



Parish News

October 22, 2021

From the Desk of Father David

"What do you want me to do for you?" - These are the words of Jesus to Bartimaeus.

Bartimaeus was a blind beggar who begged for money every day at his place by the roadside. He answers Jesus, that he wishes he could see. There are many ways of seeing and not just with our eyes, but with our hearts and minds.

and recollected so that we can truly pray. We might be blinded by our sins, so that we don't see our sins or else we refuse to see them.

Our response to Jesus' question should be, "Lord I want to see my sins so that I can ask you for forgiveness and live a new life in you."

Today, Jesus says to the crowd - "Call Bartimaeus here" - So Bartimaeus threw off his cloak (all his baggage and all that was stopping him) and he ran to Jesus.

When Jesus heals or forgives someone, he usually tells them "get up and walk" or "Be on your way" or "Go home." Our Lord always looks for movement, a response on our part or a step to be taken. There is nothing passive about these encounters. We have a part to play in this encounter, our Lord wants us to ask for what we need.

Jesus called Bartimaeus to leave his old life behind. We are told he followed Jesus on the way, meaning a life of conversion that leads to eternal life. This is the road we too are called to follow.



***“Your God is ever beside you, indeed,
he is even within you.”
St. Alphonsus Liguori***

Office hours 9 am - 1 pm.

All Souls' Day - November 2



All Parishioners are invited to join us for our annual **Mass of Commemoration for all the Faithful Departed** on Tuesday November 2 at 9 am or 7 pm.

CWL Craft Sale Fundraising



Holy Spirit CWL invites you to **mark your calendar** for their upcoming Craft Sale on November 13th. A wide selection of local hand-crafted items will be available.

Becoming a Person of Mercy

In this 2021 Advent Mission, Fr. Jesuit Max Oliva, and some good champions of mercy—from Pope Francis to Jackie Robinson, will guide us how we can become persons of mercy.

Fr. Max Oliva will share stories and insights from decades of retreat ministry and from his book, *"Becoming a person of mercy."*

The Advent Mission and his book are part spiritual refreshment and part practical guide.

During the sessions there will be questions for reflection to help us to discern how God, the source of mercy, calls us to extend mercy to others, to his own creation, and especially to ourselves.

Even the smallest acts of mercy, says Fr. Max, are graced experiences of the love and care of God.

Sessions: Holy Spirit Parish

December 6 to 9

Morning 9:30 am

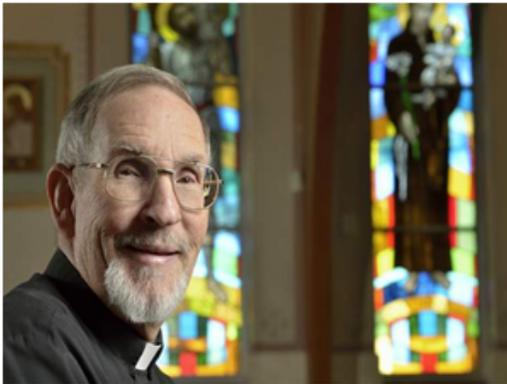
or

Evenings 7:00 p.m.

(Wed 8 at 7:30 pm after mass)

10827 24th Street SW

About Fr. Max Oliva, SJ



Fr. Max Oliva

Max Oliva is a Jesuit priest who lives in Spokane, Washington.

On May 1st, 2002, while living in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, he began a ministry to men and women in the business world; a ministry he continues in the United States and in Canada.

Father Max has been engaged in retreat ministry since 1980. He has presented and facilitated retreats throughout the United States, in Canada, Ireland and Northern Ireland, South Africa, and Trinidad. In addition, he has ministered among African-American people in San Francisco/Oakland, with Mexican families in Tijuana, Mexico, and on a Blackfoot Reserve in Southern Alberta, Canada.

Like a Mighty River Conference - Holy Spirit Parish



Calgary Catholic Charismatic Renewal Society (CCCRS) invites you to their annual **Like a Mighty River Conference with speaker Fr. Mathias Thelen** from the Diocese of Lansing in Michigan. Fr. Mathias is a young priest who experienced and has been gifted in charisms of the Holy Spirit especially evangelization and healing. He is the founder of *Encounter* ministries, bringing the Good news out into the streets with signs and wonders as Christ has commanded us.

