



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

For January 29th, 2017 | 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

GROUNDED: FAITH, MISSION AND CARING FOR CREATION CONFERENCE

The conference will take place February 16 – 18. It will explore the Christian response to environmental issues. Participants will be encouraged to discover what Scripture tells us about our relationship to the rest of creation, what God expects of the Church, and how Jesus is central to creation's redemption story. Norman Levesque from Green Church Network will be one of the panel members speaking on Saturday. He will also be giving a presentation on Pope Francis' Laudato Si. Tickets and more information are available at: <https://arocha.ca/grounded-faith-mission-caring-creation/>

ONE YEAR LATER: REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

A community update and consultation on refugee resettlement (Syrian and others) in Calgary and area will be held at the John Dutton Theatre, Calgary Public Library, Main Branch - 616-Macleod Tr. SE. Monday, January 30th, 1:30pm - 3:30pm. All are welcome. For more information contact anewman@ccisab.ca

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

The Diocese is honoured to be the host partner for Coldest Night of the Year for the fourth year in a row. Once again Feed the Hungry will be partnering with KAIROS Calgary and the Mustard Seed. We'll be raising funds for Feed the Hungry, the Mustard Seed and to pay down the mortgage on Bankview Apartments. All these efforts are to support our neighbours experiencing poverty and homelessness in Calgary. We'd love to have you walk with us on February 25, Start a team or join one already in existence. We'll also need volunteers to make sure our walkers have a fantastic experience. For more information visit www.cnoy.org/calgary.

INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE: MULTIFAITH, NOT INTERFAITH FAMILIES - FREE BREAKFAST

The Interfaith Council of Calgary and Calgary Council of Christians & Jews are co-sponsoring a breakfast where a Christian Lutheran cleric (Kayko Dreidger-Husslein) will talk about her experience in marrying a Jewish man and the experience of her family. She will delve into the experience and the understanding of being a Protestant Christian while having different religions in her home. The breakfast will be on February 2nd, 8:00am at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Calgary. For more call 403-255-8688.

TAIZE PRAYER TO CELEBRATE AND PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE

The FCJ Christian Centre will be celebrating by hosting an evening of Taize Prayer on Saturday February 4th at 7pm, at the Chapel, 219-19 Avenue SW, Calgary. Join in the singing of the simple Taize chants and spend time in quiet personal and communal prayer for the needs of our world. The evening is open to all ages. For more please contact Sr. Ger Cullan, fcJ, at 403-228-4215.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S INTERFAITH BUILD

The Interfaith community continues their goal to raise funds and mobilize volunteers to build homes for 12 local, hard-working families. We are calling on all 'Winter Warriors' - those brave enough to endure the cold, building homes. The next Interfaith Build Days will be on Saturday, February 4th and Tuesday, February 7th. These Build Days are one of the events celebrating Interfaith Harmony Week. By working together to address the issue of lack of affordable housing, we offer visible evidence of our faiths, united by compassion and caring, regardless of our different beliefs. For more information, call 403-218-5519 or to register to volunteer: www.habitatinterfaith.ca

CLOSING DINNER FOR INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK: THE HARMONY OF ONE HUMAN FAMILY

Join religious leaders from around southern Alberta for the final ceremony of Interfaith Harmony Week, supported by the Interfaith Council of Calgary February 7th, 7:00pm, at Anatolia Restaurant, 237 8 Ave SE, Calgary, AB. Please RSVP by Feb. 3 by calling 403-255-8688.

BUILDING SACRED BRIDGES CONCERT

This interfaith music event will be held on February 11 and 12 at Knox United Church and Beth Tzedec Synagogue respectively. The concert will feature music groups and choirs from various faith groups. The event is meant to raise awareness about the lack of affordable housing in Southern Alberta and offers the opportunity to learn more about the Habitat Interfaith Build Project. Register at www.habitatsouthernab.ca to purchase your tickets. To volunteer for future build days, contact Marilou at 403-2318-5519 or email marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca

MEN OF INTEGRITY

"Follow Me" Called To Be A Disciple. Conference will be on February 3-4, at Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove. Speakers include Peter Herbeck, Peter Thompson, Fr. Kristopher Schmidt and Brian Holdsworth. For more information or to register: www.catholicfamilyministries.com or call 780-961-3346.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE KICK-OFF

The 40 Days for Life Kick-Off will be held on Friday, February 17, 7:00 - 8:45 PM at St. Peter's Parish, 541 Silvergrove Dr. NW Calgary. Everyone is invited. Guest speakers: Dr. Martin Owen (VP World Federation of Catholic Physicians & Pres. Calgary Catholic Medical Assoc) and Dr. Carlos Fajardo (Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine). The 40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign runs from Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday. For more info: Jairo 403-870-3905 or 40daysforlife.calgary@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION "FOR BETTER & FOR EVER"

"For Better & For Ever..." Marriage Preparation, accepts all couples preparing for marriage. Due to the small group setting it 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: Feb 13/Mar 3-4, Mar 20/April 7-8. For more dates, registration or information, contact 403-218-5505 or email lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca.

TRANSITIONS

Transitions is a 15-week peer support program for those recently separated or divorced. Participants will meet every week to reflect upon and discuss topics such as self-esteem, stress, anger, guilt, blame, loneliness, forgiveness, blended families and more. The next program will begin in Thursday, February 9, 2017. For more information or to register, call 403-218-5505.

PROJECT RACHEL POST ABORTION WEEKEND RETREAT

The retreat offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for women and men who are suffering distress from a past abortion experience. It will be facilitated by professional counselors who are specially trained to deal with the trauma associated with this experience. The next retreat is scheduled for March 17-18, 2017. For more information or to register call Project Rachel at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223. You may also e-mail info@projectrachel.ca.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer Screening Coordinator – Pastoral Centre, Calgary

Support Staff – Elizabeth House, Calgary

Garden Assistant Coordinator – Feed the Hungry

Custodian - Sacred Heart Church, Calgary

Sacramental Coordinator – All Saints, Lethbridge

For more information about these positions, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca/articles/employment-opportunities.html>

SINGLE WOMEN'S RETREAT – DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, CALGARY

A retreat for single women "Strength for the Journey" will take place on Saturday, February 11, 2017. For more information and to register please contact Sr. Katrina at 587-755-1019 or email: dmccalgary@gmail.com

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