



ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH

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Parish Office: Tuesday – Friday 9:30am – 3:00pm

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019



The liturgical life of the Diocese flows from the role of the Bishop and the centrality of the cathedral church. The anniversary of the cathedral church's dedication is celebrated as a Feast throughout the Diocese and as a proper Solemnity in the cathedral parish. St. Mary's Cathedral was dedicated on December 11, 1957. All the faithful are invited to celebrate in Eucharistic Celebration with Bishop McGrattan on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019 at 5 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral, as a Feast of the Lord.

Weekend Schedule

Saturday	Confessions	4:00 pm
	English Mass	5:00 pm
	Carols	6:30 pm
	Simbang Gabi Mass	7:00 pm
Sunday	Confessions	6:45 am
	Low Latin Mass	7:15 am
	Morning Prayer	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	English Mass	10:30 am
	Confessions	12:00 pm
	Sung Latin Mass	12:30 pm

Weekday Schedule

Monday & Tuesday	Confessions	6:30 am
	Latin Mass	7:00 am
	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
Wednesday	Confessions	11:30am
	Latin Mass	12:00pm
	Confessions	6:00 pm
	English Mass	7:00 pm
Thursday & Friday	Confessions	8:30am
	English Mass	9:00am
	Confessions	6:00pm
	Latin Mass	7:00pm
Saturday	Confessions	8:00 am
	Latin Mass	9:00 am

Pastor Fr. Edmund Vargas 587-349-9615

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Altar Servers Rikki Sabater & Jeffrell Painaga **Building Maintenance** Joe Cox & Rikki Sabater **Children's Liturgy** Ranee and Riza Fallorin **Art & Environment** Gill Briscoe **Eucharist Ministers** Vacant **Finance Committee** Don Goodfellow **Funeral Altar Servers** Robert de Moissac **Funeral Receptions** Dianne McKay **Kitchen Coordinator** Dianne McKay **Knights of Columbus** Abe Villanueva **Lectors** Hugh Delaney **Legion of Mary Jr.** Audrey Martis **Legion of Mary** Oneill Martis **Liturgy Schedules** Vacant **Pastoral Care of the Sick** Marlene Robertson **Pastoral Council** Kevin Leitch **Pro-Life** Maria Cameron **Pantry** Abe Villanueva **Sunday Hospitality Coordinator** Vacant **Together in Action (TIA)** Peter Aldrich **Ushers & Greeters** Josue Laro

Pastoral Notes

Our baptismal character

The significance of St. John the Baptist in our history of salvation is that he heralded the coming of Christ by proclaiming a baptism of repentance. His baptism is the forerunner of our Christian baptism which gives us the Christian life. Baptism leaves an indelible mark in the soul of the baptized, which we refer to as the baptismal character. Baptism characterizes the baptized, setting us apart, giving us the mandate to share with others the faith we have received. We are marked with the sign of faith.

Baptism begins the process of integrating the baptized into the community which reaches its fulfillment when we share the Eucharist. Baptism is the first step of a three-step process of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist which are also referred to as the Sacraments of Initiation. It is in the Eucharist (at Mass) that we share full communion with the Church.

Baptism, through the renewal of our baptismal promises, reminds us that we shape our lives by the choices we make. The renewal of our baptismal promises gives us the opportunity to reflect on the direction of our lives and to strengthen our resolve to be Christians. The words of the rite are richly symbolic. They ask us to choose between slavery to sin and the freedom of being God's children, between darkness and light, between the glamour of evil and the simplicity of truth. Ultimately, they ask us to choose between Satan and Christ.

We often refer to baptism as a christening which means joining to Christ. Through baptism we are united to Christ. We become Christians, members of the Church. The original meaning of the word "Christ" is anointed one. In the Scriptures, someone chosen for a special role such as priest, prophet or king was anointed with a fragrant olive oil. When the followers of Jesus eventually recognized him as the Messiah, they began to call him Christ, which means God's anointed one. In baptism, we are also anointed with Holy Chrism to express our unity with Christ and to show that we are called to share in Christ's work as priest, prophet and king.

MISSION MEXICO DAY: Bishop McGrattan declared December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mission Mexico Day in the Diocese of Calgary. "You are God's hands and feet to bring life and hope to communities in Southern Mexico that are widely regarded as the poorest of the poor." We will have a special Loonie and Toonie collection for Mission Mexico at the weekend Masses on December 14/15. All our children are encouraged to bring their loonies and toonies and put them in the Mission Mexico box on the altar during the offertory at each mass.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism Preparation Session
Second Tuesday of the month
Please contact the parish office to register

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Retreat, Saturday, January 18, 10:00 AM
Celebration of First Reconciliation
Saturday, January 25, 11:00 AM

And First Holy Communion

Session 1, Sunday, February 2, 8:45 AM

Sacrament of Confirmation

Please contact the parish office to register

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish office, a minimum of
six months before the desired dates.

