



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

For May 6th, 2018 | 6th Sunday of Easter

SPECIAL FEATURE INTERVIEW

It's been a year since Bishop McGrattan took office, and we'd like to mark this occasion with a special feature interview! Read how his calling and love for God brought him to Calgary | New diocesan online publication at www.calgarydiocese.ca

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH – NEW MARIAN FEAST

Pope Francis has decreed that the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, should be inscribed in the Roman Calendar on the Monday after Pentecost and celebrated every year. This year's Memorial is on **Monday, May 21**. For more information, visit our Diocesan blog at www.catholiccy.ca/catholiccy



PERMANENT DIACONATE – APPLY BY MAY 31

The Diocese of Calgary is looking for men of prayer and charity who are prepared to serve the church in ordained ministry as permanent deacons. Men must be Roman Catholic, married or single, 35 to 60 years of age, minimum grade 12 education, be of sound moral character and mature faith. During four years of Human, Spiritual, Theological, and Pastoral formation, the aspirant will prepare for the threefold ministries of Charity, Word, and Sacrament that are the call of the deacon. For more information about Permanent Diaconate, please contact Deacon John Walsh at John.Walsh@calgarydiocese.ca Application deadline: **May 31** | www.calgarydiocese.ca (under Faith & Life, click Permanent Diaconate)

PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR INVITATION - MEDICINE HAT

Be inspired to make a difference. Learn how to maximize your legacy for your family and charity in your will. Join our upcoming Planned Giving Seminar at Holy Family Parish in Medicine Hat on **Tuesday, June 5** from 1 to 2:30 PM. Limited seating. Registration required. For more information or to register, please contact Doreen 403-218-5522 or charities@calgarydiocese.ca | events.calgarydiocese.ca

MARRIAGE PREPARATION "FOR BETTER & FOR EVER"

"For Better & For Ever..." Marriage Preparation, accepts all couples preparing for marriage. The small group setting allows us to focus on couples in one or more of the following circumstances: living together, previously married, beginning marriage with children, couples 45+, or those who wish to have their marriage blessed in the Church. Upcoming dates: **May 28 + June 15-16; June 4 + June 22-23**. For more information or to register, contact Alida at 403-218-5505 or email lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca | events.calgarydiocese.ca

ORDINATION OF DEACON DEREK REMUS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

His Excellency, Bishop William T. McGrattan, is pleased to announce that he has called Rev. Mr. Derek Remus to be ordained to the priesthood on **Friday, 29 June** at 7 PM in St. Mary's Cathedral. We give thanks to God for the gift of Deacon Derek's call to the priesthood, and we invite and encourage the faithful of the diocese to come and join in the celebration of the conferral of Holy Orders in June | news.calgarydiocese.ca

ALZHEIMER'S WORKSHOP

You are invited to attend a workshop about Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. This workshop will be held on Saturday, June 9, from 9 AM to 2:30 PM at Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish (1714 – 14 Ave NE). For more information, contact 403-218-5501 | events.calgarydiocese.ca

PRE-REGISTER FOR ONE ROCK 2.0

One Rock 2.0 is the new and reimagined One Rock Festival of Faith which seeks to inspire, challenge, and equip Catholic young adults to be protagonists in the New Evangelization. At this time, we encourage **young adults between the ages of 18-35** (married or single) to pre-register on our website. Save the date: **Saturday, September 29** at St. Michael's, Calgary. Learn more about the new and exciting changes in this year's event | www.onerock.ca

THEOLOGY OF DATING

Listen to Fr. Cristino Bouvette & Jocelyn Boissonneault speaking about the Theology of Dating: Discerning the Vocation of Marriage on **Tuesday, May 8**, at 7:15 PM at China Rose, 228-28th Street SE, Calgary. Event is free. Please come early and patronize. For more information or to register, contact Rose at rose@catholicsspeeddating.ca or call 587-333-1099 | www.CatholicSpeedDating.ca

PENTECOST NOVENA AT THE DIVINE MERCY CENTRE

Nine days of Eucharistic Adoration with the Sisters of Divine Mercy. Holy Spirit Novena will be prayed daily after the Holy Mass. Pray for your personal intentions and join us in prayer for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, and for God's mercy upon the whole world. The Pentecost Novena will take place **May 11-19** at the Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262, Calgary). For more information, contact 587-755-1019 | sistersofdivinemercury.org

HIKE FOR LIFE

You are invited to join the Hike for Life on **Saturday, May 12** at Prince's Island Park. This is the 38th Calgary Pro-Life Annual fundraiser that financially supports their Respect Life programs. The Hike for Life starts with an opening ceremony at 9 AM from the stage area. Participants walk the 10 km hike route along the pathways of the park and surrounding areas and return to the stage area to enjoy complimentary lunch, prizes and music until noon. For more information, contact 403-243-0691 | www.calgaryprolife.com

CHILDREN'S RETREAT WITH THE SISTERS OF DIVINE MERCY

It's a fun day for your child to know and love our Lord through songs, catechesis, prayer and Adoration, snacks, arts and crafts. For children Gr. 2 – 5, starts with 12:30 PM Mass and ends at 3:30 PM. Cost \$20. Limited space. The Children's retreat will take place on **Saturday, May 26** at the Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262, Calgary). For more information, contact Sr. Gabrielle at 587-755-1019 | sistersofdivinemercury.org

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF PROVIDENCE CRECHE

Providence (formerly known as Providence Creche, and later as Providence Children's Centre) is celebrating its 75th Anniversary this year. Started as a home for abandoned babies by a group of CWL women in 1943, it grew into an orphanage run for many years by the Sisters of Providence. They would love to hear from anyone who has had a connection to Providence over those 75 years – as a child in care, as a staff member or a volunteer; or if you attended the childcare or other programs offered over the years. For more information, contact Sandi at 403-255-5577, e-mail: sjarrett@providencechildren.com | www.providencechildren.com/75years

ST. RITA'S PARISH, ROCKYFORD 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Save the date for the Centennial celebration of St. Rita's Parish: **Saturday, June 16** at St. Rita's Parish, Rockyford, at 3 PM. Anniversary Mass will be celebrated by Bishop William McGrattan. Registration fee: \$20 per individual; \$60 per family. Register by May 15. For more information, contact Patsy Kathol at 403-533-2139 or e-mail: lpkathol@gmail.com

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. Clients will be referred to a professional counselor who specializes in dealing with the trauma associated with this grief. For more information, call Project Rachel at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223, or e-mail info@projectrachel.ca | www.projectrachel.ca



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