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**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am & Noon  
Please sign on line at  
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**Please bring a MASK**

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Monday - Friday, 7:30 am & 5:00 pm  
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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Tues - Sat.  
4:30 pm in the Church

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please contact Deacon Dennis at the  
Parish Office (403) 228-4170.



**DONATIONS OVER THE PHONE & ON LINE BY USING THE QR CODE** We are now able

to take credit card donations over the phone or by using the QR Code on line. If you would like to donate to help with the costs and maintenance of the Parish, please call Lillian at (403) 228-4170.



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# ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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OCTOBER 18, 2020  
29TH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

## I AM THE LORD

Our First Reading, from Isaiah, takes us back to the very foundation of our faith. The prophet, serving as the "voice" of God, proclaims, "I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me." This is a powerful reminder of a fundamental truth. But it is easy to lose sight of this truth in our fast-paced, stressed-out, digital world. We are disciples of Christ and each day we have to make choices that define our life and help us to use the awesome gifts that the Lord has given each one of us and it is by this way of life that we really witness to the Lord as our God.

Putting God first in all areas of life takes real courage, especially as we are going through these pandemic times. But we should not be afraid to live boldly for Christ. St. Paul reminds us of the power we have been given along with the gift of our faith. He says to the Thessalonians in our Second Reading (and we can claim these words for ourselves) that "our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction." Through our Baptism, and with the graces given to us in the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Word of God, and the strength we find in each other in our faith family here at St. Mary's Cathedral the opportunities to witness and to serve that tells us and all around us that we belong to God, and there is no other, after all.

Jesus reminds us of this truth in our Gospel passage today as He cleverly puts the Pharisees in their place during their attempt to verbally entrap Him. They ask Him whether it is lawful to pay the tax to Caesar. This tax was a daily reminder to the Jewish people of their humiliating status of occupation by the Roman Empire. The Pharisees thought they had laid a perfect trap for Christ. If He agreed that the tax should be paid, He would disappoint His followers. If he replied that it should not be paid, He and His followers would be in real trouble with the Romans.

The Pharisees were thinking small. Christ, on the other hand, thinks big. We all know how the story goes. Christ asks to see the coin that pays the tax and has them state whose image is on it. They of course, reply, "Caesar." In response Christ tells them to "Repay Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." He reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher Authority, God, Who is Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people were created by God. In Baptism we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to Him and to build up the Body of Christ here in our parish.

Let us joyfully give thanks to this wonderful God by the way we live our daily lives. We belong to Him and there is no other!  
Rev. Julian Studden

**Readings for October 25, 2020—30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading:** (Exodus 22:21-27) If you abuse any widow or orphan, my wrath will burn you.

**Second Reading:** (1 Thessalonians 1:5-10) You turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son.

**Gospel:** (Matthew 22:34-40) You shall love the Lord your God, and your neighbor as yourself.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**OCTOBER 11, 2020**

**General Collections**

**Last Week**

Envelopes/Loose/Debit/etc.

\$5,998.50

Total Amount:

\$5,998.50

Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of thanking God for all His blessings by prayerfully returning to Him a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**Monday, Oct. 19**

7:30 am Romeo Aron (INT)

5:00 pm Tim Flanagan (RIP)

**Tuesday, Oct. 20**

7:30 am Uribe-Lopera Fam. (INT)

5:00 pm Irmgard Belle (INT)

**Wednesday, Oct. 21**

7:30 am Rev. B. Hubka (INT)

5:00 pm Fernando & Teresita Nidoy (RIP)

**Thursday, Oct. 22**

7:30 am Beatrice Hygard (RIP)

5:00 pm Hugh Kielt (RIP)

**Friday, Oct. 23**

7:30 am Miara Aron (INT)

5:00 pm Lester Heigh (RIP)

**Saturday, Oct. 24**

5:00 pm St. Mary's Staff (INT)

**Sunday, Oct. 25**

10:00 am Jaime & Elena Fallarco (RIP)

12:00 Noon St. Mary's Parishioners



**TRUST IN THE LORD.** We are the body of Christ.

Each family is an essential part of this body.

Continue to support our faith community by giving .

**It is now possible to make your regular**

**offertory gift by phone,** mail, drop-off donations to

the church office, or pre-authorized offertory. Our parish relies on our regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time.

You can also use this QR code to donate online with a debit or credit card.



If you have questions about charitable giving to our Parish, please contact: Lillian Illescas , Finances at 403 228-4170.

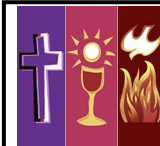
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Will be offered Tues - Sat. at 4:30 pm in the Church near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



**SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN 2020/2021**

You still have time to register your child for sacrament preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist Please e-mail [Lillian@stmaryscalgary.com](mailto:Lillian@stmaryscalgary.com) or stop by the parish office to register your child for the preparation classes and to meet Fr. Julian Studen.



**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

for 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 each of us. RCIA classes will be held **Wednesday** evenings, starting **October 28 at 7:00 pm. Feel Welcome to join us that day** or If you have any questions or would like more information on the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Dennis Foraie [dennis.foraie@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:dennis.foraie@calgarydiocese.ca).



**PRAYER CORNER INTENTIONS:** For the sick, the suffering, the elderly, the lonely and all who find themselves on the margins of society, that they may be empowered by God's special care of them, especially, Dr. Nancy Maguire, Peggy Hart, Renee Wilson, Keith Anderson, Albert Switzer, Jay Pax, Eleanor Elena Cabel, Dawnette Humphrey and Laura Meier.

For those who have died in Christ, specially Lolita Mercado, Nicolas Taylor, Sr. Elizabeth Fitzgerald, FCJ and the victims of the Corona Virus, that they be resurrected with Him into eternal life.

**DON'T FORGET TO VISIT OUR GIFT BOOTH FAIR AFTER ALL THE MASSES THIS WEEKEND**