

Mon	27	7:00pm	11:30am Mass Choir Practice
Tue	28	7:00pm	CWL Meeting
Wed	1	7:00pm	ASH WEDNESDAY RCIA / RCIC
Thur	2	1:00pm 7:20pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Over 60 "Forgiven" Video Presentation Altar Server Meeting Legion of Mary
Fri	3	6:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	Prayer Group Meeting Stations of the Cross Church Cleaning Team #6
Sun	5	10:00am 10:45am 2:00pm	Sunday School After Mass, Sending Forth RCIA Igbo Mass

**Our Parish Prayers: A time to heal...** Carole Schmidt, Greg Fleming, Jackie Thibert, Angelica Ricio, Patricia Seaton, Theresa Wilson, Margaret Johnson, Pat Healey, , Rolando & Amada Carandang, Ed Dimalanta, Jim & Pat Lawrence, Mila Mayuga, Renato Brion, Frances Lee, Keely McGregor, Liza Gascon, Baby Rebecca, Gloria Sta. Ana, Teresita Babac, Juliet Olangco, Cy Pavcik, Sonny Magnaye, Loretta Lasig, Regie Mori, Romualdo Vaz, Aida Neguse, Margaret Johnson, Roberto Basa, Darry Mendonca, Paul Chin, Sharon Anderson

**A time to die...** +Maria Caro +Robin Keating +Igmedia San Juan +Virgilio Madinga +Bonifacio Mendoza +Baltazar Mendes +Trevor Soroka +Robert Gough +August Villestas +Monique Lavallee +Roy Hoard +Mario Bala +Abiem Akel +Carlos Monroy +Jacqueline DeCarlo +Edna Balatbat +Juan Casocot +Celestina Rediculo +Saloma Manipon +Leonarda Mejia +Marina Gandia +Mary Hanz

*Lord grant them eternal rest.*

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Is. 49.14-15; 1 Cor. 4.1-5; Matt. 6.24-34. Saint Paul reminds us as baptized Christians, as those who have shared the Eucharist with one another, that we are "servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God." We are not to define ourselves by our age, ethnicity, gender, social status, work, vocation or avocation. Our primary self-understanding should be that of servants and stewards of the Lord and all that has been entrusted to us. Can we accept this self-understanding? Do we find it encouraging?

**Holy Land Tour to Israel, Palestine and Egypt**

From July 16 - 27, 2017

For further inquiry please contact Fr. Godwin Pinto  
Phone: 403-258-3773

Email: stthomasmore@shaw.ca

**St. Vincent de Paul is in desperate need of the following food items:** cereal (any size), canned meat, canned soup (all kinds), hamburger helper. Thank you for your generosity.

Sat	25	9:00am 5:30pm	+Virginia Villa Int Patricia Seaton
Sun	26	9:00am 10:45am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Int. Hyacinth Walter +Kingsley Rodrigo +Marcel Udemba For the People
Mon	27	9:00am	+Mike Wandler +Wilma Gilbert
Tue	28	7:00pm	+Panfilo Sr. and Bienvenido Marido
Wed	1	9:00am	+Guadalupe Crostobal
Thu	2	9:00am 6:45pm	+Nilda Torresnt. Sumarah Families +Joseph Pham Nguyen
Fri	3	9:00am	+Teofilo Gonzales Thanksgiving Nguyen Family

**Sunday Collection:** Collection for last week was \$9,930.90. TIA to date for 2017 is \$3,735.60. Our 2017 target is \$43,837.00.

**WELCOME TO OUR FAITH FAMILY:** Congratulations to Gabrielle Cercado, Senaida Michael, Vincent Suarez and Paris Felix who were baptized this past weekend.



This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. The Ash Wednesday Gospel opens the season of Lent by discussing the three practices that we are invited to take up: prayer, almsgiving and fasting. The gospel passage is taken from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount wherein he tells the disciples that he has come not to destroy the Law but to fulfill the Law through love. The Law of love is not about external appearances but about the truth in the heart. It is less important how we appear to others than how God sees us in secret. If you find any contradictions, use this season to restore wholeness in your life.

**Action:** How are you going to express prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent? Make a plan.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION SEMINAR - NEW DATES**

Friday, May 26 to Sunday, May 27, 2017.

This seminar is for all engaged couples, civilly married or common-law couples. Kindly register with the parish office before Monday, May 12, 2017. The cost is \$75.00 per couple.



**Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary**

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

**34TH ANNUAL OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS** - Our 34th Annual Outdoor Way of the Cross will be on Good Friday, April 14th, 2017. We need volunteers as readers, cross bearers and to help with crowd control, volunteer registration, First Aid and lost persons. We are especially in need of volunteers with First Aid certification or those interested in helping out with Lost Persons. Volunteers for these positions will need to have a security clearance, which we can help facilitate. If you would like to help, please register at [www.wayofthecross.ca](http://www.wayofthecross.ca). We will need to have a registration completed for each person volunteering. Any questions please contact [marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca) or call 403-218-5519.

**PRISON MINISTRY WORKSHOP** - This education workshop will be held on Tuesdays March 7, 14, 21 and April 4, 2017, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 120 – 17 Ave SW, Calgary. It is open to current volunteers or anyone in prison ministry. Various speakers will present on topics including the criminal justice system, addictions, the ministry of presence and prison ministry and our faith. Registration & info, please contact Marilou at 403 218-5519 or [marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca).

**ENCOUNTERING JESUS IN LENT** - A retreat for single women, ages 18+ will take place on Saturday, March 11, 2017 from 9am to 4pm at St. Cecilia's Church, 321 – 90th Ave SE, Calgary. **Please register by March 6th** on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/calgaryvocationsretreat](http://www.facebook.com/calgaryvocationsretreat) or email: Sr. Terry, f.c.j. at [tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca](mailto:tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca) or call 403-228-3623.

**THE ART OF CHRISTIANS, MUSLIMS AND JEWS: CONFLICT OR COEXISTENCE?** - Since the beginning of modern art history, "western" art historians have looked to the study of history to help us understand art... to interpret it, in its own time. But an art historian is equally interested in studying art to help us understand history. Professor Schmidt and Tony Luppino will help us explore this period from different perspectives to see what we can learn. Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Calgary JCC, 1607 – 90 Avenue SW. Refreshments & Discussion to follow.

Fee: \$10, please RSVP: Rochelle 403-246-0382, [rochywab@gmail.com](mailto:rochywab@gmail.com) Members, Students: Free

**RETRouvaille CALGARY WEEKEND RETREAT** - A Lifeline for Marriages. Two people are joined together in marriage. Along life's journey, we may lose our way and start to grow apart. Retrouvaille provides a 'road map' to help us find our way again by teaching communication skills and providing the tools to improve our relationships. Call for help today, 403-879-7893, [coordinator@RetrouvailleCalgary.com](mailto:coordinator@RetrouvailleCalgary.com) or [www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com](http://www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com). Next weekend retreat is March 10-12, 2017.

**PROJECT RACHEL POST ABORTION WEEKEND RETREAT** - The retreat offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for women and men who are suffering distress from a past abortion experience. It will be facilitated by professional counselors who are specially trained to deal with the trauma associated with this experience. The next retreat is scheduled for March 17-18, 2017. For more information or to register call Project Rachel at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223. You may also e-mail [info@projectrachel.ca](mailto:info@projectrachel.ca).

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION - CFS** - Marriage Preparation through Catholic Family Service focuses on "Preparing to Live the Sacrament of Marriage." Mar. 3-5 at St. Joseph's Church, Calgary. For registration and more information call CFS at 403- 233-2360 or visit [www.cfs-ab.org](http://www.cfs-ab.org).

**THE EUTHANASIA DECEPTION** - The Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 243209 Garden Rd NE, Calgary. (Just South on 100th St NE off of Hwy 1, Calgary), is hosting Mr. Alex Schadenberg, International Chairman of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, to speak on "The Euthanasia Deception" and you are invited to attend at 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on Saturday, April 1. Event free of charge. However, if you wish to assist in covering expenses you may do so by participating in the free will offering that is collected at the event. Anything over and above expense coverage will go directly to the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – MUSIC LEADER** - Canadian Martyrs Catholic Parish located in NW Calgary invites applications for a Music Leader or Cantor for Sunday masses at 10:45 am and a Cantor for Sunday masses at 9:00 am. For more information about these positions, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca/articles/employment-opportunities.html>. Competition closes on March 1, 2017.

