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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | CALGARY

THE BULLETIN



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FEBRUARY 2022

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 12:05 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Monday to Wednesday: 11:30 a.m.

Friday: 11:30 a.m.

Also available upon request.

Adoration

Friday: 12:45 p.m.

Incense is used.

Parish Office

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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Pope's Intention for February 2022

This month, the Holy Father expresses his gratitude for the mission and courage of religious sisters and consecrated women, and asks for prayers for them that they may continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

"This month, we will pray in a special way for religious sisters and consecrated women. What would the Church be without religious sisters and consecrated laywomen? The Church cannot be understood without them. I encourage all consecrated women to discern and choose what is best for their mission in the face of the world's challenges that we're experiencing.

I exhort them to keep working and to have an impact with the poor, with the marginalized, with all those who are enslaved by traffickers; I especially ask them to make an impact on this. And let us pray that they may show the beauty of God's love and compassion as catechists, theologians, and spiritual guides.

I invite them to fight when, in some cases, they are treated unfairly, even within the Church; when they serve so much that they are reduced to servitude —at times, by men of the Church. Do not be discouraged. May you keep making God's goodness known through the apostolic works you do. But above all through your witness of consecration.

Let us pray for religious sisters and consecrated women, thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Thank you for what you are, for what you do, and for how you do it."



"Synod": a council, from two Greek words that mean to walk together on a shared path.

"Synodality": the path of learning how to journey together in Christ's footsteps, listening to each other and above all to the Holy Spirit

Help participate in the Synod this upcoming February and March at our parish!

What's on your mind?

Pope Francis is interested to hear from us, from you

Every few years the Pope meets in council with lots of bishops in Rome, to look at different themes that are important to the Church. That is called a "Synod", or the "Synod of Bishops". Well, this time around the Pope wants to look at how we—all of us—work together as a Church: you, me, Bishops, nuns, priests, lay men and women... all of us. It seems to me that the Pope doesn't just want to hear from the Bishops talking about how they see things. He is interested in that, of course. He wants to hear from you, too—from us, at Sacred Heart Parish. He wants us to walk together. That is, when you hear the word "Church", well, what's on your mind? Do you think the Church is travelling down the path it needs to travel? Not on the question of Official Teachings—those are already in the Catechism. But, are there things that you have noticed that aren't being addressed, and maybe should be? Are we reaching out to our neighbourhoods, to society, and is our message actually connecting? How about with our young people? And how is the Church helping you, personally, to (really) connect with God in your life, to perceive that he is close to you, and maybe invites you to accompany him more closely?

So, friends, starting in February you will hear us talking at Mass about this theme, the "synod". We want to help get the ball rolling, so that all of us will be able to eventually pray, listen, and together contribute to Pope Francis' conversation. Later on this month the volunteers will hand out one or two aids to help us get started. Then, in March, there will be sessions where we can come together and listen to how the Holy Spirit may be moving our hearts.

I had the privilege of meeting with others already last week, and it is true: where two or three gather in Christ's name, He is there in our midst. May our Lord guide our steps together.

With prayers, Fr. JP.

Prayer on Synod of Synodality



We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path

nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.



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FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: [HTTPS://WWW.CATHOLICYC.CA/SYNOD.HTML](https://www.catholicyyc.ca/synod.html)

2021 Financial Report to Parishioners

Receipts	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2021 Budget	\$ Variance to budget	% Variance to budget
Weekly Collections	537,750	573,798	557,500	16,298	102.9%
Outreach Collections	31,341	30,709	26,000	4,709	118.1%
Columbarium Sales	307,040	286,666	300,000	(13,334)	95.6%
Other Income**	103,640	426,674	63,900	362,774	667.7%
Building Fund Donations	141,506	80,050	60,000	20,050	133.4%
Roof Fund	71,267	764	-	-	-
Total Receipts	\$ 1,192,544	\$ 1,398,661	\$ 1,007,400	\$ 350,447	138.8%

