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**HOLY SPIRIT PARISH**



## **Parish News**

**September 9, 2022**

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**From the Desk of Father David**

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In the first reading from Exodus, the chosen people waste no time in becoming slaves to sin. They worshipped an idol, the golden calf.

It is very easy for us to also become idol worshippers but of a different kind (Enthralled by riches, the good life, pleasures and satisfying our every desire).

I can ask myself, "What do I most desire?" - "What do I think about most of the time?"

This gives us an idea of what is most important in our lives.

When Jesus, Our Lord, is not number 1 in our life, something else is. These idols can blind our eyes to the truth and distort our spiritual vision.

God's chosen people, the Israelites, quickly turned away from God and they forgot about Him. We also can forget about God.

The stories in this Sunday's Gospel, can be called; The Lost Sheep, The Lost Coin and the Lost Son.

The sheep doesn't know that it is lost and the coin doesn't know that it is lost and the son, at first, doesn't know that he is lost.

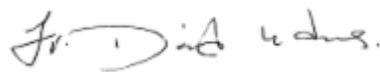
The Lord goes in search of the lost and when they respond, God rejoices.

The lost son realized he had made a mess of his life and that he needed help and he knew he couldn't do it all on his own.

No matter how badly someone has messed up their life, there is always hope and like the lost (Prodigal) son, can always go home.

In the eyes of our heavenly Father, each of us is of immeasurable worth, and the Lord is always in search for us.

His porch light is always on, waiting for us.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. David".

***“We shall never know all the good  
that a simple smile can do.”  
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta***

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# SCAM ALERT

If you are receiving emails from Fr. David requesting to contact him by email, be aware this is a scam.

Here is an example of the most recent one:

*Hello! Are you less busy at the moment? I got a request for you to manage discreetly. I will be going into a meeting in few minutes, no calls so kindly respond back via mail.*

*"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."*

*Isaiah 41:10*

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## Holy Spirit Resurrection Choir

Interested in Joining the  
Resurrection Choir  
No musical experience is necessary!



The main purpose of Holy Spirit's Resurrection Choir is to guide and assist the congregation in the Church's song at the Mass of Christian Burial. We support

The first rehearsal, following a 2 year hiatus due to COVID, will be held in the sanctuary on Monday September 12 at 1 p.m. An invitation is extended to any parishioner wishing to join the choir. For additional information contact Ross Ferby:

Phone: 403-554-4073

E-mail: [rossnferby@shaw.ca](mailto:rossnferby@shaw.ca)

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Starting on September 15, moms with their little ones are invited to gather in the Chapel every Thursday at 9:30 am for prayer and fellowship. Stay at home moms, moms on maternity leave, or grandmoms looking after little ones are all welcomed. Prayer is interactive involving, both moms and children. Although, the children are little, they have a beautiful awareness of God and love to sing and pray. Be it learning to make the sign of the cross, pray the responses, offer prayers of petition, or lead the Our Father. Play follows prayer. We invite you to come and see. For further information please contact the parish office.

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## **Holy Spirit CWL Used Books Sale**



**HOLY SPIRIT CWL**  
**Used Book Sale**

**Saturday, Sept 17, 2022**  
**9 am to 3 pm**

**All Books 50¢ each**

Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
10827 - 24 Street SW

**To Donate Books: Drop off your gently used books at  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church beginning August 15th**

*Please no textbooks, encyclopedias, or magazines*

**Funds raised provide scholarships and support educational programs**



Holy Spirit CWL is delighted to once again hold the popular Used Book Sale. We are accepting book donations until Friday, September 16. Book sale will be on September 17 from 9 am to 3 pm.

## **First Communion - Registration is Open!**



First Communion / First Reconciliation program, is for children in grade 2 and up, who have been baptized or made the Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church. This is a combined program. First Reconciliation must be completed

## KOC Garage Sale

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Start looking for those “treasures” which you can donate to the KOC Annual Garage Sale.

Donations will be accepted at the Church as follows:

Thursday Sept. 22 from 4 pm to 8 pm

Friday Sept. 23 from 10 am to 4 pm

**Garage Sale will be on Saturday Sept. 24 from 9 am to 1:30 pm.**

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In 2021, Holy Spirit Parish applied and received 2 grants:

One for \$5,000 and one for \$12,000 for parking surveillance cameras, electrical installation and change of door locks.

Another grant was received in 2022 for \$15,000 to improve entrance with lights and video surveillance cameras.

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- [Read Faithfully](#)

## Pastoral Message from Bishop McGrattan



Bishop McGrattan marks the anniversary of the death of Mother Teresa, canonized Saint Teresa of Calcutta in 2016 by Pope Francis during the Holy Year of Mercy. In his message, the Bishop invites the faithful to follow in St.

- [Read Letter now](#)
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## Enrichment Day with Bishop Emeritus Henry



The Divine Mercy Centre invites you to an outdoor event (free) with Bishop Emeritus Henry starting at 11 am on **Saturday, Sep 17** at Divine Mercy Centre. There will be Adoration, Confession, Holy Mass (at noon), talks, and Q&A.

