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a future WITH HOPE JEREMIAH 29:11



easter Is a TIME of hope and joy in our lives. This year I share with you a message of

hope through this 2022 Annual Impact Report. I am grateful for the witness of faith and the spirit of hope that is evident in the Diocese of Calgary.

When we take the time to review with gratitude the work of God in our midst we can appreciate the blessings that we have received. This impact report reminds us of His presence in this past year through the Spirit of love and service which shows forth the life of the Church in the Diocese of Calgary.

Our future is always in the hands of God as Jeremiah reminded the people, "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." God has a plan for each of us, a plan that is for our benefit and in which we discover

the gifts of joy and hope. May this report renew our trust in the Lord and move us forward in being committed to our mission of outreach and service as a diocese.

As we celebrate this Easter season, let us hold on to the hope that comes from our faith in Jesus Christ. Let us trust in God's plan for our lives, even when sometimes we do not fully understand it. And let us share this hope with others, so that they too may come to know the love and grace of our risen Saviour.

May the peace and joy of Easter be with you all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ William Mo Tho

Most Reverend William T. McGrattan Bishop of Calgary



WE ACKNOWLEDGE

that Treaty 7 territory, on which we stand, is the ancestral land of the Indigenous Peoples and is common home to everyone in virtue of God our Creator's gracious gift.



Established in 1912, our Diocese stretches 110,000 square kilometers across Southern Alberta.

630,160	68	
Catholics	Parishes	
11	151	
Missions	Priests	
47	54	

Catholic Education

Deacons

166 79,159 1
Catholic Catholic Catholic Schools School University Students

Religious

Sisters







CELEBRATIONS OF THE SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM

²⁰²² 2,718

2021 2020 **2,634 1,845**



PROFESSION OF FAITH

²⁰²²

2021 2020 98 101



FIRST EUCHARIST

²⁰²² 2,498

2021 2020 **1,924 2,453** 9

MARRIAGES

²⁰²² 369

2021 2020304 230



CONFIRMATION

2022 1,781

2021 2020 **1,761 1,644**



FUNERAL

2022 1,284

2021 2020 **1,176 1,033**

EXTRAORDINARY

SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAM (ESPP)

Since the beginning of October, over 100 school faith leaders and administrators from 91 Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) schools have responded to the Bishop's call to accompany the parishes in preparing children and their families for the reception of the Sacraments. During the season of Advent, over 1500 children in grade 3-9 experienced the depth of God's love in the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

We give thanks to all parents, pastors, catechists, schools and parish staff, volunteers, and all participating students! You have blessed us with your support and participation, and we could not have achieved this without you!

The Extraordinary
Sacrament Preparation
Program (ESPP)
involves preparation
sessions for children at
each school, online
preparation sessions
for parents, retreats,
and the reception of
the sacrament
occurring at the parish.
In 2022 this program
reached its first
milestones!

The ESPP will continue in the new year with Sacrament preparation for First Eucharist and Confirmation.





+1500 students

+100 facilitator



27 parishes

91 schools

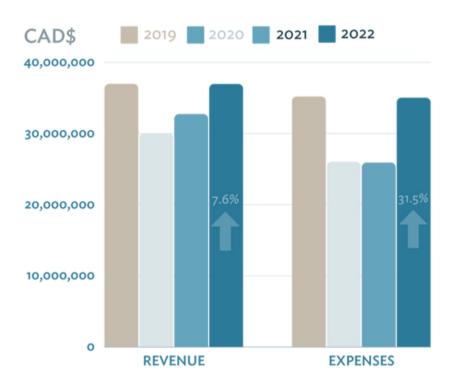
"We are blessed with missionary disciples in our teachers, administrators, pastors and parish leaders, who are committed to share Christ with those entrusted to their care. Ultimately, the blessing comes from our families, parents and children who have responded to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and avail themselves to the sanctifying grace of the sacraments. May the Joy of Christ bring us closer to Him and one another."







SUMMARY OF OPERATION



Our donation revenue in 2022 increased comparative to the prior two years which were impacted by the pandemic. Revenue continues to normalize to pre-pandemic levels which demonstrates the continued generosity of the faithful in supporting the mission of the Diocese and our parish communities.

