



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 23/24, 2019

THANK YOU FROM CALGARY CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

| Thank you to the generous parishioners of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary for supporting Catholic Education Sunday in November 2018. We had a record number of 132 readers attending 156 masses across 43 parishes on the weekend of November 3 & 4, 2018. We witnessed our schools and parishes joining together to celebrate and give thanks for the gift of Catholic Education and the contribution it makes to our communities and society. The CCEF was blessed to receive \$86,998 from your generous donations which will enable us to provide leading-edge learning opportunities, support social justice actions, create safe and caring faith-filled schools and enable leadership development opportunities for the 115 schools and 56,000 students throughout the Calgary Catholic School District. For more information on the CCEF and how you can help our Catholic students, please visit theccf.ca

LAY ASSOCIATIONS SPRING SEMINAR

The upcoming Lay Associations Seminar will be held on **Saturday, May 18 from 10 am to 2 pm** at St. Anthony's Church (5340 4 St SW, Calgary). Registration is \$15 per person. These seminars are necessary for registered groups in the Diocese. Non-registered groups are strongly encouraged to attend. To register online, visit calgarydiocese.ca. For more information, call Andie at 403-218-5501.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AND ADORATION

The Diocese of Calgary and Couples for Christ invite you to a Divine Mercy Chaplet and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr. Adrian Martens to pray for Catholic Unity: unity amongst husbands and wives and the family, growth in holiness of the People of God and growth in the work of Christian evangelization. When: **Wednesday, April 24 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm**. Where: Sacred Heart Church (1307 14 St SW, Calgary).

THE EXTRAORDINARY MISSIONARY MONTH

For the past several years, our universal Church has called upon all its members to celebrate the central mission and purpose of the Church, evangelization. Pope Francis has designated **October 2019** to be an

Extraordinary Missionary Month to emphasize the important role of all Catholics to further the missionary nature of the Church. The theme for this Extraordinary Missionary Month is: **"Baptized and sent: The Church of Christ on mission in the world."**

SONG COMPETITION

There is an opportunity to engage musical children and young people of the Diocese in composing the theme song for the **Extraordinary Missionary Month 2019**. For more information, please email Sr. Rita Kim at rita.kim@calgarydiocese.ca

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Catholic Family Service provides Marriage Preparation programs. Upcoming sessions: **April 12-14**, May 10-12. For more information or to register, contact 587-896-2891 | www.cfs-ab.org

RELIGIOUS FOUNDERS' DAY | Religious leaders from around Southern Alberta will be speaking on "Universal Compassion: the Core Human Value" at the Religious Founders Day event on **Sunday, April 7 at 3 pm**. Where: Baitun Nur Mosque (4353 54 NE, Calgary). Free admission and dinner. RSVP required: <http://rfd-calgary2019.eventbrite.ca> | 403-660-5920

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

| The 36th annual Outdoor Way of the Cross takes place at **9 am on Good Friday, April 19** at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary. To volunteer, contact 403-218-5519 | wayofthecross.ca

ALZHEIMER WORKSHOP

Learn about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, along with tools and strategies for interacting with persons with dementia and their caregivers. When: Saturday, **April 6 from 9 am to 2:30 pm** at St. Paul's Anglican Parish (7 Sunmills Green SE, Calgary). To register: 403-218-5501 | <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

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. When: **April 26 & 27 (Part 1)**,

and **May 3 & 4 (Part 2)**. Where: Holy Spirit Parish (10827 24 St SW, Calgary). Contact: 403-218-5501 or register online at <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

FOUNDATIONS OF A SOCIAL JUSTICE SPIRITUALITY ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

You are invited to a workshop with Bishop Emeritus Frederick Henry on "Foundations of a Social Justice Spirituality." When: **Saturday, April 13** from **8:30 am to 2:30 pm**. Where: Corpus Christi Parish Hall (5931 4 St NW, Calgary). Cost: \$40/person, including lunch. For more information or to register, contact 403-218-5505 | socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca | <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

MENTAL HEALTH AND ILLNESS WORKSHOP

This is a one-day workshop on a basic understanding of mental health, illness and spirituality. When: **Saturday, April 13** from 9 am to 2:30 pm. Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (400 Edmonton Trail NE, Calgary). Contact: 403-218-5501 or register online at <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

PASTORAL CARE COURSE

The Diocesan Pastoral Care Course will be held on Wednesdays, **May 1 to June 5**, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, at St. Luke's Parish (1566 Northmount Dr. NW, Calgary). This course offers participants a better understanding of pastoral care given to the lonely, shut-ins, the sick and dying, as well as the visiting skills required for a Pastoral Care minister. Register: <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca> | 403-218-5501

EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS

FIRST | A five-week parents education program to 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

EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED: THE SOCIAL VISION OF POPE FRANCIS

| In this keynote presentation, Canadian Catholic journalist Sebastian Gomes of Salt + Light Media will expound Francis' social vision and—for the first time in Western Canada—premiere excerpts from his latest documentary, *The Francis Impact*, which addresses the global environmental and refugee crises. When: **Thursday, April 11, 7 pm to 9 pm**. Where: St. Mary's University, Heritage Centre (14500 Bannister

Rd SE, Calgary). Free of charge. Contact: peter.baltutis@stmu.ca. Generously supported by the Catholic Women's League of Canada.

LENTEN MISSION WITH BISHOP EMERITUS HENRY, SR. KATRINA AND SR. GABRIELLE

Where: St. Luke's Parish (1566 Northmount Dr. NW, Calgary). **When: April 11-13 (Thu-Sat)**. April 11 & 12 begins with Rosary at 6:30 pm and Mass & talk at 7 pm. April 13 begins with 8:30 am Rosary, Mass & talk (with Adoration, confession and reflectional music) at 9 am. Theme: Take up your cross and follow me.

LENTEN MISSION WITH THE REDEMPTORIST MISSION TEAM

| Where: St. Agnes, Carstairs (302 Veterans Way NW, Carstairs). When: **March 31 to April 2**. For more details, call 403-940-1100. Theme: Receive, Give Thanks, Break & Share: The Eucharist unfolding the mercy of God.

STEVE ANGRISANO IN CALGARY

St. James' Parish in Okotoks (338060 32 St. W, Okotoks, AB) invites you to attend:

- **Music Workshop with Steve Angrisano** on Sunday, March 24 at 2 pm. Cost is \$10/person, payable at the door. To RSVP call 403-938-3122 | religiousedu@stjamesparishrc.com
- **Parish Lenten Mission with Steve Angrisano** on Monday, March 25 - 27 (Monday to Wednesday) at 7 pm each night. Free of charge.

WANT A BABY OR WANT TO WAIT? NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING FORUM

| St. Michael Catholic Community invites you to a Q&A forum about Natural Family Planning (NFP) on **Friday, April 5 from 7 pm to 9 pm**. Our presenters include: Dr Chantal Barry, Dr Thomas Bouchard, Dan Nugent (Theology of the Body certified instructor), and NFP-accredited instructors Camillo and Monica Rincon. For more information, contact nfp@saintmichael.ca

LENTEN DAY SILENT RETREAT

Theme: Take up your cross and follow me. When: **Saturday, March 30**, begins with Rosary at 10:30 am, and Mass at 11 am. Where: Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262, Calgary). Contact: 587-755-1019 | www.sistersofdivinemeracy.org