



# ST. PIUS X PARISH

"To Restore All things in Christ."

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<b>PARISH STAFF</b>		<b>WEEKEND MASSES:</b> Saturday, 5:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM <b>WEEKDAY MASSES:</b> Wednesday, 9:00 AM Thursday, 5:30 PM Friday, 9:00 AM
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<b>PARISH OFFICE HOURS:</b> Mon – Fri, 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM		<b>RECONCILIATION:</b> Thursdays, 6:00 – 6:30 PM Saturdays, 4:00 – 4:30 PM
<b>Baptism Preparation Classes:</b> First Tuesday of the month, 7 PM in the Basement Lounge		

**Welcome New Parishioners:** Registration forms are in the pamphlet racks or on our website. Please return in collection basket or at the office. Envelope boxes & Direct Deposit forms are also in the pamphlet racks.

## MARCH 16 & 17 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### COVENANT GOD

God and Abraham made a lasting covenant with bodies broken and eaten by God in bright fire. For us today, all of the law and the prophets come to fulfillment in Moses and Elijah. They point to Jesus, who shines as the key to our share in the covenant. By his broken body in the Eucharist we, too, will be transfigured. The divine fire nourishes and changes us into citizens of our homeland in heaven. We eat the Eucharistic Christ Jesus, who is our passport to heaven. Do we dare take part?

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*May the Irish hills caress you.  
May her lakes and rivers bless you.  
May the luck of the Irish enfold you.  
May the blessings of St. Patrick behold you.  
– Irish Blessing*



Together in Action started in 1992 to live out Christ's teaching - to share our gifts & care

for our vulnerable population. It consolidates the financial asks in parishes and from various agencies locally, nationally and internationally. TIA allows parishioners to financially support our TIA recipients and also educate parishioners about the plight of others.

Your continued generosity every year has meant that we have always exceeded our target, which is \$36,303 this year. The diocesan TIA guidelines allow us to direct any excess funds received to our own parish. This year we will be using any excess funds towards our New Hall Fund. Find out more about TIA at <https://www.catholicyc.ca/tia.html> We thank you for your generous support.



### THE SEASON OF LENT

During Lent, penance is an important requirement of Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayers, works of piety and charity and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence. Join us at our **Parish Lenten Penitential Service, Wednesday, March 27 at 7 PM.**

### HOLY WATERS IN FONTS

Holy water remains in the fonts during the Lenten Season. Holy water is removed for our Triduum: Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday. Fonts are filled with water after Easter with water blessed at the Easter Vigil.

<b>THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH</b> <b>MARCH 18<sup>th</sup> – MARCH 24<sup>th</sup></b> For last minute changes, please visit our Parish website: <a href="http://www.stpiusx.ca">www.stpiusx.ca</a>
<b>MONDAY, Mar 18<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>TUESDAY, Mar 19<sup>th</sup></b> 9:15 AM – Legion of Mary (U of C Lounge) 7:00 PM – Parish Council Meeting (Holland Room)
<b>WEDNESDAY, Mar 20<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 AM – NO MASS 10:30 AM – MASS at Hillcrest Extencicare (1512-8 AVE NW) 5:30 PM – Italian Class (Hall)
<b>THURSDAY, Mar 21<sup>st</sup></b> 10:30 AM – MASS at Bethany Care Centre (916-18A St NW) 5:30 PM – MASS 7:00 PM – Choir Practice (9AM Choir) (Church) 7:30 PM – Choir Practice (11AM Choir) (U of C Lounge)
<b>FRIDAY, Mar 22<sup>nd</sup></b> 9:00 AM – MASS 9:30 AM – Spiritual Dimension of Women (U/C Lounge)
<b>SATURDAY, Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 3:45 PM – Choir Practice (U of C Lounge) 5:00 PM – MASS
<b>SUNDAY, Mar 24<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9:00 AM – MASS 11:00 AM – MASS

### ALTAR FLOWERS OF REMEMBRANCE

Remember your deceased family and friends this Easter by contributing towards flowers to enhance our liturgical environment during the Easter season. Your Loved Ones will be remembered on the Easter weekend at all masses. Names of the deceased will also be printed in the Easter bulletin and posted on the Bulletin Boards.

If you wish to participate in this remembrance, please print the name of your deceased loved one(s) on the card found in the envelope provided in the pew boxes, include this card with your offering in the envelope and place it in the regular Sunday collection NO LATER THAN the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (April 7<sup>th</sup>). The suggested offering is \$25.00.



**BULLETIN VIA EMAIL?** Contact the office directly: [office@stpiusx.ca](mailto:office@stpiusx.ca) Subject line: "Email Bulletin"



➤ **No Children's Liturgy Next Sunday, March 24th**

as it is the start of the Catholic School Spring Break

**Upcoming Sacramental Program Dates:**

✚ 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Class – April 6<sup>th</sup>

✚ Confirmation Classes – April 13<sup>th</sup>

➤ **Extra Hands Needed to Help Prepare for Holy Week**

*Palm Cleaning* (4-5 people for 1-2 hrs) on Fri

Apr 12<sup>th</sup> @ 11 AM Please email or call Tina if you can

help 403-282-3653, or [pastoralassistant@stpiousx.ca](mailto:pastoralassistant@stpiousx.ca)



### GROCERY CARD UPDATE

Thank you to our parishioners who continue to support this fundraiser for our Parish. Our net gain for this year is \$4,854.85. *Two volunteers are URGENTLY needed for 9:00 AM Mass to sell grocery cards, in order to fulfill our current schedule. Contact [mirkas@telus.net](mailto:mirkas@telus.net)*

### ITALIAN CLASS

Join us on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Hall for Conversational Italian class. Drop-ins are welcome. Next class is April 10<sup>th</sup>.