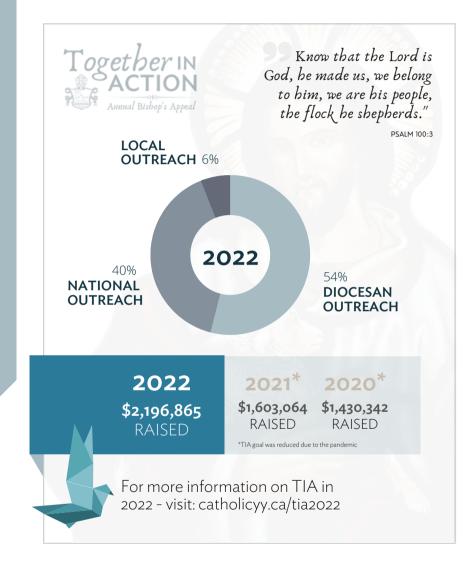
WORKING TOGETHER

Thank you for the sharing of your gifts. The Diocese and the parishes strive to be good stewards and have provided dedicated service through the collaboration of clergy, religious, lay staff, and volunteers.

As of December 2022, there are 155 lay staff and 90 clergy serving in the Parishes. There is a total of 13 lay staff in the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 25 lay staff in supporting diocesan programs, 11 clergy and 5 religious sisters.



TOGETHER IN ACTION



Together in Action (TIA) supports pastoral outreach through diocesan, and national programs. This annual diocesan appeal invites the 68 parishes of the Diocese in fulfilling the mandate of the Pastoral Constitution of the Church in the Modern World that the local church be engaged in works of service to humanity.

In 2022, TIA returned to its prepandemic goal of \$2 million as we have committed to raise \$600,000 each year over the next 5 years for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. This is our contribution to the \$30-Million National Financial Pledge of the Bishops of Canada.

The Diocese has begun the process of establishing a Regional Indigenous Reconciliation Fund Committee, which will base its work on guidelines established

nationally. The Committee is in its very early stages and is currently working towards developing terms of reference as well as processes and guidelines to support the "call for project funding" that will promote healing and reconciliation initiatives within our region. The Committee has both local Indigenous and Diocesan representatives who will review proposed local projects and make recommendations for funding from the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF).









1 CORINTHIANS 4:1

2022 IMPACT REPORT OF THE DIOCESE OF CALGARY

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

24-HOUR COVERAGE

CALGARY

+1,600 +735

call centre calls + direct calls

7 priest chaplains, serving

+6

+43

hospitals hospices care homes

MEDICINE HAT



230 165

direct calls

1 priest chaplain, serving

14

hospital hospice care homes

LETHBRIDGE

24-hour coverage is provided with the collaboration of 1 oncall priest chaplain and the parish priests

hospital hospice

care homes

2022

\$396,390 SPENT

2021

2020

\$396,400 **SPFNT**

\$476,262 **SPFNT**

This ministry is funded by the Operations of the Diocese

Parish Priests respond to requests for Sacraments for the sick and the dying in their parishes. Three cities in the Diocese require a system to support their ministry in the high volume of requests in hospitals. hospices, and care homes 24 hours a day.

In the City of Calgary, where there are many hospitals and health facilities, dedicated hospital priest chaplains provide on-call service to emergency calls.

Prior to the pandemic, the ministry of the priestchaplains was supported by parish lay pastoral ministers and coordinators who would visit patients and who may also provide Holy Communion upon request.

HOW TO DONATE?

To help hospital chaplaincy, please give to the Operations of the Diocese by donating online at catholicyyc.ca/give



PRISON MINISTRY

The Prison Ministry of the Diocese has contributed to conducting 100 Bible studies in 2022 with over 650 people attending. The Catholic program was scheduled bimonthly regardless of holidays for a total of around 26 sessions. In 2022, the Diocese had 11 volunteers engaged in the Prison Ministry (Calgary).

You can also find opportunities to serve at the Lethbridge Correctional Centre. This is a collaborative effort between Christian ministers, working together ecumenically in order to provide spiritual guidance and support to those incarcerated.



