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8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 2, 2025

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am & 12:00pm

Weekday

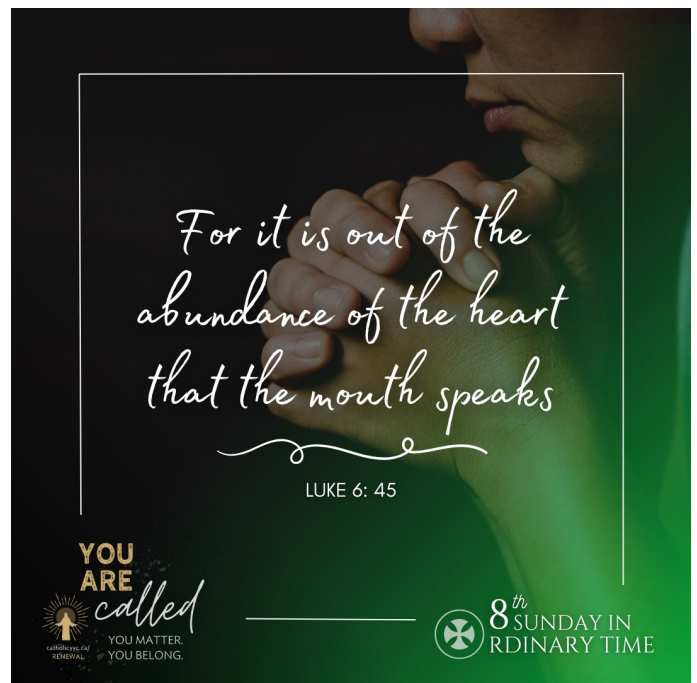
Tuesday thru Friday 9:00am
1st Saturday of the month 9:00am

CONFESSION

Wednesday & Friday 9:30 -10:00am
Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday
9:00am - 3:00pm
*Closed on all statutory holidays and
12-12:30pm for lunch.*



Thank you for joining us! We warmly welcome all new parishioners and visitors to our parish. If you are new to our parish community, please fill out a registration form available on our website, at the SW entrance of the church, or at the parish office. We hope to see you again soon!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of March:

For families in crisis- Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF POPE FRANCIS.

PARISH STAFF

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We are excited to introduce the **Sacred Grace** initiative, inviting **civily married couples** in our Diocese to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony in the Catholic Church. As part of the Diocesan Pastoral Renewal during the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope, this special celebration will be presided over by Bishop William T. McGrattan on **Saturday, September 13, 2025, at 1:30 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral.**

Info sessions on how to participate will be available on the following dates/location:

- **Sunday, February 9** at 6 pm at St. Albert the Great Parish, Calgary
- **Thursday, March 6** at 6 pm at St. Michael's Parish, Calgary
- **Sunday, March 9** at 6 pm at St. Thomas More Parish, Calgary
- **Sunday, March 16**, at 6 pm St. Patrick's Parish, Calgary

Two more locations (Lethbridge & Medicine Hat) will be available soon

Thank you for your support in spreading the word about the *Sacred Grace* initiative. Together, let's help couples take this important step of faith and celebrate the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Stay tuned for updates on additional info session, and visit catholicyc.ca/sacredgrace for the latest details.

Parish Renewal Team

We recently presented the results from the parish survey that was completed late last year. Thank you for all that attended, however if you were unable to attend, we have a limited number of surveys printed at the entrance to the church. If you would like to receive a digital copy of the survey results, please email me at real.phaneuf@shaw.ca and I will send you a copy. Any feedback would be greatly appreciated.

Tax Receipts

The remaining 2024 tax receipts were mailed out on Tuesday. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda in the office.

Upcoming Dates

- **40 Hours of Adoration for Vocations—May 9 to 11**
- **Garage Sale—May 23 & 24**
- **Parish Picnic—May 25**
- **First Communion—June 1**

Called & Gifted Discernment Workshop

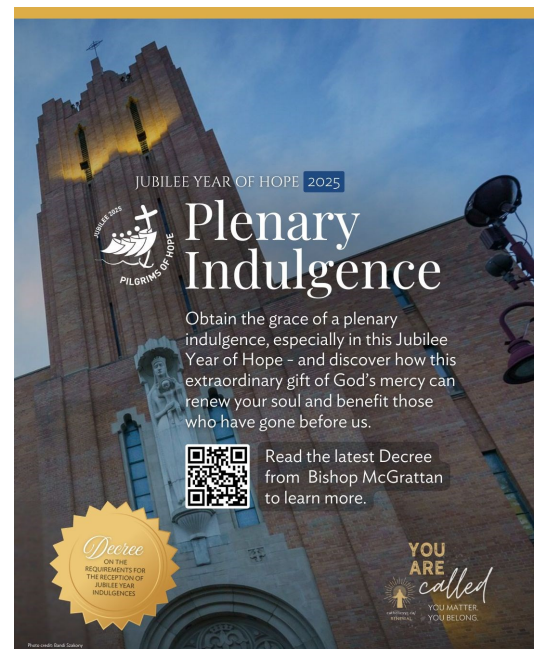
- The Called & Gifted Discernment Process is an opportunity designed to help you discover and activate your spiritual gifts. Through expert-led workshops, a one-on-one gifts interview, and hands-on discernment, you will gain deeper clarity on how to use your charisms to help transform your parish and community.

When: **Mondays 6:30 - 9 pm, March 10 – June 9, 2025** (schedule below)

- Where: **Catholic Pastoral Centre** (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary)
- Fee: **\$60** (to cover complete resources, lifetime access to online materials, refreshments, etc.)

