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Solemnity of ALL SAINTS

November 1, 2020

INFLUENZA+ COVID-19

The influenza season is upon us while we continue to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The following measures protect us from both.

FREQUENT HANDWASHING WITH SOAP OR SANITIZING
Sanitize your hands before entering or exiting the church. Sanitizing stations are available in the church.

PROPER PHYSICAL DISTANCING
of 6 feet or 2 metres maintained at all times and in all directions between people who are not from the same household or cohort.

WEAR FACE COVERINGS OR MASKS
The wearing of face coverings or masks in public places including church buildings and auxiliary parish spaces but exemptions under municipal bylaws will be respected without requiring proof of eligibility.

COUGH OR SNEEZE INTO YOUR SLEEVES

GET A FLU SHOT

STAY HOME WHEN FEELING UNWELL

LIVESTREAM
When vulnerable to infection because of an underlying condition or for any other reason, we encourage you to avoid public places such as the church and join in on the Mass via any of the live-streamed Masses on calgarydiocese.ca

For more information call Health Link at 811 or visit www.ahs.ca

The Diocese of Calgary strongly recommends to the faithful to, as much as possible, continue to wear the mask while seated in the pews during the Mass.

This will help better protect one another in preventing the transmission of the flu and COVID-19. However, exemptions under the municipal bylaws will continue to be respected without requiring proof of eligibility. This gesture of wearing the mask is a sign of charity and concern for each other's health. Please see the new poster above which highlights a number of health and safety measures to help prevent the spread of the flu and COVID-19. Thank you for your cooperation

Healthy Use of Information Technologies | COVID-19

COVID & THE Call to Faith Week 6

Healthy use of information technologies

Panelists: Mr. Lincoln Ho, Mr. Tim Spelliscy, Rev. Feroz Fernandes, Mr. John Wasch, Constable Tuyen Nguyen

Covid & The Call to Faith

Watch Panel Discussion Video Week 6 at

<https://grandinmedia.ca/bishops-reflections-on-covid/>
Weekly Reflection (PDF) is appended to this bulletin

Weekend Schedule

Saturday	Confessions	4:00 pm
	English Mass	5:00 pm
Sunday	Confessions	6:45 am
	Latin Mass	7:15 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	English Mass	10:30 am
	Confessions	Noon
	Latin Mass	12:30 pm

Weekday Schedule

Monday All Souls	Confessions	6:30 am
	Latin Mass	7:00 am
	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	Confessions	11:00 am
	Latin Mass	11:30 am
Tuesday	Confessions	6:30 pm
	English Mass	7:00 pm
	Confessions	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
Wednesday	Confession	11:30 am
	Latin Mass	Noon
	Confession	6:30 pm
	English Mass	7:00 pm
Thursday & Friday	Confession	8:30 am
	English Mass	9:00 am
	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	9:30 am
	Confessions	6:00 pm
	Benediction	6:00 pm
Saturday	Latin Mass	7:00 pm
	Confessions	8:00 am
	Latin Mass	9:00 am

Pastor Fr. Edmund Vargas ext 224 or 587-349-9615
Associate Pastor Fr. John Shannon, FSSP ext 226 or 403-714-7361
In Residence Fr. John Petravicius, Fr. Anthony Pudota
Deacon Ron Nowell
Bookkeeper Magda Aguillon ext 223
Janitorial Service Polmax Ecology Cleaning Ltd.

On Temporary Leave:
 John Morgan Music Director
 Heather Schilling Parish Secretary
 Dorothy Loucks Sacramental Preparation
 Maria Teresa Valez Accountant
 Dianne McKay Office Assistant

Pastoral Notes

Law and Spirit

In the Old Testament, the divine pattern for human conduct was set forth for His people in the Ten Commandments which is a summary of instructions given to God's chosen people before they entered the Promised Land. In the New Testament, God reveals himself to us in the person of Jesus who has showed how we are to live. With Christ's new commandment of love, we freely respond to the call for holiness in the particular circumstances of our lives.

Many theologians would like to see the parallelism between the Ten Commandments handed down to Moses on Mt. Sinai and the Beatitudes which Christ preached on the Mount which is featured in our gospel reading today. So to speak, the Beatitudes becomes the New Testament version of the Ten Commandments. The Beatitudes expresses a personal commitment to what Christ demands as part of our calling as God's children. The Beatitudes is the positive response to God's call to love, making us comply with our external acts of the law as an expression of our commitment to justice and peace.

