

Mon	29	7:00pm	11:30am Mass Choir Practice
Tue	30	7:30pm	9:00am Mass Choir Practice
Wed	31	7:00pm	RCIA / RCIC Pot Luck
Thur	1	1:00pm 7:30pm	Over 60 Legion of Mary
Fri	2	9:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm	Fr. S. School Grade 6 - Join Mass Prayer Group Meeting Church Cleaning Team #5
Sat	3	8:30am	K / C Garage Sale - Parking Lot
Sun	4	10:00am 2:00pm	Sunday School Igbo Mass Confirmation Registration Deadline

Our Parish Prayers: A time to heal... Mae Pa, Eugenia Dominguez, Andrew Gawalko, Baby Lucas Watamanuk, Connie Unger, Jordan Wheaton, Sr. Grace, Shirley, Hyacinth Walter, Antonio Capacia, Sara Boon, Julius Alejo, Emilia Banayo, Carole Schmidt, Greg Fleming, Jackie Thibert, Angelica Ricio, Patricia Seaton, Theresa Wilson, Pat Healey, Rolando & Amada Carandang, Ed Dimalanta, Jim & Pat Lawrence, Mila Mayuga, Renato Brion, Frances Lee, Keely McGregor, Liza Gascon, Gloria Sta. Ana, Teresita Babac, Juliet Olangco, Cy Pavcik, Sonny Magnaye, Loretta Lasig, Regie Mori, Romualdo Vaz, Aida Neguse, Margaret Johnson, Darry Mendonca, Paul Chin, Sharon Anderson

A time to die... +Adrianna Van Oyen +Emma Manuel +Violet Gamracy +Mike Javier +Erlinda Thomson +Mernus Casebeer +Sonny Magnaye +Eofilo Antioquia +Antonio Baldi +Esperanza Cusi +Richardo David +John Michael Lozada +Teresita Viernaza +Nolyon Janolino +Maria Caro
Lord grant them eternal rest.

Solemnity of Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1.1-11; Eph. 1.17-23; Matt. 28.16-20.
In today's Gospel, Jesus charges his followers to "make disciples of all nations." What exactly is going on here? What is this Great Commission anyway? Good stewards know they are directed to share what they exercise stewardship over: their life of faith in Christ Jesus. They know Jesus didn't direct them to go to church and to keep quiet about it; or to go out into the neighborhood, workplace or marketplace and just be nice. Christ's Good News is meant to be shared. Many people in our communities don't know about Jesus Christ. Does that bother us? Do we care? Do we realize we are supposed to do something about it?
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BAPTISM PREPARATION
Last class before the summer break will be on Saturday, June 3. Please call the Parish Office for more information or to register.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL
We are in need of the following food items: Canned Soups, Canned Fruits, Jam, Spaghetti Sauce.

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST JUNE 4

Sat	27	9:00am 5:30pm	+Juanita Milagrosa Int. Charmane & Michael Dizon
Sun	28	9:00am 10:45am 12:30pm 5:00pm	+Asmeret Zemichael For the People Thanksgiving +Felisa Bilgera
Mon	29	9:00am	Intention Sammy Ng +Teresita Viernaza
Tue	30	7:00pm	+Gilbert Mangubat Special Intention
Wed	31	9:00am	+Jose Gutierrez +Marciana Bugayan
Thu	1	9:00am 6:45pm	+Joseph Phan Nguyen +Mike Javier
Fri	2	9:00am	Thanksgiving Burguete Family +Soledad Berango

Sunday Collection: Collection for last week was \$7,641.65. TIA to date for 2017 is \$22,577.10. Our 2017 target is \$43,837.00.

PARISH PICNIC

The Annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 23, at our Lady Queen of Peace Ranch, Bragg Creek, AB. Time: 10:00am to 3:00pm. Holy Mass at 10:00am followed by Lunch. Picnic includes: Mass, canoeing, wagon rides, trails and boat rides, and horse back riding for children only. Cost: \$5.00 per person which goes towards lunch and a donation to Our Lady Queen of Peace Ranch.