Writer Alice Matisz shares her and other prison ministry volunteers' experience as they attend the 2022 Christmas Service at the Letbridge Correctional Centre. "There are often a mindset that they are not lovable, not worthy. When I explain that I come to see them because in them I see the face of God, their expressions turn me to tears." Read now at https://www.catholicyyc.ca/blog/a-light-in-the-darkness



HUNGRY

Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and will be repaid in full.

PROVERBS 19:17



29,521 care packages



15,473 13,567

guests served



1,193 registered volunteers



volunteer hours

2022

\$363,147 RAISED \$299,802 SPENT

2021

\$503,269 RAISED

\$231,054 SPENT

2020

\$331,918 RAISED

\$348,369 SPENT

\$143,998

GOVERNMENT GRANTS RECEIVED - COVID 19

Feed the Hungry (FTH) is an outreach program located in downtown Calgary and has been operating for over 25 years. Due to the pandemic, FTH was not able to host the weekly sit-down Sunday meal, but continued to serve our community by providing weekly curbside meals and care packages to over 300 guests. FTH was able to resume Sunday dinner on Thanksgiving weekend in 2022 and has since welcomed back up to 350 guests each week for a hearty sit-down meal and hamper package pickup.

Our guests continue to face moderate to severe food insecurity, often skipping meals or going without food for an entire day. We are grateful to our Sponsors and Volunteers who make this much-needed program possible.

HOW TO DONATE?

Donations to Feed the Hungry through the Birdies for Kids website are matched up to 50%. Donate until August 15, 2023 through Birdies for Kids at shawcharityclassic.com/feed-the-hungry

Or donate directly at catholicyyc.ca/donatefth





ELIZABETH HOUSE

Thanks to the generosity and dedication of our staff, volunteers, and donors, Elizabeth House continues to be a sanctuary for young pregnant and parenting women experiencing homelessness. Despite the increased complexity and urgency of the challenges our residents face, our ability to respond with generosity, compassion, and grace has remained steadfast, thanks to our faith and community.

Among other successes, in 2022 we increased the length of stay, focused on creating a trauma-informed environment of support, strengthened partnerships and referrals and relaunched our volunteer program.

Together, we are navigating the effects of poverty, stigma and isolation for young, mother-led families. Elizabeth House is so much more than shelter. Here the women are welcomed into community, receive connection and rest, and are encouraged to practice faith and healing one day and one conversation at a time.



+28

women and children

were welcomed into residence with around the clock support and community.

+150 women seeking sanctuary

In 2022, over 150 women contacted Elizabeth House seeking sanctuary. Those we could not accommodate were contacted and provided other supports whenever possible. Most were couch surfing, many experienced chronic homelessness, some were in temporary emergency shelter. More than half felt unsafe where they were staying. All sought safety and connection.



volunteers

gave over 1500 hours of precious time and skill in client support, fundraising, donation drives, housekeeping, maintenance, program planning, research and practicum hours.



<90%

of participants reported moving from

crisis or vulnerability to stability or self-sufficiency in the core domains of resilience: economic, social emotional, health, and child development.

2022

\$466,011 RAISED

\$499,540SPENT

2021

\$419,270 RAISED

\$482,483SPENT

2020

\$298,106RAISED

\$419,517SPENT

\$162,200

GOVERNMENT GRANTS RECEIVED - COVID19

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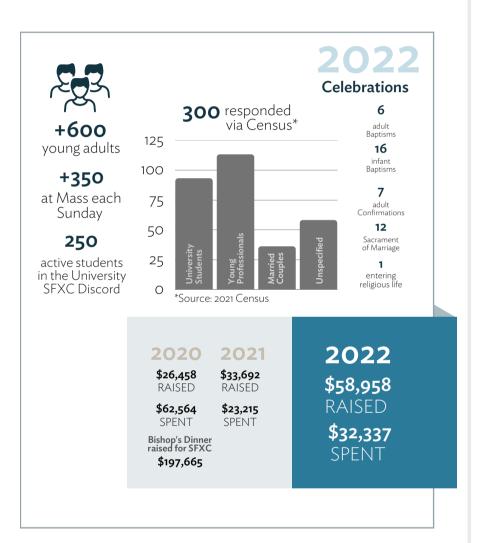


ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHAPLAINCY

The St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy (SFXC) promotes faith, formation, and fellowship for young adults within the Diocese in outreach to university students, young professionals, and young families.