The gift of God's love in Christ, as exemplified in the Eucharist, becomes the central force of our acts of justice, kindness and love. Just evil intentions come from the human heart, goodness comes from the grace of God. Living the Christian faith is not all about complying with outward practices of our religion. Christian faith has to be deeply rooted in our souls, making the word of God as the source of all our actions and thoughts.

God gives us the capacity to act in accordance with God's love in Jesus Christ who became human so we can share our humanity but not our sinfulness. We go beyond our religious practices and acts of justice and peace to realize that it is God's grace that moves us to pursue what is good. As St Paul asserts in the second reading today: "It is God's doing that He has become our wisdom, our virtue, our holiness and our freedom." And quoting the prophet Jeremiah, St Paul adds: "If anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord."

HEALING CORNER

Dating can be fun and exciting, but sometimes your relationship can turn into something you aren't comfortable with. Dating abuse can include: name-calling, hurtful words and other forms of verbal and emotional abuse; hitting, punching, kicking and other forms of physical abuse; telling you who you can spend time with or how much time you can spend with other people; controlling behaviors - deciding what you wear, how you can style your hair, etc.; threatening to hurt you, destroying your things, and other intimidation tactics; or touching you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable, not listening when you say "no" or other forms of sexual abuse. If you are being abused, help is available. Talk to a family member, close friend, teacher, counsellor or priest you trust.



CCCB Daily Readings

First Reading: Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14

Psalms 24

Second Reading: 1 John 3.1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12a

FR EDMUND'S UPDATE

Month of Remembrance will be this November. Masses for All Souls in Purgatory will be celebrated this weekend (Saturday, 5pm & Sunday, 9am & 10:30am) and on Monday, November 2 (All Souls' Day), 7am (Latin), 9am (English), 11:30am (Latin) and 7pm (English). For the whole month, a Remembrance Box will be placed in the right corner of the church for those who want to write the names of their beloved dead and have prayers offered for them. There will also be envelopes for Mass Offerings for our beloved dead. All Mass Intentions requested will be scheduled and celebrated accordingly.

The First Reconciliation Preparation program has started. Families interested to catch up with the program may contact Fr Edmund directly for details.

As we prepare for the **Bishop's Pastoral Visit**, parishioners are encouraged to participate by submitting written suggestions/recommendations or by arranging a time to dialogue with the bishop as an individual, family or group.

Campaign for the **Christmas Hampers** this year will soon be launched. You can be part of this outreach program by volunteering as an individual or family or group to help with preparation and delivery as well by financial contribution. We will also put up a "Giving Tree" for our traditional family gifts.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

ALL SOULS' DAY

Monday, Nov 2

7:00 am Latin Mass

9:00 am English Mass

11:30 am Latin Mass

7:00 pm English Mass

Confession will be available beginning at 30 minutes before each Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Nov 1

7:15am Latin	SI	special intention
9am English	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory
10:30am English	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory
12:30 pm Latin	SI	special intention

Monday, Nov 2

7am Latin	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory
9am English	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory
11:30 am Latin	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory
7pm English	RIP	All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, Nov 3

7am Latin	SI	Special intention
9am English	SI	Coreen McNally
	SI	Celestina Rodrigo

Wednesday, Nov 4

Noon Latin	SI	special intention
7pm English	SI	Chris George
	RIP	Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, Nov 5

9am English	RIP	Souls in Purgatory
	RIP	Souls in Purgatory
7pm Latin	SI	special intention

Friday, Nov 6

9am English	RIP	Art McKean
	RIP	Souls in Purgatory
7pm Latin	SI	special intention

Saturday, Nov 7

9am Latin	SI	special intention
5pm English	RIP	Philip Rajamayagam

LATIN MASS CALENDAR

Sunday Nov 1	1 st CL	ALL SAINTS DAY
Monday Nov 2	1 st CL	ALL SOULS DAY
Sunday Nov 8	2 nd CL	23 rd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday Nov 15	2 nd CL	6 th Sunday after Epiphany

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Rose Dourado, Ken Foran, Faye LaPaz,
Leanne Morgan, Charlene Munn, and
Corazon Reyes