Tickets are now available from Volunteers or at the Parish Office during Office Hours.

Volunteers Needed: For details contact the Parish Picnic Coordinator, Cen Marcelo at 403-285-4338; or the Parish Office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS

1. ANNUAL GARAGE SALE: Saturday, June 3 from 8:30am to 3:30pm in the Church Parking Lot. For pick up of large items, please call Fred D'Souza 403-992-4725, Luigi Marsura 587-999-0232 and Perry Cavanagh 403-604-5852. Please remember that items donated should be in good working condition.
2. Father's Day Continental Breakfast: Sunday, June 18 after the 9:00am Mass. **Donation only!**

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH FAMILY
Congratulations to Gianella Antioquia and Gavin Sucre who were baptized in our parish this past week.

SCHOOL LITURGIES &/OR MASS
Friday, June 2, Fr. Scollen School, Grade 6 Retreat, joining our 9:00am Mass



CONSECRATION OF CANADA TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - As part of the celebrations marking the 150th anniversary of Confederation the Bishops of Canada will be consecrating our country to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Bishop McGrattan will consecrate the Diocese of Calgary on 1 July, 2017. All are invited to St. Mary's Cathedral at 10am for a service of Adoration, Scripture, rosary, and the consecration followed by a BBQ. The regular daily Mass at St. Mary's remains at 9 am followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. For more information contact the parish office at 403-228-4170.

ONE ROCK - The One Rock Festival is happening August 11-13, 2017. Early bird pricing is on now till June 15th. Make sure you have your ticket while the promotion lasts. Get your tickets and more information at: www.onerock.ca

WALK FOR ONE ROCK - Please come and join the Walk for One Rock on Friday June 9th from Rockyford to Strathmore. Gather up your friends, your family and your backpack for a day of friendship and comradery. Join the priests and religious of our Diocese and enjoy the Alberta countryside and blue skies as we walk to raise funds and awareness for the One Rock Festival of Faith. You're welcome to walk the whole way, or choose to walk 2km, 5km or 10km. Check out www.onerock.ca for more details and to register.

DIOCESAN BEREAVEMENT CARE EDUCATION PROGRAM - The Diocesan Bereavement Care Education program will teach you the skills needed to offer your presence and support to the bereaved in a caring way. The program will be held on Friday June 9th, 2017 from 6:00-9:30 pm & Saturday June 10th, 2017 from 9:00am-4:00pm at St. Patrick's Parish, Medicine Hat. For more information and to register contact Kathleen at 403-527-9591 or the parish office 403-527-6933.

27TH ANNUAL BISHOP'S GOLF TOURNAMENT - Golf with us! August 14, 2017 - 27th Annual Bishop's Golf Tournament in support of Feed the Hungry at Silvertip Resort, Canmore. More information at golf.feedthehungrycalgary.ca or contact feedthehungry@calgarydiocese.ca or call 403-218-5522.

PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR INVITATION - You are invited to learn how to maximize your family's net worth. Join our upcoming Planting a Future Seminar at the Catholic Pastoral Centre 120 - 17 Ave SW Wednesday June 14 - Registration 9:30am, Presentation 10:00am - 11:30am. Limited seating; registration required. Contact Doreen 403-218-5522 or charities@calgarydiocese.ca to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION "FOR BETTER & FOR EVER" - "For Better & For Ever..." Marriage Preparation, accepts all couples preparing for marriage. Due to the small group setting it allows us to focus on couples in one or more of the following circumstances: living together, previously married, beginning marriage with children, couples 45+, or those who wish to have their marriage blessed in the Church. Upcoming Dates: June 5/23-24, July 10/28-29. For more dates, registration or information, contact 403-218-5505 or email: lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca.

Are you 18 years of age or older?
Are you interested in meeting new people, making new friends, gaining experience in a variety of roles and strengthening your leadership skill? We have a great opportunity for you.
Become a Team Member at the One Rock Festival of Faith!



