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2nd Sunday of Lent

March 16, 2025

MASS TIMES

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

Weekday

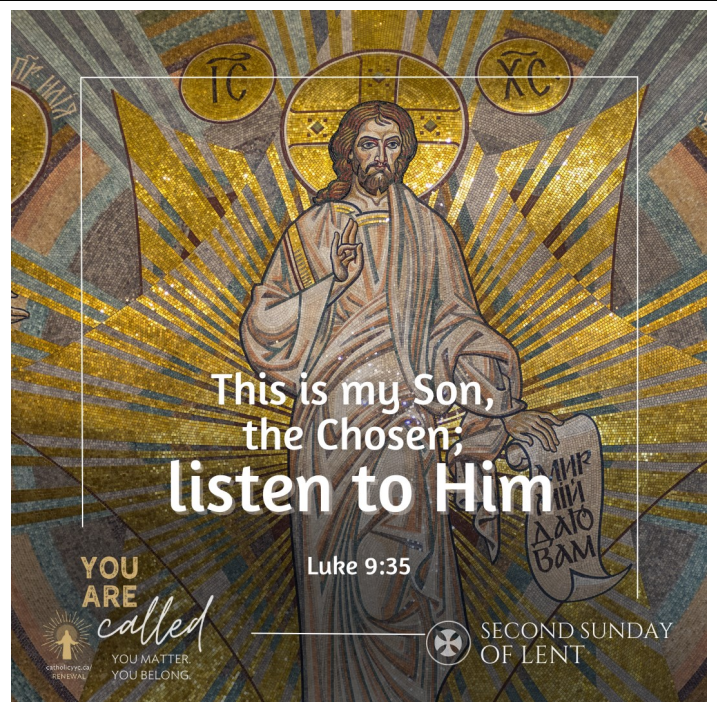
Tuesday thru Friday 9:00am
1st Saturday of the month 9:00am

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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The Diocese of Calgary is on a Journey of Renewal—but Renewal isn't about programs or plans. Renewal begins with you.

A personal Renewal draws us closer to Jesus, and when we grow in Him, we become better disciples. This Lent, we invite you to take up the challenge of personal Renewal. No pressure, no perfection—just a step toward Christ.

Pray daily the Holy Spirit Prayer, asking for Renewal in your heart, parish, and diocese.

Consider these simple ways to pray for Renewal this Lenten season:

- Pray the rosary with the intention of Renewal
- Offer up a Mass—try attending a weekday Mass
- Spend time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, resting in Christ's presence (9:30-10am Fridays at our parish)
- Pray the Way of the Cross, reflecting on His sacrifice
- Practice Friday abstinence or fasting as an offering for Renewal
- Simply pray: "Holy Spirit, show me what I can do for Renewal."

Holy Spirit Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right
and always rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Upcoming Parish Dates

- **40 Hours of Adoration for Vocations**—May 9 to 11
- **Strawberry Shortcake Tea**—April 26
- **Garage Sale**—May 23 & 24
- **Parish Picnic**—May 25
- **First Communion**—**CORRECTION:** May 31@ 5pm
- **Fr. Eli's 25th Anniversary Mass**—June 14

Parish Pastoral Renewal Planning Session

Tuesday, April 8
7:00pm—9:00pm

Our hope is to consolidate some of the ministries with their approval into larger ministries and allow the smaller ministries better communication with our plan as a whole. At this meeting we will be grouping the ministries into the five areas of parish life.

1. Word – Proclamation of the Gospel.
2. Worship – Liturgy and Sacraments.
3. Service – Charity and Outreach.
4. Community – Building Relationships.
5. Leadership and Stewardship – Administrative aspects of parish life.

Our hope is that working together we can create an action plan that propels our parish forward towards pastoral reform and create an energized welcoming parish that allows its parishioners to grow, practice and express their faith within our parish.

Donations

March 9

\$2121 + 2181 = \$4302

Lent & Easter Schedule

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent
6:00pm

Penitential Celebration

Tuesday, April 1
7:00pm

HOLY WEEK

Holy Monday, April 14
Chrism Mass (Cathedral)

Holy Thursday, April 17
7:00pm

Good Friday, April 18
3:00pm

Easter Vigil—Saturday, April 19
8:00pm

Easter Sunday—April 20
10am & 12pm



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 18

9am Marshall Swab +

Wednesday, March 19

9am Bill Lerner +

Thursday, March 20

9am Intention of Fr. Andrew Bogdanowicz

Friday, March 21

9am Intention of Veronica Kubik

Saturday, March 22

5pm Sylvia Harris +

Sunday, March 23

10am Millicent Gonsalves +
12pm St James Parish

Knights of Columbus—Fish Fry

Beginning on Friday March 7th we will begin our Lenten Fish Fry every Friday during Lent immediately following the Stations of the Cross. This is a weekly opportunity to spend time with family and friends all while observing Lent—an affordable meal of fish, coleslaw, all you can eat French fries, and an ice cream sandwich.



