



ASCENSION CATHOLIC PARISH

"Sharing the Spirit Together in Christ"

Mark 5:21-43 – The woman who took heart in Jesus

Do you approach the Lord Jesus with expectant faith or with skeptical doubt? People in desperate or helpless circumstances were not disappointed when they sought Jesus out. What drew them to Jesus? Was it hope for a miracle or a word of comfort in their affliction? What did the elderly woman who had suffered miserably for twelve years expect Jesus to do for her? And what did a grieving father expect Jesus to do for his beloved daughter who was at the point of death? Jesus gave hope where there seemed to be no human cause for it because his hope was directed to God. He spoke words of hope to the woman (*Take heart,*



daughter!) to ignite the spark of faith in her (*your faith has made you well!*). Jesus also gave supernatural hope to a father who had just lost a beloved child. It took considerable courage and risk for the ruler of a synagogues to openly go to Jesus and to invite the scorn of his neighbors and kin. Even the hired mourners laughed scornfully at Jesus. Their grief was devoid of any hope. Nonetheless, Jesus took the girl by the hand and delivered her from the grasp of death. In both instances we see Jesus' personal concern for the needs of others and his readiness to heal and restore life. In Jesus we see the infinite love of God extending to each and every individual as he gives freely and wholly of himself to each person he meets. Do you approach the Lord with confident expectation that he will hear your request and act? **2018 Don Schwager**
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MASS INTENTIONS:
 June 30th – July 6th, 2018

Day	Date	Time	Intentions
Sat	June 30	5:00pm	Ricardo Derma (+)
Sat	June 30	7:00pm	Ricardo Derma (+)
Sun	July 1	8:30am	SI of Linh Nguyen
Sun	July 1	10:30am	Pat & Thelma Gonsalves (+)
Sun	July 1	12:30pm	SI of Tseu Family
Sun	July 1	5:00pm	SI of Erwin & Luz Valenzuela
Mon	July 2	9:00am	SI of Jessica Jaramillo
Tue	July 3	9:00am	Virginia Raz (+)
Wed	July 4	9:00am	Chito Lazaro (+)
Wed	July 4	6:30pm	Lacoursiere Family Members (+)
Thur	July 5	9:00am	Tony Fennell (+)
Fri	July 6	9:00am	SI of June Ling Family

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION – THANK YOU!

Our Parish received a letter this week from Fr. Alex Osei, National Director of the Holy Childhood Association, thanking us for our **"generous support this year of \$19,503.07"**! Your donations have assisted and continue to support many children in the Diocese of Udaipur, Rajasthan state in India and around the world. Fr. Anup Panada, in Agoria Village wrote: **"Children of missionary background do not get a chance in the government institutions to keep their Christian values....your generous support is a blessing for our hostel children in building up their overall future. Thank you and don't leave us behind"**.

PARISH STAFF:

- **Pastor:** Fr. Avinash Colaco
- **Associates:**
 Fr. Rodel Abanto
 Fr. Anthony Pudota (weekends)
- **Secretary:** Nancy Mitchell
- **Receptionist:** Angelina Ling
- **Sacraments:** Monica Purnama
- **Baptisms:** Jennifer Pashula
- **Youth:** Vicki Hayles
- **Bookkeeper:** Nora Alzamora Torres
- **Custodian:** Jose Gil
- **Evening Staff:** David Cadegan
- **Volunteer Resource Coordinator:**
 Sharron Robinson (Volunteer Position)

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:30am – 4:30pm
 Lunch: 12:30pm – 1:00pm

MASS TIMES:

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am
 Wednesday: 6:15pm (Mother of Perpetual Help Novena)

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm & 7:00pm
 Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm

Rosary:

Prayed daily in the Sanctuary

Monday to Friday: 8:30am
 Saturday 4:30pm
 Sunday 8:00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Fridays after Mass followed by Benediction at 10:00am

First Friday Adoration: Sacred Heart

Novena following 9:00am Mass and Benediction at 10:20am

Reconciliation:

½ hour before Weekday Masses (except Mondays)
 Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm
 Sunday 7:30am to 8:15am and by appointment

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th **Saturdays** of each month at 10:00 am (some exceptions). Our new "Baptism Home Visit Program" is starting July 2018! To have your child baptized at our Parish please call the office for more information.

Baptism Preparation Class: Preparation classes take place on the 1st **Saturday** of each month at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary. Parents and Godparents are to attend the class at least 3 weeks prior to the Baptism Celebration.