CATHOLIC SPEED DATING EVENT - Are you looking for a good Catholic man or woman? Register for the year end retreat which will be held on Saturday, June 17th, 11:00 am - 5:30 pm at Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre in Cochrane. Age Range: (Women: 24 to 32 & Men: 27 to 35) and (Women: 33 to 41 & Men: 36 to 44). Events include Mass, lunch, talks, mix and mingle speed-dating and evening prayer. Visit www.CatholicSpeedDating.ca or call Rose at 587-333-1099 to register.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - MUSIC DIRECTOR - Holy Spirit Parish located in SW Calgary invites applications for a Music Director for Sunday Masses at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. If you are interested in leading and being part of a vibrant music ministry please apply. For more information about these positions, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca/articles/employment-opportunities.html>. **Employment competition closes on June 15.**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY- YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR (FULL TIME) - ALL SAINTS ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH AND ST. MARTHA'S PARISH, LETHBRIDGE, AB - All Saints Roman Catholic Parish and St. Martha's Parish located in Lethbridge, AB invites applications for a Catholic Youth Ministry Coordinator to provide accuracy and attention to detail. For more information about this position, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca/articles/employment-opportunities.html>. Please forward your application and resume along with 2 references to pastorallsaints@shaw.ca or padresalvador@stmarthasparish.ca. **Employment opportunity closes on June 15.**

the culture and moral decline in the United States. After patiently listening to the bishops the Pope paused for a moment and then asked them, "Are not the Catholics the largest religious denomination in the United States?" "Yes, Holy Father," the bishops replied. The Pope then said, "Then why are not the Catholics setting the example and being more of an influence on the culture?" The Pope was reiterating to the bishops the importance of the role of the laity in influencing and making incarnate the Gospel of Christ within the culture.

The stark reality is that no matter what the Pope, the bishops, or the parish priest does, they are not going to reach the ordinary places of the world without the laity doing their job as well. That job is to be the witnesses and instruments of Christ in the workplace, schools, soccer games, grocery store, and especially in the family. We must be the leaven which gives rise to a culture that is truly a reflection of the truth and saving power of Christ!

Formed.org is an online platform, which some have nicknamed the "Catholic Netflix". It hosts an impressive amount of content including Bible studies, presentations on the sacraments, on Catholic thinkers, saints, and theology.

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It's **EASY** and **FREE** to Register!
 Visit **formed.org** with a web browser
 Click on Register (lower right of page)
 Enter Parish Access Code: **KD3TDC**
 Enter your email and create a password
 (you need this to login later)

Enjoy and share with others in our local community!

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY - MAY 28

Today Catholics are invited to reflect upon the media of social communication (films, radio, television, newspapers, audiovisuals) and how these influence our lives.

The media can promote values that lead to a more fully human society. The Church's ministry is twofold. The media can be used to help promote the Gospel. At the same time, as receivers of the materials presented by the media, the faithful have a duty to support and promote worthwhile presentations on media and reject those which promote values contrary to spiritual growth.

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**9 DAYS OF NOVENA TO PENTECOST
 MAY 26 TO JUNE 3**

Reader: The Holy Spirit gives us joy and peace, a joy no one can take away; a peace such as the world cannot give. He gives us patience and humility - patience to accept others, humility to accept ourselves. He gives us faithfulness to stand by principles and to keep our word. He gives us love and kindness to be good to all. He gives us self control to keep anger and lust in check and to keep calm and self-possessed. (pause in silence)

V.: Come Holy Spirit;

R.: Fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

V.: Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created;

R.: And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let Us Pray

O Holy Spirit, bestow upon us the fullness of your seven gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and the fear of the Lord, so that we may practice more diligently faith, hope and charity and every other virtue and produce within the garden of our souls, your twelve most holy fruits: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control and chastity. Give us, above all the grace to persevere with fervour in your divine service unto the end. **Amen.**

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
 ADULTS (RCIA) AND CHILDREN (RCIC)
 BECOMING A CATHOLIC**

We have found that there are many reasons why individuals come to feel a call to know the Catholic faith or to know it better. Maybe their friends, or spouse is Catholic; or they don't have a faith and they like the ritual practices of the Catholic Church. Many reasons for the pull of their hearts and so, they come to learn more about the journey of faith.