Conferences will be hosted at Holy Spirit Parish on:

- **Friday Nov. 19 from 7 pm to 9 pm**
- **Saturday Nov. 20 from 8 am to 3:30 pm**

Individual admittance rate: \$35 before October 31, after this date \$40.

Family rate: \$70 before October 31, after this date \$80.

[Register here](#)

Catholic Education Sunday



Catholic education in Alberta.

Your dedicated donation will provide enhanced learning opportunities for Calgary and area Catholic students. For more information, please visit thecccf.ca

[Poster here](#)

Our Lady of the Rockies Team/Mascot Name Change



**CALGARY CATHOLIC
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

On October 6, the Calgary Catholic School Board approved the new name Our Lady of the Rockies for the Haysboro Catholic High School (formerly known as Bishop Grandin High School). This new name brings the opportunity to revisit the school's team/mascot name. Currently the Team/Mascot name is "Ghosts". Much of the staff and student apparel, as well as team and band logos are currently highlighted with a "G". Although not a requirement for a new name, costs would be reduced if the teams/mascot name began with the letter G. A second consideration is that not just any name can be chosen, as it must be a name that is not already in use by other teams in the Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association. In order to obtain input and feedback on a potential teams/mascot name change, we are inviting the school community, including alumni students and parents, to provide us with their thoughts. If you are interested in having your say, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/OLORTeamName>. **This engagement will close at midnight, Wednesday, October 27.**

Triumph - Freedom Through Healing Retreat



Nov. 4-12 at the FCJ Retreat Centre

The *triumph: Freedom Through Healing* program, facilitated by Jerry and Donna Kristian, is a nine-day Christ-centered journey of inner healing and discovery equipping and empowering people with the tools needed to make meaningful and lasting changes in their lives – a path to true freedom through healing in Christ. Cost is \$1,395 and includes program registration, meals, facility, single occupancy bedroom and all retreat materials and resources. For more information or to register call Harriet at **403-813 6759** or visit <http://www.triumphretreat.com>.

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This Friday

OCT 22 is the feast of
Saint Pope John Paul II

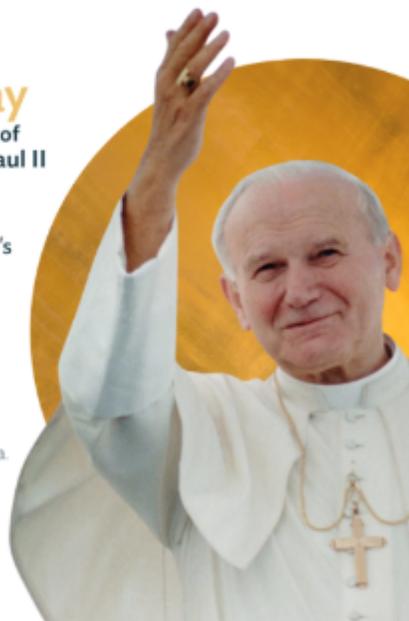


St. Pope John Paul II's relic in our Diocese

Fr. Jarzecki has gifted Sacred Heart Parish in Strathmore with a rare first class relic of the modern-day saint. He had to travel to Poland to receive the relic and bring it home to Canada.

[Read more](#)

Sara Francis
WRITER



Get inspired with faith stories, our Bishop's message, and find out what is happening in our Diocese. [Read the edition here](#)

A Message From The Holy Father This Month

What kind of missions are needed, according to the Pope?

1		<p>MISSION OF COMPASSION One which does not abandon anyone on the side of the road nor justifies indifference or apathy.</p>
2		<p>MISSION OF HOPE Providing a prophetic reminder that no one is saved by himself.</p>
3		<p>MISSION OF FRATERNITY Believing that Jesus is at our side and is also my brother and sister.</p>
4		<p>MISSION OF ENCOUNTER AND A CHURCH OF OUTREACH Reminding us that there are peripheries near us, in the heart of our cities or of our own families.</p>
5		<p>MISSION OF JOY The joy of the Gospel fills the heart and the entire life of those who encounter Jesus.</p>

Jesus asks us all, and you as well, to be missionary disciples. Are you ready? It's enough to be available to answer His call and to live united to the Lord in the most common daily things —work, meeting other people, our daily duties, the chance events of each day—allowing ourselves to be guided always by the Holy Spirit.

