiocese.ca | Download graphics: square | wide | Download poster: PDF/PNG

8. Dinner with Mike MacDonald

Let's have supper together with Mike MacDonald and talk about Mission Mexico - **Wednesday**, **Nov. 16**, **2022**, **at 6 pm** at Tu Tierra Mexican Restaurant (8995 Bonaventure Drive SE, Calgary). Since Mission Mexico is a charitable program, we kindly ask that each pay for their own meal.

9. The Seekers Group: Discernment for unmarried women

Women seeking to know how to discern the Will of God in their lives are invited to learn how to listen and discover God's call in their life. We will be engaging in Lectio Divina prayer and exploring how to discern using the Ignatian method of discernment. Meetings: Sundays, **Nov. 13, 27 & Dec. 11 at 2 pm**

10. St. Mary's Cathedral CWL Annual Quilt Raffle

The CWL Quilt Committee has two beautiful quilts for its Christmas raffle. Raffle tickets are \$15 each or \$25 for 3 tickets. Draw date: **Dec. 11 at 1:15 pm** at St. Mary's Cathedral. Proceeds will go toward Elizabeth House, St. Mary's Cathedral "Roof Fund", and St. Mary's Cathedral CWL projects

11. Parenting for Purity: A Virtual Event with Jason Evert

How do you talk to your kids about chastity, especially when your parents never had "the talk" with you? During this virtual event on **Thursday, Nov. 17 at 8 pm**, Jason will offer a wealth of communication techniques and effective strategies to transmit the message of purity to your kids at any age. Join us, as he addresses internet and phone safety, teens dating, "the talk", and the #1 key to raising pure teens. Register here or contact Emily at 403-217-8448

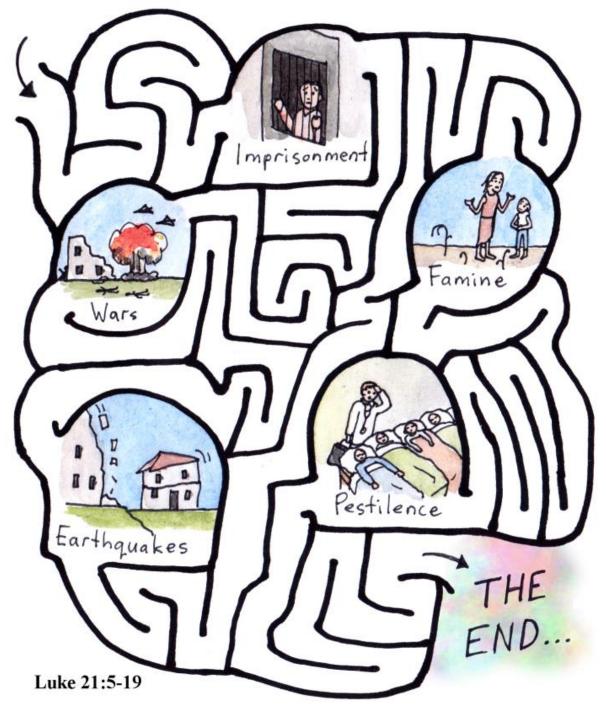
- 12. **How St. Albert was known as "the Great" even during his life (Feast day: Nov. 15)** | St. Albert the Great made a profound impact on the Church, laying a strong intellectual foundation that many saints would build upon. Read more
- 13. **St. Elizabeth of Hungary: Model for those in authority (Feast day: Nov. 17)** | St. Elizabeth of Hungary is a medieval noblewoman who responded to personal tragedy by embracing St. Francis' ideals of poverty and service. A patron of secular Franciscans, she is especially beloved to Germans, as well as the faithful of her native Hungary. Read more