In Calgary, the priest-chaplain connects with all of the universities in the city, collaborating with Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) and St. Mary's University to support these young adults. An associate chaplain in Lethbridge provides the same support.

SFXC supports Bethany House for women (4 members) and St. Henry House for men (5 members). They hold regular meetings each week, for respective gatherings of catechetical formation and fellowship. Weekly RCIA sessions seek to welcome new young adult Catholics into the community.







give online at: catholicyvc.ca/donatetosfxc



VOCATIONS

The Office of Vocations assists in the discernment of men called to the diocesan priesthood by supporting the formation and education of seminarians for ordination to the priesthood.

The Office also supports women and men called to the religious/consecrated life. In 2022, the following were some of the initiatives in support of women religious:

- The Seekers Discernment Group for unmarried women meets biweekly at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. They gather to read and reflect on the Word of God, in support of each other's discernment of the Will of God in their lives.
- The Assembly of Women Religious in conjunction with the Office of Vocations and Serra Club have been holding events where young women can meet the Sisters of the Diocese in a casual, conversational, and prayerful atmosphere.
- The Seeds of the Word community has been offering their Sabbatical Year for five young adults to assist them in growing in their faith and learning to encounter Christ through Scripture.
- The Dominican Sisters of the Immaculate
 Conception visited three schools in Calgary as
 well as hosting a Come and See event that drew
 13 young women interested in the Dominican
 charism

The Formation of Permanent Deacons is a 4-year Diocesan program of formation which assists married and single men to discern this vocation as an ordained ministry of service in the Diocese. The program integrates human, spiritual, theological and pastoral elements in order to assist candidates in identifying their vocation as Christ the Servant. The academic and pastoral dimensions of the program are offered in collaboration with St. Mary's University and the participation of diocesan priests and deacons.



seminarians

6 Full time study

2 in Pastoral Internship in parishes

1 Transitional Deacon

CATHOLICYYC.CA/ VOCATIONS CATHOLICYYC.CA/PERM ANENTDIACONATE

candidates for

the Permanent

Diaconate

2020 2021

\$99,986 RAISED

\$303,802 RAISED

\$243,829 \$222,322 SPENT SPENT

SPENT SPENT
*Shortfall covered by the Operations of the Diocese

2022 \$151,775

RAISED \$304,681 SPENT





To help with the formation and education of seminarians and diaconal candidates, give online at catholicyyc.ca/donatetovocations

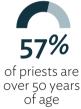


CARE FOR RETIRED PRIESTS



- 8 in Providence Care Centre
- 12 in Dorchester Square condominium
- 11 in private or parish residences

priests can potentially retire in the next 5 years



2022

\$327,558

RAISED

2021

\$342,341RAISED

\$758,138SPENT

\$687,461SPENT

*Shortfall covered by the Operations of the Diocese

2022

\$373,798RAISED

\$759,614 SPENT

Diocesan priests receive a monthly salary with deductions for taxes, CPP, and El. They join the diocesan pension plan through a monthly contribution which is matched by their parish or by the Diocese. The normal age for receiving the pension is between 68-71 years of age. When priests retire, in consultation with the Bishop, many continue in ministry by replacing in parishes when needed.

The Diocese provides priests with various options for their residence in retirement. Some live independently providing for their own living accommodation, some live in parish rectories, and some live in the Dorchester Square in downtown Calgary where the monthly rental expenses are aided by a subsidy from the Diocese.

Retired priests that require more assistance due to health and age may choose to reside in the St. Jean Vianney section at Providence Care Centre. They pay a monthly fee for their residency with the difference for the full cost covered by the Diocese. Priests in ministry who are convalescing and require temporary support and assistance may also receive this care.





To help with the care of retired priests, please give online at catholicyyc.ca/careofretiredpriests





MISSION COUNCIL

Mission Council coordinates diocesan, national, and international requests for the financial support of missionary outreach projects.

The Council helps the faithful to recognize the call to missionary discipleship, first through the personal witness of faith and secondly, the commitment to stewardship, and the promotion of the integral human development of individuals and communities.

