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ANNOUNCEMENTS
4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 1/2, 2020

PASTORAL CARE COURSE

The diocesan pastoral care course will be held on Mondays. This course equips participants with the understanding necessary to meet the pastoral care needs of the lonely, shut-ins, the sick and dying, as well as the visiting skills that the Diocese requires of the pastoral care ministers. Registration is limited, but additional courses are planned. When: **Feb. 24 to March 30 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm**. Where: St. Peter's Church (541 Silvergrove Drive NW Calgary). Please note priority will be given to those who are taking the course for volunteer purposes. To register, visit <https://www.catholicyc.ca/pcc.html>.

HELP END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

St. Michael's CWL is launching *I'm Worth It Now*, an initiative to assist human trafficking survivors by providing backpacks and raising awareness about this issue. When: **Saturday, Feb 22 from 1 pm**. Where: **St. Michael Catholic Community** (800 85 ST. SW, Calgary). Speakers: Detective Paul Rubner of Calgary Police Service and Liz Gibson, survivor. For more information, visit <http://saintmichael.ca/iwininitiative/>

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR (CNOY) WALK

This is a family-friendly fundraiser to support Feed the Hungry (a Diocesan program) and Bankview Apartments (low-income housing for those at risk of, or previously experiencing homelessness). Join 400 others in walking 2, 5 or 10-km routes and raise funds for these two worthy programs. When: **Saturday, Feb 22**. For more information visit cnoy.org/location/calgarydowntown

TRANSITIONS PROGRAM

The Transitions Program is a 15-week peer support program for those recently separated or divorced. Participants will meet every week to reflect upon and discuss topics such as self-esteem, stress, anger, guilt, blame, loneliness, forgiveness, blended families and more. The next program will begin **Tuesday, Feb 18** at Sacred Heart Parish (1307 – 14th St. SW, Calgary). Registration: 403-218-5505 | alida.allen@calgarydiocese.ca

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

The Diocese of Calgary is inviting all couples, parishes and communities to celebrate World Marriage Day on **Sunday, Feb. 9**. The purpose of observing Marriage Sunday is to recognize the importance of the Sacrament of Marriage and to affirm couples who by their witness, strengthen the faith of their parishes and communities.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sacred Heart Parish in Strathmore invites you to celebrate your wedding anniversary with their community. When: **Saturday, Feb 8 at 5 pm**. Where: Strathmore Civic Centre (120 Brent Blvd., Strathmore). Tickets are \$40, includes buffet supper, professional photography, etc. To register, contact 587-581-1595 | sacredhc@shaw.ca

MARRIAGE VOWS RENEWAL

Couples are invited to the First annual Renewal of Marriage Vows celebration at Holy Trinity Parish (13126 – 21st Ave, Blairmore). When: **Friday, Feb 7**. Mass at 6 pm and dinner at 7 pm. Cost: \$30 per couple. There will be a cash bar.

Deadline to register is Feb. 1. For more information, email htrinity@shaw.ca | 403-562-2103.

JOIN US AT BISHOP'S DINNER

Join friends, family and the Catholic community for the 20th Bishop's Dinner. When: **Friday, May 8**, at Telus Convention Centre 120 9 Ave SE, Calgary. Funds raised will support the St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy Program and the continued spiritual formation of young adults throughout our Diocese. For more information, visit <https://catholicyc.ca/bishopsdinner>

CREMATION GUIDELINES FROM CCCB

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has updated the pamphlet "Cremation and Funeral Liturgies" that is intended to assist and advise the bereaved or others involved in planning funerals. The pamphlet provides information on:

- the Church's perspectives on death
- praying for the deceased
- mourning
- funerals and cremation

For more information, visit <https://catholicyc.ca/liturgy>

RETREATS

1. **Vocation retreat for single women 16-35 at Our Lady of Assumption Parish** (7624-39 Ave. NW Calgary)
Date: March 7. Contact Sr. Terry Smith at 403-228-3623 | terry@fcjcentre.ca
2. **Weekend live-in retreat for single women ages 20-40 at Providence Calgary**, (150 Providence Blvd. SE, Calgary)
Dates: Feb. 21- Feb. 23. Contact Sr. Mae Valdez, SP at 587-432-2088
| mvaldez@sistersofprovidence.ca

NEW PILGRIMAGES

3. **Medjugorje, Croatia, Austria, Hungary, Czech Rep., and Poland with Fr. Vincent TuanHa**
Dates: Apr. 24 – May 7, 2020. Contact Michael at 647-887-4069 ext 367
4. **Portugal, Spain, France and Italy Pilgrimage with Fr. Anthony Poul Narisetti**
Dates: May 27 - June 11, 2020. Contact 905-412-2242 | group@qstours.com.
5. **Medjugorje Pilgrimage with Fr. David Meadows**
Dates: May 30 – June 14, 2020. Contact: Angie at 403-803-3085 | asteciw@telus.net
6. **Medjugorje Pilgrimage with Fr. Yarek Dziuba**
Dates: June 13-25, 2020 with St. Joseph's Parish Community. Contact Orlando at 403-245-5010.
Information night: **Tuesday, Jan 28** from 7:30 pm.
Where: St. Joseph Church, Calgary.
7. **Shrines of Italy with Fr. Bob Dielissen**
Dates: June 23 – July 30, 2020. **Information night: Thursday, Jan 23** at 6:30 pm. Where: **St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary**. Contact 403-228-417

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