



SACRED HEART

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | CALGARY

THE BULLETIN

CHRISTMAS 2023

Mass Times

Saturday: 9:00 am, 5:00 pm

**Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
11:00 am, 5:00 pm**

Mon to Fri: 12:05 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 pm

**Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Fridays at 11:15 AM**

And by appointment

Adoration

Friday: 12:45 pm

Incense is used.

Pastor: Fr. Arjay Abanto

Administrative Assistant: Beata Banka

Columbarium Manager, Sacraments &

Volunteer Coordinator: Ingrid Trewin

Technology & Communications: Tim Dahm

Housekeeper: Janette Ramirez

Hospitality Desk: Carlo Peregrina

Parish Office

Mon to Fri: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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“GREETINGS, FAVOURED ONE!”

God initiates the “Christ event” with Mary, a simple Jewish girl of the lowest social status. The God who created all things makes the fulfilment of His promise dependent upon one of the most disadvantaged and powerless of his creatures. Yet God exalts her humility, her simplicity, and her trust in His love and mercy. God’s favour belongs to the poor, the rejected, the abandoned and the forgotten among us today. In His becoming human in the Son of Mary, God enters human history, thereby showing us how to live God-like, grace-filled, holy lives of compassion, forgiveness and justice.

Mary did not know what saying ‘Yes’ to God involved, but she accepted unconditionally, and her acceptance was never withdrawn. Through her life of trials and tribulations, including those terrible moments as she stood beneath the Cross and saw her only Son die in agony and shame as a common criminal, she never once withdrew her ‘Yes’. Let that be a message for us. We too are called in our own special way to give birth to Jesus in our daily lives. We too are called to say ‘Yes’, and follow Jesus unconditionally. Now is the time for us to renew that pledge with Mary’s help and follow her example. Her response illustrates God’s unbounding love. God’s invitation to Mary is also His invitation to us: Say Yes to God and experience His generosity and love. Let us also live, practice, and share our faith by saying Yes, daily, to God.

Keep Christ this Christmas. Jesus is the reason for the season.
To our parishioners and visitors of Sacred Heart Parish Calgary –
Have a blessed Christmas and wonderful celebration of Christ’s Nativity!

Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam! For the greater glory of God!

Keep Christ in Christmas

A dramatic painting of the Nativity scene. Mary is seated in the center, holding the infant Jesus. Joseph is on the left, and three shepherds are on the right. Angels are in the sky above.

The greatest gift came wrapped in the flesh of baby Jesus and laid in the rough wood of a manger. Our perfect gift would later be rewrapped in the scars of our sin and nailed to the rugged wood of a cross on Calvary, all because of love.

Father, this final week of Advent, fill our hearts and minds with the significance of that truth. Thank you, Lord, for loving us enough to send Jesus. In Jesus' precious name we pray.

Amen.



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NEW YEAR'S RETREAT

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Brings Peace

**DECEMBER
31ST**

**8pm - 1:30am
RSVP by Dec 28th**


Adult	\$ 50
Couple	\$ 75
Family	\$ 100


SPECIAL PROGRAM:

- » 8:00pm - 1st TALK
- » 8:45pm - BREAK
- » 9:00pm - 2nd TALK
- » 9:45pm - BREAK
- » 10:30pm - LED ADORATION AND WORSHIP
- » 11:30pm - NEW YEAR'S MASS
- » 00:30am - FINGER FOODS

 **Sacred Heart Parish**
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Christmas Mass Times

Saturday, December 23rd	Vigil Mass (Sunday Mass) at 5 pm
Confessions at 4 pm. Church and Columbarium will be closed immediately after 5 pm Mass.	
Sunday December 24th	Sunday Mass times 7:30 am, 9 am and 11 am.
Sunday, December 24th Christmas Eve	Christmas Eve Masses 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm and 8:30 pm.
Visitation of loved ones interred in the Columbarium from 7 AM to 8:30 PM.	
Monday, December 25th The Nativity of the Lord	Christmas Day Masses are at 9 am and 11 am.
Church and Columbarium will be closed immediately after 11 am Mass. No Confession Parish office Closed	
Tuesday, December 26th Statutory Holiday	No Masses Church, Columbarium and Parish Office will be closed for the Holiday.

