



Welcome to HOLY FAMILY PARISH

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YR. A

JANUARY 18, 2026

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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. Fernando Genogaling & Deacon Robert Risling

RECONCILIATION...

Friday 9:30am–10:30am & Saturday 3:30–4:45pm

MASS TIMES - MONDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY 9:00AM **TUESDAY** 6:00PM

SATURDAY 5:00PM - **SUNDAY** 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

MONTHLY - 1ST SATURDAY 9 AM

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN...

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30am - 4:00pm

ADORATION FRIDAY 9:30 – 10:30am

1ST FRIDAY OF MONTH – 12 HOUR ADORATION

Parish Pastoral Council Chair – Ken Loehdorf

Parish Finance Council Chair - Cheryl Pocsik

Knights of Columbus – Jimmy Tablan

Catholic Women's League – Dianne Durda

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.

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "John 1:29-34
"Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John 1:29
I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A
Sunday, January 18, 2026

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 18, 2026

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6. Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10. I Corinthians 1:1-3. John 1:29-34.

What Baptism Makes of Us. We begin Ordinary Times this liturgical year full of baptismal reminders. Jesus ranks ahead of John the Baptist and all of us. But though greater, he, in his good Spirit, remains with all of us. In Baptism, we are God's servants, ordained to show God's glory (and not our own), and be about God's saving plan. And like Saint Paul and the Corinthians, we are called to be holy.

- † How will I cherish Baptism today and rest in Christ loving me?
- † How will I manifest God's glory in some simple word or work?
- † How will I be holier today than I was yesterday?

FINANCIAL REPORT		
<i>Monthly Operating Budget</i>		\$ 74,669
JANUARY MONTH TO DATE		
General Envelope Collection		\$ 22,339
Loose Collections		\$ 1,432
Future Development		\$ 925
Misc. Income		\$ 5,184
Total Month Income		\$ 29,880
Budget Vs Actual		-\$ 44,789
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS		
2026 YEAR TO DATE		
Together in Action (TIA) GOAL - \$70,938	3%	\$ 2,259
Multiply the Hope		\$ 320
St Vincent de Paul		\$ 1,258
World Mission		\$ 0
Clergy Retirement		\$ 50
Mission Mexico		\$ 72
CARO		\$ 10
Seminary Fund		\$ 20
Holy Land & Pope's Pastoral		\$ 0
<i>Thank You for your Generous Contributions</i>		
December Average Weekend Attendance		1151

Ways to Donate to Holy Family Parish

1. Weekly Collection Plate
2. Etransfer – accounting@holyfamilymh.ca
3. Automatic Withdrawal from your Credit Card or Chequing Account


Please contact Robin for more information...
403-527-6933 ext. 104
finance@holyfamilmh.ca

E-Transfer Donations

PLEASE make sure your **FULL NAME** is in the e-transfer information so that you can receive a taxable benefit for your contributions.

*Thank You
For your Donations!*

Saturday, January 17
7:00-10:00am ~ TMiY – HFP Hall
10:00am ~ Benedictine Group – Hope Room
3:30pm ~ Reconciliation
5:00pm ~ Mass ~ Jim Buscholl †
Sunday, January 18
8:30am ~ Mass ~ Holy Family Parish
9:30am ~ Parish Breakfast in Hall
10:30am ~ Mass ~ Rita Darr †
(Children's Liturgy) (Mother Teresa School)
11:30am ~ Parish Breakfast in Hall
6:00pm ~ Mass ~ Cesar Subrado †
Monday, January 19
NO MASS TODAY – CHURCH IS CLOSED
Tuesday, January 20
1:00pm ~ Endow ~ Charity Room
6:00pm ~ Dana Mastel Tole †
7:00pm ~ Faith Room Booked
Wednesday, January 21
9:00pm ~ Mass ~ Vipin Kallampallil Mathew
12:30-3:30pm ~ Faith Rm. ~ MHCBE
4:00pm ~ Choir Practice - Sally
7:00pm ~ RCIA – Faith Room
Thursday, January 22
9:00am ~ Mass ~ Ouseph Ouseph †
9:30am ~ Bible Study – Faith Room
6:00pm ~ SHE - Hall
Friday, January 23
8:30am-4pm ~ MHCBE ~ HFP Hall
9:00am ~ Mass ~ Frances Obritsch †
9:30 – 10:30am ~ Adoration & Reconciliation
Saturday, January 24
7:00-10:00am ~ TMiY – HFP Hall
10:00am ~ Benedictine Group – Charity Room
10:11:30am & 1:30-3pm ~ 1st Communion Class ~ Faith Room
11:00am - Baptism
3:30pm ~ Reconciliation
5:00pm ~ Mass ~ Protacio Canizares †
Sunday, January 25
8:30am ~ Mass ~ Tim Koch †
10:30am ~ Mass ~ Holy Family Parish
6:00pm ~ Mass ~ Teresa Cone †

