



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 30/31, 2019

WEEKLY MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

| Every Sunday at 5 pm St. Patrick's (1414 Shawnessy Blvd SW, Calgary) will celebrate this particular Mass as a loving and open environment of acceptance, inclusion and understanding. This Mass is dedicated to people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families, caregivers, teachers and friends. If you know of families who are not attending Mass because they feel a sense of isolation and disconnect, please share this exciting news and invite them to St. Patrick's Special Needs Ministry Mass.

LAY ASSOCIATIONS SPRING SEMINAR

The upcoming Lay Associations Seminar will be held on **Saturday, May 18 from 10 am to 2 pm** at St. Anthony's Church (5340 4 St SW, Calgary). Registration is \$15 per person. These seminars are necessary for registered groups in the Diocese. Non-registered groups are strongly encouraged to attend. To register online, visit calgarydiocese.ca. For more information, call Andie at 403-218-5501.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AND ADORATION

The Diocese of Calgary and Couples for Christ invite you to a Divine Mercy Chaplet and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr. Adrian Martens to pray for Catholic Unity: unity amongst husbands and wives and the family, growth in holiness of the People of God and growth in the work of Christian evangelization. When: **Wednesday, April 24 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm**. Where: Sacred Heart Church (1307 14 St SW, Calgary).

CROWD CONTROL & FIRST AIDERS FOR THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

| The annual Outdoor Way of the Cross is in its 36th year. This very public display of our faith and commitment to social justice is only possible because of the commitment of over 200 volunteers. We are looking for assistance with **keeping all participants safe** during the event. If you can able to help with crowd control, lost persons, or if you are a certified first aider, please call 403-218-5519. Visit: wayofthecross.ca for more information.

THE EXTRAORDINARY MISSIONARY MONTH

Pope Francis has designated **October 2019** to be an Extraordinary Missionary Month to emphasize the important role of all Catholics to further the missionary nature of the Church. The theme for this Extraordinary Missionary Month is: **"Baptized and sent: The Church of Christ on mission in the world."**

SONG COMPETITION

There is an opportunity to engage musical children and young people of the Diocese in composing the theme song for the **Extraordinary Missionary Month 2019**. For more information, please email Sr. Rita Kim at rita.kim@calgarydiocese.ca

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Catholic Family Service provides Marriage Preparation programs. Upcoming sessions: **April 12-14**, May 10-12. For more information or to register, contact 587-896-2891 | www.cfs-ab.org

RELIGIOUS FOUNDERS' DAY

| Religious leaders from around Southern Alberta will be speaking on "Universal Compassion: the Core Human Value" at the Religious Founders Day event on **Sunday, April 7 at 3 pm**. Where: Baitun Nur Mosque (4353 54 NE, Calgary). Free admission and dinner. RSVP required: <http://rfd-calgary2019.eventbrite.ca> | 403-660-5920

ALZHEIMER WORKSHOP

Learn about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, along with tools and strategies for interacting with persons with dementia and their caregivers. When: Saturday, **April 6 from 9 am to 2:30 pm** at St. Paul's Anglican Parish (7 Sunmills Green SE, Calgary). To register: 403-218-5501 | <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

MENTAL HEALTH AND ILLNESS WORKSHOP

This is a one-day workshop on a basic understanding of mental health, illness and spirituality. When: **Saturday, April 13 from 9 am to 2:30 pm**. Where: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (400 Edmonton Trail NE, Calgary). Contact: 403-218-5501 or register online at <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

DIOCESAN PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAM

Learn how to minister God's unfailing love for the terminally ill and the dying through the Palliative Care Education Program. When: **April 26 & 27 (Part 1)**, and **May 3 & 4 (Part 2)**. Where: Holy Spirit Parish (10827 24 St SW, Calgary). Contact: 403-218-5501 or register online at <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

FOUNDATIONS OF A SOCIAL JUSTICE SPIRITUALITY ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

Sometimes our faith seems very theoretical, and we struggle to find practical ways to live it out. A key component of our faith in action is seeking social justice for our world. But what does social justice actually mean? Come join us on **Saturday, April 13** as Bishop Emeritus Frederick Henry offers teachings on the topic. The goal of this day-long workshop is to provide teachings on the definition of social justice, practical ways to champion it as a "cause" and how it impacts our own daily lives. Where: Corpus Christi Parish Hall (5391 4 St NW, Calgary). Cost: \$40, includes lunch. To register, contact 403-218-5501 | <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca>

PASTORAL CARE COURSE

The Diocesan Pastoral Care Course will be held on Wednesdays, **May 1 to June 5**, from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, at St. Luke's Parish (1566 Northmount Dr. NW, Calgary). This course offers participants a better understanding of pastoral care given to the lonely, shut-ins, the sick and dying, as well as the visiting skills required for a Pastoral Care minister. Register: <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca> | 403-218-5501

EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS

FIRST | A five-week parents education program to learn how to manage shared parenting situations, resolve family conflicts, participate in support groups and improve communications between separated/divorced parents. Session dates: **Wednesdays, Apr. 24, May 1, 8, 15 & 22**. Register: <http://events.calgarydiocese.ca> | 403-218-5505

EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED: THE SOCIAL VISION OF POPE FRANCIS

| In this keynote presentation, Canadian Catholic journalist Sebastian Gomes of Salt + Light Media will expound Francis' social vision and—for the first time in Western Canada—premiere excerpts from his latest documentary, *The Francis Impact*, which addresses the global environmental and refugee crises. When:

Thursday, April 11, 7 pm to 9 pm. Where: St. Mary's University, Heritage Centre (14500 Bannister Rd SE, Calgary). Free of charge. Contact: peter.baltutis@stmu.ca. Generously supported by the Catholic Women's League of Canada.

LENTEN MISSION WITH BISHOP EMERITUS HENRY, SR. KATRINA AND SR. GABRIELLE

Where: St. Luke's Parish (1566 Northmount Dr. NW, Calgary). **When: April 11-13 (Thu-Sat)**. April 11 & 12 begins with Rosary at 6:30 pm and Mass & talk at 7 pm. April 13 begins with 8:30 am Rosary, Mass & talk (with Adoration, confession and reflectional music) at 9 am. Theme: Take up your cross and follow me.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION WITH FR. LUCIEN LARRE | Canadian Martyrs Parish invites you to their Parish Mission with Father Lucien Larre. Introductory sermon will be given at all **Sunday Masses (April 6/7)**. Mission talk from **April 8 - 11 (Monday to Thursday) at 7 pm** each night. For more information, contact 403-284-3311.

STRIPPED AWAY - AN EVENING WITH MICHAEL CHIASSON & ACCESS 52

Begins at 7 pm on the following dates:

- Monday, April 8 at St. Bernadette, Calgary
- Tuesday, April 9 at St. Paul's, Airdrie
- Wednesday, April 10 at All Saints, Lethbridge
- Thursday, April 11 at St. James, Okotoks
- Tuesday, April 16 at St. Patrick's, Calgary
- Wednesday, April 17 at St. Michael, Calgary

For more information, visit: access52.com/events

GRIEF TO GRACE

A spiritual journey for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through sexual abuse, psychological or emotional abuse, neglect or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood, adolescence, or as an adult. When: **May 2-5**. Where: Kelowna, BC. Contact 1-250-878-7603 | griefftograce.org

CPC HOLY WEEK / EASTER CLOSURE

Please note that the Catholic Pastoral Centre will be closed as of noon on Holy Thursday, April 18, and remain closed for both Good Friday and Easter Monday. We will reopen with regular office hours at 8:30 am on Tuesday, April 23.