**May the Lord grant them healing, comfort,
and peace.**

REST IN PEACE

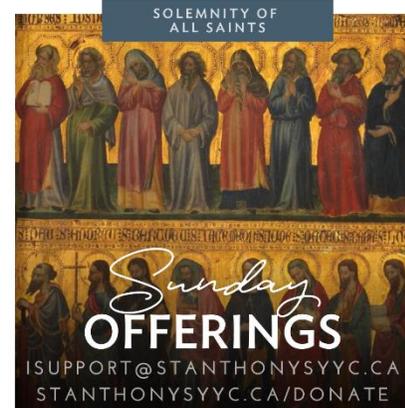
**Mary Hess, Mary Olson and Laura Schielke
Ruth Odinetz (mother of Ruth Hewitt)**

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.**

YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING

Our parish relies on our regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. We offer many convenient ways for you to make your contributions including: sign in to your to own banking institution and e-transfer the amount to:



isupport@stanthonysyyc.ca; or to donate by credit card, or register for pre-authorized debit withdrawal visit stanthonysyyc.ca/donation; you may also mail your cheques to St. Anthony's Church 5340 4 St. SW Calgary, AB T2V 0Z5, or drop off your donation envelopes into our donation box in the church foyer when you come to Mass. You are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS IN OCTOBER

	BUDGET	COLLECTION	DIFFERENCE
MTD	\$32,815	\$38,334.98	\$5,519.98
YTD	\$344,644	\$304,939.77	(\$39,704.23)

	GOAL	COLLECTION	DIFFERENCE
TIA 2020	\$41,030	\$16,295.45	(\$24,734.55)
Refuge Family	\$30,000	\$28,750	(\$1,250)

PARISH ENVELOPES 2021

2021 Envelopes will be available to pick up after Masses on the weekends of November 8 and November 15 in the Parish Office Boardroom. To maintain physical distancing please enter from the main church and exit through the office door.

It is important that all unused 2020 envelopes be recycled after January 1 as we are assigning new numbers.

If you would like to register for Pre-Authorized withdrawal you can do so at <https://stanthonysyyc.ca/direct-debit/>.

For assistance with planning your donations for 2021 or to request that your envelopes be mailed to you, please email Magda at accounting@stanthonysyyc.ca.

St. Anthony's 10:30 AM Sunday Livestream Mass



Watch livestream on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#)



WEEKLY ADORATION

If there is anything you need, pray for it. Philippians 4:6

[Red Altar Candle Offering](#)

Thursday and Friday 9:30 am – 6:00 pm.

[Register in advance](#) or sign in.

A minimum of 2 people per hour are required.



On November 8, 2020, we celebrate Catholic Education Sunday across the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary. It is a day to recognize the gift of Catholic education that is ours to cherish and support so that it remains vital for today's students who will become tomorrow's community leaders. Our schools are an expression of our faith and a gift to future generations. Catholic education is the permeation of God in everything we do.

The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation is a charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the learning experience for the over 59,000 students in the 118 schools of the Calgary Catholic School District. A portion of the Catholic Education Sunday collection is committed to St Mary's University, St Joseph's Seminary at Newman Theological College as well as the Catholic schools of the Franco-Sud school board. This year more than ever, your donations are crucial to ensure our students are successful in their learning be it in school or online due to COVID19.

To donate online, please visit <https://theccef.ca/donors>.
Donations of \$20 or more receive a tax receipt. Thank you for believing in Catholic Education.

PANTRY TO ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



We are now planning our transition from our Pantry to become a "conference" or branch or affiliate with the wider society. All members of the current Pantry and others who are interested are invited to become part of the new setup by completing the [SSVP new member form](#) and emailing it to Fr. Edmund at efvargas@shaw.ca.

Memorial Liturgy

for those grieving a loss of a child
through miscarriage & stillbirth
with The Most Rev. William T. McGrattan

FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 2020
Sacred Heart Church, Calgary
6:30 PM - Registration
7 PM - Liturgy

TO ATTEND, PLEASE REGISTER AT
miscarriageliturgy.ca
OR CALL 403-218-5521

St. Mary's University needs volunteers to support the event: **Field of Crosses: Night of Lights**, which will take place on November 10 & 11, 2020. St. Mary's University is honoured to accept the sole responsibility to set up and light 3,500 candles at the crosses of our fallen soldiers, and then remove the candles and repack them the following day. If you or your family members are interested to join St. Mary's in this opportunity, please contact kim.bourque@stmu.ca by October 28 or sooner. Click here for volunteering details.

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SACRAMENT MATTERS

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Registration Deadline: October 24

In-Person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday 10:30 Mass: October 25, November 8, November 22 & December 6.

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation: **December 15, 7pm** or by appointment.

