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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT  
FEBRUARY 29/MARCH 1, 2020

## THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

Put it in your calendar: **Good Friday, April 10, at 9 am.** The stations begin at St. Mary's Cathedral.

## LENTEN EVENTS & RESOURCES

We prepare ourselves to enter once again into Jesus' Paschal mystery and to renew it in our lives. Find Lenten events, reconciliation services, parish missions and various family resources to accompany your journey in this season of prayer and penance: [catholiccyyc.ca/lenet](http://catholiccyyc.ca/lenet)

## ST. PATRICK'S FEAST DAY WITH BISHOP

**MCGRATTAN** | The Irish Cultural Society (ICS) invites you to celebrate the Feast day of St. Patrick at St. Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday, **Mar. 17 at noon** with Bishop McGrattan. Following mass, a light community lunch will be served in the parish hall. Kindly bring a tray of sandwiches or baked goods to contribute to the lunch.

## TRANSITIONS PROGRAM

The Transitions Program is a 15-week peer support program for those recently separated or divorced. The program began Tuesday, Feb. 18 at Sacred Heart Parish (1307 - 14 St. SW, Calgary) but will remain open until **Mar. 3**. Register at 403-218-5505 | [alida.allen@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:alida.allen@calgarydiocese.ca)

## LENTEN RETREATS / MISSIONS

- **St. Patrick's Lenten Mission**  
St. Patrick's in Calgary invites you to join Fr. Jerome, Fr. Cristino and Fr. Poul on a Lenten Series on "The 7 Last Words of Christ". When: **Thursdays in Lent, at 7:15 pm until 8 pm.**
- **Lenten Mission with St. Paul's, Airdrie** with Fr. Adrian Martens. When: Monday to Wednesday, **Mar. 9-11, at 7 pm** (start with Mass). Where: St. Paul's Church (1305 Main St., Airdrie).

- **Lenten Mission with St. Anthony's, Calgary** with Fr. Edmund Vargas. When: **Mar. 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 7:30 pm** (following 7 pm Mass). Where: St. Anthony's Church (5340 4 St SW, Calgary)
- **Lenten Mission with St. Gabriel's Parish, Chestermere**, with Sisters of Divine Mercy. When: **Monday (Mar. 16) to Wednesday (Mar. 18), from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.** Where: St. Gabriel's Rectory (316 Windermere Dr. Chestermere, AB T1X 0B9). The mission includes rosary prayer, Mass, adoration, inspirational talk and music.
- **SFXC Young Adult Lenten Retreat** (18-35) at Camp Chestermere (1041 East Lakeview Rd., Chestermere, AB). When: **Friday, Mar. 20** (all day). To register, contact 587-232-9728 | [sfxc@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:sfxc@calgarydiocese.ca) | [sfxc.ca](http://sfxc.ca)
- **St. Agnes' Lenten Mission**  
St. Agnes invites you to their parish Lenten Mission with speaker Fr. Daniel Gurnick. When: **Monday (Mar. 22) to Wednesday (Mar. 24) - at 7 pm.** All are welcome!

## RETRouvaille PROGRAM

Help your marriage and family by taking the Retrouvaille program. Learn to use practical communication tools to bring greater intimacy to your relationship. When: **Friday, Mar. 6**. Register at [helpourmarriagecalgary.com](http://helpourmarriagecalgary.com) | 403-879-7893.

## BRUNCH WITH THE BISHOP

The Calgary Catholic Medical Association (CCMA) invites you to have brunch with Bishop McGrattan at the Canmore Opera House at Heritage Park (1900 Heritage Dr SW, Calgary). When: **Saturday, Mar. 7**. This event is open to everyone. Tickets: \$30 each. For any questions or to register, contact [catholicmedyyyc@gmail.com](mailto:catholicmedyyyc@gmail.com)

## WOMEN' RETREATS

- **Religious Vocation retreat for single women (16-35) at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish** (7624-39 Ave. NW Calgary). When: **Mar. 7**. Contact Sr. Terry Smith at 403-228-3623 | [terry@fcjcentre.ca](mailto:terry@fcjcentre.ca)
- **Totus Tuus for Young Women (18-45)** at the Divine Mercy Centre (15206 Township Road 262, Calgary) for a life deeply rooted to Mary, the Mother of Mercy. When: **Mar. 8 at 2-4 pm**. Contact 587-755-1019.

## FREE TAX CLINICS

Holy Spirit Parish will be hosting free Tax Clinics for Income Tax Returns. When: **Mar. 14 & 28, Apr. 18 & 25 (2 to 5 pm)**. Where: Holy Spirit Parish, 10827 24 St. SW, Calgary. For more information about eligibility or to register, contact [taxfreeclinic@holyspiritparish.net](mailto:taxfreeclinic@holyspiritparish.net).

Note: *This is a service offered by Holy Spirit Parish done by volunteers. Both Holy Spirit Parish and the Diocese of Calgary are not responsible to the CRA for the income tax return prepared and filed.*

## FINE ARTS POSTER CONTEST

The Secular Franciscan Fraternities of Western Canada invite all children and youth to participate in their annual fine arts and poster contest. Theme: Reaching Out to My Community. Official entry must be submitted before **Mar. 20**. To submit artwork, visit [olota.org](http://olota.org) | 403-358-4530 | [catherineofs@gmail.com](mailto:catherineofs@gmail.com)

## FAMILY COMPASS

Schoenstatt Apostolic Movement of Calgary invites Spanish-speaking couples to *Family Compass*, a series of workshops designed for couples who want to enrich their relationship and connect on a deeper level with God and their family. The series begins on Saturday, **Mar. 21 at 6:30 pm** happening at St. Michael Catholic Community (800 85 Street SW, Calgary). Visit [saintmichael.ca/faithformation](http://saintmichael.ca/faithformation)

## FAITH AND FUN FLAMES GAME

Join Bishop McGrattan and the Catholic Community in the Diocese of Calgary at a hockey game - Calgary Flames vs Tampa Bay Lightning. The first one hundred purchasers will be entered into a draw for an autographed hockey stick. For each ticket sold we raise \$5 for the Diocesan youth ministry. There will be a pre-game meet & greet with Bishop McGrattan. When: **Saturday, Mar. 21**. Cost: \$56 (discounted tickets). Get tickets at [flamesgroups.com/faithandfun](http://flamesgroups.com/faithandfun)

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION WITH CEE

Catholic Engaged Encounter (CEE) invites engaged couples to a marriage preparation weekend. When: **Mar. 28-29**. To register, call 403-240-0103 | [ceewest.com/calgary](http://ceewest.com/calgary) |

## LIVE-IN RETREAT

You are invited to a Live-In weekend retreat to grow in faith with Jesus. When: **Mar. 27-29** near Okotoks (starts Friday evening and ends Sunday afternoon). To register, please contact [calgarylivein@telus.net](mailto:calgarylivein@telus.net) | 403-239-0979. If you have attended your own Live-In, please consider serving at the retreat.

**THE CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD TRAINING FOR ADULTS** | Based on Montessori principles, this program teaches scripture and liturgy for children ages 3-6. The training will be held **Apr. 20-25**. Where: Catholic Pastoral Centre. Deadline to register: **Mar. 15**. For more information Contact [cgsac.ca](http://cgsac.ca) | [paula.sabatini@st-peters.ca](mailto:paula.sabatini@st-peters.ca)

## 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. More information: [bishopsdinner.ca](http://bishopsdinner.ca)