14. November 2022 Calendar Highlights

- o Nov 15 | St. Mary's Cathedral Quilt Raffle
- o Nov 16 | Dinner with Mike MacDonald (Mission Mexico)
- o Nov 16 | Red Wednesday
- o Nov 18 | Vespers & Study of the Rule of St. Benedict
- o Nov 18-19 | Like a Mighty River Conference at St. James' Church, Okotoks
- Nov 22 | <u>Pastoral Care: Accompanying in Conflict and Complicated Situations</u> at St. Martha, Lethbridge
- o Nov 25 | Marriage Preparation at Ascension Catholic Parish, Calgary
- o Nov 25-27 | Live-In Retreat in Coaldale, AB
- Nov 26 | Breakfast with Bishop at St. Peter's
- o Nov 26 | St. Paul's Christmas Market, Airdrie
- Nov. 26 | St. Cecilia's CWL Cookie Walk, Calgary
- Nov 26 | Lethbridge Region Women's Advent
- o Nov 26 & 27 | Advent according to Mary
- o Nov 26 | St. Cecilia's Cookie Walk
- o Nov 26 | St. James' Parish Hall Fundraising
- Nov 27 | The Seekers Group for unmarried women at CPC
- Nov 28 | Advent Ignatian Retreat in Everyday Life at FCJ
- Nov. 28 | Advent Twilight Retreat "Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus!" at Martha Centre, Lethbridge
- o Dec. 2-4 | Advent Hope: Life Worth Living at Mount St. Francis
- o Dec. 6 | An Evening with St. Nicholas at Mount St. Francis
- Dec. 7 | Advent A family Advent fireside gathering at FCJ
- o Dec. 9-11 | Advent Winter Stillness Retreat at Mount St. Francis
- o Dec. 11 | The joy of Greccio at Mount St. Francis
- o Dec. 15 | Every Star Shall Sing a Carol at FCJ

The Kids' Bulletin

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13th, 2022



In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the people some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world.

You'll find them as you go through the maze!

Rose Philippine Duchesne

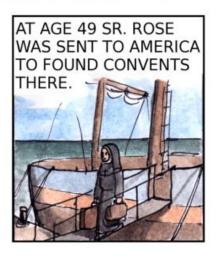
November 18















WHEN SHE
WAS 71 SHE
WAS SENT TO
SOME NATIVES
IN THE MOUNTAINS. BECAUSE SHE
COULDN'T
LEARN THE
LANGUAGE
SHE PRAYED
ALL THE TIME.

SAINT ROSE WAS VERY CHARITABLE. SHE HELPED PRIESTS HIDE DURING THE FRENCH REVOLUTION, AND STARTED FREE SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS IN AMERICA. WHEN SHE COULDN'T DO ANY MORE TO HELP THE CHILDREN SHE PRAYED FOR THEM. THE NATIVES CALLED HER "WOMAN-WHO-PRAYS-ALWAYS." SHE DIED AT AGE 83.

Psalm 98 Cross-Word Use the words in the list to fill in the blanks in today's Psalm, and then fit them into the puzzle. LYRE THOSE THE **DWELL** WHO **MELODY** LORD 10 COMES SOUND 12 11 FILLS PRAISES ROAR TRUMPETS 13 SING Sing _____ 5D to the Lord with the lyre, with the _____8D and the sound of _____! With _____ and the ____ 12A of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the ____ 8A! Let the sea _____4A, and all that _____9A it; the world and 13A 3D 2A in it! Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills ______ for joy together before the Lord, for he _____6A to judge the earth. A=Across He will judge the world with righteousness,

and 11A peoples with equity.

D=Down

God is With Us to the End

Jesus tells the people in today's
Gospel reading some of the things
that will happen before the end of the
world. He says that some people will
be arrested and have to speak about
Him in front of the leaders and rulers
of the people, but He will protect them.

Jesus doesn't want us to worry about what is going to happen at the end of the world, but He wants us to be ready for it when it comes. He also wants us to be ready for the end of our lives, because we don't know when that's going to happen either.

ESUS, I KNOW

OU ARE WITH

GOD WILL

GIVE ME

STRENGTH!



Do you find it kind of scary thinking about the

end of the world or dying?
Well, you don't need to be afraid about it! Jesus will give us all the strength we need for whatever happens.

