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Tuesday to Thursday (inclusive): 8 am – 2 pm; Fridays: 9 am - 12 noon.

Closed all Stat. holidays.

MASS TIMES: Saturday: 5 pm; Sunday: 10 am; Tuesday: 7 pm;

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9 am.

Mass at Bethany Care Ctr.: 1:30 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month

Mass at Big Hill Lodge: 10:30 am on the 2nd Thursday of each month .

RECONCILIATION & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

with **BENEDICTION:** Saturdays: 11 am – 12 noon, or by appointment.

**31st SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

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Good News INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 12:28b-34

Monday November 5
Philippians 2:1-4
Ps 131:1b-3
Luke 14:12-14

Tuesday November 6
Philippians 2:5-11
Ps 22:26b-32
Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday November 7
Philippians 2:12-18
Ps 27:1,4,13-14
Luke 14:25-33

Thursday November 8
Philippians 3:3-8a
Ps 105:2-7
Luke 15:1-10

Friday November 9
Dedication of the Lateran
Basilica in Rome
Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12
Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17
John 2:13-22

Saturday November 10
St. Leo the Great
Philippians 4:10-19
Ps 112:1b-2,5-6,8a,9
Luke 16:9-15

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus asserted the two greatest commands of the Law, quoting from the ancient Hebrew scriptures, which we have in the first reading. And the

second reading, from the New Testament letter to the Hebrews, explains how the Law of Love supersedes or fulfills all other laws. Jesus, who loved perfectly and never sinned against anyone, sacrificed himself for sinners. Therefore, we who want to follow him to heaven need to follow in his footsteps of love, by loving God and everyone else whole-heartedly.

Try as we might, though, we love imperfectly; we sin. The best penance, then, is an act of love, especially if it's a sacrifice offered to (or for) those who were harmed by our sin. But the damage we've caused has a ripple effect that goes far beyond anything we can see. This is remedied in the Catholic Church's Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus

— through the priest — accepts our remorse and absolves our sins, while the entire earthly Body of Christ (the Church) — through the priest — accepts our penances for the earthly damage that our sins have caused.

Penance is not only an act of love. It's designed to strengthen our resolve to choose love when tempted to sin again. If the priest gives us an easy penance (for

example, "Say the Lord's Prayer and three Hail Marys"), if we really want to become holier, we should ask God



during those three Hail Marys for a penance that's a more difficult act of love. We should choose a sacrifice, something that requires loving God with our whole heart, soul, and mind as well as loving ourselves and our neighbors just as much.

Saint Anthony Mary Claret said, "The love of Christ arouses us, urges us to run, and to fly, lifted on the wings of holy zeal." How high is your love flying? Zeal is a good measuring instrument of how much we love God.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Whom have you loved imperfectly this week?
2. What act of penance could you do that would be an exercise in loving them better, treating them the way Jesus would? When will you complete the reconciliation through the sacraments of the Church?
3. What does "zeal" mean? Name some of the ways that we love God with zeal.
4. Tell the story of a time when you made a sacrifice because of love. How did this reveal Jesus to others?

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE will be in the Gathering Area during the month of November. We invite you to add NAMES of your deceased loved ones. We will remember all during our weekend November Masses.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY: November 4 -



our opportunity to support quality Catholic education in our community, and to ensure the present and future needs of Catholic education are met. The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation (CCEF) is a charitable organization dedicated to

enhancing educational experiences for students in the Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD). Your generosity will make a difference for over 55,000 CCSD students. **November 3/4, there will be a special collection at each Mass. It only takes one person, or one action, to make a difference in many lives. Let that person be you. Thank you.**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PANCAKE BREAKFAST –**

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY:

Sunday, Nov. 4, Immediately after the 10 am Mass.

- Children 6 - 12 years \$3.50 each
- Ages 13 years - Adult \$7.00 each
- Families \$25.00

In recognition of Catholic Education Sunday, all teachers from St. Tim's, Holy Spirit, and Ecole Notre Dame will receive a free breakfast for themselves with the presentation of a coupon provided by their school administration. Calgary Catholic school teachers can present their school ID to receive their free breakfast.

ALL WELCOME!

2019 CALENDARS: The Ladies of St. Mary's will be selling 2019 Calendars after week-end masses for the next several weeks as a fundraiser. The calendars are beautiful scenic photos of the Canadian Rockies, and are selling for \$5.00 CASH.



NEW! FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

Join us once a month for food, fellowship and fun following Saturday night Mass.

**First event: Saturday, November 10th
6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Kids are welcome to bring toys & games.

Pizza and dessert will be provided!

Contact: sarahsimoni100@gmail.com

SACRAMENTAL CONGRATULATIONS

BAPTISM: We offer our congratulations and prayers to the family and friends of:

Cora Anne Maxine Dickson

Alexander Nathanael Jaremy

Harmon Atlas Jaremy and

Taya Ann-Rose Shaw

who were baptized on

Saturday, November 3, 2018.