First Holy Communion (Gr. 2 & up): Fall 2018

First Reconciliation (Gr. 2 & up): Fall 2018

Confirmation (Gr. 6 & up): Winter 2018

Marriage: By appointment, 6 months in advance

Marriage Preparation Class: 3rd **Sat. of each month** (Some exceptions apply; no summer classes). To register for a class, email Ferdie: marriageprepatascension@gmail.com
Registration fee: \$100 per couple & includes course materials, snacks and lunch.

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a communal process of spiritual and educational formation for adults who seek to become full members of the Roman Catholic Church through a conversion of mind and heart. The process is open to all persons, regardless of religious background or philosophical persuasion, who genuinely seek, by God's grace, to live their lives in the distinctive Catholic Christian faith. Meetings run weekly from September to May (Tuesdays) and monthly throughout the summer. For more information contact the Church office.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY-SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is such a special and important Sacrament and one that you can be a part of. We are in need of 3 - 4 volunteers to assist the Pastor with the Baptism celebrations that are held on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sat. of each month at 10 am. Your time commitment would be one Sat. morning a month for 2 hours. Training will be provided but you do not have to have any special skills other than a kind heart, patience and desire to help. Contact Jenn Pashula, Baptism Coordinator at baptism@ascensionparish.ca

ASCENSION PARISH SUMMER HOURS

Office Hours: Summer hours **begin Tuesday, July 3rd**. The office will be open **9:30 am to 2:00 pm** Monday to Friday with Ministry meetings scheduled on Wednesday evenings only from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm. The Church will open at 8:15 am for 9:00 am daily Mass. Regular office hours will **resume Tuesday, September 4th**.

Mass Times: All Mass times will remain the same over the summer.

Statutory Holidays: The office will be closed **Jul. 2nd, Aug. 6th and Sept. 3rd** with Mass being celebrated at 9am.

Summer Donations: If you will be away for vacation this summer, please consider post-dated cheques for the weekly collections or signing up for pre-authorized monthly donations to continue your support of the Parish.

CALGARY DIOCESE CLERGY PERSONNEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pick up a copy of the latest Diocese Clergy Personnel Announcements next to the bulletins. We welcome Fr. Adrian Martens who has been appointed part-time Associate Pastor to our Parish beginning August 1st. Watch for dates for our farewell and thank you to Fr. Anthony Pudota as he will be leaving us to continue with his busy roles as Chancellor and Judicial Vicar at the Pastoral Centre.

FCJ PRIVATE RETREATS DIRECTED AND NON-DIRECTED

A private retreat provides time away in a peaceful place for anyone seeking solitude, rest, renewal and prayer. The cost for a Daytime Retreat is \$35.00 (includes a private room, lunch and access to the FCJ Centre's grounds). For Overnight Retreat (24-hour) the cost is \$90.00 (includes meals). Group rates are also available. Advance reservations are required. To schedule a Private Retreat, please call (403) 228-4215 or email info@fcjcentre.ca. A minimum of three (3) days' advance notice is required. The FCJ Retreat Centre is located at 219 - 19th Avenue SW, Calgary. For details about our various retreat offerings, please visit www.FCJCentre.ca.

33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY

You are invited to a 6-week series designed to prepare you for personal consecration to Mary. You will learn about four different saints - St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta and Pope St. John Paul II - and their devotion to Mary. Tuesday nights at Our Lady of Fatima Parish (4747 - 30th Street SE, Calgary) from **August 7 to September 11** (6:30 PM - Mass, followed by DVD Series). The textbook cost is \$10 (book by Fr. Michael Gaitley). For more information, contact: Linda Schulz at 403-289-7124 or email ztl2020@shaw.ca

WORSHIP AND ADORATION FOR YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Youth and Young Adults at Ascension Parish are invited to an evening of rediscovering Jesus, **Fri. July 6th at 7pm**. This will be a wonderful opportunity to encounter the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Free food and fellowship to follow. Please extend this invitation to family & friends, especially those who haven't been to Church in a while. For info, visit Ascension's Facebook page at facebook.com/ascensionparishcalgary

<u>JUNE FINANCIALS</u>		
Thank you for your generous gifts to our Parish		
	JUNE 2018	YTD Actuals
Collections		
General Collections	43,787	279,575
Operating Cost	51,714	321,325
Over/ (Under)		(41,750)
Mortgage		
Mortgage Collections	17,255	108,618
Mortgage Payment	20,855	125,130
Over/ (Under)		(16,512)
Together in Action		
Collections	2,020	21,452
2018 Target		61,355
Remaining towards Goal		(39,903)
Renovation		
Net Monthly Collection	*40,049	214,560

*This amount will change for any Buy-a-Brick Donations that we receive until June 30, 2018.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for July 1st, 2018

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BISHOP CONGRATULATES AND THANKS FR. JOHN SCHUSTER FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE – A small gathering was held on Wednesday, 27 June, at the Catholic Pastoral Centre to show gratitude to Very Rev. John Schuster as he retires from the position of Moderator of the Curia. While he will retire as Moderator, Fr. Schuster will continue to serve the Diocese as Vicar General. Bishop William McGrattan congratulated and thanked Fr. Schuster for his years of service in the Office of the Curia and his commitment to the priesthood over the past 53 years. Fr. Schuster has served as pastor at St. Peter's (Milk River), St. Augustine (Taber) and St. Rita's (Rockyford). For 29 years, he was Moderator/Vicar General in the Catholic Pastoral Centre and performed various roles in the Diocese.