Parish Breakfast January 18th

After 8:30 & 10:30 Masses

Breakfast Sandwich: bun, sausage, eggs, cheese, hash browns & fresh fruit. AND

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MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS'
EDUCATION FOUNDATION

AGM MEETING

TUESDAY
JANUARY 20, 2026

MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL
BOARD OFFICE
1251 1 AVE SW

7:00 P.M.

ALL PUBLIC ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND



Children's Liturgy 10:30 Mass

1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month

Parents need to complete the
registration form on the Children's
Liturgy table and drop the completed
form into our mail slot beside the office
door before children can attend.



Children who have not received 1st Communion

& are under 8 yrs of age can attend.

Older children are encouraged to stay at mass.

Children under 3 need an adult present with them.

She
Shall Be
Called
Woman
A PROGRAM FOR ALL WOMEN

Thursday, January 22, 2026 ~ HFP Hall
6:15pm Gathering ~ 6:45 pm Presentation
7:15 pm Small Group Discussion
7:45 pm Dismissal
Theme... "Rise"



TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU!

January 24, 2026 ~ HFP Hall

Breakfast 7:30 am

Presentation 8:30 am

Theme: "What must I Do?"

Theme: "A Life of Dissipation" ~ Session 15 will re-introduce the four leadership roles entrusted to men and identify the consequences of failing to fulfill these leadership roles. It will re-introduce the five personal characteristics of authentic male leaders.



John 1:29-34

John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God,
God's own Son.

Postage Code: 205
Envelopes for 2026 are available to be picked up in the foyer of the church. Some people may have a new number this year!

new number this year!
Please put your Name, Address and Phone Number on your New Envelopes for a few weeks.



St. Patrick's Church Knights of Columbus
Dean Fitzpatrick Council 1732



CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

- Topic for this school year - "Out of the 267 popes that have led the Catholic Church, who are your three favorite popes and why?"
- Who is eligible? - All Catholic Students currently in grade 9 and grade 12

More information in the Digital Bulletin
Entry deadline of Jan 23, 2026

HOLY TRINITY ACADEMY INFORMATION NIGHT



All Medicine Hat Catholic families are encouraged to attend, as this school will be utilized by the whole division!

Holy Family Parish Hall
Wednesday, February 11
7:00 – 8:00 PM



Vincentian Corner

A new year is upon us, and we thank God for blessing us with the opportunity to assist those among us struggling to make ends meet.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity – without you, we could not continue our valuable mission.

We would welcome any parishioners who may feel called to join us in assisting our neighbors – our meetings are on Tuesdays at 1 pm.

Please consider becoming a Vincentian.

If you have any questions, please call either parish office & leave a message for Janice.

E-transfer donations are accepted at the e-mail address below – a tax receipt will be issued to you if you provide your name and address.

ssvpmedhat@gmail.com

God bless you all!





Monsignor McCoy High School

Merry Christmas and warm greetings on behalf of the students and staff of Monsignor McCoy High School. We are grateful for the continued support and prayers of our parish community, and we are blessed to welcome both returning and new families into our school this year.

At McCoy, we remain committed to fostering a strong Catholic learning environment where students grow academically, personally, and spiritually. Guided by the teachings of Christ, our school emphasizes faith, respect, compassion, and responsibility in all aspects of daily life. Our dedicated staff work to ensure that each student feels supported, valued, and encouraged to become the person God is calling them to be.

McCoy continues to offer strong academic programming while providing excellent extracurricular programs and other unique opportunities for our students throughout the school year. We are very proud of our vibrant school spirit and inclusive, caring environment where every student is encouraged to reach their full potential.