### MANNA MINISTRY: MUSTARD SEED-FOOTHILLS SHELTER SUPPER; SUNDAY, MARCH 10<sup>th</sup>

Three Hundred & Fifty (350) guests were served at the Foothills Shelter this past Sunday. A delicious Turkey-a-la-King meal, accompanied by rice, jellied salad, fresh buttered rolls, ending off with Carrot Cake. THANKS to all the Jellied Salads & Carrot Cake volunteers, too many to mention (70+). THANKS to St. Rita's Group for donating the 36 dozen buns, the 8 Prepping & 9 Serving Volunteers, and to Sheila & Louis Mattar for delivering all the food to the Mustard Seed Foothills Shelter. Thank you to our Team Leaders, Ron & Stella Parisien, they said that the Carrot Cake is a Crowd Pleaser. NEXT MEAL: Sunday, November 10, 2019. Volunteer Sign-up the weekend of the Ministry Invitation in September 2019.

### MINISTRY SIGN UP

Liturgical ministers are needed for HOLY WEEK, Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> to Easter Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, inclusively. If you are available to help, please sign up as soon as possible. Signup sheets are in the vestibule



### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

#### Palm Sunday

5 PM Saturday, 9 & 11 AM Sunday  
Masses start in Hall with Palm Blessing

#### Holy Thursday

7:30 PM Mass ONLY  
followed by Adoration  
(no 5:30 PM mass)

#### Good Friday

Service at Noon & 3 PM

#### Easter Vigil

8 PM

#### Easter Sunday

9 AM & 11 AM Masses

### UCCC FINAL MASS & FAREWELL

Last weekend saw the final 7 PM Sunday mass with the University Chaplaincy. After more than 30 years, they have moved to the St Francis Xavier Chaplaincy, along with SAIT and MRU students, to St Bernard's Parish in Parkdale. They left St Pius X Parish a lovely Thank you card, which you can view in the Hall.

### DIOCESAN PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAM

Learn how to minister God's unfailing love for the terminally ill and the dying through the Palliative Care Education Program. **April 26 & 27 (Part 1)**, and **May 3 & 4 (Part 2)** at Holy Spirit Parish (10827 24 St SW). Contact: 403-218-5501 or <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

### EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS FIRST

A five-week parents education program to cope with separation and divorce. Learn how to manage shared parenting situations, resolve family conflicts, participate in support groups and improve communications between separated/divorced parents. Session dates: **Wednesdays, Apr. 24, May 1, 8, 15 & 22.** Register: <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca> 403-218-5505

### DIOCESAN NEWS:

Please see the Bishop's "Weekly Bulletin" insert, posted on our Parish bulletin boards.

Copies are available at the Diocesan website.

**Links to the Diocese**

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➤ P/T Sacramental Preparation Coordinator- St Peter's

➤ Director of Operations – St Michaels Catholic Community

➤ P/T Secretary – Our Lady of Fatima

➤ P/T Casual Worker – FCJ Centre



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copy, but there is more content in the digital edition.

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### LENTEN RETREATS WORKSHOPS & MISSIONS AROUND THE DIOCESE

#### PARISH LENTEN MISSION WITH FR. GEORGE

Enrich your faith journey this Lent and join Fr. George Madathikunnath in this three-day series, drawing spiritual lessons from the Old Testament Patriarchs and Fathers of the Early Church. **March 19-21** (Tues-Thurs) at 7 pm. For detailed schedule, visit <http://saintmichael.ca/events>

#### DIALOGUE OF FAITH AND CULTURE: CONVERSATIONS ON SPIRITUALITY

Aware of some burning questions that you would like to share within a small seminar group of sojourners? St. Mary's University invites all to gather and join in honest reflections and dialogue about our faith and culture with Fr. Charles Pottie-Pâté, sj. **Wednesdays, March 20, 27 & April 3 at 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm** at St. Mary's University (14500 Bannister Rd. SE). To register, contact [Elizabeth.cressman@stmu.ca](mailto:Elizabeth.cressman@stmu.ca)

#### "FOUNDATIONS OF A SOCIAL JUSTICE SPIRITUALITY"

One-day workshop with Bishop Emeritus Frederick Henry **Saturday, April 13 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm** at Corpus Christi Parish Hall (5931 4 St NW). Cost: \$40/person, including lunch. For more information or to register, contact 403-218-5505 | [socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca) | <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

#### LENTEN DAY SILENT RETREAT

**Saturday, March 30**, begins with Rosary at **10:30 am & Mass at 11 am** at Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262). Contact: 587-755-1019 [www.sistersofdivinemersey.org](http://www.sistersofdivinemersey.org)

#### UPCOMING RETREATS AT MT ST FRANCIS

*Women's Weekend: Mar 22-24, Teresa, 403.329.8967*

*Men's Serenity Weekend: Mar 29-31, Trent, 403.803.1444*

*Married Couples Wknd: Apr 12-14, Paul & Michele 403.808.8275*

### INVACARE ELECTRIC SCOOTER FOR SALE

Like New. Contact Ben, 403.818.5734

**DID YOU KNOW ...** that the children preparing for the Sacraments are wearing name tags with ribbons on them? Blue ribbons are those preparing for their first Eucharist, while the red ribbons signify Confirmation.

### HUMOR CORNER

What part of "Thou shalt not" didn't you understand? - God

