



# Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre  
For March 26th, 2017 | 4th Sunday of Lent

## **SPIRITUALITY OF STEWARDSHIP: THREE DAY LENTEN MISSION**

With Father Daryl Befort from Wichita, Kansas. The Lenten Mission will focus on a Threefold Call of Discipleship: Deny Yourself, Take up Your Cross and Follow Christ.

**Lenten Mission at All Saints Parish & St. Martha's Parish (355 Columbia Blvd W, Lethbridge) March 26 – 28.** March 26, 2017 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm (Adoration and Confessions will be included); March 27 - 28, 2017 at 6:30pm to 8:00pm (Adoration and Confessions will be included)

**Lenten Mission at St. Thomas More Parish (15 Templebow Road NE, Calgary) March 29 – 31.** March 29 - 30, 2017 at 6:30pm to 9:00pm (Holy Mass, Adoration and Confessions will be included); March 31, 2017 at 6:30pm to 9:00pm Day 3: Follow Christ (Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Confessions will be included). Contact: Eden D'Souza, Stewardship Coordinator at 403-218-5520 or [stewardship@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:stewardship@calgarydiocese.ca).

## **YOUTH RALLY 2017**

The Youth Office invites all youth ages 12 - 18 to participate in this year's Youth Rally on April 22, 2017 in St. James Parish in Okotoks. Come and join Michael Chiasson, Fr. Daniel Gurnick OFM and the Panic Squad for a day filled with music, awesome talks and great fun. For more information and to register please visit: [www.theyellowtree.ca](http://www.theyellowtree.ca) or ask your Youth Group Coordinator or your Parish Priest.

**Youth Rally Volunteers Needed:** Volunteers for this year's Youth Rally are needed. If you are over 18 years of age and screened through your parish or the diocese, please consider volunteering on April 22nd at St. James Parish in Okotoks. For more information please contact Harriett in the Youth Office at 403-218-5507 or [harriett.cariaga@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:harriett.cariaga@calgarydiocese.ca)

## **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE RETREAT AND ASSEMBLY**

The woman Christ meets at the well is excluded from her community and lives her life on the margins. Too often, many people are excluded and unable to have a voice in political processes. Participation is an important teaching in Catholic Social Thought. Development and Peace has been working with the Congolese Catholic Church to encourage citizen participation and ensure a fair electoral process since the first democratic elections in the DRC in 2006. Go online to <http://www.devp.org/en/50years> to find out more or join us for the 2017 Development & Peace Retreat and Assembly on April 28-30, 2017 at the FCJ Centre, 219, 19 Avenue SW. Bishop McGrattan will give the opening address. Other speakers include Dr. Peter Baltutis, St. Mary's University and Lance Dixon, CCSD. To register, contact [marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca).

## **PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR INVITATION**

You are invited to learn how to minimize the impact the Canada Revenue Agency has on your family's net worth. You are welcome to join our upcoming Planting a Future Seminar at the Catholic Pastoral Centre 120 - 17 Ave SW Wednesday, April 5 – Registration 1:30, Presentation 2:00 - 3:30pm. Limited seating; registration required. Contact Doreen 403-218-5522 or [charities@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:charities@calgarydiocese.ca) to register.

## **DIOCESAN PALLIATIVE CARE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The spring 2017 Diocesan Palliative Care Education Program Part 1 and Part 2 will take place at St. Bonaventure Parish, 1600 Acadia Drive SE, on April 28 & 29, and May 5 & 6, 2017. The Program is on the two Friday evenings and all day both Saturdays. Registration fee: \$50. For more information or to register, please call 403- 218-5501, Email: [healthcareprograms@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:healthcareprograms@calgarydiocese.ca), or online at [www.calgarydiocese.ca](http://www.calgarydiocese.ca).

## **DIOCESAN PASTORAL CARE COURSE**

The spring 2017 Diocesan Pastoral Care Training Program will begin on Thursday May 4, 2017 and run for 7 consecutive Thursday evenings from 6:30pm - 9:30pm until June 15, 2017. The program will be held at St. Bernadette's Parish, 7103 - 20A St. SE. This course will introduce you to the basic visiting skills required for

Pastoral Care Ministry in the health care facilities or parish. Registration fee: \$50. For more information and to register, call: 403-218-5501, Email: [alicia.zubot@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:alicia.zubot@calgarydiocese.ca), or online at [www.calgarydiocese.ca](http://www.calgarydiocese.ca).

### **34TH ANNUAL OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We need your help with this year's Outdoor Way of the Cross. We are especially in need of volunteers with First Aid or those interested in helping out with Lost Persons. Volunteers for these positions will need to have a security clearance, which we can help facilitate. If you are able to assist, please register at [www.wayofthecross.ca](http://www.wayofthecross.ca). Any questions please contact [marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca) or call 403-218-5519.

### **EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS FIRST**

An educational 5-week program for separated and divorced parents to help raise their children through this difficult time and increase the understanding of needs of children for developing self-esteem and security. It will offer skills about managing diverse shared parenting situations and provide strategies for improving communication, resolving conflict, and managing day to day children's issues between parenting partners. Parents are encouraged to attend separately. The next program will run 7:00pm - 9:00pm on Wednesdays, May 3-31. More or registration at 403-218-5505 or email [lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca).

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION "FOR BETTER & FOR EVER"**

"For Better & For Ever..." Marriage Preparation, accepts all couples preparing for marriage 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: April 10/28-29, May 15/June 9-10, June 5/23-24. More or information, contact 403-218-5505 or email [lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca).

### **PROJECT RACHEL POST ABORTION COUNSELLING**

The ministry offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for women and men who are suffering distress from a past abortion experience. Clients will be referred to a professional counselor who specializes in dealing with the trauma associated with this experience. For more information call Project Rachel at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223 or email: [info@projectrachelsa.ca](mailto:info@projectrachelsa.ca).

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### **THE EUTHANASIA DECEPTION**

Mr. Alex Schadenberg, International Chairman of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, will speak on "The Euthanasia Deception". All welcome! A Free will offering will be accepted. Anything over and above expense coverage will go directly to the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Friday, March 31 at 8:00 pm: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 10827 24th Street SW, Calgary Saturday, April 1 at 1:00 pm: St. Luke's Catholic Church, 1566 Northmount Dr. NW, Calgary Saturday, April 1 at 7:00 pm: The Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 243209 Garden Rd NE, Calgary.

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Parish Communications Coordinator** - 1 year Contract at St. Michael Parish in SW Calgary. **Competition closes on April 7, 2017.** See the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca/articles/employment-opportunities.html>

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