If Christ moves you, if you do things because Christ is guiding you, others will notice it easily. And your testimony of life will inspire admiration, and admiration inspires others to ask themselves, “How is it possible for this person to be this way?” “What is the source of the love with which this person treats everyone —the kindness and good humor?” Let us remember that the mission is not proselytism; the mission is based on an encounter between people, on the testimony of men and women who say, “I know Jesus, and I'd like you to know Him too.”

Brothers and sisters, let us pray that every baptized person may be engaged in

Pope Francis, October 2021

World Mission Sunday - Oct. 24

A graphic for World Mission Sunday 2021. On the left, a man in a brown robe sits on a purple stool. On the right, a man in a brown robe kneels, washing the man's feet. Text on the left: "Your prayer and donations will assist churches, hospitals, schools, and the training of priests in mission dioceses & throughout the world. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples." Below this is the text "PRAY & GIVE GENEROUSLY" and the website "catholiccyc.ca/WorldMissionSunday". On the right, the text reads "THIS COMING SUNDAY World Mission SUNDAY Oct. 23/24, 2021".

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WorldMissionSunday

THIS COMING SUNDAY
World Mission SUNDAY
Oct. 23/24, 2021

At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during October became known as **World Mission Sunday**. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

- [Message from Pope Francis](#) | [Message from National Director](#)
- Link to give online: catholiccyc.ca/worldmissionsunday

Get Involved In The Synodal Process

WALKING TOGETHER AS THE CHURCH?



People of God throughout the world are invited by the Holy Father and the Bishops to examine the way the Church has carried forward her work and mission in the world.

In the Diocese of Calgary, you will be able to participate in the Synod through your involvement in parish committees or groups, lay associations, Catholic schools, or online.

GET INVOLVED IN THE SYNODAL PROCESS

We are in the early stages of the local Synodal process. For more information and to sign up for updates on the Synod on Synodality in our Diocese

VISIT CATHOLICYC.CA/SYNOD



PASTORAL ENGAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Committee has been established by the Bishops to facilitate and coordinate the gathering for consulting the People of God in the Diocese or Region of the North and for the consulting process within the Diocese.

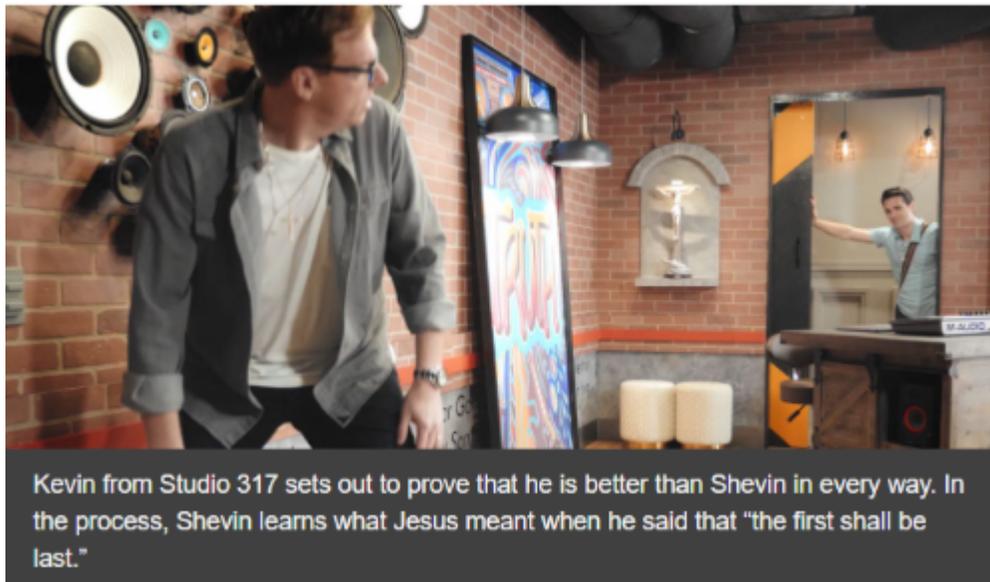
Synod 2021-2023

For a synodal Church

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NEW! Studio 3:16 - Comedy for Kids