We are truly thankful for our partnership with the parish and for the ways your prayers strengthen our mission. Please continue to keep our students, families, and staff in your intentions as we embark on this year of learning, service, and faith formation.



Rob Burzinski
Principal

Dakota Ruschkowski
Vice-Principal

Natasha Taylor
Vice-Principal



ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

Knights of Columbus Dean Fitzpatrick Council 1732

Citizenship Essay contest

- Topic for this school year
“Out of the 267 popes that have led the Catholic Church, who are your three favorite popes and why?”
- Who is eligible?
 - All Catholic Students currently in grade 9 and grade 12
- Prizes:
 - All entries: iPhone wallet
 - Grade 9: 1st- \$100, 2nd -\$75, 3rd- \$50.
 - Grade 12: 1st- \$100, 2nd -\$75, 3rd- \$50
- Entry forms and details:
 - Available in classroom or at the school board office.
 - Deadline for entry: **noon Friday Jan 23/26**
 - ALL essays entered in the competition must be accompanied by completed application form. **No exceptions.**

Winning entries to be submitted to the Knights of Columbus International Essay competition.

DIOCESAN SUNDAY UPDATES

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Here I am, Lord, I come to do your will

P.S.A.L.M. 40



2nd SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

It's the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan 18–25)

Rooted in Christ's prayer for unity, this annual week invites Christians to pray together under the theme "There is one body and one Spirit" (Eph 4:4). Parishes, families, and individuals are encouraged to use the 2026 resources in liturgies, prayer services, and daily prayer.

- Mass on **Sunday, Jan 18 at Noon** at St. Mary's Cathedral with Bishop William McGrattan. All are welcome!
- **Mon, Jan 19 at 5:30 pm** - FCJ Centre, Calgary
- **Wed, Jan 21 at 10:30 am** - Sainte-Famille Church, Calgary
- **Wed, Jan 21 at 12 pm** - Mount Royal University (I-143 Room - Christian Chaplaincies)
- **Wed, Jan 21 at 6 pm** - Ascension Catholic Parish, Calgary
- **Thu, Jan 22 at 7 pm to 8:30 pm** - Catholic & Messianic Movement at St. Michael's, Calgary

- **Thu, Jan 22 at 12:30 pm** - Westminster Presbyterian, Calgary

World Day for Consecrated Life

Celebrated on Feb 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord also honours women and men who dedicate their lives to God through consecrated life. Join Bishop McGrattan on **Monday, Feb 2, 2026, at the 5 pm Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral**, followed by a reception in St. Mary's Hall, as we give thanks for their witness and service. All are welcome.

Women's Spiritual Retreat

Women are invited to a day of prayer and reflection on *Responding to the Universal Call to Holiness*, featuring guest speaker Fr. Peter An. Hosted by the Calgary Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, the retreat takes place **Sat, Jan 31, from 9:30 am to 3 pm at Holy Name Catholic Church, Calgary**. Cost: \$25 includes lunch. Register by Friday, Jan 23 to 403-863-2130.

Loreto Crypt

The Diocese of Calgary is pleased to announce the opening of the Loreto Crypt at Queen's Park Cemetery (3219 4 St NW, Calgary), a permanent, above-ground mausoleum offering a dignified resting place for babies lost through miscarriage before 20 weeks of gestation. The crypt is open to all families, Catholic and non Catholic. Families begin the process by contacting a licensed funeral home, which will coordinate directly with the Diocese and the City of Calgary. There is no diocesan fee, and burial costs are covered by the City during regular operating hours. Full guidelines and information at catholicyyc.ca/loretocrypt or call 403-218-5521.

Pastoral Care Training

The Diocese of Calgary invites those called to serve in parish healing ministry to take part in Pastoral Care Training, supporting the sick, elderly, homebound, and bereaved. Sessions take place Saturdays, **Feb 14 and Mar 7, from 10 am to 3 pm at Holy Name Parish, Calgary**. Open to new and experienced ministers. Register at catholicyyc.ca/pastoralcare or call Mara at 403-218-5521.

