

Ascension Catholic Parish

Sharing the Spirit Together in Christ

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Jesus' power to heal and cleanse

Mass Times:

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Friday: 9 AM

Wednesday: 6:30 PM
(Mother of Perpetual
Help Novena: 6:15 PM)

Weekend Masses:

Saturday:

5:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Sunday:

8:30 AM, 10:30 AM,
12:30 PM & 5:00 PM

Reconciliation:

Tuesday - Friday:

8:30 AM - 8:55 AM

Wednesday Evening:

6:00 PM - 6:25 PM

Saturday:

4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Sunday:

7:30 AM - 8:15 AM

Adoration & Benediction:

Monday - Friday:

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

First Friday:

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
(Sacred Heart Novena
& Benediction)

When Jesus first proclaimed the Good News of God's kingdom to His own townspeople at Nazareth (Luke 4:23-27), He did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He startled His listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when He complimented Gentiles (non-Jews) who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. Some who despised the Gentiles even spoke of them as "fuel for the fires of hell." Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of His own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations. The word of rebuke spoken by Jesus was met with indignation and hostility. The Nazarenes forcibly threw Him out of their town and would have done Him physical harm had He not stopped them.

We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23). God gives grace to the humble who seek Him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again. The Lord Jesus will set us free from every sinful habit and every harmful way of relating to our neighbor, if we allow Him to cleanse and heal us. If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us for our good that we may share His holiness (Hebrews 12:10). Do you want the Lord Jesus to set you free and make you whole again? Ask Him to show you the way to walk in His healing love and truth.



Lk. 4:21-30

"Truly I tell you.."

"Lord Jesus, teach me to love your ways that I may be quick to renounce sin and wilfulness in my life. Make me whole and clean again that I may delight to do your will."

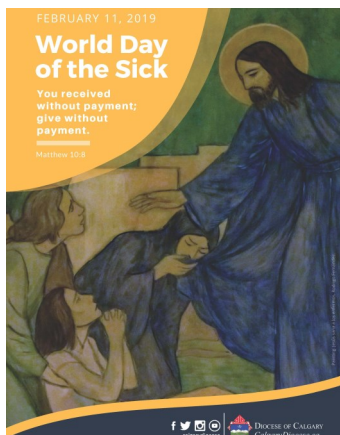
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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

One Heart, One Voice, One Mission

The Catholic Women's League is the voice of Catholic Women expressing their values and promoting dignity and justice for all. The Ascension Parish CWL Council held their Membership Drive last weekend. If you did not have an opportunity to sign up you can do so by emailing cwl.ascension@gmail.com. All women from 16 years old, Catholic and non-Catholic are welcome to join. Our meetings are held at the Parish every 2nd Wednesday of the month after the 6:30 PM Mass.





World Day of the Sick

Catechesis Corner

(For the week of February 4-10, 2019)

Soren Kierkegaard once wrote: “Those who think they can love only the people they prefer do not love at all.” Christian love always seeks the unloved and the hardest to love. As Christ himself said “If you greet only your friends, how are you different from anyone else? Even pagans do that.” (Matt. 5:47). Thus, the Church always embraces those who need the most love as always first. This was one of the reasons that St. John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick in the Church, celebrated on February 11th, for the sick need our

fervent prayers (MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE JOHN PAUL II FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF THE SICK, 3-4). Let us pray fervently on the World Day of the Sick, but especially for the sick who are not noticed---and for the most weak, little children and babies and those close to death.

Application: Pray for the sick at 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:00 PM on Monday, February 11, 2019.



COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

Walk with us! #cnoy19

The Coldest Night of the Year is a family-friendly walk that raises money for charities serving hungry, homeless, and hurting people in our community. Participants register online to walk 2, 5, or 10 km on a safe, looping 5 km route. Teams and walkers register online to set up their fundraising page. Visit <https://cnoy.org/home> Walk with us on **February 23, 2019.**

walk / donate / volunteer / share

Mass Intentions

February 2nd - 8th, 2019

Day	Date	Time	Intentions
Saturday	February 2	5:00 PM	Mass for Parishioners
Saturday	February 2	7:00 PM	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 3	8:30 AM	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 3	10:30 AM	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 3	12:30 PM	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	February 3	5:00 PM	Mass for Parishioners
Monday	February 4	9:00 AM	SI of Jessica Jaramillo
Tuesday	February 5	9:00 AM	Paul Le & Nghi Nguyen (+)
Wednesday	February 6	9:00 AM	SI of Margaret Yong
Wednesday	February 6	6:30 PM	Henry Kriaski (+)
Thursday	February 7	9:00 AM	Melvyn D’Souza (+)
Friday	February 8	9:00 AM	Pepino Santangelo (+)



Store Cards are available in the narthex every weekend. Your participation helps to support Parish Ministries and the needy. A portion of the proceeds goes towards our Renovation Fund.