The call to mission is a call to be involved, whether it is local, national, or international.

HOME MISSION



parishes in First Nation Reserves receiving subsidies 2020

2021

\$88,168RAISED

\$71,945 RAISED

\$102,899 SPENT

\$106,894SPENT

2022

\$76,611 RAISED

\$111,298SPENT

WORLDWIDE MISSIONS



6 3 projects countries

2020

\$12,346 RAISED

\$o* SPENT 2021

\$5,536 RAISED

\$16,275 SPENT 2022

\$6,360RAISED

\$25,750 SPENT



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► HOW TO DONATE?

To help Mission Council, please give online at catholicyyc.ca/donatetomissioncouncil



MISSION MEXICO

Mission Mexico is a diocesan outreach by Catholics of southern Alberta to some of Mexico's poorest people.
Founded in the year 2000, it currently focuses on health and education projects, as well as other emergency needs, among the impoverished peoples of three indigenous cultures in "La Montaña" (the mountains) of the southern State of Guerrero, Mexico.



HOW TO DONATE?

To help Mission Mexico, please give online at catholicyyc.ca/donatetomissionmexico





Bursaries

Underprivileged students

The total budget for this is approximately \$20,000 CAD, a fraction of what it would cost to send 20 students to University in Canada.



Schools

Champagnat High School

thools Built

Built by Marist Brothers and Mission Mexico, now managed by Marist Brothers, with a usual annual enrolment of 200– 250 students.

La Estacion Kindergarten

Providing education and breakfast to more than 100 children, and support for 5 teachers.



Health

Xalpitzahuac -Health Project

Assisting people from the region of Xalpitzahuac with medical costs and travel to hospitals in cases of dire need.

2020 2021

\$226,825 \$221,452 RAISED RAISED

\$169,521 \$155,425 SPENT SPENT *Surplus deferred to 2021 **2022 \$251,079** RAISED **\$159,714** SPENT



Direct assistance to the poor

One-time assistance in emergency situations such as accidents, house fire, emergency medical care, unexpected family expenses, dire hunger needs, etc.



SYNODIN Synodality

Thank you for your participation in the Diocesan Phase of the Synod on Synodality in 2022, and for the renewed commitment to grow together as a family of faith, hope and charity in the vocation and mission of Christian holiness through the Church and within the world. Come, Holy Spirit!

Similar to the experience of the first disciples who did not know how their journey with Jesus would unfold, many of us had never even heard of the word "synod" or "synodality" when our Bishop called us to join him and the People of God across the Diocese to engage in a process of encounter, listening, and discernment that is both ancient in its origin but also new in practice for many.

With complete trust and obedience to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, we began the synodal journey together, meeting in small groups in parishes, communities, schools, listening to the Word of God, sharing with one another that which was most intimate in our hearts – the longing to grow closer to Christ and His Church

• Watch highlights of our Synodal Journey in this 4-minute video.



Almost 3000 disciples, young and old, from communities throughout the Diocese participated in the synodal journey together with our Bishop.

56 Parishes

8

Lay Associations 5

Catholic School Districts & Clear Water Academy





Youth Individuals







SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF FAITH (WORLD MISSION SUNDAY)
THE POPE'S PASTORAL

WORKS

HOLY LAND COMMISSARIAT (GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION)

HOLY CHILDHOOD

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

MISSION COUNCIL (50% FROM GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION)

MISSION MEXICO

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE (DISASTER RELIEF)

TOTAL

2019	2020	2021	2022
\$150,962	\$81,715	\$84,875	\$105,585
\$99,648	\$27,622	\$49,493	\$67,387
\$118,157	\$33,103	\$60,210	\$70,874
\$31,542	\$48,465	\$8,496	\$16,833
\$138,400	\$59,784	\$77,085	\$107,082
\$118,157	\$33,103	\$60,210	\$70,874
\$214,457	\$226,825	\$221,452	\$251,079
\$119,048	\$83,860	\$302,405	\$112,965
\$94,979	\$22,135	\$12,330	\$115,523
\$1,085,350	\$616,612	\$876,556	\$917,932



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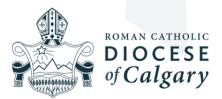


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