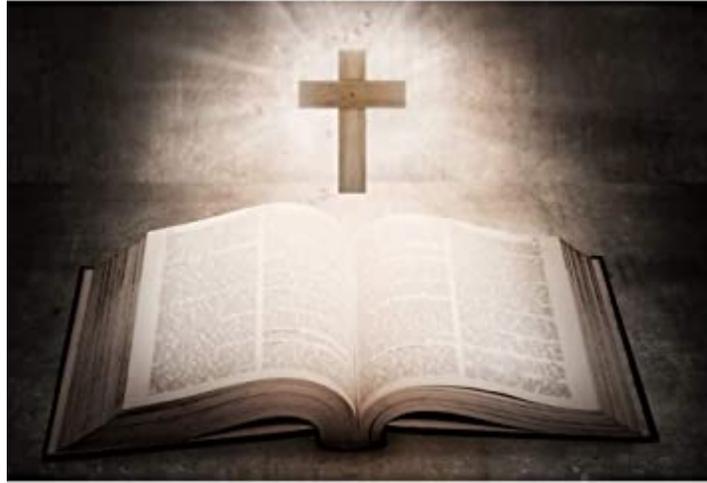


Introduce your family, school or parish to **Studio 3:16** and spread the fun in

each episode to understand the Gospel.

New episode every Wednesday! Prepare for the Gospel this Sunday with this fun episode: [Episode 11](#)

Weekly Readings



Saturday October 23: Romans 8:1-11 / Psalm 24 / Luke 13:1-9

Sunday October 24: Jeremiah 31:7-9 / Psalm 126 / Hebrews 5:1-6 / Mark 10:46-52

Monday October 25: Romans 8:11-17 / Psalm 68 / Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday October 26: Romans 8:18-25 / Psalm 126 / Luke 13:18-21

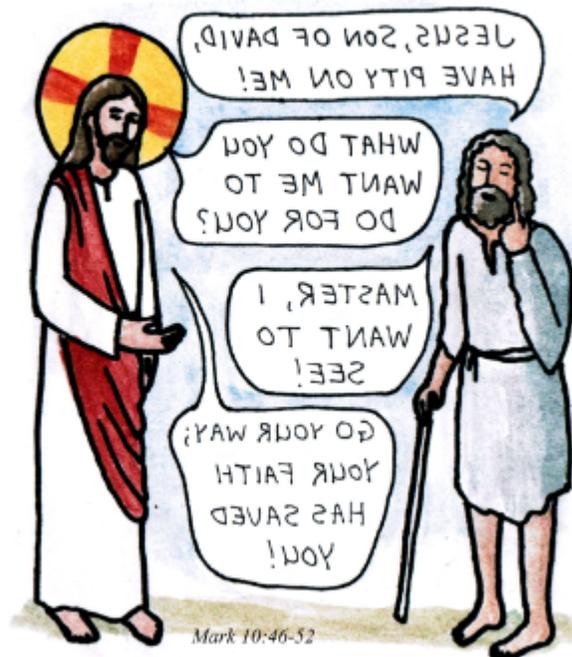
Wed October 27: Romans 8:26-30 / Psalm 13 / Luke 13:22-30