FIRST EUCHARIST/COMMUNION

Registration Deadline: January 24

In-Person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday, 10:30am Mass: January 24, February 7, February 21 & March 7.

First Communion Mass: **March 14, 10:30am Mass** or by appointment.

CONFIRMATION

Registration Deadline: April 11

In-person 30-minute Session with Fr Edmund in the church after the Sunday 10:30am Mass: April 11, April 25, May 9 & May 23.

Confirmation Mass is on **Saturday, May 29, 5pm**.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Please arrange an interview with Fr Edmund at any time with your Registration Form. The home study program will be explained accordingly. The program culminates with the celebration at the Easter Vigil (April 3)

BAPTISM

Please submit a Registration for Baptism Form, together with a copy of the child's birth certificate. Upon receipt, Fr Edmund will contact you for an interview and scheduling of the celebration.

An online Baptism Class is scheduled every 4th Saturday of the month, 10am to 12noon, facilitated by Ferdie & Malou Gayos of the Missionary Families for Christ (MFC).

WEDDINGS, FUNERALS & ANNOINTING OF THE SICK SPIRITUAL DIRECTION or PASTORAL CONSULTATION

Contact Fr. Edmund to arrange.

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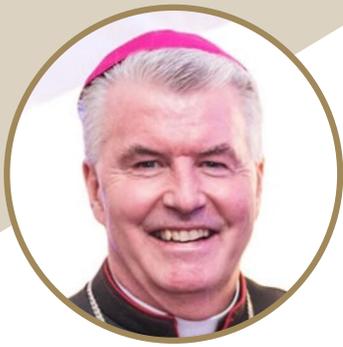
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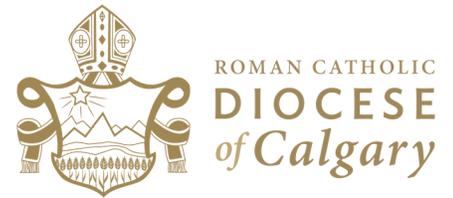
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Bishop McGrattan's **PASTORAL VISIT**



What is a Pastoral Visit?

According to the Code of Canon Law, the Bishop is expected to pay routine visits to the parishes of his diocese in order to familiarize himself with the pastoral needs of his people: “The Bishop is bound to visit his diocese in whole or in part each year, so that at least every five years he will have visited the whole diocese.” (Code of Canon Law, Canon 396.1)

Why is this done?

The pastoral visit enables the Bishop to maintain personal contact with the People of God. It is an occasion to reinvigorate those engaged in evangelization and to evaluate the effectiveness of structures designed for pastoral service. The Pastoral Visit also gives the Bishop insight into the state of divine worship, from which the parish draws its strength.

The Role of the Bishop

The Bishop is the chief shepherd of his diocese and the visible sign of unity between his parishes. As a successor to the Apostles chosen by Jesus, the Bishop continues the ministry of teaching, governing and sanctifying the People of God. The Pastoral Visit greatly assists the Bishop in accomplishing this three-fold mission.

The Fruits of a Pastoral Visit

For parishes welcoming the Bishop, the Pastoral Visit is an event of grace, reflecting in some measure that great visit with which Jesus Christ has visited and redeemed His people. The fruits of the Bishop’s visit come by way of his prayerful recommendations in the areas of divine worship and pastoral work.

WHAT'S INVOLVED IN A PASTORAL VISIT

If time and circumstances permit, the Bishop will:

- Celebrate Mass and preach the Word of God.
- Confer the Sacrament of Confirmation, within Mass if possible.
- Meet with the pastor and other clerics who assist in the parish.
- Meet with the Pastoral Council or, if one does not exist, with the faithful who collaborate in diverse apostolates.
- Meet with the Parish Finance Council.
- Meet with children, youth and young adults who are receiving catechetical instruction.
- Visit the school and other Catholic institutions dependent on the parish.
- Visit some of the sick in the parish, insofar as it is possible.

