

**Third Sunday of Lent
March 3, 2013**

MON 4	1:00 pm 6:30 pm? 7:00 pm	Bible Study Rosary Group (Mother Teresa Room?) Memorial Mass Francesco Vignone(+)
TUE 5	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:15 pm	MASS - Friends of Maria Romano (spi) Req. by Maria Romano CWL Exec. Mtg. (John Paul Rm.) Training for New Projection System
WED 6	1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Seniors Cards MASS—with Marian Devotions RCIA - Creed Theresa Blasetti (+) Requested by K of C. Council 7871 Choir Practice for 11 am Mass RCIA (Fr. Trudeau Room) Confessions during Lent
THU 7	9:00 am 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	MASS— PatDuncan (sp. int.) Requested by Irene Wheeler Saturday Choir Practice Sun. 9 am Mass Choir Practice
FRI 8	9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	MASS— Stephen Waite(sp.int) Requested by Eileen Waite & family Lenten Soup and a Bun Stations of the Cross -St. Vincent de Paul & Rosary Group
SAT 9	3:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Confirmation Mtg.— Mother Teresa Rm. Reconciliation MASS – Deacon Clarence (sp. int.) Requested by Irene Wheeler
SUN 3	9:00 am 11:00 am	MASS – R.C.I.A. 2nd Scrutinies Aleith Jackson (+) Requested by CWL MASS- Sharon Taylor (sp. int.) Requested by Bill & Elaine Tanner
<p align="center">Let us pray for the sick Annette Glynn, Father Eulogio 'Eling Estaris, Ireneo Canuel, Joyce Masciangelo and Neil Steenveld Pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace in the arms of the Lord Together in Action 2nd Collection for every 3rd Sunday – God bless all of you for your support!</p>		

United Way Donations

You can still donate to the parish through them, using our charitable registration # is 107909939RR0006.

Thank you for your generous Stewardship!

Sunday Offerings \$ 5451.04

Together in Action \$ 525.30

We appreciate every dollar donated & handle it with care.

Our assigned goal for 2013 is \$30,637.17

Are you going away for a winter break??

We Thank you for your Sunday Offerings:

Please remember to help us keep the “lights on and the home fires burning” & to keep our Church from “falling down” while you are away.

Cheques may be post-dated and dropped into the Offering basket (simply note “Post-dated” on the outside of your envelope so it gets deposited properly.)

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament to Atone for Abortion

Sisters of St. Louis invite you to pray with them at 409-10A St. N.W.
Exposition from 3pm Sunday Mar. 10 to 5 pm Mass, Mon. Mar. 11
Dolores 403-272-5683

A Note from Your Pastor:

How are you enhancing your own personal year of Faith?

Come, sit in this chair—come to the waters.

“What did I do to deserve this?” When misery befalls us it is human nature to look for a cause and wonder if the suffering is a punishment for sinful behaviour. However, we also often find ourselves asking why bad things happen to good people. Jesus explains in today’s Gospel that while suffering is not a punishment for sin, all sin eventually results in suffering. It would be false to assume that if you aren’t suffering you have no need for repentance. Today’s parable of the fig tree reminds us that by our baptism we are called to be fruitful. St. Ambrose taught that the Church offers us two kinds of water: the water of baptism and the tears of penance. God is a patient gardener and knows that conversion of heart takes time but if your life is not bearing fruit, *come, sit in this chair—come to the waters.*

In addition to the regular parish schedule, the sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at parishes throughout the Diocese of Calgary all the Wednesdays of Lent from 7:30 – 8:30pm. *Come, sit in this chair—repent.*

Action: God is a kind and patient gardener, who desires that we bear fruit. Take steps to name, use, and nurture your gifts and the gifts of others.

Resignation of Pope Benedict becomes effective on Feb. 28, 2013 at 12 noon, Mountain Standard Time, At that time, he ceases to hold the Petrine Office. Please continue to pray for Pope Benedict as he goes through this transition to becoming Bishop Emeritus of Rome after his resignation. Please pray to the Holy ‘spirit to grant the Cardinal Electors wisdom, courage, love and concern only for the salvation of souls as they choose a Pope to shepherd the Church. Please pray for the election of a shepherd who will walk in God’s ways and whose watchful care will bring the Lord’s blessing and justice upon the Church.

Have a grace-filled season of Lent. May our lives be renewed and healed as we journey to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Kickoff for the Together in Action



The Campaign for this joint fundraiser for all Parishes in the Diocese was two weeks ago! Our assigned goal for 2013 is \$30,637.17. Together as a large group, we can accomplish so much more! God bless all who contribute. This year, with any excess collected over the amount of our goal, we plan to update our overhead projector system in the Church along with replacement or repair of our flat roof. Please, give generously.

I thank you for your ongoing support of the priesthood and of our parish.

Father Raul

Easter flowers/plants are ordered. If you would like to help, special envelopes are available in the narthex of the church (foyer). Simply enter the name of the person you are honouring on the envelope, along with your donation. Your loved one's name will be published in the bulletin. Don't forget to put your name on the other side!