- [More info](#)
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## An Evening of Reconciliation and Openness with Fr. Cristino Bouvette



The FCJ Centre invites you to an evening with Fr. Cristino as he shares his story of reconciliation, openness, vulnerability, suffering and reconciling his identities as an indigenous and a priest. When: **Thursday, Sep. 22 at 7 pm**

- [Registration](#)

## The death penalty is inadmissible



## FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE DEATH PENALTY

“Let us pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.”

- Pope Francis -

This month, Pope Francis invites us to pray “that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country”. Although some 170 countries have abolished the death penalty, have imposed a moratorium on its implementation in legislation or in practice, or have suspended executions for more than 10 years, capital punishment continues to be applied in 55 countries on various continents.

This month, may we, the Body of Christ, answer the Holy Father’s call to unite ourselves in prayer and prophetic action — not only for the abolition of capital punishment worldwide, but for the advancement of forms of justice that enable healing and transformation.”

## Employment Opportunity

There are a number of employment opportunities that are currently available in the Diocese of Calgary and beyond.

- **NEW:** Volunteer Screening Coordinator/Office Assistant (PT) - St. James, Calgary
- Caretaker (FT) - St. Bonaventure, Calgary
- Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper (FT) - St. Mary's, Brooks
- **NEW:** Research & Resource Development Assistant - CCCB, Office of Family & Life

Please visit [catholicyc.ca/careers](http://catholicyc.ca/careers) for more information and application details.



In an acclaimed film portrayal, Olivia Hussey illuminates the life story of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the selfless missionary who brought hope, love, and salvation to the poorest of the poor. The movie examines the fundamental moments of Mother Teresa's life from her childhood in Albania in the 1920s to her first calling as a nun, the decision to leave her order and live with the poorest of the poor, the challenges of founding the Congregation of the Missionaries of Charity, and her great work of service in Calcutta and the rest of the world.

Search for: **Mother Teresa**

[Watch](#)

To access Formed:

2. Enter your name and email address
3. Enjoy!

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## Serra's Vocation Seeds



### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time– September 11, 2022

God is the Father with the open arms. Who will preach this good news of reconciliation? Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister.

If God is calling you check out [www.catholiccyyc.ca/vocations](http://www.catholiccyyc.ca/vocations)

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## Knights of Columbus - Fr. Joe Toole Council



Membership is open to practicing Catholic men aged 18 years or older.

We serve our community under our pillars of: Charity, Unity & Fraternity.

Inquire to:

**Grand Knight Paul Gerritsen** 403-607-2075

**Membership Director Rob Oswald** 403-650-3638.

[Instructions to purchase cards here](#)

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Our mission statement proclaims that:



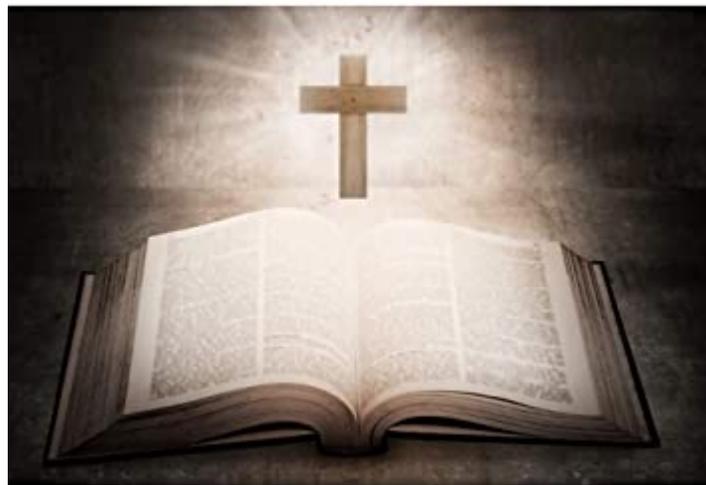
**faith and to witness to the love of God through ministries and service.**

We welcome all Catholic women 18 years and older to share their gifts and make a difference.

**For more information contact Janet Robbins (President) 403-605-1276**

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## Weekly Readings



**Sat Sep 10:** 1 Corinthians 10:14-22a / Psalm 116 / Luke 6:43-49

**Sun Sep 11:** Exodus 32:7-11,13-14 / Psalm 51 / 1 Timothy 1:12-17 / Luke 15:1-32

**Mon Sep 12:** 1 Corinthians 11:17-26,33 / Psalm 40 / Luke 7:1-10

**Tues Sep 13:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-14,27-31a / Psalm 100 / Luke 7:11-17

**Wed Sep 14:** Numbers 21:4-9 / Psalm 78 / John 3:13-17

**Thu Sep 15:** Hebrews 5:7-9 / Psalm 31 / John 19:25-27

**Fri Sep 16:** 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 / Psalm 17 / Luke 8:1-3

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## Resources for Children

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 11th, 2022



Luke 15:1-32

*Jesus told us that God is like a shepherd  
that cares for every one of His sheep.  
There are some sheep lost in this picture.  
Can you find them?  
Then you can colour in the rest of the picture.*