Thursday October 28: Ephesians 2:19-22 / Psalm 19 / Luke 6:12-19

Friday October 29: Romans 9:1-5 / Psalm 147 / Luke 14:1-6

Resources for Children

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 24th, 2021

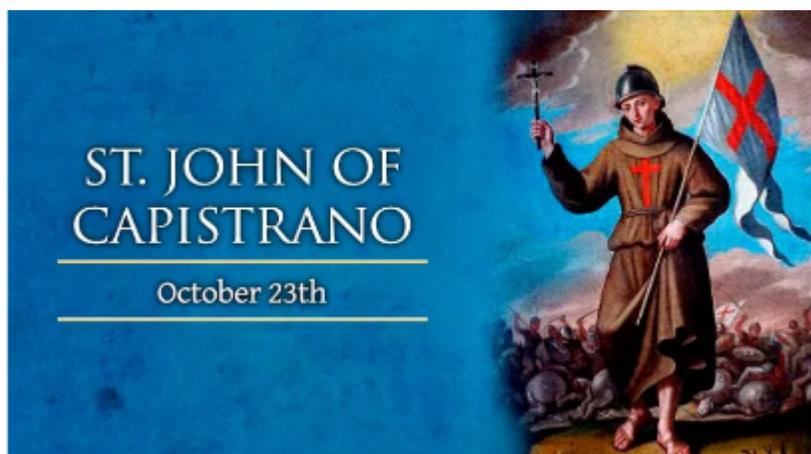


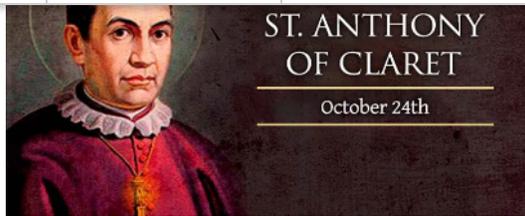
Mark 10:46-52

*What did Jesus and the blind man say to each other in today's Gospel reading?
Look in the mirror to find out!*

- [Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday](#)
- [Colouring page this Sunday](#)
- [Sunday Connection for 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time \(Gr. 1-8\)](#)
- [Children's Liturgy at home for leaders or parents](#) - by Catholic Children's Liturgy

Saints of the Week





ST. ANTHONY
OF CLARET

October 24th



ST. SIMON
AND JUDE

APOSTLES

October 28th

Learn about all these Saints, which lives are inspiration for us. Click on the image for more information.

A blue-tinted graphic with a white central box. At the top of the box is a circular inset showing a person working at a computer. The text inside the box reads: "Employment opportunities in the Diocese", "CALGARY", "Operations Manager - St. Michael's", "Admin Assistant - Ste. Famille", "Pastoral Assistant - Ste. Famille", "LETHBRIDGE", "Admin Assistant/Bookkeeper - St. Martha's", and "catholiccyc.ca/careers". At the bottom of the graphic, it says "CALGARYDIOCESE.CA" and "@CALGARYDIOCESE" with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

If you have the skills, talent and inspiration to take on the challenge, we invite you to consider these exciting opportunities in the Diocese of Calgary:

- **Operations Manager** - St. Michael's, Calgary
- **Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper** - St. Martha's, Lethbridge
- **Administrative Assistant (Part time)** - Ste. Famille, Calgary
- **Pastoral Assistant (Part time)** - Ste. Famille, Calgary

For more information and job application details, please visit catholiccyc.ca/careers

News from the Diocese of Calgary

1. Pope Francis prays for victims of attacks in Norway, Afghanistan and UK

Pope Francis will travel to the town of Assisi on Nov. 12 for a private meeting with

people from all over Europe in preparation for the World Day of the Poor on Nov. 14.

2. Pope Francis: Catholic healthcare is called to bear witness to human dignity

| “There are no lives that are unworthy or to be discarded because they do not respond to the criterion of utility or to the demands of profit,” Pope Francis said on Oct. 18. In an audience with medical professionals on the feast of St. Luke, the patron saint of physicians, the pope said that every healthcare facility, especially those with a Christian foundation, should be a place where it is possible to say: “Here you can experience the healing effects of human dignity.” [Read more](#)

3. Pope Francis to meet with the poor in Assisi

Jubilation has greeted the announcement that Colombian born Franciscan Nun Sister Gloria Narvaez is free, finally ending an ordeal sustained by her immense courage, faith and fortitude. She was greeted by Pope Francis on Sunday morning at the Mass celebrated for the start of the Synodal process. Sister Gloria, who's a missionary, was abducted by Jihadi gunmen, on February 7, 2017 at Koutiala, close to the border with Burkina Faso, 400 kms from the Capital of Mali. She was held for four years and eight months in captivity. [Read more](#)

