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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | CALGARY THE BULLETIN



Come and See!

This Sunday's gospel rekindles the flame of Jesus' epiphany. By the Jordan, where ancestors ventured towards the Promised Land, John the Baptist's booming voice declares, "Behold the Lamb of God!"

Among his disciples, Andrew and John feel the weight of this title. Leaving their teacher behind, they respectfully trail Jesus at a distance, curiosity burning deep within. Sensing their presence, Jesus turns and asks, "What do you seek?" This question reverberates through history, drawing countless souls to him with their unique longings.

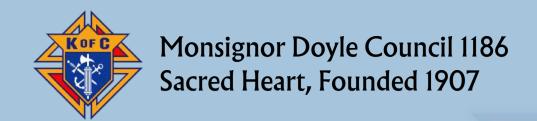
Why do we yearn for Jesus? What desires lead us to him? Andrew and John, beyond mere curiosity, crave deeper understanding. They ask, "Where are you staying?"

Jesus' response is an open invitation, brimming with kindness: "Come and see." The impact of this encounter is so profound that John even notes the precise hour: four in the afternoon, etching the encounter in eternity. Andrew, consumed by the experience, rushes home to share it with his brother Simon. "We have found the Messiah!" he exclaims, leading Simon directly to Jesus.

For Simon, this meeting becomes a life-altering event, not just through a renamed identity (Cephas, meaning "Rock"), but through a transformed soul. This divine encounter whispers the same invitation to us: "Come and see."

It beckons us to discover the joy of friendship and communion with the One who created us out of love, for love. Let us strengthen our own bond with Jesus, and like Andrew, become channels of his light, leading others to his embrace.

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY OF THE MONTH AWARD

The Knights of Columbus Recognize and support the development of strong families.

Each month, the Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus select and recognize one parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day. Once a year, one of the previous twelve Family of the Month winners is selected to represent Sacred Heart as the potential international Family of the Year.

To nominate a parish family for this award, go to sacredheartknights.ca/family or obtain a Form from the Parish Office



Apostoli Viae Gospel Encounter Group

Encounter Jesus and His Church through the exploration of the Gospels and fellowship with one another. This group runs every 2nd Tuesday, form 10 am to 11:30 am in the Housey Hall, starting February 6th.

Our purpose is to facilitate encounter with Jesus and His Church through the exploration of the Gospels and fellowship with one another. Those who encounter Jesus and desire more are invited to explore the richness of Apostoli Viae. Apostoli Viae offers formation and courses at no obligation or cost for those desiring to go deeper.





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 Locaton: 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





Sacred Heart is introducing COR - a prayer group for Men. This unique prayer experience brings men together, focusing on prayer, formation, and fraternity. The goal of each COR gathering is to provide the opportunity for men to encounter Christ, to pray together, to be formed in their faith, and to strengthen their bonds of brotherhood, preparing them for courageous leadership and the mission of evangelization for their families and communities.

The first monthly meeting will be held in the Upper Hall, on Saturday, January 27th, from 10:00 – 12:00PM. All men are welcome.

More information is available at sacredheartknights.ca/cor.



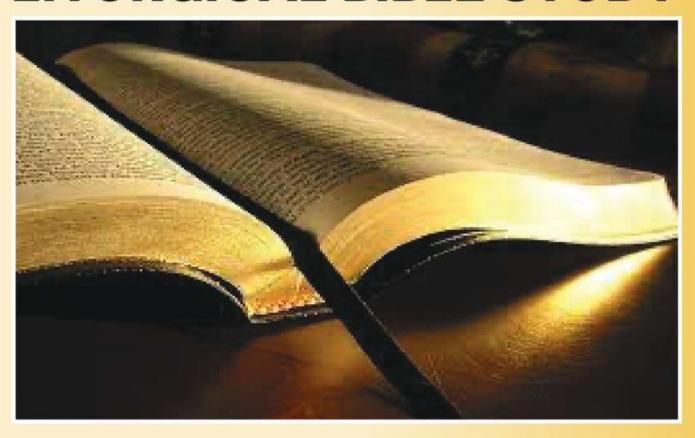
CWL Short Meeting and Post Christmas Pot Luck

Our first meeting of the new year will take place on Sunday, January 28 at 12noon in the upper hall. The short meeting will be followed by a Post Christmas Pot Luck. All women over 16 yrs of age are invited to attend. You do not need to be a CWL member to attend. Please bring a "Secret Santa Claus" gift value of \$10. RSVP to Anna at 587-892-2713 and advise what you would like to bring for the Pot Luck. We will enjoy ice breakers, interactive games and sing-a-long. Hope to see you there.



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

Everyoue is invited

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





Financial Update

Thank you for your generosity and support for our parish.

Please email communications@sacredheartcalgary.ca with any questions.

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.catholicyyc.ca/tia

	As of Nov. 30th, 2023	Budget
Regular Collection	\$441,807	\$5 54,583
Outreach	\$24,799	\$25,667
Building Fund	\$57,053	\$64,167





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