Expenses

Salaries & Benefits	310,604	345,367	329,342	16,025	104.9%
Office and Administration	100,673	142,054	127,394	14,660	111.5%
Central Fund Loan Interest*	37,922	28,381	112,800	(84,419)	25.52%
Repairs, Mtnce, & Utilities	138,116	168,012	146,330	21,682	114.8%
Rectory	20,053	21,994	22,650	(656)	97.1%
Religious Ed Programs	4,535	2,856	4,550	(1,694)	62.8%
Outreach Programs	14,808	13,304	27,000	(13,696)	49.3%
Other Expenses	24,374	33,163	29,050	(1,814)	93.8%
Total Expenses	\$ 651,085	\$ 755,132	\$ 799,116	\$ (49,912)	93.8%

Receipts in excess (below) Expenses	\$ 541,459	\$ 643,529	\$ 208,284	\$ 435,245	309.0%
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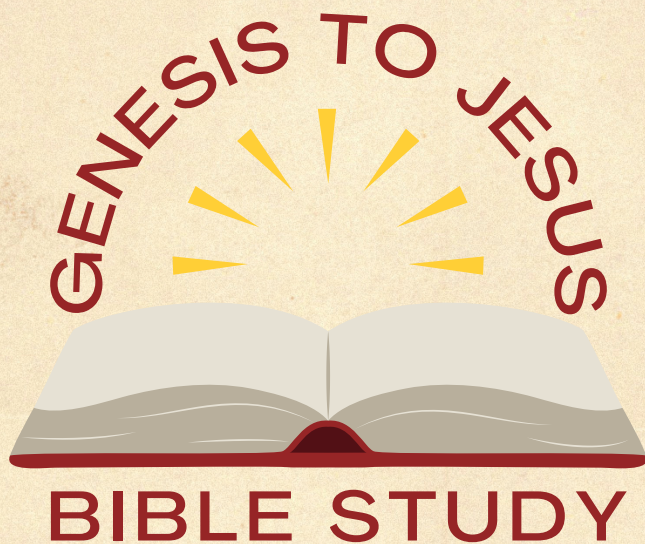
Central Fund Loan Balance @ Dec 31, 2020	\$ 3,073,916
Central Fund Loan Balance @ Dec 31, 2021	\$ 2,596,456
Loan Balance Reduction in 2021	\$ 477,460
 Additions to Fixed Assets in 2021	 \$ 42,200

Together in Action

2021 Actual	2021 Target	2022 Target
\$ 31,855	\$ 29,588	\$42,268

** Other Income shown above is comprised of the following: government grants (Wage Subsidy Program), program and course fees, grants, clergy rent, hall rent, perpetual care fund interest, votive candle offerings, sale of books, stole fees, refugee family donations, and miscellaneous revenues. For 2021, it also includes the very generous bequests that we received.

* The Diocese decreased the interest rate charged on our Central Fund loan due to COVID for the entire year of 2021.



GENESIS TO JESUS

BIBLE STUDY

A life-changing study – Genesis to Jesus takes participants on a 12-week journey through the entire Bible. Go deep into each period of salvation history and learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

To sign up, email Claudelle at claudellekey@icloud.com or phone (403) 479-9748 with your preferred session time, if you would like to order a book, and your contact info.

Many of us don't think we know the Bible (especially after the First Reading at Mass, even though we really concentrated). Yet we do, because it's the story of where we come from, what went wrong, and God's merciful plan to send his son to save us and make everything right again. What we don't know is how the story of God's plan for human salvation unfolds in the course of human events. What we need is the story of salvation against the backdrop or in the context of a chronological history. Genesis to Jesus gives us just that!

The Bible consists of 73 books. Consider it a library, masked as a book. Noteworthy is that the 73 books don't follow in a sequential order. In fact, only 14 books (few that are side-by-side) tell the chronological history, and encompass the whole plot of the Bible. Incidentally, these 14 books tell the story of the lives of Jesus' ancestors from Adam, through to Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, Mary and Jesus.