4. A schooling in Solidarity

In 2020, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada piloted a new Schools Program in Ontario designed to encourage students to embody their faith through solidarity. Participating schools earned badges for taking on social justice challenges ranging from inverting maps to planting a tree. Looking back a year later, the program has not only proven successful and ready for wider rollout, but also led to surprising innovations from students going above and beyond anything the program envisaged. [Read more](#)

5. Who were Sts. Simon & Jude?

Simon and Jude (also known as Judas or Thaddeus) are two of the lesser-known disciples, but though they are not mentioned often in the Gospel, they still are important biblical figures for their closeness to Jesus and His ministry, and for their involvement in the early Church. We celebrate their feast day on October 28. [Read more](#)

6. When St. Therese dressed up as Joan of Arc (and the story of the photo)

| Sarah Robsdottir: *I learned that St. Therese did, in fact, revere Joan of Arc, relating especially to Joan's time in prison as Therese suffered from the illness that*

7. How the violence in 'Squid Game' can impact your soul

The South Korean series centers on hundreds of cash-strapped players who accept a strange invitation to compete in children's games. What happens next is a violent survival game that kills anyone who loses in a grotesque manner. This Netflix's launch can have a negative influence on your soul, or the soul of your children and grandchildren. [Read more](#)



Our parish relies on your Sunday offerings for maintenance and growth. By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time. We are now accepting debit/credit cards and online donations, which during this Covid-19 period, are safe options to keep giving. If you are interested in this way of helping, please contact the Parish Office or [click here](#) to register.



O Glorious Saint Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work in a spirit of penance for the expiation of my many sins; to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my natural inclinations; to work with thankfulness and joy, considering it an honor to employ and develop by means of labor the gifts received from God. Amen.

Parish Schedule

Mass Times

Monday to Saturday: 9 am
Wednesday: 7 pm
Saturday: 5 pm, 7 pm (Spanish)
Sunday: 9 am, 11 am and 7 pm

The 5 pm Saturday Mass will be livestreamed. To view Mass live, visit our [YouTube Channel](#)

Confession Times

Fridays: 9:30 am (after morning Mass)
Saturdays: 1 pm - 2 pm (Fr. Joe) / 2 pm - 3 pm (Fr. David)
6 pm - 6:45 pm (Spanish)

October's Mass Intentions

Saturday: Noon – 4 pm

Overnight Eucharistic Adoration

First weekend of the month, from Saturday 8:00 PM to Sunday 8:00 AM.
Benediction at 7:45 AM. Next Overnight Eucharistic Adoration will be November 6
8pm - November 7 8am.

Please sign up for Adoration using the invitation forms at the Welcome Desk, or
contact Nazira Abi Rached. Text or call: **403-978-1303** or
Email: eucharisticadoration2019@outlook.com

Rosary & Prayer Group

Rosary: We are praying the Rosary daily at the grotto at 6 pm. We will
continue with our daily Rosary at 10 am on Zoom. To receive a Zoom invitation,
contact Marta Toltesi: totustuus@shaw.ca.

Four Mysteries of the Rosary are prayed every first Friday of the month at 4
pm in the Chapel (**November 5 will be the next one**).

The Divine Mercy Chaplet: We pray the Chaplet daily after the 10 am
Zoom Rosary.

To receive the link, email Marta Toltesi: totustuus@shaw.ca.

Monday Prayer Group: One hour of prayer every Monday evening in the
Chapel beginning at 7:15 pm. Our hour encompasses the Rosary and Divine
Mercy Chaplet. All are welcome. Contact **Jeanne 403-281-3432**.

Please pray for the sick: Terez Blonde, Art Chouinard, Kye Beatty, Wilferd
Becker, Vi Metcalf, Joan Schell, Darwin Mantai, Olivia O'Connor, Chris Jarding,
Maria Blote, Paul Hortner, Joan Watier, Brendan Ostridge, Anna Bordin, Jill,
Mark Ham Silver, Fidela Fernandes, Margaret Johnson, Sergio Choy Li Siu and
Daniel Biela.

Pray for the repose of the soul of: Jean Driver.

Prayer requests: The Rosary Making Apostolate has an Intercessory Prayer

to totustuus@shaw.ca.

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St. Jude School

Click on the logo for more information about each school

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St. Joseph, pray for us.

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