ADVENT / CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Wednesday Dec 11,18	6-7:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Confession Rosary English Mass
December 18	7:30pm	Penitential Service
December 24 Nativity of the Lord	5:30pm 6:00pm 6:30pm 8:00pm 8:30pm Midnight	Carols Pageant English Mass Carols English Mass Latin Mass
December 25 Nativity of the Lord	7:15am 9:00am 10:30am 12:30pm 4:30pm 5:00pm	Latin Mass English Mass English Mass Latin Mass Carols English Mass with Filipino Music
December 31 Mary, Holy Mother of God	5:00pm 7:00pm - midnight	English Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession
January 1 Mary, Holy Mother of God	7:15am 9:00am 10:30am 12:30pm	Latin Mass English Mass English Mass Latin Mass

HEALING CORNER "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord..." A person who is being abused is not easily identifiable. They may be your neighbour. They may sit with you on a committee at church. Maybe they are the parent of one of your children's friends. They may be your minister. They may be the tenant downstairs, the older person who you visit at the park, or your sibling. Be aware that violence against anyone is not just a statistic but may be happening to people you know.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 9

7:00am – special intention SI

9:00am – Alix Despreses SI

Tuesday, December 10

7:00am – special intention SI

9:00am – Peter Brown RIP

Wednesday, December 11

12:00pm – special intention SI

7:00pm – Philip Rajanayagam RIP

Thursday, December 12

9:00am – Jesus Avenin Reyes RIP

10:15am (Trinity) - Faye LaPaz SI

7:00pm – special intention SI

Friday, December 13

9:00am – Helen Bremner RIP

11:00am (Amica) - Fr. Clauber Lima Pereira SI

7:00pm – special intention SI

Saturday, December 14

9:00am – special intention SI

5:00pm – Michael Wong RIP

Sunday, December 15

7:15am - Confraternity of St. Peter SI

9:00am – Lourdes Buencamino RIP

10:30am – All Parishioners SI

12:30pm – special intention SI

Latin Mass Calendar

Sunday, December 8 Immaculate Conception 1st CI

Sunday, December 15 3rd Sunday of Advent 1st CI

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Arleen Avendano, Richard D., Rose Dourado, Ken Foran,

Nancy Hawthorne, Hector Henao, Mary Hess,

Fr. Clauber Lima Pereira, Faye LePaz, Leanne Morgan,

Joe Rathwell and Cleofe Togonon

May the Lord grant them healing, comfort and peace.

REST IN PEACE

John Peter Bertens



Our heartfelt sympathies to their families.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

LED LIGHTING FUNDRAISER

Pledges received: \$890 Goal: \$2,500

Last Week's Donations

	BUDGET	COLLECTION	SHORTFALL
Regular	\$9,169	\$7,411.80	(\$1,757.20)
PAW*			
MTD	\$36,676	\$7,411.80	(\$1,757.20)

*Pre-authorized withdrawal (Monthly)

	GOAL	COLLECTION TO DATE	SHORTFALL
TIA	\$44,787	\$ 24,370.00	(\$20,417.00)

Our prayerful wishes for the coming Christmas and the New Year! After four (4) months of pastoral ministry with you in this venerable parish community, I would like to express my appreciation for the warm welcome I have received. On behalf of our parish, I want to thank you for the continuing care and concern you have shown in terms of active involvement, generous contributions and prayers for our community. God is never outdone in love and generosity. As of this writing, we are behind our targeted parish income goal for the current year in the amount of \$40,000.00 more or less. We are also currently behind our Together in Action (Bishop's Appeal) goal of \$44,787.00 by \$20,417.00. We need your continuing support to achieve our financial goals for this current year. Our weekly bulletin carries our current financial picture. We hope that you understand our needful situation. In the recent months, we have tried to make interventions in the area of safety and security (enhancing our entrances and exits), executed required repairs and addressed maintenance issues. We are re-visiting current spending issues. We will continue to encourage more and more volunteers to help us out in the various ministries. We will review our liturgical celebrations and pastoral programs in a deliberate effort to make them more meaningful to our own respective faith lives. Should you need or desire to contact me, please feel free to do so. Praying for a fruitful ministry with you in this part of the Lord's vineyard, I am... Fr Edmund

HAMPER PREPARATION AND DELIVERY There are many tasks involved in preparing 50 Christmas hampers. Please prayerfully consider how you may help and sign up on the Pantry bulletin board in the Hall.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING and GIFT BEARERS: Please sign up at the offertory gift table to light the advent candles or be gift bearers at each weekend mass during advent.