**FAITH ENRICHMENT FOR SENIORS** - The Faith Enrichment for Seniors group will be held on Monday March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, and April 3, 2017 at St. Joseph's Parish from 1:00 pm to 3:00pm. No registration is necessary and all are welcome. For further information contact Norline at 403-218-5503 or e-mail [norline.johnson@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:norline.johnson@calgarydiocese.ca)

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP** - "Women at the Heart of Change" is the theme for Share Lent 2017. Come and hear about women who have dared to make their voices heard and contributed to laying the foundation for an inclusive society. We also pay tribute to women who have inspired us. Special guest will be Michelle Hoogveld who will share stories from her recent solidarity tour of Cambodia. March 11, 2017 at St. Bonaventure Parish, 1600 Acadia Dr. SE. 10:00am - 2:00pm. All are welcome to attend Mass at 9:00am. Lunch will be potluck. Please call 403-218-5523 to register. Free.

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*A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners*



**FEBRUARY 25/26, 2017 - EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**PASTOR:** Fr. John Alex Pinto, OCD

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR:** Fr. Godwin Arun Pinto, OCD

**PERMANENT DEACON:** Deacon Norman Dumais

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Lori Tremblay

**ACCOUNTANT:** Anna McKiernan

**HOSPITALITY:** Everyone in the Parish!

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday 9:00am; Tuesday 7:00pm; Thursday 6:45pm;  
Wednesday to Saturday 9:00am

**Baptisms:** An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.

Next class: Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 10:00am

**First Eucharist (Communion):** Registration: January 2018

**First Reconciliation:** Next Registration: Fall of 2017

**Confirmation:** Next Registration: Spring of 2017

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday 5:30pm Youth Focused  
Sunday 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm  
(Igbo Mass 1st Sunday of the Month @ 2:00pm)

**Morning Prayer:** Mon. 8:40am & Wed. to Sat. 8:40am

**Perpetual Help Novena:** Tue. at 6:45pm

**Adoration:** Fri. 9:30am to 4:00pm and First Tue. 7:30pm

**Infant Jesus Novena:** Thu. at 6:45pm

**Cancer Mass 7:00pm:** Tue. May 16, 2017 at 7:00pm

**Rosary:** Sun. 8:20am & 10:15am

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the Parish Office

**Reconciliation:** Tue. 6:15pm and Sat. 4:30pm

**SCHOOL LITURGIES - ASH WEDNESDAY  
MARCH 1 ALL AT THE SCHOOLS**

- St John Paull II at 9:30am
- St. Thomas More at 10:00am
- St. Wilfrid at 11:00am
- Fr. Scollen at 11:00am
- Our Lady of Fatima at 1:00pm
- St. John XXIII at 1:15pm
- Msgr. A.J. Hetherington at 2:15pm
- Light of Christ at 2:15pm

**VIDEO PRESENTATION & GROUP STUDY  
"FORGIVEN"  
THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CONFESSION  
THURSDAYS: MARCH 2, 9, 16 & 23  
7:20PM TO 8:15PM  
SMALL PARISH HALL**

**ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1  
MASSES AT 9:00AM, 5:45PM AND 7:15PM**

**LENTEN PARISH MISSION  
MARCH 29, 30 AND 31**

**KIDS & SENIORS CORNER #120**

1. Why don't retirees bother when you call them seniors?
2. Why do you NOT see Giraffes in elementary school?
3. Why did Mr. Bean install a knocker on his door?
4. By what name is St. Paul of Tarsus known before he begins his missionary service?

*Contributed by Nyles Fernandes*

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:** Get your 2017 Share Lent calendar! Get your 2016 Share Lent calendar! On Ash Wednesday, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada will launch its 50th annual Share Lent campaign, entitled Women at the Heart of Change. Since the Organization's founding in 1967, money donated annually by Catholics during Share Lent provides essential support to the poorest populations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Today, Development and Peace supports 173 partners and 194 projects in 46 countries around the world! You can make Share Lent a part of your own Lenten journey by putting up a Solidarity Calendar in your home (enclosed in your bulletin). Or you can download our Lenten Calendar app for free from the App store or Google Play! Learn more about the campaign at [devp.org/sharelent](http://devp.org/sharelent). **The Share Lent collection will take place on April 1 and 2, Solidarity Sunday.**

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS**

2016 Tax Receipts have now been mailed out.

**ALTAR SERVER MEETING: On Thursday, March 2 at 7:30pm (after the mass). Please note your attendance is needed for this very important meeting.**

1. The title comes with a 10% discount.
2. They are all in High school.
3. He wanted to win the NO-Bell prize.
4. Saul.