In Genesis to Jesus, you'll study this lineage of Jesus. Not only will this give you the bird's eye view of the Bible, the story of salvation will come to life through the richness, challenges and choices that characterize the lives of these majestic characters, each who play a starring role in salvation history. Understanding how God made his plan for the world known in history will help us encounter both Jesus and the Mass in a whole new way. When you study the story of salvation through this lens, every other book in the Bible will fit, have context and make sense. At Mass, we'll know where each reading falls within the storyline, which is woven throughout all of Scripture.

Two 12-week classes will be offered:

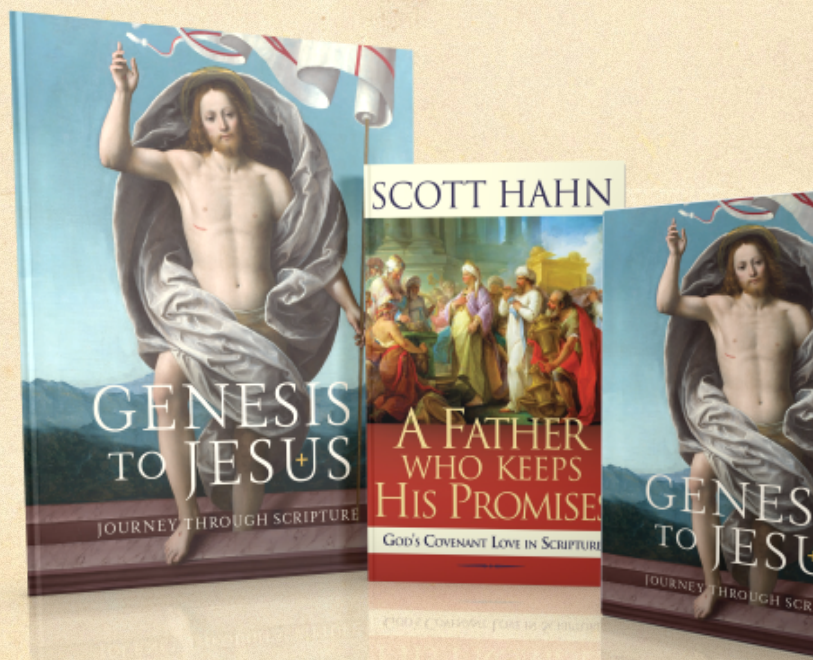
- **Tuesday evenings (beginning Tuesday, March 8th 2022, 6 to 8 p.m.) in the basement**
- **Saturday mornings (beginning Saturday, March 12th 10 a.m. to noon) in the conclave**

Note: we will be skipping Holy Week for classes to encourage participation in Holy Week.

Two books accompany this program. They are not required but can be ordered on your behalf.

- Genesis to Jesus study guide - \$40
- A Father Who Keeps His Promises: God's Covenant Love in Scripture, by Scott Hahn - \$30

Books will be ordered by Wednesday, February 23rd 2022.



REFUGEE FAMILY

Sacred Heart Parish will be welcoming a refugee family from Iraq in the near future and we would like to take this opportunity to introduce them. They are the Kathawa Family: Wad, Rana, and their children Milad, Maryam, and Noah. The Kathawa family are Catholics who have been persecuted for their faith in Iraq. They are currently waiting with refugee status in Istanbul, Turkey and are expected to arrive in Canada within the next 6 months.



We are looking to form a small committee to help with the Family needs prior to their arrival and also to help them transition into the Canadian Culture when they arrive. Any help is greatly appreciated, whether it is greeting them upon their arrival, helping to set up their apartment, sending out requests for household items or driving them to different appointments.

Money has been raised however, there is still quite a shortfall and we are hoping to find 50 parishioners that would donate \$20 + a month for a year and this would fulfill our commitment.