2020 DONATION ENVELOPES are available in the breezeway.

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY: For all the latest news and events within the Diocese, please visit our website stanthonyscalgary.com and view the weekly Diocese Insert.

IT IS TOO LITTLE



This week's scriptures are meant to be a link between the Baptism of Jesus and the rest of the Church year. They provide sort of a follow-up and meditation on Christ's ritual washing by John. Last week we read part of the Servant Songs from Isaiah. These describe a mysterious person who serves God through his pain. Today's selection adds the concept that the Servant's mission is not just to the Jewish people, but for all nations. As much as God loves his Chosen People, this love is only complete when it reaches all people.



Paperless Bulletin

Are you looking for ways to increase your care for the environment? Reducing the amount of paper that is used to produce our bulletin is one way that you can contribute. To receive your paperless bulletin email bulletin@stanthonyscalgary.com. Or you can write your name and email address on this bulletin and put it into the collection:

Name: _____
 Email: _____

IN AND AROUND THE PARISH THIS WEEK

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	ROOM	CONTACT
Sunday, Dec 8	8:15am – 9:00am	Latin Mass Social	Parish Hal	Coral D’Silva
	8:45am – 10:15am	Sacramental Preparation Session 4	Meeting Roomsl	Dorothy Loucks
	10:00am – 10:30am	9 AM Social	Parish Hall	Dianne McKay
	10:30am – 11:15am	Children’s Liturgy	Meeting Room 1	Riza & Ranee
	10:30am – 12:30pm	Latin Choir Practice	Hall & MR 2	Jim Hume
	11:30am – Noon	10:30AM Social	Parish Hall	1 st Reconciliation Team
	2:00pm – 3:00pm	Introduction to the Latin Mass	Meeting Room 1	John McDonald
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Latin Mass Social	Parish Hall	Toddene Niznik
Monday, Dec 9	10:45am – 11:45am	Latin Family Catechism	Meeting Room 1	Fr. Shannon
	7:00pm – 8:00pm	Latin Catechism	Meeting Room 1	Fr. Shannon
Tuesday, Dec 10	7:00pm – 9:00pm	Baptism Preparation	Office Boardroom	Deacon Ron
Wednesday, Dec 11	2:00pm – 5:30pm	Christmas Hampers Build Boxes	Parish Hall	Abe Villanueva
Thursday, Dec 12	9:00am – 5:30pm	Adoration	Church	
	9:30am – 11:30am	Christmas Hampers Sort Gifts	Parish Hall	Abe Villanueva
	5:00pm – 7:00pm	Legion of Mary	Meeting Room 1	Oneill Martis
Friday, Dec 13	9:30am – 11:30am	Christmas Hampers Bag Produce	Parish Hall	Abe Villanueva
	3:00pm – 8:00pm	Christmas Hampers Fill Boxes	Parish Hall	Abe Villanueva
Saturday, Dec 14	8:30am – 12:00pm	Christmas Hampers Deliveries	Parish Hall	Abe Villanueva
	10:30am – 12:30pm	Latin Altar Servers Practice	Church	Fr. Shannon
	11:00am – Noon	Legion of Mary Jr.	Meeting Rooms	Audrey Martis
	4:00pm – 5:00pm	5PM Choir Rehearsal	Meeting Room 2	Colleen Reinhart
	7:00pm – 9:00pm	El Shaddai Worship	Church	Fr. Edmund
	9:00pm – 10:00pm	El Shaddai Social	Parish Hall	Fr. Edmund
Sunday, Dec 15	8:15am – 9:00am	Latin Mass Social	Parish Hall	Coral D’Silva
	10:00am – 10:30am	9 AM Social	Parish Hall	Knights of Columbus
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Pageant Preparation	Meeting Room 1	Dorothy Loucks
	10:30am – 11:15am	Children’s Liturgy	Meeting Room 1	Riza & Ranee
	10:30am – 12:30pm	Latin Choir Practice	Hall & MR 2	Jim Hume
	11:30am – Noon	10:30AM Social	Parish Hall	Nerissa Benales
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Latin Mass Social	Parish Hall	Toddene Niznik



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Lord is hidden there in the Blessed Sacrament, waiting for us to come and visit Him, and make our requests to Him. (St. John Vianney)

Please consider becoming a Committed Adorer, even temporarily, or as a substitute, and sign your name on the master schedule for any hour that you can commit to or call the parish office: 403-252-1137.

Committed Adorers are required for:	Sunday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	3AM – 4AM	6PM – 7PM	7AM–9AM	3AM – 4AM	4AM– 5AM	4AM – 5AM	3AM – 5AM
	6AM – 7AM	7PM – 8PM	9AM–11AM	1PM – 2PM		7AM - 8AM	5PM – 8PM
	2PM – 3PM			7PM – 8PM			