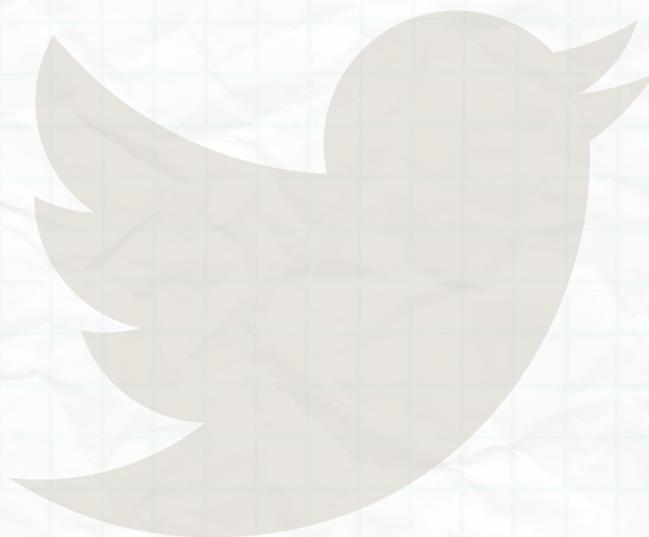


Reflection

Week 6

Healthy use of information technologies

Throughout the pandemic, we learned new communications skills and employed multiple platforms to stay connected with one another.



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One of the great blessings to surface during this pandemic time has been the use of various communications technologies to help bridge physical distances and to keep people connected through time and space. Employed creatively by individuals, families, schools, workplaces, churches and many others, these various means of technology literally transformed our world and allowed us to continue life with a remarkable degree of connectivity.

As we continue to use all the means of information technology available to us today, it is important also to be prudent in our use of these technologies to ensure that they do not give rise to destructive situations or behaviours. At times, this may require us to refrain from the technological imperative that suggests that if we can use it, we must. It may also require us to limit or restrict our access on certain platforms, or to exercise prudent discernment with respect to information that is presented. The essential question to ask in our use of communication technology is whether it contributes to the betterment of the human person and human community.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- 1 What role does information technology, internet and social communication have in your home? Do you consume information technology passively or do you reflect on the moral implications of its use for you, your family and others?
- 2 What questions or lessons has the pandemic surfaced for you about positive and negative uses of technology in our Church? in society?
- 3 In moving forward, what activities should our Church undertake to promote new, creative and life-giving digital communications and form families in the healthier use of information technology?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- The Holy See's Dicastery for Communications, [Annual Messages for World Communications Day](#).
- Pope Benedict XVI, Encyclical: Caritas in Veritate (2009): [On Integral Human Development in Charity and Truth](#).
- Saint Pope John Paul II, Apostolic Letter (2005): ["Rapid Development" \[of Technology in the Media\]](#).
- Saint Pope John Paul II (2002): Message on the ["Internet: A New Forum of Proclaiming the Gospel"](#)

As believers in Jesus, the Word-made-flesh, we desire a society that uses communication and other technologies to build up the dignity of the human person and our life together in society.



PANEL DISCUSSION



Week 6

Healthy use of information technologies



Moderator



Mr. Lincoln Ho
Social Media Specialist –
Grandin Media

Panelists



Mr. Tim Spelliscy
Media,
Community Relations



Rev. Feroz Fernandes
Author/Blogger/Pastor,
Holy Family Parish,
Grimshaw, AB



Ms. Chelsea Marshall
Religious Education
Consultant, Calgary
Catholic School District



**Constable Tuyen
Nguyen**
Cyber Crimes
Investigations Unit,
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A Pastoral Statement on the Impact of COVID-19 and the Call to Christian Renewal

“Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritance”

Dear faithful in Christ,

For the past several months, our Catholic community, together with all Canadians and indeed the whole world, has been seriously impacted by the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). All of us – whether individuals, families, parishes, institutions or dioceses – have been required to make sacrifices, including many difficult but necessary decisions about matters at the very heart of our Catholic faith and way of life. As bishops, we acknowledge and are grateful for the way in which our Catholic faithful – clergy and laity alike – have lived the unprecedented circumstances of these months. We know, too, that the Lord allows all occasions – positive and negative – to teach and re-teach us lessons for right living in light of the Gospel. It is in this spirit that we address this letter to you as an invitation to consider along with us what the Lord may be saying to his people and his Church through this time of trial.

While the situation of COVID-19 continues to develop in our lives and communities, it is increasingly evident that the pandemic has had, and will continue to have for some time to come, a far reaching impact on all people throughout the world. In Canada, including here in Alberta and the Northwest Territories, many human and social values have surfaced that, as Catholics among others, we will need to reflect upon as we consider the future of our life together in society, especially in the light of Christian revelation and our faith in Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

In particular, the pandemic has alerted us to a number of important social issues that touch us all including:

- the care of vulnerable persons in our society and supports offered to medical personnel in hospitals, nursing homes and other care facilities;
- the education of our young people and supports offered to families and to educators;
- isolation and depression in our homes and communities, and the prevalence and stigma of mental illness, substance abuse, suicide and other social ills;
- increased rates of domestic violence, elder abuse and other forms of interpersonal violence;
- societal discord over different responses to COVID-19 that have fractured human relationships and challenged our call to love one another;
- incidents of racism, bigotry and religious intolerance, including in our towns and cities;
- anxieties caused by massive losses of employment and the general situation of economic instability;
- the fragility of our human condition and the basic needs we all have for safety, solidarity, and love within authentic human community.