**Saturday, December 30th Eve
of the Feast of the Holy Family,
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

**Vigil Mass (Sunday Mass) at
5 pm.**

Confessions at 4 pm.

Church and Columbarium will be closed immediately after 5 pm Mass.

**Sunday, December 31st Feast
of the Holy Family, Jesus,
Mary, and Joseph**

**Sunday Mass times
7:30 am, 9 am, and 11 am, 5 pm.**

**Sunday, December 31st
Eve of the Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God**

Mass at 6:30 pm

No Confession

Church and Columbarium will be closed immediately after 6:30 pm Mass.

**Monday, January 1st
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy
Mother of God**

Mass at 12:05 pm

No Confession

**Church and Columbarium will be closed right after the Noon Mass and will
reopen on January 2nd at 9 am.**

Parish Office is closed January 1st and will reopen on January 2nd at 9 am.

December 27th - Noon Mass - Office Closed, Church and Columbarium open from 9am-1:00pm

December 28th - Noon Mass - Office, Church and Columbarium open 9 am-4:30 pm.

December 29th - Noon Mass - Office, Church and Columbarium open 9 am-1:00 pm.



Confirmation 2023-2024

Confirmation perfects Baptismal grace.

It is the Sacrament which gives the Holy Spirit in order to root us more deeply in the divine filiation, incorporate us more firmly into Christ, strengthen our bond with the Church, associate us more closely with her mission, and help us bear witness to the Christian faith in words accompanied by deeds.

Register by January 15th, 2024

The Sacrament of Confirmation is offered to children in grade 7 and older. Catholic school curriculum covers Confirmation in grades 7, 8 and 9.

Confirmation Program Schedule

Monday Evenings – Saturday Retreat and Rehearsal

Location: Housey Hall and Narthex/Upper Hall

**Parent Information Session January 21st, 2024 @ noon
(after the 11 am Mass)**

Session 1 Monday, January 22nd, 2024 @ 6pm to 7:30pm

Session 2 Monday, February 12th, 2024 @ 6pm to 7:30pm

Session 3 Monday, February 26th, 2024 @ 6pm to 7:30pm

Session 4 Monday, March 4th, 2024 @ 6pm to 7:30pm

Retreat Saturday, April 13th, 2024 @ 12:30pm to 3:30pm

Rehearsal Saturday, April 20th, 2024 @ 1:00 pm to 3:00pm

Celebration TBA

Register at sacredheartcalgary.ca/sacraments/confirmation/





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COR – Refocusing Catholic men on Jesus Christ, forming and strengthening them in faith and virtue through a brother-hood committed to prayer, formation, and fraternity.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH – Recognizing a parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day.