**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF
ADULTS AND CHILDREN (RCIA/RCIC)**

RCIA is the church's way of bringing new adult members into the Catholic Church. Meeting weekly, on **Thursday evenings, at 7:15 pm**, instruction is provided in our Catholic faith.

RCIC is a process for children, 7 years and older, who have not been baptized. RCIC meets weekly, on **Sunday morning, at 9 am.**

INTERESTED? Contact lindamichaud42@gmail.com



100 BELLS WILL TOLL ON NOVEMBER 11th



On November 11, at sunset, communities across Canada will mark the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War with the ringing of 100 bells. Emulating the moment in 1918 when church bells across Europe tolled as four years of war had come to an end, the bells will ring at Parliament Hill, city

halls, places of worship, military bases, Naval vessels, and at ceremonies across the country, and Legion Branches and communities will host commemorative ceremonies and special activities to help Canada Remember. To engage youth in this significant initiative, children, with the help of schools and youth organizations, are encouraged to research, locate, and place flags on the graves of Canadian Veterans of the Great War.

When you hear the bells on November 11, take a moment to pause and remember all those who served and sacrificed. **We will remember them.**



MISSION MEXICO: Mike McDonald is coming to St Mary's November 17 & 18 to speak about Mission Mexico during Mass.

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

for Oct. 27 to Dec. 16 has been emailed out, and is now available at Connections. Please check to see if you are scheduled for those dates. If you are not available for any of those times, please find a replacement now, so that all the positions are covered. Thank you.

2018-2019 SUNDAY MISSALS and SUNDAY MISSALS FOR YOUNG CATHOLICS are available on tables in the Gathering Area for \$5.00 each. Please pay for your Missal with cash in the basket on the table or by Credit or Debit at the Grocery Card table.



SHARING OUR HISTORY:

COCHRANE CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD



We in Alberta have enjoyed the right and access to an education based on our Catholic beliefs and traditions (the Constitution, Section 93, and the Alberta Act 1905). Our Separate School Boards fulfill this need.

In 1989, a group of friends from St. Mary's Church, Cochrane who had young children - preschool and younger grades - were discussing our desire for our children to have a Catholic education. At that time, there was no Separate School Board in Rocky View. Discussions led to canvassing, voting, and eventually the formation of The Cochrane Catholic School Board.

Holy Spirit, our first school, opened in September 1993, 25 years ago, with students from ECS (Kindergarten) to grade 8.

Being a Catholic is a way of life, with many beliefs and expectations regarding morals, dignity, respect and love for each other, and many traditions, all part of a strong belief in the theology of the Catholic Church. We wanted this way of life for our children.

The parishioners of St. Mary's, with the kind support and assistance of Fr. Burke Hoschka, actively participated in the establishment and achievement of our goals of quality education, fully permeated with our faith. Al Campbell was the first principal, and many parishioners have served as trustees, teachers, school staff, and parent volunteers. An amalgamation of school boards in 1994 resulted in Cochrane Catholic Schools becoming part of Calgary Catholic Schools.

Now, we have three Catholic Schools in Cochrane - Holy Spirit, St. Timothy, and École Notre-Dame des Vallées - all dedicated to excellence in teaching and learning within a caring, faith-based school community.

May God bless these children, and those who guide and care for them. We are so fortunate to have these opportunities for them - a Catholic Education!

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

NOVEMBER 5 - 11, 2018.

Monday, 5th

7:00 pm Bible Study, "Unlocking The Mystery Of The Bible" - Gathering Area



Tuesday, 6th

7:00 pm **Mass** RIP Colin Lauer, Dennis & Ron Zinter's cousin who loved to talk!
7:30 pm Marian Prayer Group - Christ The King Chapel

Wednesday, 7th

9:00 am **Mass** RIP Devassia
9:30 am Rosary Makers - Mtg. Rm. 3
7:00 pm Regular Choir Practice - Hall

Thursday, 8th

9:00 am **Mass** INT Dora Carbonu, Happy Birthday!
9:30 am Moms of St Mary's - Gathering Area
10:30 am **Mass** at Big Hill Lodge
7:15 pm RCIA - Mtg. Rm. 2 & 3



Friday, 9th

9:00 am **Mass** RIP Michele Bouchart, wife of Jean Claude

Saturday, 10th

11:00 am Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction - Christ The King Chapel
5:00 pm **Mass** RIP Ray Bertrand, brother of Madeleine Milburn

Sunday, 11th REMEMBRANCE DAY

9:00 am RCIC - Admin Boardroom
10:00 am **Mass** RIP Inna DeSilva, sister of Joan Brown
- Children's Liturgy and Sunday Circle
1:00 pm Couples For Christ, Christian Life Program - Main Church Hall



ROSARY MAKING: Wednesdays, 9:30 am, Mtg. Rm. 3. New Rosary makers are welcome to join anytime. Working together is a great way to form friendships.

NEWS ALERT ON USE OF CREDIT CARDS:

Did you know that St. Mary's Parish pays a little more than \$10,000.00 each year for credit card fees? Therefore, and if possible, please consider using cash, debit card, or a cheque when paying for grocery cards, sacramental preparation materials, etc. Thank you.