YOU CAN HELP MARRIAGES and FAMILIES STAY TOGETHER! By taking the **Retrouvaille** program married couples can learn to use practical communication tools to bring greater intimacy to their relationship. The spring program begins March 8-10. For information about registering access their website at www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com or call 403-879-7893 if you have further questions.



All youth in Grade 7 and older are welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings. For information contact Vicki at youth@ascensionparish.ca

Finance Report - at a glance...


Gifts to the Parish	January 2019	
	Week	4
Offerings for the Week:	22-Jan-19	28-Jan-19
	Last Week	YTD
<u>General Collections:</u>		
Collections	7,386	43,316
Operating Cost	14,300	57,200
Over / (Shortfall) YTD Operating Cost	(6,914)	(13,884)
<u>Central Fund Loan:</u>		
Building Fund Collections	6,202	58,264
Weekly Loan Payment	11,350	45,400
Over / (Shortfall) YTD Loan Payment	(5,148)	12,864
<u>Diocesan Annual Campaign:</u>		
Together In Action		
2018 Collections		47,347
2019 Collections	265	1,337
2018 Target		61,355
Remaining towards 2018 Goal		(12,671)
<u>Collections in our Diocese:</u>		
Holy Childhood	187	1,020

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Ascension Capital Campaign Commemorative Sale Items

Ascension commemorative items are being sold as a renovation fundraiser and to mark the dedication of our new Sanctuary. Order forms are in the narthex and can be put in a sealed envelope and put in the weekly collection or in the office lock box. Please support our renovation.



Parish Staff

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

Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Lunch: 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM

Sacraments

Baptism for Infants:

Baptisms are celebrated on the **2nd, 3rd & 4th Saturdays** of each month at 10:00 AM (except during Lent). Please call Jenn at 403.275.2240 or email baptism@ascensionparish.ca to register.

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): Registration is closed. Please register your child in September, 2019.

First Reconciliation (Gr. 2 & up): Registration is closed. Please register your child in September, 2019.

Confirmation (Gr. 6 & up): Registration is closed. Please register your child in November, 2019.

Marriage: By appointment, 6 months in advance. Call the office.

Marriage Preparation Class: 3rd Saturday of each month (some exceptions apply). Registration fee is \$100 per couple and includes course materials, snacks and lunch. To register please email Ferdie: marriageprepatascension@gmail.com

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For more information contact the Church office.

RCIA SPONSORS: We are seeking sponsors to assist RCIA catechumens as they become familiar with the Christian way of life. Contact Rob at robkehrig@gmail.com for information.

Anointing of the Sick & Dying: Call the Parish office at 403.275.2240

Outside of the office hours, please call 403.275.2240.

When prompted, press 2 for Fr. Avinash, press 3 for Fr. Rodel, press 4 for Fr. Adrian (Thursdays & Fridays).

Please leave a detailed message. The priest will return your call.

Ministry Contacts

Sacraments

Baptism Preparation: Jenn Pashula | baptism@ascensionparish.ca

Marriage Preparation: Ferdie Gayos | marriageprepatascension@gmail.com

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Parish Ministries

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Parish Pastoral Council: Sandra Will-Krile | samandrafo@shaw.ca

Pastoral Care: Diane Lincoln | lincolfamily@gmail.com

R.S.V.P.: Lucy Reyes | lucy.reyes@me.com

Youth Ministry: Vicki Hayles | youth@ascensionparish.ca

Volunteer Resource: Sharron Robinson | resource@ascensionparish.ca

Liturgy

Altar Servers: Jehan Esguerra & Brooklyn Kerner | server@ascensionparish.ca

Art & Environment: Maria San Miguel | let@shaw.ca

Ex-ord. Ministers of Holy Communion: Nadia Oliverio | nadia.oliverio@shaw.ca

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