If you have the time and the desire to be part of this family's process, please contact busmgr@sacredheartcalgary.ca

We appreciate all those who have already volunteered themselves and also for the generosity of our parishioners. Please continue to pray for the family so that God may keep watch over them and bless them abundantly.



There's a thousand reasons to pack a box. Sometimes it's a moment to reminisce and take stock. But tonight, for many, it's a time of uncertainty, tension, and hard choices: what can be carried, what to store away, what to leave behind, where to go.

The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. We walk through the cold and dark on February 26, 2022 to declare our concern for people who have no home and take shelter in nooks and crannies. We walk humbly, realizing that anyone can lose their footing and then lose everything else.

Walk with the Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY)

Join Coldest Night of the year and self-organized a walk on February 26 (or whatever day in February you decide to walk). Gather with your covid-safe bubble (or on your own), [register](#), and figure out a safe 2-5 km route.

Food Hampers Program Volunteers Needed

Grocery Procurement needed. This involves taking inventory levels, identifying and buying necessary items, taking advantage of sales, recording costs, and more.

For more information or to volunteer, contact busmgr@sacredheartcalgary.ca. Training will be provided.



Confirmation Opportunity for ADULTS IN APRIL.

Are you over 18 years old and have not yet received your Confirmation? Contact the office (secretaries@sacredheartcalgary.ca) to sign up through RCIA to receive your Sacrament with the Bishop on Sunday, April 24th at the 11 am mass! To ensure proper formation, please sign up as early as possible and no later than February 28th.



SPECIAL INTENTIONS

from the Diocese

- For the sick and hospitalized, may they feel the healing power of Christ and find comfort and hope in His constant presence; let us pray to the Lord.
- For healthcare workers: may they be a light to others and a testament to the Word as they live their faith and care for their patients; let us pray to the Lord.
- For all of us who are worn thin during this pandemic, that the Holy Spirit strengthen and comfort us; let us pray to the Lord.
- For religious and consecrated women and men, in recognizing their mission and their courage, that guided by the Holy Spirit, they may continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times; let us pray to the Lord.

from our Parish

- For those preparing for their Sacraments, especially our First Communion and Confirmation youth, may the Holy Spirit strengthen them and grant them knowledge and wisdom.
- For the special intentions at each of our masses and for all those who have passed away.
- For our pastor, Father John, as he leaves this month for spiritual exercises and time with family, that God may renew his spirit and grant him peace.

Ministry Leaders

Pastoral Council: Tom Cotter
Finance Council: Mike Walsh
Pastoral Health Care: Tom Shannon
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Patricia Tsang
Lectors: Kevin McCormack
Weekday Liturgy: Addie Dedio
Hospitality: Christine Suherman
Altar Servers: Karissa Factura
RCIA: Karen Howells/Kent Wang
Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Red Armstrong, Mike Walsh
Catholic Women's League: Anna Marinelli/Janet MacPhee
Knights of Columbus: Tim Cornish
Building Committee: Terry Allen
In-Residence: Rev. Daniel Wilson LC, Rev. Kenneth LeBlanc LC, Rev. Michael O'Connor LC, Brother Andrew Wing LC

Dear brothers and sisters, let us have a good journey together! May we be pilgrims in love with the Gospel and open to the surprises of the Holy Spirit. Let us not miss out on the grace-filled opportunities born of encounter, listening and discernment. In the joyful conviction that, even as we seek the Lord, he always comes with his love to meet us first

Pope Francis' Opening of the Synodal Path

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Formed.org, which some describe as the Catholic Netflix, is available for your use. The parish provides this service for you for free so you can stream Catholic content anytime, anywhere! Sign up by going to www.formed.org and entering our parish, Sacred Heart, Calgary, AB to get access!

Together IN ACTION
Annual Bishop's Appeal

2022 Target
\$ 42,268

We were so fortunately able to complete our goal last year. Please consider contributing to Together in Action as requested from the diocese. Thank you for your generosity!



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