All we have to do is trust in Him!

Across: 2.dwell 4.roar 6.comes 8.Lord 9.fills 11.the 12.sound 13.those Down: 1.trumpets 3.who 5.praise 7.melody 8.lyre 10.sing

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 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.



2022 Advent @ Mount St. Francis TAKE A MOMENT IN THE SEASON

More and more the **Season of Advent** is swept up into the hype of a busy Christmas. The gift of the season is one of preparation, of reflection, of taking time to pause so as to enter into the celebrations and demands with a heart orientated toward the Light. At **Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre**, we provide space for you to come and be: for **prayer**, for **peace** and for **healing** during this sacred season. We invite you to register for any of these Advent Retreats by contacting Deb at 403-932-2012 mtfrancis@shaw.ca Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Weekend Retreat – "Advent Hope: Life Worth Living"

December 2 - 4

\$215

with Friar Joshua and Friar Michael

Our world continues to be bombarded with messages faster and louder. How many speak of hope? How many speak of the gift of life?

Advent gives us a chance to recalibrate and align our living in hope and life-giving ways.

Register with Linda and Russ Nicol 403-932-1804 lindamnicol50@gmail.com

At A Glance

December 2 - 4
Advent Retreat
"Advent Hope:
Life Worth Living"

December 6
Advent Twilight Retreat
"An Evening with St. Nicholas"

December 7
Advent Day Away
"Pregnant with the Divine"

December 9 - 11 Winter Stillness Retreat

December 11 Greccio: A St. Francis Christmas Pageant

Twilight Retreat – "An Evening with St. Nicholas"

Tuesday, December 6

\$30 each

\$15 youth ages 12-17

Registration at 6:00 pm Supper at 6:30 pm

Enjoy a hearty homecooked meal followed by a guided reflection, time for guiet and moments of shared prayer. Consider attending as a family (ages 12+) Consider gifting this Twilight Retreat to a friend or family member.





Day Away - "Pregnant with the Divine"

Wednesday, December 7 \$30

Registration 8:40 am

The day begins with homemade muffins, includes a reflection, time for quiet, Eucharist, a home-cooked noon meal, prayer prompts and closing ritual.

Consider gifting this Day Retreat to a friend or family member.

Winter Stillness Retreat

Friday, December 9 - Sunday, December 11

\$215

A quiet weekend, the perfect gift in a busy season. Come and rest. Delicious meals to nourish your body, liturgical prayer to nourish your heart, quiet and nature to nourish your soul.





The Joy of Greccio: A St. Francis Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 11

St. Francis of Assisi began the popular tradition of re-enacting the Christmas story in Greccio, Italy. Mount St. Francis has held the Greccio Christmas pageant since 2006. We are excited to welcome you back for this in person outdoor pageant.

2:15 pm - 5:00 pm - Snacks and Hot Chocolate Pageant at 4:15 pm

Accepting non-perishable food and cash donations for the Cochrane Food Bank.



There are many scams going around masquerading as your clergy (priests, deacons or lately, the bishop).

Please exercise caution when responding to email messages. If you receive unusual emails, check the sender's email address to see whether it is the person's genuine address. Even if the sender's address looks correct, always verify suspicious emails by phoning the sender. There have been many similar scams reported by several parishes in our diocese and across Canada.

Note that these scams do not stop at emails. Those in social media should stay vigilant when responding to friend requests or to other compelling posts requiring a response. There are many fake Twitter, Facebook and other social media accounts trying to impersonate people you know and our church leaders. Some scammers may take the time to build a relationship with you to gain your trust, before trying to extort money or other things like gift cards.

Please exercise vigilance when you are being charitable. Use the channels you are most familiar with and avoid becoming victims of a scam.

NOBODY is going to ask you for gift cards, or bit coins from the church! NOBODY!!!

All our email addresses only end in @holyfamilymh.ca never a @gmail account.

If you get an email or a text, PLEASE DO NOT RESOND to it, you can forward it to contact@holyfamilymh.ca so it can be sent to the diocese.