

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary from the Catholic Pastoral Centre September 8, 2019

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS St. Joseph's Parish invites you to the Blessing of the Animals on **Saturday, Sep. 21 at 10 am**. Where: St. Joseph's Centennial Garden (604 19 Ave NW, Calgary). Bring your pet(s) along. All are welcome! For more information, contact the Parish Office at 403-289-2591. Alternative date: Sunday, Sep. 29 at 2 pm. Where: Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre.

WANTED: HOUSEKEEPER The retired priests' residence in Calgary is looking for a housekeeper. For more information about the position and application details, visit: <http://careers.calgarydiocese.ca>

UNPLANNED MOVIE Watch the movie Unplanned at this year's 40 Days for Life kickoff, happening at St. Michael Catholic Community (800 85 St. SW, Calgary) on **Friday, Sept. 20 at 7 pm**. This is your chance to see this powerful pro-life movie if you missed its first week run in July. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at instantmovietickets.com. Proceeds will go to 40 Days for Life Calgary chapter. For more information, contact 40dayslife.calgary@gmail.com

SECULAR FRANCISCAN INFORMATION SESSION | Secular Franciscans are a community of practising Catholic adults who strive to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ more profoundly in their daily lives, as St. Francis of Assisi did. Information Session on **Sunday, Sep. 15 from noon to 12:45 pm** at Canadian Martyrs Parish (835 Northmount Drive NW).

LECTIO DIVINA WORKSHOP Immerse yourself in prayer and study of the Word! Seeds of the Word Community invites you to a series of *Lectio Divina* workshops and the study of *Verbum Domini*. When: **Sep. 19, Oct. 2, 16 & 30, Nov. 13 & 27, at 6 pm to 8 pm**. Where: 3011 29 St. SW, Calgary. For more information, contact 403-616-8579.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP 2019 Franciscans & Friends Music Mission invites you to the 12th Annual Breakfast with the Bishop on **Saturday, Sep. 21** at 8:30 am. Where: St. Albert the Great Parish Hall (10 Prestwick Dr. SE, Calgary). Featuring: Demetrio Navarro and St. Albert Music Ministry. Proceeds from the event will be split between the St. Albert the Great concrete restoration and Holy Trinity Parish (Siksika) building repairs. Tickets are \$40 and can be reserved at <http://franciscanandfriends.ca> | 403-397-1947

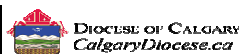
SACRED ARTS WALK AND TALK The Sacred Arts Guild of Alberta and St. Mary's University are excited to be co-hosting what will be an enriching Sacred Arts Walk and Talk at the SMU Campus, the afternoon of **Saturday, Sept. 28**. More information at sacredartsguildofalberta.com.

INDONESIAN FOOD BAZAAR Indonesian Catholic Community (UKI Calgary) invites you to the 2019 Indonesian Food Bazaar on **Saturday, Sep. 14 at 12:30 pm**. Where: St. Joseph's Church (640 19 Ave NW, Calgary). All are welcome! For more information, visit: ukicalgary.ca.

DO THE BIG BANG AND FAITH COLLIDE? How do Catholics understand the origins of the universe? Attend 2019-2020 CWL Annual Lecture at St. Mary's University with Dr. Adam D. Hincks, SJ. When: **Wednesday, Oct. 2 from 7 to 9 pm** in McGivney Hall (14500 Bannister Road SE, Calgary).

CalgaryDiocese.ca | WHAT'S HAPPENING in the DIOCESE. Contact: 403-218-5500 or

E-mail: communications@calgarydiocese.ca.



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 6:40 am & 4:30 pm

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 or on line.

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!*

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SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Today's readings make very clear the demands that will be made of those wanting to be called disciples of Christ. We must be prepared to give our all to Him.

But in the end, the life of discipleship — the stewardship way of life — is the only life that can truly satisfy.

In the Gospel passage from Luke, Christ says, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." Our Lord is speaking here not of emotions but rather of priorities. He must come first in all aspects of our lives. Period.