Gentle Fitness Class at St. Mary's Cathedral

A welcoming Gentle Fitness class suitable for all ages and fitness levels. The first class is free, with a cost of \$8 per class thereafter. When: **Wednesdays, Jan 14–Mar 25, from 1 pm to 2 pm at St Mary's Parish Hall**. No equipment required. Please wear comfortable clothing and running shoes. To register, contact Antoinette at 825-449-0080 or agodbout@gmail.com.

Fun Night with the Sisters

Young women ages 16+ are invited to a fun evening of conversation, games, and a shared meal with religious women in the Diocese; parental permission is required for minors. When: **Fri, Jan 23, 5:30 pm to 9 pm at Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary**. Register by Jan 22 to: sisterdianne.turner@calgarydiocese.ca or call 403-218-5504.

St. Joseph Chastity Group for Men (Young Adults 18-35)

St. Francis Xavier Church (SFXC) is offering a men's weekly chastity group for young adults, focused on prayer, formation, and small-group discussion. The group meets **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in Room 120 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre**, providing a supportive and faith-centred space for men seeking to grow in virtue and accountability. For more info, contact Sergio Plazas at 403-389-3863.

Through the Desert God Leads Us to Freedom - Retreat with Fr. Julian Studden

As Lent approaches, this retreat invites participants to reflect on God's call to freedom and renewal of heart. Rooted in the Exodus story and the season of grace, the retreat offers prayer, teaching, and reflection to prepare for the journey from bondage to new life in Christ. When: **Fri, Feb 13, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm and Sat, Feb 14, from 9 am to 3 pm**. Cost: \$20 (Friday) or \$60 (Saturday, includes snacks and lunch). [Register here](#)

Inspiration Unplugged with Heather Khym

Thu, Jan 22, from 7 pm to 9 pm at McGivney Hall, St. Mary's University – this evening features Heather Khym, co-host of the Abiding Together and co-founder of Life Restoration Ministries, reflecting on what it means to truly encounter Jesus Christ in daily life. All are welcome to this unplugged evening of inspiration, conversation, and encouragement. To register, call (403) 531-9130.

Grief Share Program

St. Michael's Grief Support Ministry invites individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one to take part in an eight-week Grief Share Program. When: **Tuesdays, Jan 13 to Mar 3, from 7 pm to 9 pm at St. Michael's Catholic Community, Calgary**. Each session includes a video seminar, a facilitated group discussion, and a personal workbook, offering a supportive, faith-based space to walk with others through grief. To register, email peggy.tan@shaw.ca.



*“The
Diocese
does not
trust us.”*

WE
BELIEVE
THAT

**It takes
the entire
community**

TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE

Clergy, religious, staff, and volunteers complete screening and safe environment training to ensure a shared understanding of appropriate boundaries and to identify red flag behaviours. This is a commitment to create a safe and respectful environment for all.



Clear boundaries help individuals prevent and assess situations that are questionable. They also support timely reporting whenever necessary.



Every person has a role in creating and sustaining a safe and respectful environment in our parish communities.



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**THANK
YOU**

to all who have completed their Safe Environment requirements & Praesidium Academy training.



Mass Intentions

HOLY FAMILY PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Due to the overwhelming amount of Mass Intentions that we receive at Holy Family Parish we have set some guidelines. We realize that people want Masses on certain dates and some don't care when it happens. We have come up with some guidelines to help make this process fair for everybody.

- ⊕ There can only be 1 intention per Mass. It will be for the Living or Deceased. You can not combine Living and Deceased in one Mass Intention.
- ⊕ Mass Intention to be listed in the Bulletin and read at the Mass it is assigned to.
- ⊕ Mass is not published, and it is sent to Calgary to be distributed to priests that do not get any of very few. There is no way of knowing where it will go or the date it will be assigned to, however it will always be faster than having it here.
- ⊕ If requesting certain available dates, you are limited to 2 Masses per month by each requester and 1 per intended Mass. Example You could have a Mass for John in July, but if you want 2 for John, 1 would be in July and one in August. Or you could have 1 for John and 1 for Jane in July.
- ⊕ You may choose the next available date. Limited to 2 Masses per month by each requester and 1 per intended Mass. Example You could have 1 Mass for John one month, but if you want 2 for John, 1 would be one month and one the next month. Or you could have 1 for John and 1 for Jane in the same month.
- ⊕ When there is a funeral or occasion that draws many Mass Intentions, 2 of these will be booked in 2 separate months and the rest will be sent away to be distributed throughout the Diocese.

