

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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CHURCH ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL



SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00 am, Noon & 7:30 pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday, 7:30 am & 5:00 pm

Saturday - 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday 4:00-4:45 pm.

Saturday 8:15-8:45 am & 4:00-4:45 pm,
or by appointment

THE ROSARY

Mon-Fri 4:30 pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 5:45-7:00 pm
(except June, July, August)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First time parents must participate in Baptism Preparation. To register, please fill out a "Request for Baptism" form at the information desk.

welcome

Visitors and New Parishioners!

We hope that you have a meaningful worship experience at St. Mary's Cathedral. We invite unregistered parishioners to complete a registration form at the information desk. If you have any questions, or if there is anything we can do to make your visit here more pleasant, please do not hesitate to contact the ushers, or any staff members that may be present. You may also call the Parish Office and talk to a staff member for additional information (403) 228-4170.

*To our visitors, enjoy your visit with
our parish family.
To our new parishioners,
Welcome Home!*

AUGUST 27, 2017

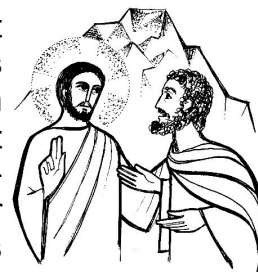
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"In today's Gospel, Peter is chosen by Jesus to serve as the bedrock of the faith and the keeper of the keys. But why? When we look at Peter, we find him described by the evangelists not as the strongest or most reliable of the disciples, but as a boastful man who folds in a crisis, is slow to learn and is so weak that he denies he even knows Jesus on the night he is arrested.

Jesus chooses Peter to lead the other apostles for two reasons. First, his Father chooses Peter at Caesarea Philippi by revealing to him what flesh could never know, that Jesus was the Christ, God's Messiah. Peter is the only one who knows the answer to Jesus' question: 'Who do you say that I am?'

Second, Jesus understands that Peter can only preach God's reconciling love if he first experiences it himself. It is because Peter will fail so completely and weep so bitterly over his denial of Jesus that, when he is finally reconciled with Jesus at the Sea of Tiberius, he will truly understand God's message of mercy.

In that heart-rending scene, Jesus will walk Peter back through his denials by asking him three times, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' To be the rock on which the church is founded, Peter must first experience the breaking open of his proud heart. Peter's tears were his baptism of mercy. It is because of his suffering that he was able to proclaim God's unconditional love to sinners. He was a sinner saved by that love. In essence, Peter has primacy because he is first in failure, first in suffering, first in his need for God's mercy in order to serve the church.



And isn't this the call that comes to all of us? 'Be merciful, for God has shown you mercy. Conversion begins here, with the grace to know ourselves deeply enough to acknowledge our sinfulness and need for God's forgiveness and love. Without this, especially in our human relationships, where all of us fail repeatedly, we will miss the very meaning of the Gospel and the joy of sharing it with others.' (<http://celebrationpublications.org/content/aug-2017>)

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, Aug 28
 7:30 am Scott Allan (RIP)
 5:00 pm NO MASS

Tuesday, Aug. 29
 7:30 am Boily Family (INT)
 5:00 pm NO MASS

Wednesday, Aug. 30
 7:30 am Rico Tulio (RIP)
 5:00 pm Beatrice Hygard (RIP)

Thursday, Aug. 31
 7:30 am Francis McQuillan (INT)
 5:00 pm John Slattery (RIP)

Friday, Sept. 1
 7:30 am Emil Hryciw (RIP)
 5:00 pm Myrna Rillerra (RIP)

Saturday, Sept. 2
 9:00 am Berto & Filomena Pulma (RIP)

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday — Parish picnic

“A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The Pastor placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, ‘Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching.’ On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying, ‘Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples.’”

Join us today, August 27th from 1:00-3:00 pm on the FCJ grounds. Just bring your family & a potluck salad/dessert or cookies — enough to share with a friend or 20. Burgers and hotdogs will be provided by the parish.

In September our regular programs resume:
St. Mary's CWL will have a meeting on Sat. **Sept. 9th** at 9:30 am in the Rectory Hall. New members are welcome.



Children's Liturgy will resume on **Sept. 10th** at the 10:00 am Mass. All children between 3-6 years of age are welcome. For more information or if you are interested in volunteering please contact Rita (ritaorjionwe@gmail.com). Police Information Checks are required for volunteers.



Coffee Sunday will resume on **Sept. 10th** after both the 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses. If you would like to volunteer your time or baked goods please contact the office.



Stewardship of Treasure

August 20, 2017

Envelopes	\$5,998.00
Loose	2,188.25
Total:	\$8,186.25
Maintenance	200.00
Mission Mexico	109.75
TIA	35.00

Thank you for your generosity

SACRAMENT PREPARATION



Baptism Preparation First time parents wishing to baptise their child are required to attend a preparation session prior to the baptism. Our next session will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 9th** @ 10:00 am. Parents are invited to fill out the "Request for Baptism" form at the Information Desk. Please contact Allison for further information at 403-228-4170, ext. 228 or allison@stmaryscalgary.com.

Sacraments for Children – Registration continues for preparation classes for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation. **Need more information ... Please stop and ask!** On Sunday, **September 3rd** at both the **10:00 am and noon Mass**, Allison, our Sacrament Coordinator will be available to answer your questions and help you register your child for sacrament preparation classes. The table will be located at the entrance of the Cathedral, next to the old Baptistry. Please bring your child's baptism certificate with you if you plan on registering. If you have questions/require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Allison at 403-228-4170 (ext 228) or allison@stmaryscalgary.com.



Curious about the Catholic faith? Feeling drawn toward discovering if becoming a member of the Catholic Church is for you? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) offers the opportunity for those discerning “becoming Catholic” to journey with others toward coming to know God and building a strong relationship with our Father. We will meet weekly to learn together about the Catholic faith and God’s never ending love for us. RCIA classes will be held on Wednesday evenings, starting **Sept. 27th** at 7:00 pm. If you have any questions or would like more information on the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Dennis Foraie at 403-228-4170, x 226 or dennis.foraie@calgarydiocese.ca

Free Family celebration at the Divine Mercy Centre with Bishop McGrattan All are invited to join Bishop McGrattan at the Divine Mercy Centre for a free outdoor Family celebration on Saturday, **Sept 2nd**, 11:30 am - Rosary, 12:00 pm - Holy Mass. Followed by Lunch and International Show. Confessions will be available before and after Mass. For more information contact Sr. Katrina at 587-755-1019.

Celebrate Season of Creation which begins on **Sept. 1st** with the World Day of Prayer for Care for Creation and ends on the Feast day of St. Francis, **Oct. 4th**. Two events are already planned during this month: Live *Laudato Si* Workshop at St. Patrick's (Sept. 29th) and Blessing of the Animals at St. Joseph's (Sept. 23rd). Prayer resources can be accessed @ www.seasonofcreation.org. Join Christians around the globe as we pray and take action for our common home.

The Pastoral Care Team of St. Mary's would be pleased to visit and bring the Eucharist to the shut-ins of our parish. Please call 403-228-4170 to make arrangements for a visit.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Your efforts to bring in food, clothing, household products and financial support will help us to reach out to those in need. **At this time, there is a particular need for canned hams, canned beans, and canned fruit for the Society's food bank.** Items can be placed in the box located at the main entrance of the Church. We appreciate if you would mark your envelopes to the “SVPD Society”. If you require assistance, call us at 403-397-6028.

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