



ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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MAY 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter

welcome

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & Noon

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday, 7:30 AM & 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM

Register on line for all Masses at
www.stmaryscalgary.ca

Please wear a MASK

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tues - Sat. 4:30 PM
Friday 2:00 PM—4:45 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday 8:00 AM—4:45 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

DONATIONS OVER THE PHONE, ON LINE & IN PERSON. 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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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed Statutory Holidays

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.
1 Jn 3:18

Today's passage from our Second Reading reminds me of my 'spiritual child' as my godson celebrated his 9th birthday last month. After wishing him a happy birthday, I remembered that I was 9 years old once. It was in 1985 and that year my father died suddenly in a fall at home. In the midst of the deep sadness, I still remember Fr. Kasper Klein visiting us after he got the news. He also celebrated my dad's funeral Mass.

Soon after the funeral, I became an altar server at St. Mary's Parish in Regina. Before I served Fr. Klein's Masses he would often approach me and ask, "How are you doing?" followed by "How is your mother doing?" He had many other parishioners to be concerned about, yet he took an interest in me and reassured a little boy without a father that a different father cared for him.

I remember another occasion of Fr. Klein's charity. The altar servers at St. Mary's served not only on Sundays, but also the weekday morning Masses, including Saturday. It was convenient to serve because Mass would finish before school started and there was also a financial incentive. When we returned to the sacristy after the Saturday morning Mass Fr. Klein would give each server \$5 for helping during the week, which was more than I got for an allowance. I used it to buy baseball cards and play video games. The \$5 is long gone, but I still remember his generosity.

Despite the monetary gain, I also enjoyed serving Mass because I could be active in the liturgy. I was impressed by the way Fr. Klein and the other Oblate priests celebrated Mass. Seeing their example up close I realized something very special happened at the altar, even if I could not explain it. It was around the altar of the Lord that Jesus planted my first vocational seeds.

Fr. Klein died in January 2008, a few months before my priestly ordination. Nonetheless, I was able to repay Fr Klein's kindness to me. In 2009, his sister lived at a seniors' residence within the boundaries of Holy Family Parish in Medicine Hat, AB where I served as associate pastor and I celebrated Mass at her residence once a month. I also visited her when she was in the hospital and administered to her the Anointing of the Sick. I told her that it was a joy to anoint her because it would give her spiritual consolation, and it was my way of honouring her brother who looked after me when I needed the help.

I thank God for the way Fr. Klein made a difference in my life. In turn, I hope that I can inspire future parish priests to **love in deed and truth** as Fr Klein exemplified for me. *Fr John Nemanic*

Readings for May 9 — Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48) The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles.

Second Reading: (1 John 4:7-10) Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

Gospel: (John 15:9-17) No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Stewardship of Treasure — Apr. 18 to Apr. 23, 2021

General Collections

Envelopes/Loose/Debit/etc.
Other Income

Last Week

\$4,671.
\$ 551.

Thank you for your financial support to St Mary's Cathedral during this difficult time. It is now possible to make a donation through a variety of means: by phone or in person at the **parish office**, by using the **drop-box locations**, by making a debit/credit donation at the **Gift Booth** before and after Masses, or by using the **QR code**. You can also visit stmaryscalgary.ca/content/donations to make an **online** donation. If you have questions about charitable giving, please contact: Lillian at 403 228-4170.



Friday Eucharistic Adoration: 8:00 AM-4:45 PM
Confessions available 2:00 PM-4:45 PM
Sign-up at (<https://stmaryscalgary.ca/ministries/eucharistic-adoration-fridays#>)

New Lights in the Cathedral

Thank you everyone for your generosity toward the Cathedral's LED lighting installation. Phase 1 of the project in the Cathedral church is done! Would you consider a donation toward it?

Goal: \$50,000

Donations to date: \$19,065



Celebration of First Sacraments

Please keep these children in your prayers.



On **Wednesday, May 5th** and **Thursday, May 6th** at the 5:00 PM Mass 60 students from St. Anne's Academic Centre will be celebrating the Rite of Confirmation (30 students and their families each day). Pre-registration for the daily Mass is **strongly encouraged**.

The Rite of Confirmation Mass for candidates from St. Mary's Cathedral will take place at 1:00 PM on **Saturday, May 15th**.

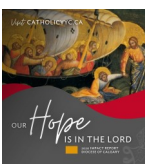
This year a group celebration of First Holy Communion will take place at the 9:00 AM Mass on **Saturday, May 29th**.



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. The next session begins **May 26th at 7:00 PM**. If you have any questions or would like more information on the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Dennis Forais at 403-228-4170 (ext. 226).



Impact Report 2020. This weekend the Diocese of Calgary publishes an impact report based on the Covid-19 pandemic.

"This Report reflects the goodness of God and the presence of the Holy Spirit working through the generosity and sacrifice that we have all had to make".

The full report is available at <https://www.catholicyc.ca/2020impactreport.html>

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, May 3

7:30 am Lily Illescas (INT)
5:00 pm Octavin Aron (INT)

Tuesday, May 4

7:30 am Victor Hugo Forno (RIP)
5:00 pm Olive Arges (RIP)

Wednesday, May 5

7:30 am Maria Antonieta Forno (RIP)
5:00 pm Rose Lutula (RIP)

Thursday, May 6

7:30 am David Yont (INT)
5:00 pm Balisky Family (RIP)

Friday, May 7

7:30 am John Bickert (INT)
5:00 pm Irene Glackin (RIP)

Saturday, May 8

9:00 am Anthony Alarcio (INT)
5:00 pm Rosa Dapat (RIP)

Sunday, May 9

8:00 am Peter McGourty (RIP)
10:00 am Serafin & Aurora Cruz (INT)
12:00 Noon St. Mary's Parishioners



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. In particular, let us remember *Gary & Janice Tipper, Bob Choquette, Helen Duncan, Hermann Belle, Maria Fraser, Laura Meier, Karl Beischroth, Marion Limoges, and James Lipowy*. For those who have died in Christ, especially the victims of the COVID-19 Virus, that they be resurrected with Him into eternal life.

St Mary's Cathedral Catholic Women's League is holding 10 weeks of

FREE BIBLE STUDY SESSIONS

Book: Acts of the Apostles **Hosted by:** Fr. Julian Studden
Join via Zoom video conference: <https://zoom.us/j/91656063850> Meeting ID: 916 5606 3850

Reading preparation for Session #2: a focus on Acts of the Apostles chapters 2:14-5:42. Have your Bible at the Zoom study. The Bible Fr. Julian is following is the New Revised Standard Version — NSRV Catholic Edition (available in the gift booth)

Session #2: Tuesday May 4th **7:30pm - 8:30 pm**

Session #3: Monday May 10th **7:30pm - 8:30pm**

Session #4: Thursday May 13th **7:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

Session #5: Tuesday May 18th **7:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

For inquiries please call: Sharon Bernard 403.991.0804

Gift Booth: Sunday Missals available at a reduced price. We also have an assortment of gifts for First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation, and Confirmation. We would be happy to open the booth for you during office hours (M-F 8:30-4:00 PM).

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker — May 1

"This silent saint, who was given the noble task of caring and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and models for all the dignity of human work." This beautiful statue of St. Joseph the worker is available for purchase in the gift booth.