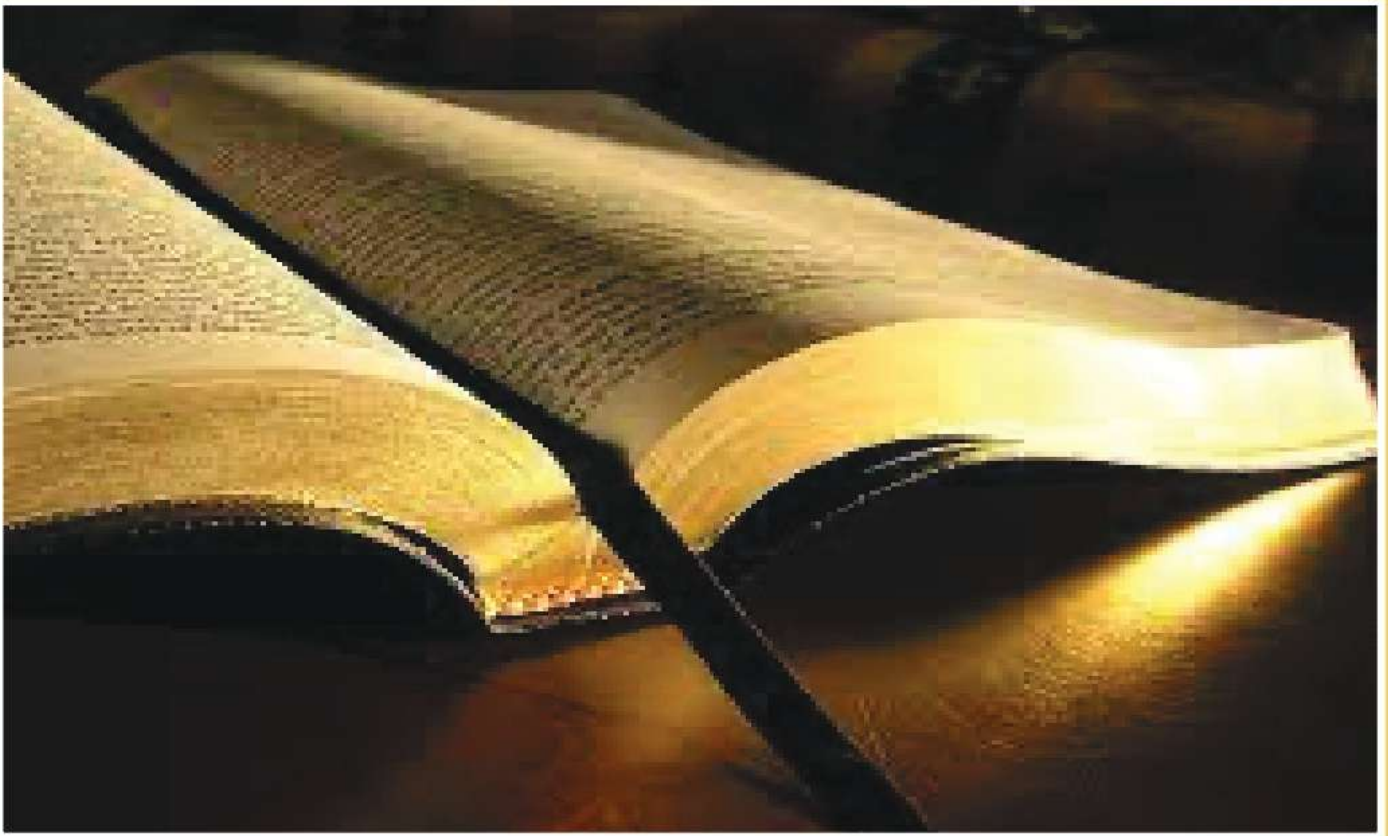
Starting in 2024



LBS

JANUARY 2024 Schedule

LITURGICAL BIBLE STUDY



Dates:

Saturday - Jan. 6

Saturday - Jan. 13

Saturday - Jan. 20

Time:

10:00 AM - 12:00 AM

Venue:

Housey Hall - Sacred Heart Parish

HEAR THE TRUTH THAT WILL SET YOU FREE

Everyone is invited

Merry CHRISTMAS



YOU ARE CALLED.



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Ministry Leaders

Pastoral Council: Tom Cotter
Finance Council: Mike Walsh
Pastoral Health Care: Pat Balis
Lectors: Kevin McCormack
Weekday Liturgy: Addie Dedio
Hospitality: Looking for Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Rita Shank
Altar Servers: Karissa Factura
RCIA: Karen Howells, Margarita Tapias and Landon Dolanz
Hampers Program: Carlos Sousa
Catholic Women's League: Anna Marinelli and Janet MacPhee
Knights of Columbus: Timothy Dahm
Building Committee: Terry Allen
In-Residence: Rev. Mario Basque, Rev. Wilbert Chin Jon

Lord Jesus,
let my heart never rest until it finds
You, who are its center, its love,
and its happiness.

By the wound in Your heart pardon
the sins that I have committed
whether out of malice or out of evil
desires.

Place my weak heart in your own
divine heart, continually under your
protection and guidance, so that I
may persevere in doing good and
in fleeing evil until my last breath.
Amen.

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

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Annual Bishop's Appeal

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!

**\$34,384 of 2023
Target \$42,268**

As of October 26th: Thanks to our parishioners for their generosity. You can read more about Together in Action on the diocesan website:

<https://www.catholiccyyc.ca/tia>

Financial Update

Thank you for your generosity and support for our parish.

Please email
communications@sacredheartcalgary.ca
with any questions.

	As of Nov. 30th, 2023	Budget
Regular Collection	\$441,807	\$554,583
Outreach	\$24,799	\$25,667
Building Fund	\$57,053	\$64,167



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