- [Colouring page this Sunday](#)
- [Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday](#)
- [Sunday Connection](#) - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gr. 1-8 & family)

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## Saints of the Week

- 1. 8 Prayers from John Chrysostom (Feast Day: Sep. 13) that get right to God's heart** | These short prayers attributed to St. John Chrysostom are known as "arrow" prayers: little reminders during the day that we are always in the presence of the Father. [Read more](#)
- 2. Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (Sep. 14)**  
The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross may appear at first glance to be a strange celebration on September 14. It is entirely removed from the season of Lent and located near the end of Ordinary Time. Why is that? [Read more](#)
- 3. Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows (Sep. 15)**  
We make a mistake if we think that because Mary is the Mother of God that this

us of the full implications of the Incarnation for the woman who loved him most in all the world. [Read more](#)

#### 4. **St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian (Feast Day: Sep. 16)**

Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian were contemporaries and friends who supported one another in a time of ecclesial divisions and imperial persecution. [Read more](#)

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## News from the Diocese of Calgary

### 1. **Pastoral Care: The Art of Accompaniment**

Join Fr. Timothy Boyle in a monthly reflection on ministry, pastoral care, and the art of accompaniment, inspired by the teachings of Pope Francis. Starts: **Tuesday, Sep. 20 at 10:30 am** at St. Martha's Church in Lethbridge, or join via livestream.

### 2. **Bereavement: Support & Care Training**

The Diocese of Calgary is offering a training opportunity in providing bereavement support and care. When/where: **Saturday, Oct. 1 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm** at **St. Luke's** (1566 Northmount Drive NW, Calgary). [Register online here](#) or by contacting Sr. Mariflor at 403-218-5521. Please register by **Sep. 26**. For more information, visit: [catholicyc.ca/pastoralcare](http://catholicyc.ca/pastoralcare)

### 3. **Angels on High Hike & Camping Weekend**

[Angels on High](#) is an exciting outdoor adventure (in Kananaskis) consisting of priests and community members with a goal to raise funds used to help build St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church building in Chestermere. When: Sep. 16 to 18 (hike on Sep. 17). [Sign up for the journey to camp and /or hike](#) or [Make a donation](#)

## September 2022 Calendar Highlights

- **Sep 10** | [Come & See with Poor Clares](#)
- **Sep 15, 19 & 26** | [Mary: A Biblical Walk](#) - Bible Study online
- **Sep 16** | [Angels on High Hike & Camping Weekend](#)
- **Sep 17** | [Enrichment Day with Bishop Henry](#) at the Divine Mercy Centre
- **Sep 17** | [Hunger: A Collaborative Response Conference](#) at STMU

- **Sep 19** | [Spiritual Direction](#): What is it and how it helps at FJC Centre
- **Sep 20** | [Pastoral Care: The Art of Accompaniment](#) (online & at St. Martha's Lethbridge)
- **Sep 22** | [An evening of Reconciliation and openness](#) with Fr. Cristino at FCJ Centre
- **Sep 23** | [Marriage Preparation](#) (virtual) weekend
- **Sep 25** | [World Day of Migrants & Refugees](#)
- **Sep 25** | [Secular Franciscan Information Sesion](#)
- **Sep 30** | [Mass for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#) with Bishop McGrattan - St. Mary's Cathedral



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 accepting debit/credit cards and online donations. If you are interested in this way of helping, please contact the Parish Office or [click here](#) to register.

## Parish Schedule

### Mass Times

Monday to Saturday: 9 am

Wednesday: 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)

Confessions are also available by appointment (Not in Spanish)

### **September Mass Intentions**

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## **Eucharistic Adoration**

**Monday – Saturday** 9:30 am – 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

October 1 8pm - October 2 8am.

Please sign up for Adoration using the invitation form at the Welcome Desk, or contact Nazira Abi Rached. Text or call: **403-978-1303** or

Email: [eucharisticadoration2019@outlook.com](mailto:eucharisticadoration2019@outlook.com)

## **Rosary & Prayer Group**

**On Zoom:** Totus Tuus continues praying the Rosary daily at 10 am followed by The Divine Mercy Chaplet. To receive a Zoom invitation, contact Marta Toltesi [totustuus@shaw.ca](mailto:totustuus@shaw.ca)

We gather to pray the Rosary in the Chapel, everyone is welcome.

- Monday to Saturday at 8:30 am
- Saturdays at Noon
- Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary every evening at 6:00 pm

Four Mysteries of the Rosary are prayed every first Friday of the month at 4 pm in the Chapel.

### September Prayer Intentions

**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**.

**Prayer requests:** The Rosary Making Apostolate has an Intercessory Prayer Ministry with over 150 'prayer partners' interceding for the requests received. The CWL also prays for these intentions. To request prayers send an email to [totustuus@shaw.ca](mailto:totustuus@shaw.ca).

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### Catholic Links

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## St. Jude School

**Click on the logo for more information about each school**

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### Contact us

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