NEW STAFF AT THE PASTORAL CENTRE – As part of the revitalization of the Pastoral Centre, four new staff members have been added: Huy Nguyen, Director of Pastoral Ministry, Theodoric Nowak, Director of Social Justice and Outreach Ministries, Nadia Hinds, Director of Communications, Christine Parent, Human Resources Manager. This team was selected as they represent the balance of commitment to the faith mission, professional training and education, as well as their professional work experience. May their ministries bless the diocese with faithful, loving and effective leadership.

28TH ANNUAL BISHOP'S GOLF TOURNAMENT – On Monday, August 27, support our unsponsored dinners at Feed the Hungry and play golf with the Bishop. The tournament will be held at the Silvertip Resort, Canmore. For more information, contact Sartre at 403-218-5522 | ftfgolf@calgarydiocese.ca | golf.feedthehungrycalgary.ca

TRANSITIONS PROGRAM – 15-week peer support program for those recently separated or divorced. The next program will begin in October. More information will be coming soon. If you have any questions, contact 403-218-5505 | lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca

BISHOP'S DINNER 2018 – Join us for an evening with Bishop William T. McGrattan. The Bishop's Dinner has a long history of giving back to the community. This year we are celebrating Catholic Education and five incredible programs that support some of our most vulnerable students. This very special gala event will be held on Fri, Oct 19 at the Telus Convention Centre. Bishop's Reception at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$185/person and a table of 8 is \$1480. For more information, call 403-218-5500 | www.bishopsdinner.ca

ONE ROCK 2.0 – One Rock 2.0 is excited to announce that Patrick Coffin, Lizzie Reezay, and Brian Holdsworth will be joining us! When: September 29 at St. Michael's Catholic Community, Calgary. Catholic young adults in the Diocese of Calgary (ages 18-35) are invited to pre-register at www.onerock.ca

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE: invites applications for the position of Accounts Receivable / Accounts Payable Clerk. For more information, visit <http://careers.calgarydiocese.ca>

HOLY NAME PARISH, CALGARY invites applications for positions: Sacramental Coordinator (Part Time) and Office Assistant (Part Time). For more information, visit <http://careers.calgarydiocese.ca>

ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY invites applications for the position of Director of Campus Ministry (Full Time). For more information, visit <https://www.stmu.ca/about/career-opportunities>

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES: Jul 20-22 & Oct 19-21 at St. Joseph, Calgary. Nov 23-25 at St. Cecilia, Calgary. Contact 403-233-2360 | www.cfs-ab.org. **LIFE & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE**: Aug 27 (followed by Sep 14-15), or Sep 24 (followed by Oct 12-13) at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary. Contact 403-218-5505 | events.calgarydiocese.ca

PRISON MINISTRY WORKSHOP – Prison Ministry Education 3-day Workshop will be held: Aug 14, 16 & 21, 7-9pm, at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 – 17 Ave SW, Calgary). Workshop is open to current volunteers or anyone interested in prison ministry. Contact 403-218-5519 | marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca

EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS FIRST – An educational 5-week program for separated or divorced parents that teaches helpful communication skills to help raise their children. Next session: Fall 2018 (7-9 pm). More information will be coming soon. Call 403-218-5505 | lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca

PROJECT RACHEL POST ABORTION COUNSELLING – The ministry offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for women and men who are suffering from a past abortion experience. For more information, contact 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223, or e-mail info@projectrachel.ca | www.projectrachel.ca

JOIN THE SUMMER 2018 LAUDATO SI' ANIMATOR'S PROGRAM – Become Laudato Si' animators and be champions of creation care in your local communities/parishes. Join online webinars and be grounded in the science and Catholic teachings of Laudato Si. Contact 403-218-5519 | marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca

CHOOSE TO REFUSE SINGLE-USE PLASTIC – Let us continue to take care of our common home by living more simply and reducing waste. One way to do this is to avoid single use plastic. Take the 4-week challenge and live without plastic: bags, bottles, takeaway coffee cups and straws – for a month! To commit, visit www.plasticfreeeyc.com (click Get Involved / take the 4-week challenge).