[Register online here](#)

Spots are extremely limited and priority is given to parish and ministry leaders in the Diocese of Calgary.

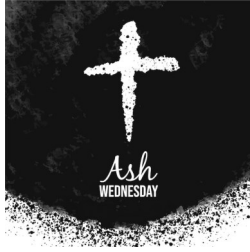


Lenten Schedule

Ash Wednesday (March 5)
9am & 7pm

Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent
6:00pm

Penitential Celebration
Tuesday, April 1
7:00pm



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 4
9am Intention of David Jeanson

Wednesday, March 5
9am Neil Jeanson +
7pm Intention of Anonymous

Thursday, March 6
9am Intention of Joseph Klein

Friday, March 7
9am Bill Lerner +

Saturday, March 8
5pm Intention of Veronica Kubik

Sunday, March 9
10am Visitacion Acosta +
12pm St James Parish

Knights of Columbus—Fish Fry

Lent begins soon and so does our Friday Fish Frys. Beginning on Friday March 7th we will begin our Fish Frys immediately after the Stations of the Cross which begin at 6:00. This is a weekly opportunity to spend time with family and friends all while observing lent. An affordable meal of a piece of fish, coleslaw, and all the French fries you can eat along with an ice cream sandwich. Additional pieces of fish can be purchased.

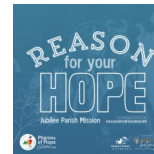
Pray For Pope Francis

Pope Francis is currently facing significant health challenges. As he undergoes treatment at Gemelli Hospital in Rome, he remains in good spirits and has expressed gratitude for the prayers and support from the faithful worldwide. Join us in prayer: *"We thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy. May the Lord, through Our Lady's powerful intercession, grant him renewed strength, health, and energy in his vocation to serve the Church as the Successor of Peter and the Vicar of Christ on earth."*

Volunteers to serve coffee after 10am Mass on Sundays are greatly needed. Please call the office for more information.

Jubilee Parish Mission Announcement

This year, as we enter into the Jubilee Year, Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) has partnered with the Diocese of Calgary to offer two parish missions. One will be February 28 - March 1 at St. Peter's Church, and the other will be March 7 - 8 at St. Bonaventure Church. More details are available at www.catholicyc.ca/reasonforyourhope. All are welcome to attend. Registration is required.



Legion of Mary

This Lent, we are called to prayer, sacrifice, and renewal. What better way to deepen our faith than through Mary, who leads us to Jesus? We invite you to join the Legion of Mary, where we pray the Holy Rosary, reflect on Our Lady's role in salvation, and serve our parish through home visitation.

If you desire a stronger spiritual journey this Lent, we welcome you to join us.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Legion of Mary in our parish. Let us walk with Mary this Lent as she brings us closer to her Son, Jesus Christ.

This Week at the Church

Monday	6:00pm	Legion of Mary
Tuesday	9:00am 9:30am	Mass Cenacle
Wednesday (Ash Wed)	9:00am 9:30am 7:00pm 7:00pm	Mass Confession Mass RCIA
Thursday	9:00am 7:00pm	Mass Opus Dei Men
Friday	9:00am 1:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm	Mass/Adoration/Confession Sing-a-long for Seniors Stations of the Cross Fish Fry
Saturday	9:00am 4:00pm 5:00pm	Mass Confession Mass
Sunday	10am 12pm	Mass Mass

Rosary begins at 8:30am prior to all weekday Masses.

Seeds of the Word

The community of Seeds of the Word will be here at the church selling their Lectio Divina Compendium and their homemade bread and cookies next weekend after the Masses.

Men's Conference

God Squad Canada is proud to announce our **28th Annual Men's Conference**, themed **Pilgrims of Hope**. This event, taking place on **March 14th - 15th** at **St Michael's Catholic Church in Calgary**, promises to be a transformative experience for all attendees. With keynote speakers who are leaders in their fields, participants will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions, foster spiritual growth, and build valuable connections. Join us in this journey of hope and community. Register today!

Register now: GODSQUAD.CA

We Pray for the Sick and All Who Care for Them

Fr. Naveed Arif, Joyce Beninger, Emma Boccardo, Ali Boyd, Stephanie Davis, Shylow Dustin, Gabrielle Engels, Scott Evans, Phil Faba, Fr. Noel Farman, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Jennifer Hazen, Charlotte Johansen, Martin McCarthy, Bill Montgomery, Dave Moran, Mark Naylen, Elliott Nowell, Cecilia Nykyforchyn, Rita Ortiz-Waschmann, Andrew Pelletier, Kathy Roe, Jorge Carlos Rotela, Gabriel Serpas, Virgil Smith, Fr. Michael Storey, Brad Sluiter, Ildiko Szikora, Mary Terek, Shirley Valentine

And for Those Who Have Died

Roselene Schroh, Denis Grady, Mario Petrollini, David Rawlyk, Joyce Patterson, Jullith Gallego-Boykin



We Are So Grateful For Your Financial Support!

- ◆ Online giving on the "Contribute" page of our website—one time or monthly with debit, Visa, Visa debit, Mastercard, or American Express
- ◆ Mastercard, Visa or Debit through the office—one time donation or monthly
- ◆ Pre-authorized Withdrawal (Direct Deposit) - get forms from the office or at the church entrance
- ◆ E-transfer to isupport@stjamescalgary.org
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope in the collection basket
- ◆ Dropping off your envelope at the office or into the office mailbox
- ◆ Mailing your donation to the church