We as Catholics believe that each individual has a separate spiritual journey of faith with the Lord and want to make their own decisions in that relationship with God. We as Catholics believe it is our responsibility to help each person, to seek and to find their relationship with God.

Those interested in signing up for RCIA/RCIC in September, please contact the parish office for an appointment.

KIDS AND SENIORS CORNER: #131

1. What kind of coat can only be put on 'wet'?
2. I am a God, a planet and a measurer of heat. Who am I?
3. Why did the king go to the dentist?
4. Which is the most sold book of all time and is written in almost 1200 languages?

Contributed by Nyles Fernandes

1. A coat of paint.
2. Mercury.
3. To get a new crown.
4. The Bible.

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MAY 27/28, 2017 - SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

PASTOR: Fr. John Alex Pinto, OCD	ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr. Godwin Arun Pinto, OCD
PERMANENT DEACON: Deacon Norman Dumais	PARISH SECRETARY: Lori Tremblay
BOOKKEEPER: Anna McKiernan	HOSPITALITY: Everyone in the Parish!
<p align="center">WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE</p> <p align="center">Monday 9:00am; Tuesday 7:00pm; Thursday 6:45pm; Wednesday to Saturday 9:00am</p> <p>Baptisms: An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session. Next class: Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 10:00am</p> <p>First Eucharist (Communion): Registration: January 2018</p> <p>First Reconciliation: Next Registration: August 19, 2017 To September 17, 2017.</p> <p>Confirmation: Registration for 2017 is over. Next Registration is January 2018.</p>	<p align="center">WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE</p> <p align="center">Saturday 5:30pm Youth Focused Sunday 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm (Igbo Mass 1st Sunday of the Month @ 2:00pm)</p> <p>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. August 22, 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</p>

**THE LAITY: CALLED TO MISSION
 (From Formed.org - Leader's resources) by Lucas Pollice**

The lay members of Christ's faithful people or the laity are those who are baptized members of the Church who are not ordained through the sacrament of Holy Orders or have taken religious vows as a nun or brother. Thus, the laity makes up a vast percentage of the members of the Church and serves a very important role in her life and mission. They are called by Christ himself to continue to be his witnesses and instruments in the world. The role of the laity is of such importance in the mission of the Church that Vatican II devoted an entire chapter on the laity in the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church *Lumen Gentium* which states:

The term laity is here understood to mean all the faithful except those in holy orders and those in the state of religious life specially approved by the Church. These faithful are by baptism made one body with Christ and are constituted among the People of God; they are in their own way made sharers in the priestly, prophetic, and kingly functions of Christ; and they carry out for their own part the mission of the whole Christian people in the Church and in the world (LG, 31).

Due to the secular character of the laity, the fact that they live and work in the ordinary places and circumstance of the world, their role is of particular importance in the life and mission of the Church. They have the ability to bring the witness of the good news of Christ to every corner of the world. Through their holiness and apostolate,

they act like a leaven within the very fabric of society. They have the ability to immerse the culture and various aspects of social and community life in the richness of the truth of Christ. As *Lumen Gentium* again states:

But the laity, by their very vocation, seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God. They live in the world, that is, in each and in all of the secular professions and occupations. They live in the ordinary circumstances of family and social life, from which the very web of their existence is woven. They are called there by God that by exercising their proper function and led by the spirit of the Gospel they may work for the sanctification of the world from within as a leaven. In this way they may make Christ known to others, especially by the testimony of a life resplendent in faith, hope and charity. Therefore, since they are tightly bound up in all types of temporal affairs it is their special task to order and to throw light upon these affairs in such a way that they may come into being and then continually increase according to Christ to the praise of the Creator and the Redeemer (LG, 31).

Thus, the role of the laity in building up the Kingdom of God is indispensable and a crucial one if the mission of the Church in bringing about the sanctification of the world is to be at all effective. There is a well-known story of a conversation between Pope John Paul II and a group of American bishops that so perfectly illustrates the importance of the laity. The bishops were meeting with the Pope and were telling him about the many concerns that they had about