"LOVE MORE" - A BENEFIT CONCERT FOR THE RETIRED PRIESTS – Couples for Christ invites you to a benefit concert: "LOVE MORE" on Sat, Jul 14 at 7PM, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. The concert will feature Laurie Callao, Calgary's inspirational singer who will be performing original compositions of CFC songwriter's winner, Carlos Perez. Proceeds of this event will go to the Housing for the Retired Priests of the Diocese of Calgary and Ancop (Answering the Cry of the Poor). Ticket: \$20. Contact 403-796-5130.

YOUNG WOMEN'S RETREAT: COME TO ME AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST (MT. 11:28) – Single, Catholic women, ages 18 to 35, are invited to a weekend of reflection to ponder these questions: Who is God calling me to be? What is God calling me to do that takes me beyond what I am doing now? When: Fri, Aug 17 (starts: 5PM) to Sun, Aug 19 (ends: 2PM). This is a retreat with overnight accommodation in local convents. Reg Fee: \$25/ further donations gratefully accepted. For info/register, contact Sr. Terry Smith, FCJ at 403-228-3623, ext. 258 | tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca

DAY RETREAT FOR WOMEN – Theme: "Courage, my daughter, your faith has saved you. (Mt 9:22). Be renewed and inspired by the paradox of simplicity and the gift of faith. Date: Saturday, August 11, from 10:30 AM to 4 PM at the Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262, Calgary, AB, T3P-1A7). For more information or to register, call Sr. Katrina at 587-755-1019 | www.sistersofdivinemersey.org

CEMETERY MASSES – You are invited to the annual Catholic Cemetery Memorial Masses with Bishop McGrattan. Save the date, August 22 at 7:30 PM - Queen's Park Cemetery August 23 at 7:30 PM - Mountain View Cemetery

TRAINING THE TRAINERS: A WORKSHOP FOR LITURGICAL LEADERS – Those responsible for ministry formation (Priests, Deacons, EMHC, Lector, Musician, Altar Server and Hospitality) are invited to the 2018 Western Conference for Liturgy in Archdiocese of St. Boniface, Winnipeg, MB on October 26 & 27. Learn elements of theology and spirituality to pass on to those you are training, and to root the practicalities of these ministries in theology and spirituality. Keynote Speaker: Bernadette Gasslein. For more information, call 780-476-2457 | WCLCanada.wordpress.com

NEWS.CalgaryDiocese.ca | WHAT'S HAPPENING in the DIOCESE. Contact: 403-218-5500 or E-mail: communications@calgarydiocese.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER ART CAMP, ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY: Discover your inner artistic abilities in a variety of ways! Explore amazing art techniques right on campus; sketch in neighboring Fish Creek Park; learn key glass mosaic, calligraphy skills and more! Kids Camp (Grades 4-6) & Youth Camp (Grades 7-8); **July 9-13 & 16-20** (8:30 am - 5:00 pm). To register visit www.stmu.ca or for more information email Elizabeth.cressman@stmu.ca

SEPTEMBER 7-9: RETROUVAILLE - A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES – Married couples struggling and/or confused about difficulties in their relationship with their spouse can find help in taking the Retrouvaille program! The program is starting on the weekend of September 7-9, 2018, and there is still time to register. Information can be found on their website at www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com or by calling **403-879-7893**.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS JULY & AUGUST:

July: Evangelization – Priests and their Pastoral Ministry: That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

August: Universal – The Treasure of Families:

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

MOUNT ST. FRANCIS RETREATS:

41160 Retreat Road Cochrane, AB

“GRACE” 7-DAY DIRECTED RETREAT - July 22-29, 2018,

An individual Director will accompany you on your spiritual journey. Cost \$650.00, Retreats begin with Supper at 5:30 on Sunday. To register call: [403-932-2012](tel:403-932-2012) or Email: mtfrancis@shaw.ca
Booking deposit of \$50.00 is required for each retreat.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL - NIGERIAN COMMUNITY

Come let us Praise the Lord! Weekly prayer meetings: **Every Friday from 7:00-9:00 pm** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish (2111 Uxbridge Drive NW – opposite Foothills hospital).

MEN'S ROSARY LEAGUE: The Men's Rosary League gathers every third Tuesday of the month at Our Lady of Fatima Parish (4747 30 Street SE). Join us for Mass, prayer and song. Mass at 6:30 PM and Rosary at 7:00 PM. **Upcoming Dates: June 19th, July 17th, August 21st, and September 25th.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STORE CARDS: Please participate routinely in the store card program to help support Parish ministries and the needy. **A portion of the proceeds will also go towards our Renovation Fund.**

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