

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE of Calgary

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ANNOUNCEMENTS 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 2/3, 2019

PASS IT ON GIVEAWAY WAS A SUCCESS

Thanks to all the volunteers and to those who generously donated coats and boots for the PASS IS ON clothing Giveaway held last Saturday, Oct. 19. The Diocesan goal was to collect 700 coats and 700 pairs of boots for the Giveaway, and we received 1,535 coats and 285 pairs of boots through the drop-off sites at the following parishes: St. Michael's, St. Cecilia's, Ascension, St Pius X and Holy Spirit. You have made a difference to the 1,145 people who needed these winter items.

RED WEDNESDAY

On **Wednesday, Nov. 20,** the Church in Canada will celebrate Red Wednesday, a day of prayer for persecuted Christians. Please contact Lorraine at <u>calgarycwlcommunitylife@gmail.com</u> or call 403-510-5169 to have your parish, ministries, school or lay association event (for Red Wednesday) added to the diocesan website. Visit: <u>catholicyyc.ca/blog/redwednesday</u>

IT'S CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

Today is the Catholic Education Sunday, a day for us to come together to give thanks for Catholic education. Our schools are an expression of our faith and a gift to future generations. The community is called to support our gift of Catholic education in our community and to ensure the present and future needs of our students.

PILGRIMAGE: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE

ENGLISH MARTYRS Fr. David Meadows, Pastor of Holy Spirit Church, invites you to a pilgrimage with his parish through England from April 27 to May 6, 2020, visiting the places where St. Thomas More experienced incidents in his life, where St. John Henry Newman taught, the Canterbury Cathedral, a boat ride along the River Thames and visits to other sites. For more information, email <u>reservations@tripmerchant.com</u> or contact Ryan at 1-800-481-9739 ext. 1.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN AIRDRIE

St. Paul's Parish in Airdrie has started a monthly (First Friday) Eucharistic Adoration for its parish community and those who live in the area. The next Adoration will be held on **Friday, Dec. 6** at 3:30 pm to 8 pm. All are welcome!

TWO LITURGICAL MUSIC WORKSHOPS IN

BROOKS When: **Saturday, Nov. 9** at St. Mary's Church (511 4 St W, Brooks, AB). \$25/person/workshop. To register, visit <u>http://events.calgarydiocese.ca</u>

- **10 am to Noon:** *Liturgy Basics for Choir Directors.* Topics: role of music in the liturgy, how to select music, how to build a parish repertoire

- 1 pm to 3:30 pm: *Psalmist & Cantor Workshop.* Topics: tools to sing the Psalm with solemnity, beauty, authenticity, and meaning; effective techniques for leading the assembly when there is no choir present.

FILM SCREENING: OVER 18

You are invited to come to the screening of "OVER 18" - a feature length documentary to help combat pornography addiction, especially among children and teens. There will be a Q&A following the film screening. Dates:

- **Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7 pm**. Where: Holy Name Church (2223 34 St. SW, Calgary) followed by refreshments.

- **Saturday, Nov. 9 at 2 pm.** Where: St. Pius X (2424 24 Ave NW, Calgary).

TRANSCENDENT

St. Mary's University invites you to the "Transcendent" series, to learn how Liturgy points us to the truth, beauty and goodness of God with speaker Dr. Simone Brosig. When: **Tuesdays, 6 to 8:30 pm on Nov. 12, Nov. 26 & Dec. 3** (Talk + Liturgy + Food) at St. Mary's University, Calgary (McGivney Hall). Register: <u>stmu.ca/transcendent</u> | 403-254-3724

LIVING WELL AND LEAVING WELL

Join us on **Wednesday, Nov. 13** for our upcoming Planting a Future Seminar "Living Well & Leaving Well." Our speaker will cover what you, your spouse, your children and executor need to know about estate planning. Where: St. Luke Parish (1566 Northmount Dr NW, Calgary). Registration at 6:15 pm. The session runs from 6:30 – 8 pm. Contact 403-218-5531 | <u>http://events.calgarydiocese.ca</u>

FINDING FAITH FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Two out of five Canadians suffer mental health issues. Can faith make a difference? The Catholic Pastoral Centre invites you to a three-session workshop on Mental Health. When: **Thursdays, 7 to 9 pm on November 14, 21 & 28**. Where: Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary). Contact 403-218-5523 | http://events.calgarydiocese.ca

DAILY BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

Join St. Patrick's Parish Calgary Daily Bible Reading Challenge! Follow a daily Bible reading schedule that allows you to complete reading the entire Bible in one year, at home and at your own leisure. More info at <u>https://stpatrickcalgary.com</u>. Sign up by emailing <u>frpoulbiblereadingchallenge@gmail.com</u>

DYING HEALED – A PALLIATIVE CARE

WORKSHOP | The Dying Healed Program is a project of LifeCanada. This workshop will provide comprehensive education on palliative care/end of life issues and preliminary training for palliative and hospice care volunteers. It is suitable for anyone wishing to provide compassion and support to those in need at the end of life. When: **Saturday**, **Nov. 16 from 9 am to 4 pm** at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary). Register at catholicyyc.ca/dyinghealed.html

THE SULTAN AND THE SAINT: BRAVING A

CONVERSATION Do you know that St. Francis of Assisi went to the Sultan Malik-al-Kamil in the autumn of 1219 as an ambassador of peace and prayer? On the occasion of the 800th anniversary of the meeting of the Sultan and the Saint, there will be a conversation on the topic of interreligious relations with Franciscan Friar Jason Welle, Dean of the Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies for the Vatican, and other speakers on **Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7 pm** at Temple B'nai Tikvah (900 47 Ave SW, Calgary). For more information, contact 403-932-2012 | <u>mtfrancis@shaw.ca</u>

DIOCESAN MEMORIAL LITURGY FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A CHILD THROUGH A MISCARRIAGE OR STILLBIRTH | It is difficult to

put pain adequately into words. However, rituals speak beyond words alone as they sanctify our experiences and entrust them to God's loving care and compassion. The Diocese of Calgary invites you to come to the Memorial Liturgy for those mourning the loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth. When: **Friday, Nov. 22** at Sacred Heart Church (1307 14 St SW, Calgary) **at 6:30 pm** (registration at the site for parents) **7 pm** (liturgy). Please share this with your family and friends. More info: <u>miscarriageliturgy.ca</u>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SSVP

CONFERENCE Various volunteer roles are now available in preparation for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Annual General Assembly (AGA) conference next year in June at SAIT, Calgary. Volunteers do not have to be active members. Contact <u>ssvp.cdcc.president@outlook.com</u> or visit: <u>volunteersignup.org/YMFE9</u>

CATECHIST SCHOOL AT 2019 WESTERN CONFERENCE FOR THE CATECHUMENATE

Mary Birmingham and Nick Wagner of TeamRCIA will be delivering 2 full days (Friday/Saturday) of Catechist School where you will gain confidence in your ministry, understand the principles of the RCIA journey and the practice of proven adult learning models. When: **Nov. 22 & 23** at St. Anthony's Parish in Calgary. Register online at http://western-catechumenate.blogspot.com/

PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel offers forgiveness, healing and hope to those suffering from the effects of an abortion. Access free services anytime by calling 587-323-6001 or 877-597-3223 (toll free).

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