*****First Communion Date Change*****

Please be advised that the date and time have changed for the First Communion Mass.

NEW
Saturday, May 31
5:00pm

Looking for a gift for Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation?

Reindeer Family Co. will be visiting our parish on the weekend of May 3 & 4 and will be selling Catholic items and gifts after each Mass. Buy local!

Beloved Daughters

Come and Stay:
Relationships Rooted in Love
Women's Conference

Acts 16:13-15 | John 1:35-42
Ephesians 3:14-21 | Proverbs 27:9

MAY 9-10, 2025

St. Michael's Parish
Calgary, AB

Friday at 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Saturday at 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Register Here

[beloveddaughtersyyc.com](https://www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com)
[@beloveddaughtersyyc](https://www.instagram.com/beloveddaughtersyyc)
[@beloveddaughtersyyc](https://www.facebook.com/beloveddaughtersyyc)
[events.insogan.org/ComeandStay](https://www.events.insogan.org/ComeandStay)

Debbie Herbeck
Rachel Herbeck

This Week at the Church

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| Monday | 6:00pm | Legion of Mary |
| Tuesday | 9:00am | Mass |
| | 9:30am | Cenacle |
| | 7:30pm | Knights of Columbus |
| Wednesday | 9:00am | Mass |
| | 9:30am | Confession |
| | 1:00pm | Choir |
| | 6:00pm | Finance Committee |
| | 7:00pm | RCIA |
| Thursday | 9:00am | Mass |
| | 6:30pm | 1st Communion Class |
| | 7:00pm | Parish Renewal Team |
| Friday | 9:00am | Mass/Adoration/Confession |
| | 6:00pm | Stations of the Cross |
| | 6:30pm | Fish Fry |
| Saturday | 4:00pm | Confession |
| | 5:00pm | Mass / First Scrutiny RCIA |
| Sunday | 10am | Mass |
| | 12pm | Mass |

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

Solemnity of St Joseph

Join Bishop William T. McGrattan in celebrating the Solemnity of St. Joseph on **Wednesday, March 19 at 7 pm, St. Mary's Cathedral**, at this special Jubilee Year Mass with Apostolic Blessing.

We are also honored to welcome **His Excellency Archbishop Ivan Jurkovič, Apostolic Nuncio, to Canada**, who will be concelebrating and serving as the homilist for the Solemnity.

Together in Action Surplus Funds

Any potential surplus funds for at the end of the year for Together in Action 2025 will be allocated to the areas in most need—Operations Deficit and Maintenance.

We Pray for the Sick and All Who Care for Them

Pope Francis, Fr. Naveed Arif, Joyce Beninger, Ali Boyd, Emma Boccardo, Stephanie Davis, Shylow Dustin, Gabrielle Engels, Scott Evans, Fr. Noel Farman, Mary Figley, Marie Funke, Aidan Hanes, Jennifer Hazen, Charlotte Johansen, Gilda Keller, Martin McCarthy, Bill Montgomery, Dave Moran, Mark Naylen, Elliott Nowell, Kathy Oczkowski, Andrew Pelletier, Kathy Roe, Jorge Carlos Rotela, Gabriel Serpas, Virgil Smith, Brad Sluiter, Ildiko Szikora, Mary Terek, Shirley Valentine



2025 Together in Action Campaign

Thank you for your generosity in last year's Together in Action campaign. This year, inspired by Romans 12:12, we embrace the call to "Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer."

The 2025 Together In Action's campaign kicks off our Lenten journey. The Lenten call to almsgiving means making other people's needs become part of our concerns. Our Parish goal for the 2025 Together in Action campaign should be available next week. Thank you for your continued generosity in helping to achieve our parish's contribution to the diocesan goal of \$2 million. [Donations can be dropped off in the collection basket using the green TIA envelopes, at the Parish Office, through our website, or online at www.catholicyyca.ca/TIA - where your online donation will be included as part of our parish contribution]. Together, let us trust in God's providence and extend His hope to those in need.

Your Financial Support Is Greatly Appreciated

- ◆ 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