At the same time, we have witnessed on a daily basis many heroic and selfless examples of individuals who exemplify true human goodness and charity. These are the so-called “saints who live next door” identified by Pope Francis as medical professionals, educators, parents and grandparents, shop workers, cleaners, communications and information technology specialists, law and order personnel, delivery drivers and so many volunteers in all sectors of our society. Whether motivated by faith or otherwise, young or old, these individuals are role models for all of us, demonstrating dedicated care and compassion that goes beyond duty to a level of human solidarity that is inspiring to others. We give thanks to God for raising up such generous human individuals who embrace this collective challenge as a way to witness to the enduring human and social values by which we need to live.

All of these situations described above – the good examples and the social challenges we face – give us insights into certain behaviours, actions and structures that we value as a society and as a Christian people. Some of these we will rightly want to hold on to going forward, while others may be in need of remedy or renewal.

On this feast day when we contemplate Christ's victory over death through the life-giving wood of the Cross, we, the Catholic Bishops of Alberta and the Northwest Territories, invite you to reflect and discern with us the kind of response that will be needed to address some of the human and social values that have surfaced during this pandemic. Specifically, we seek new ways to promote authentic human development and flourishing in the very way that we live, care for others, work, organize society and interact with one another. Moved by our faith in Christ and inspired by the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, we invite the Catholic community to join us in looking afresh at certain aspects of our life together in society, to discern and decide a course for true social, cultural and spiritual renewal.

In the coming weeks, *Grandin Media* will be hosting a series of recorded panel discussions on various themes related to the pandemic and its challenging effects on our society. These sessions, featuring Catholic voices from around the province and territories, are meant to encourage our Catholic faithful to engage new questions and to take up new actions that reflect a “new normal” consistent with our life in Christ. Together with written texts, prepared by our bishops and released weekly, we shall present a series of reflections on the following topics:

- Reflection Topic #1: Inherent dignity of every human life
- Reflection Topic #2: Importance of the family
- Reflection Topic #3: Individual rights and social responsibilities
- Reflection Topic #4: Vulnerability and solidarity
- Reflection Topic #5: Responsibility for the common good
- Reflection Topic #6: Healthy use of information technologies
- Reflection Topic #7: Value and dignity of human work

We encourage all of our faithful to “tune in” to these sessions and take an active part in offering their own experience and wisdom on the topics presented. [An online mechanism will be available to receive your comments and feedback.] In this way, we hope to receive your insights into living our Christian faith in new ways in Catholic homes and in our communities, through our parishes, lay movements, schools and institutions, marked by hope, compassion and charity.

Our Catholic faith has much to contribute with respect to promoting human, social and spiritual values for the common good of society. We trust that you, like us, see the urgency to discern wisely the *signs of the times* and to “reset” our lives so that our collective experience in moving forward accords with the Gospel. Guided by the Holy Spirit, and

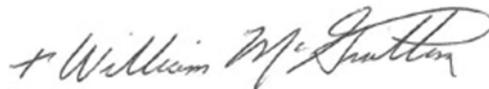
through the intercession of the most holy Mother of God, we are confident that this can be a time for bold creativity and life-giving transformation for all. We ask for God's blessing on this endeavour and upon all who join with us in this journey of discernment and path of renewal.

Yours in Christ,

Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT



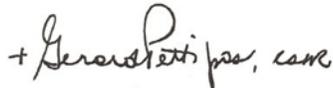
Most Reverend Richard W. Smith
Archbishop of Edmonton



Most Reverend William McGrattan
Bishop of Calgary



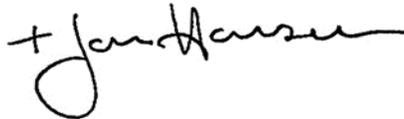
Most Reverend Paul Terrio
Bishop of St. Paul



Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR
Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan



Most Reverend David Motiuk
Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of
Edmonton



Most Reverend Jon Hansen, CSsR
Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith

September 14, 2020 – Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

*We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you,
because by your Cross you have redeemed the world.*