Golf Pass Books 2013 - \$42 - Great Deal!

(\$10 goes to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul)
Call John Kelly (403) 274-6728 or at the parish office.

Do you want your child baptised soon?

Interview required before you can attend the class.

Next Course: Sat. March 16 - 9:30 am start.

Call the office for an interview now. Deadline is March 1st.

Both parents must attend. If you are expecting parents, you are encouraged to come.

Child Baptism: Birth Certificate Required.

There will be no baptisms during Lent.

(Feb. 13 - April 8). Don't forget to provide copies of sponsor Baptism and Confirmation Certificates when booking your Baptism Date. We need to know that your sponsors qualify.

Lenten Soup and Stations of the Cross

every Friday night during Lent.

- Soup Donations used for the Youth
- Stay and have soup and a bun before

Stations of the Cross:

7:00 p.m. this **Fri., March 8th.**

Journey with Jesus

As the Lenten season nears, let us try to appreciate the journey Christ took for us on his way to the Cross.

Participate in the Stations of the Cross, each Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.

(Lent ends on Holy Thursday, not on Good Friday).

These stations will be led as follows:

- March 8 Soc. St. Vincent de Paul & Rosary Group
- March 15 Liturgy Committee & Finance Council
- March 22 Catholic Women's League

Benefit Gala Development & Peace

- Apr. 13, Our Lady of Grace, 1714-14 Ave NE
- Dinner 7 pm Guest Speaker Bishop Henry,
- Live Music Cultural Performances
- Tickets, \$25, Youth 10-17 417, Kids under 10 free.

Tickets: 403-803-6605/Doreenonly@bell.net

Do you need Volunteer Hours?

World Youth Day at Home is happening at Mt. St. Francis Retreat Centre at the end of July.

- Pick up the **One Rock 2013 Brochure** in the entrance. Teachers & students can benefit in many ways. July 26, July 27, & July 28th could be the experience of a lifetime.

Contact Mary Ann Donalessen @calgarydiocese.ca or 403 218-5516

OR you can email/ call the parish office for some work to take home..... (putting labels on envelopes, etc.) It is suggested that those in Grade 10 and 11 get their volunteer hours done as soon as possible.

St. Mary's University College President's Dinner:

Tues., Mar. 19, Heritage Park Gasoline Alley Paul Hill, Chair, President and CEO of the Hill Companies. Fundraiser for Catholic higher education.

www.stmu.ca/dinner \$250 or tables of 8 for \$2000.

Hear Ye Hear Ye!

The "grape" Wine Raffle is here!!!

Watch for the Knights selling tickets for a great Wine Raffle. Tickets are \$5.00.

First prize 12 bottles of Wine

Second prize 9 bottles of Wine

Third Prize 3 bottles of Wine.

Proceeds go towards the upkeep of the Parish.

We are grateful for donations of bottles of wine.

Draw date is April 6, 2013!

Did YOU buy your raffle ticket???

Win this for a Mother's Day gift or a Father's Day gift!!!

Support the Knights of Columbus who will be returning the profits to help with the upkeep of the parish - we really need a new fridge downstairs!!!

"What happens at Chrism Mass? During this Mass, the Bishop blesses the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chris. The chris is freshly prepared for the baptising of catechumens at the Easter Vigil and the other oils are blessed on this day as well. As the Bishop is the only minister who can bless chris, this liturgy ritualises his presence through the chris that will be used by priests and deacons of the diocese throughout the year. During the liturgy, all priests are invited to renew their commitment to service and to receive the prayers of the people. This unique liturgy is an expression of unity of the diocesan Church with her Bishop in preparation for all liturgies throughout the year. All are welcome:

Monday, March 25 7:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral"

HELP!!!!

Do you plan to attend our Easter Vigil Mass?

If so, do you qualify to be a sponsor for:

- Erin Courteny Adair
 - Elena Denning and her two children
- They hope to be baptized Sat. April 30!
(Elena and Erin will also be confirmed...)

We need to know now!!!

Please email info@corpuschristicalgary.org if you can come forward as a sponsor! God bless you if you do!

Images of Spirituality, April 12-14, 2013:

Ecumenical Christian Women's Weekend

Entheos Retreat Centre West of Calgary.

Seasons of Life: Wisdom from the Psalms, with the Rev. Christine Conkin (Anglican Priest).

Cost Including double accommodation: \$215 if received by March 9; \$235 after March. 9. More information & registration form www.imagesofspirituality.ca Email: info@imagesofspirituality.ca or phone Barb at 403- 272-1950.

Solidarity Trip to Madagascar - During May 26th -

June 15th 2013 Development and Peace is taking its annual solidarity tour to Madagascar. The participants get to learn about some of the partners that Development and Peace works with in Madagascar. The deadline to apply is March 11th. If you are interested, call 780-995-9017 for more info.

Congratulations to the children who received

First Holy Communion this weekend. Thank you to all who helped with the preparation, especially Donna Dragicovic and her volunteer team. Thank you to the families who fully supported their children in their preparation to receive this sacrament.