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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | CALGARY

PARISH BULLETIN



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APRIL 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Rev. Wilbert Chin Jon

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.

Parish Office

Mon to Fri: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
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The Good Shepherd Calls Us All

Today, on Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the risen Lord, who like a shepherd, lays down his life for his flock. This is also a day to reflect on vocations, the call God places on each of our hearts.

The Gospel tells a beautiful story. Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd, one who knows his sheep and loves them dearly, even to the point of death. This image brings us comfort – we are known and loved by God.

But the Gospel also challenges us. Just as a shepherd has a duty to his flock, so too do we have a responsibility to those entrusted to our care. Parents are shepherds to their children, teachers to their students, leaders to their communities. Let us all strive to be good shepherds, offering love, guidance, and protection.

On the other hand, we are also called to be good sheep. This means listening to the voice of our Good Shepherd, Jesus, through prayer, scripture, and the teachings of our Church. It means actively participating in the sacraments and the life of our parish. And it means cooperating with our priests and leaders, offering support and encouragement.

Finally, today is a World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray for those considering the priesthood, religious life, or marriage – all vocations that serve God's purpose. Let us pray that all of us, young and old, may hear and respond to God's unique call on our lives.

Remember, Christ is the ultimate Good Shepherd, the one true mediator between God and humanity. But within His Church, He calls some to ordained ministry, sharing in His priestly role. Let us encourage these vocations and pray for a Church filled with holy and Spirit-filled shepherds.

May we all answer God's call, in whatever form it takes, and live our lives according to His will.

Good Shepherd, lead us, Your flock. Grant us the wisdom to discern Your voice in Scripture and teachings. Bless our priests, who shepherd Your people. Guide us, the laity, to be faithful followers.

May we all answer Your call, building Your Church with love.

Amen.



FEED THE HUNGRY
SUNDAY MAY 5TH
ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL HALL

Take part in the spirit of
generosity and giving

**LET'S FEED
THE HUNGRY**

IN CALGARY

*One Sunday
at a time*



It's our turn

**SPONSORS AND
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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Men of Sacred Heart Parish

Please join us for our Third COR meeting on Saturday, April 27th, from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM in Housey Hall.

During this meeting, we will practice Lectio Divina, a form of meditative prayer that focuses on reflecting on scripture. We will be meditating on the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint John 15:1-8.

We welcome you to join us in a safe and supportive environment.



44th Annual Hike for Life

Join the Hike for Life! Walk for Every Life
(May 11th, Prince's Island Park)

Family-friendly event: Raise funds for educational programs promoting respect for life in schools.

Celebrate life's sacredness: Walk with your faith community and raise your voice for life!

Open to everyone: Seating, entertainment, and a delicious BBQ lunch provided.

Strengthen your Catholic witness: Form a team, register online, and invite donations. (Call 403.243.0691 for limited print pledge sheets.)

Celebrate God's gift of life: Prizes, awards, and refreshments await!

LBS LITURGICAL BIBLE STUDY

APRIL & MAY 2024 Schedule



Dates:

Time:

Saturday - April 6 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturday - April 20 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturday - May 4 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturday - May 11 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Venue: Housey Hall - Sacred Heart Parish

HEAR THE TRUTH THAT WILL SET YOU FREE

Everyone is invited



Confirmation

Sunday, April 21st at Sacred Heart, we gather with hearts overflowing with joy to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. We lift up in prayer both our youth and those journeying through RCIA. Descend upon them, Holy Spirit, like tongues of fire. Grant them the sevenfold gifts: wisdom to discern your will, understanding to grasp the depths of your teachings, and counsel to navigate life's challenges with unwavering faith. Fill them with fortitude to be courageous witnesses, knowledge to illuminate their path with your truth, piety to deepen their devotion, and reverence to guide them ever closer to your loving embrace.

Bless their families and sponsors who walk beside them on this sacred journey. May this Confirmation be a momentous occasion, marking the beginning of a lifelong commitment to follow in the footsteps of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We ask this through his intercession.

Amen.