He goes on. "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." In other words, it's all or nothing. Compromise is simply not possible. Christ wants us to give all of ourselves, all aspects of our individual lives, our family life, our parish over to Him and to the pursuit of His kingdom.

And just when we think our Lord might soften His message to make it a little more palatable, He goes further! "Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Why is our Lord being so demanding? Only because He knows us so well and loves us so much.

He knows that if we do not live by putting Him first before all else, we will easily be swallowed up by the earthly cares that weigh us down — our material things, our status, and our egos. He knows these things cannot satisfy us. He knows this because He is our Maker, and He made us for more.

We are made to be His disciples, to seek after Him and His Kingdom. Embracing stewardship as a way life allows us to count the cost, and then run after Him with all our might.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Sep 9

7:30 am Antonio Lejarde (RIP)
5:00 pm Bella Molino Oliva (RIP)

Tuesday, Sep 10

7:30 am Mark Pekas (RIP)
5:00 pm Glenn Hygard (RIP)

Wednesday, Sep 11

7:30 am Justina dela Rosa (INT)
5:00 pm Maureen Ellison (RIP)

Thursday, Sep. 12

7:30 am Dorina de Rodriguez (RIP)
5:00 pm Hugh Kiehl (RIP)

Friday, Sep, 13

7:30 am Hugh Thompson (RIP)
5:00 pm Arturo Ferrer (RIP)

Saturday, Sep 14

9:00 am Craig Arges (RIP)

This Week in the Parish

Wednesday, Sep. 11

7:00 pm RCIA -First Meeting

Thursday, Sep. 12

Confirmation Information Night 7:00 pm

Friday, Sep 13

St. Monica's Opening Mass 9:00 am
Wedding Rehearsal 6:00 pm

Saturday, Sep. 14

Sacrament Prep. Parent Meeting 9:30 am
Wedding 2:00 pm

Sunday Sep. 15

Coffee Sunday after 10:00 am Mass



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 **Sept. 11th at 7:00 pm**. If you have any questions or would like more information on the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Dennis Foraie 403-228-4170 ext 226, or Peggy Hart 403-473-1533, or rcia@stmaryscalgary.com.



BAPTISM PREPARATION Please register for our next class which will be held on **Thursday, October 17 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** in the Rectory Hall. If you are first-time parents seeking baptism for your child, you are required to attend one of these sessions prior to the baptism. Registration forms are available on the information tables in the Cathedral and on our website. Registration is required.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN



This is **the last week to register** your child for preparation classes for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Please stop by the parish office to register your child.

2019-2020 Sacrament Preparation for Children St. Mary's Cathedral Parish

The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist – Preparation and Celebration

Parent Information Session: Saturday, September 14, 2019 (**Mandatory for Parents only**) 9:30 to 10:30 am St. Mary's Cathedral, Rectory Hall

Sacrament Preparation classes to be held on Saturdays throughout the year. Parents and their child or children are expected to attend the classes listed below in preparation for the celebration of the sacraments. If for some reason you must miss a session, please contact the parish as we are very willing to assist you in supporting your child's learning.

2019 Sacrament Preparation Program – First Reconciliation

Session 1	September 21 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 2	October 5 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 3	November 2 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 4	November 30 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Retreat	December 14 – 1 – 3:30 pm
Celebration:	December 14 – 3:30– 5:00pm

***Families are invited to stay for the 5:00pm Mass after Reconciliation**

2020 Sacrament Preparation Program – First Eucharist

Session 1	January 11 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 2	February 8 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 3	March 14 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Session 4	April 4 – 9:30 to 11:00 am
Retreat	May 2 – 9:30 to 11:30 am
Celebration of First Eucharist:	Sundays in May and June

The Sacrament of Confirmation – Preparation and Celebration

Parent Information Session: Thursday, September 12, (**Mandatory for Parents Only**) 7:00 to 8:00 pm St. Mary's Cathedral, Rectory Hal.