This is in no way meant to deter you from requesting Mass Intentions as we feel it is wonderful that there are so many Prayers going out to so many people, we merely are trying to make it fair for everybody.

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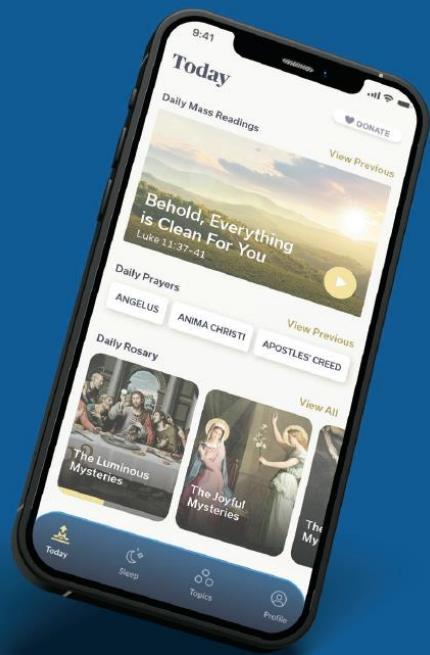
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Knights of Columbus 2025 - 2026 Officers	
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Faith in Action Faith Dir.	Darrell Bonagofsky
Faith in Action Community Dir.	Ron Pisoni
Pastoral Parish Council Rep.	Garry Mastel

2025 -2026

September 14 – Corn Roast

October 6 - Officers Meeting

October 14 – Regular meeting

October 19 – Parish Breakfast

St. John Paul II Mass

Nov 3 – All Souls Day Mass

November 3 - Officers Meeting

November 10 – Regular meeting

November 23 – Parish Breakfast

Msgr. McCoy Mass

December 1 - Officers Meeting

December 08 – Regular meeting & Family Spaghetti Supper

December 14 – Christmas Breakfast

Feb 22 – Parish Breakfast ??

Mar 15 – Parish Breakfast

St Patrick's School Mass

April 5 – Easter Sunday

May 3 - Parish Breakfast

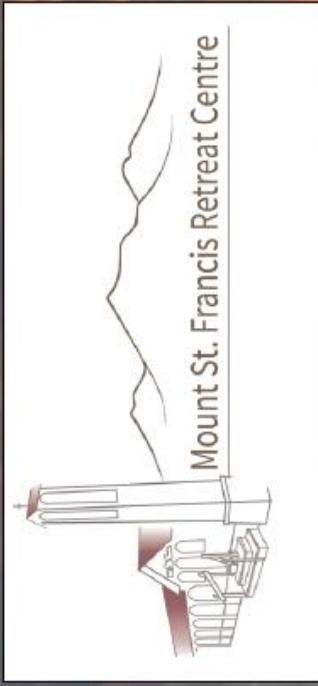
Notre Dame Academy Mass

May 10 – Mothers' Day

June 14 - Fathers' Day ???

June 21 – Parish Picnic





Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre



MiXED ReTReAT:
St Vincent dePaul Society January 16-18
Couples Retreat March 20-22
Anglican Retreat April 17-19
Living in the Spirit June 12-14
Plus Day Retreats, Couples Retreat and
Seasonal Retreats.
Check OUT MOuNTFRANCIs.cA

FOR MORE DETAILS AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION.

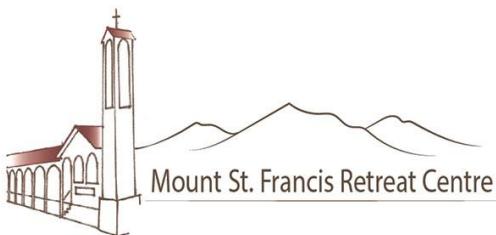


**2025-2026 ReTReAT Year:
ANchORed IN MysTeRy**
Each of us face uncertainties and trials.
Each day we anchor ourselves in
the Mystery of the Divine.
This retreat is an invitation to our
relationships, our living and
our responding to how the
Divine Mystery meets us.

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 all are 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.





Scams Alert

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 RESPOND to it, you can forward it to contact@holyfamilymh.ca so it can be sent to the diocese.