



# Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

For January 14th, 2018 | 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (JAN 18-25)

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will begin on Thursday, Jan 18 and concludes Thursday, January 25. Let us join other Christian churches in our area as we remember the 2018 theme, "Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power" (Exodus 15:6). You are invited to participate in these and other ecumenical opportunities:

- **Thursday, Jan 18** at 11:15 am. Ambrose University (150 Ambrose Circle SW). Speaker: Bishop McGrattan.
- **Sunday, Jan 21** at 7 pm. Grace Presbyterian Church (1009 15th Ave SW). Speaker: Rev. Daranne Harris.
- **Thursday, Jan 25** at 7 pm. St. Joseph's Catholic Church (640 19th Ave NW). Taizé Prayer with ecumenical guests. Speaker: Fr. Yaroslaw Dziuba, SDS.

## COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

It's our fifth birthday! Coldest Night of the Year - Calgary will turn five this **February 24, 2018**. We'd love to have you celebrate with us by walking or volunteering in support of Feed the Hungry (a Diocesan program) and our friends KAIROS Calgary as they work to pay down the mortgage on Bankview Apartments (affordable housing). We'll be starting from Eau Claire Market again this year, offering 2, 5 and 10 km routes so the event is accessible for all. For more info visit [www.cnoy.org/calgary](http://www.cnoy.org/calgary) or call Samantha at 403-218-5531.

## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP

"Together for Peace" is the theme for Share Lent 2018. Come and hear about our partners and the impact of their programs in building peace. Learn about the resources that help us to spread the message of Jesus Christ and "be artisans of peace locally and globally". The workshop will be at Holy Spirit Parish, 10827 24 St. SW, Calgary (Office door entrance) on **Tuesday, Jan 27**, 10 am – 3 pm. All are welcome. Lunch will be potluck. Please call 403-218-5523 to register. Cost is free will offering.

## TRANSITIONS

A transition 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 on **Wednesday, February 14, 2018**. For more information or to register, please contact Alida at 403-218-5505 or email [lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca)

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S RELIC PILGRIMAGE IN CALGARY – CHANGE OF LOCATION!

St. Francis Xavier's incorrupt forearm, a sacred first class relic, is making a rare visit to Canada. It will be in Calgary for only a short time. Note: **To accommodate more pilgrims on Sunday, Jan 21, pilgrimage location has been moved to St. Albert the Great Church.** Here is the updated schedule:

- **Sunday, January 21 at St. Albert the Great Church** (10 Prestwick Dr SE, Calgary)
  - o 1 pm to 4:30 pm - Public Veneration
  - o 5 pm - Mass with Bishop McGrattan
  - o 6:30 pm - Sung Vespers with Bishop McGrattan for the Solemn Reception of the Relic
  - o 7:30 pm - 10 pm - Public Veneration
- **Monday, January 22 at St. Michael's Church** (800 85 St SW, Calgary)
  - o 6:30 pm to 10 pm - Public Veneration (6:30 pm - Relic program: Procession of the Relic continued by Relic Talk: Life of St. Francis Xavier and the three graces)
  - o 10 pm - Closing prayer: Litany of St. Francis Xavier

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to venerate the relic. Don't miss it. More info at: <http://cco.ca/relic>

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY – FULL TIME – ST. JAMES PARISH - OKOTOKS**

St. James Parish is looking for a Receptionist/Secretary to work on a full time employment basis. For more information about this position, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at <http://www.calgarydiocese.ca> or submit your application to [office@stjamesparishrc.com](mailto:office@stjamesparishrc.com) by January 26.

## **OUR LADY OF THE ROCKIES PARISH, CANMORE – SHRINE CHURCH UPDATE**

Our Lady of the Rockies Parish in Canmore is moving forward with building the new Shrine Church. The community will have their last Mass in Sacred Heart Church Canmore on **Sunday, January 28** at 11 am with Bishop McGrattan. Until the Shrine Church is built, the community will be celebrating Sunday Masses in the gym of Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Academy (3100A Stewart Creek Dr, Canmore). Weekday Masses will be celebrated at the Parish Office. To read more from Fr. Wilbert about the journey ahead, visit: <http://RockiesParish.com>

## **BUILDING SACRED BRIDGES CONCERT**

The 2nd annual interfaith music event - Building Sacred Bridges - will be held on Saturday, **February 10** at Knox United Church and Sunday, **February 11** at Beth Tzedec Synagogue respectively. The concert will feature music groups and choirs from various faith groups, including the Adorare Choral Ensemble and St. Bonaventure Choir from the Diocese of Calgary. 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. Please go to [www.habitatsouthernab.ca/bsb](http://www.habitatsouthernab.ca/bsb) to reserve your tickets. If you would like to volunteer for future build days, please contact Marilou at 403-2318-5519 or email [marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca)

## **WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

You are invited to celebrate the World Day of Consecrated Life on **Sunday, February 4, 2018** at the 11 am Mass at Holy Name Church, Calgary. The religious men and women of the diocese will be in attendance.

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

'Effective Co-Parenting: Putting Kids First' is 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. The next program will run 7 pm - 9 pm on **Wednesdays, February 21 - March 21**. Contact LFRC: 403-218-5505 or email [lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca)

## **ALZHEIMER WORKSHOP**

Mary Mother of the Redeemer Parish will be hosting an Alzheimer Workshop on Saturday, **February 17** from 9 am - 2:30 pm. This workshop will provide participants with an understanding of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Registration fee: \$25. For more information and to register please visit our News and Events page at [www.calgarydiocese.ca](http://www.calgarydiocese.ca), call 403-218-5501, or email: [healthcareprograms@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:healthcareprograms@calgarydiocese.ca).

## **DIOCESAN PASTORAL CARE COURSE - ST. MARTHA'S PARISH, LETHBRIDGE**

St. Martha's Parish in Lethbridge (355 Columbia Blvd.) will be hosting a Diocesan Pastoral Care Course on Saturday, **January 20** and Saturday, **January 27** from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. This course will introduce you to the basic visiting skills required for Pastoral Care Ministry in the health care facilities or parish. Registration fee: \$30 payable at the door. For more information and to register, call the Parish Office 403- 381-8891.

## **GIFT OF HOPE: A LIVE-IN RETREAT FOR THE UNEMPLOYED PERSONS**

The FCJ Centre is running a live-in, free of charge, retreat for the unemployed persons on **January 26-27**. It's limited to 20 participants. Registration closes on January 16. For more information please call 403-228-4215.

## **SINGLE YOUNG WOMEN!**

Attention Single Young Women between 16-35! The Vocation Committee of AWR (The Assembly of Women Religious) is planning two events: **February 8**, from 5 to 9 pm, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary. Mass followed by potluck and an information session on religious life. **February 28**, retreat on a Lenten theme at Holy Name Parish, Calgary. To register contact Sr. Terry Smith, fcj, by email: [tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca](mailto:tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca)

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