Confirmation classes to be held on Thursday evenings throughout the year. Only the students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation need to attend the classes listed below in preparation for the celebration of the sacrament. Parents, if for some reason your child must miss a session, please contact the parish as we are very willing to assist you in supporting your child's learning.

1 st Class –	Thursday, Sept. 26 – 7 to 8:30pm
2 nd Class –	Thursday, Oct. 24 – 7 to 8:30pm
3 rd Class –	Thursday, Nov. 28 – 7 to 8:30pm
4 th Class –	Thursday, Jan. 16 – 7 to 8:30pm
5 th Class –	Thursday, Feb. 20 – 7 to 8:30pm
6 th Class –	Thursday, March 26 – 7 to 8:30pm
7 th Class –	Thursday, April 23 – 7 to 8:30pm

Retreat –	Saturday, TBD – 9am to Noon, Lunch to follow
Celebration Mass Rehearsal –	Monday, TBD – 7pm
Celebration Mass –	Saturday, TBD 5:00pm Mass

For more information, please contact the Sacrament Coordinator Allison Charlton at 403-228-4170 or allison@stmaryscalgary.com.

Readings for Sep. 15—24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading : (Exodus 32:7-11; 13-14) The Lord changed his mind about the disaster he has planned to bring upon the people.

Second Reading: (1 Timothy 1:12-17) Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Gospel: (Luke 15:1-32) There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.

FROM OUR MINISTRIES



Society of St. Vincent de Paul – The mission of the Society is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. Through your ongoing donations we can help our poor and deprived community here in Calgary. We accept all donations of non-perishable food, financial donations of all sizes, and new/ clean used clothing for our clients. Items can be placed in the box located at the main entrance of the Church. Please mark your donation envelopes to the "SSVP". If you require assistance call 403-397-6028.



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.



Catholic Women's League (CWL) The CWL executive will be meeting on **September 22** following the 9:00 am mass in the Rectory Hall. All women of the parish are heartily invited to become members. For more information, contact Anthea at stmaryscalgarycwlpresident@gmail.com.



Coffee Sunday We invite you to join us today after the 8:30 am & 10:00 am Masses in welcoming new parishioners and sharing with one another. **NEXT COFFEE SUNDAY will take place September 15 after the 10:00 am mass.** If you would like to donate baked goods or volunteer your time to help in setting and/or cleaning up on a rotating basis please contact Phan at phan_truong@hotmail.com.

Stewardship of Treasure

September 1, 2019

General Collections	Last Week	Y-T-D
Envelopes/Loose/Debit/etc.	\$13,904.02	
Diocesan Subsidy	\$13,200.00	
Calgary Foundation Donation	\$ 1,000.00	
Total Amount	-----	-----
	\$28,104.02	\$588,751.10
Weekly operating cost:	<u>\$22,000.00</u>	<u>\$770,000.00</u>
Year to date: Over/Under Budget:	\$ 6,104.02	\$181,248.90

Altar Flowers: \$110.00

Mission Mexico: \$ 51.98

Other Collections

Together in Action \$115.00 YTD: \$25,985.00 Our Together in Action Goal for 2019 is: **\$66,584.00**



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!



Fr. Bob, Fr. Valentine and the entire Cathedral Staff would like to thank all the volunteers who dedicated several hours of their time to clean the Cathedral. Your stewardship gift of time and treasure is greatly appreciated. **Thank you!!!**



OBERAMMERGAU 2020 A ONCE-IN-A-DECADE OPPORTUNITY



LAST CALL!!!!!!

WE ONLY HAVE 6 SPOTS LEFT!
OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020

Pilgrimage to Belgium, Germany & Switzerland with Fr. Bob Dielissen, Rector, St. Mary's Cathedral. 13 days September 9-21, 2020. This is a once in a life time opportunity. This pilgrimage includes a River Cruise

and the Passion Play at Oberammergau which is performed every 10 years in this town. Please call the Parish Office at 403 228-4170 for more information.

Stewardship Reflection – Sep. 08, 2019 23rd. Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.