

St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Parish

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2 MARCH 2025

8TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

MARCH 5, 2025

MASS STARTS AT 7PM AT ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL



Lord,
it is good
to give thanks
to you

PSALM 92



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SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Sunday Masses are held at St Gabriel School (SGA)
197 Invermere Drive, Chestermere AB

- **Saturday 5:00 PM**
- **Sunday 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM**

Last Sunday of the Month in Langdon
255 Centre Street, Langdon, AB at the I.O.O.F. Hall

- **Sunday 4:00 PM**

WEEKDAY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

- **Tuesday 7:00 PM** - Rectory Chapel
- **Wednesday 8:15 AM** - St Gabriel School
- **Thursday 8:00 AM** - Our Lady of Wisdom
- **Friday 1:00 PM** - Rectory Chapel

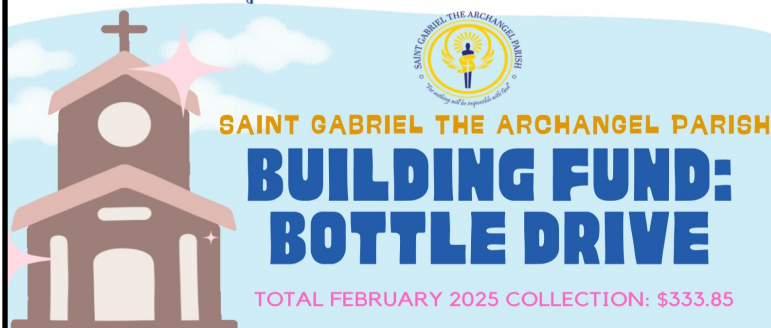
ADORATION & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- **Friday 1:30 PM** - Rectory Chapel

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Tue. 6:30 pm (Rectory), Sat 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm (SGA)
Or by appointment 403 455 0196

COUPLES FOR CHRIST



Drop-off Location: SGA School Parking Lot

NEXT COLLECTION WEEKEND:

Saturday, March 15th and Sunday, March 16th
after all weekend masses.



Donate your refundable containers to help build our new church!

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are sick or in need of your support tis week:

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| Angel Limjap Lozano | Casey Darling |
| Thuy Nguyen. | Doug Oliver |
| Enrique Isidro | Denise Hiscock |
| Greg Blancher | Bobby Fraser |
| Winston Wheaton | Candice Duke |
| Rose Armes | Barb Perry |
| Bev Scherman | Sonia Mora |
| Achilles Tioco | Rene Asprer |
| Shannon Quinney | Janice Roberts |
| Mario Varela | Mr. & Mrs. Becerril |
| Joan Mallard | Oscar & Renate Klune |
| Paul Perry | Karen Lerner |
| Harold Stret | Annie & Stu Orr |
| Norma Jean Gault | Catellier Family |
| Murray & Sylvia Urbshott | Dennis Urbshott |
| Frank Pineau | Madeleine Gagne |
| Dave Monk | |

If you or someone you know is in need of our prayers, please contact the parish office so we can add him/her to the prayer list.

Homebound parishioners who would like to receive Confession and/or Holy Communion at home, please contact the parish office 403 455 0196.

Parishioners preparing for surgery, or who suffer from serious illness or old age, or in danger of death can request the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick at the parish office.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS all the souls of the faithful departed.

May they rest in peace

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| Perry Keller | Wilma Bittman |
| Remi Del Bello | |

PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS



The Holy See Press Office recently shared that Pope Francis' condition remains critical but stable while receiving treatment for bilateral pneumonia.

- [Latest from Vatican News on Pope's condition](#)
- Pope Francis continues to teach from his hospital room, with the Vatican releasing the prepared text of the Pope's **catechesis** today on "Jesus Christ our Hope."

Mass Intentions

MON	MAR 3	NO MASS
TUE	MAR 4	7 :00 pm Mass (Rectory Chapel) INTENTION: PERRY KELLER, RIP
WED	MAR 5	8:15 am Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: POLLARD FAMILY
THU	MAR 6	8:30 am Mass (Rectory Chapel, only for this day) INTENTION: LUC STEWART, RIP
FRI	MAR 7	1:00 pm Mass (Rectory Chapel) INTENTION: REMI DEL BELLO, RIP
SAT	MAR 8	5:00 pm Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: PERRY KELLER, RIP
SUN	MAR 9	9:00 am Sunday Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: PAUL ALLARD, RIP 10:30 am Sunday Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: ALL PARISHIONERS

Gospel Reflection

God sees the heart and always will. We may put on a great show of words and actions, but it is what is at the root of these that is so clearly visible to God. Focusing on the faults of others, no matter how true, takes the focus off of our own faults. The words of Jesus also recall the first reading, as he reflects how a sound tree cannot produce rotten fruit and how a rotten tree cannot produce good fruit – and how a person’s words flow from what fills their heart.

1. How have you experienced “observing the splinter” in another’s eye while “ignoring the log in one’s own”– either in being judged by someone else, or by being the one to judge?
2. How does this echo another statement by Jesus: “let the one without sin cast the first stone” (John 8:7) and “judge not lest you be judged (Matthew 1:7)?
3. Commentator Dave Barnhardt says this section of the scripture is also about seeing clearly enough to help someone else: “How confident are you that you see clearly? Do you think you see clearly enough to help others see? Do you think you see clearly enough to help without hurting? How many people are walking around doing harm, all the while convinced that they are helping?” Thoughts?

(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)

Lenten Mission 2025



Take time to step back and reflect this Lenten season

March 10, 11 and 12
7pm - 9pm

Rectory Chapel
316 Windermere Drive

Relics of the Holy Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ and St. Francis of Assisi will be visiting our parish during this mission



With Sisters of Divine Mercy on their Order's 10th Anniversary



For Grades 9 - 12
St. Bonaventure Parish
(1600 Acadia Dr. SE Calgary)

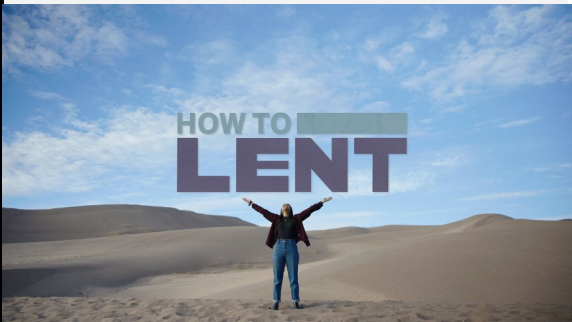
Fri. Mar 7 @ 7 - 9 pm with Face to Face Ministries
Fri. Mar 21 @ 7 - 9 pm with Face to Face Ministries
Register [here](#)

Men's Conference with God Squad

Fri-Sat, Mar 14-15 at St Michael's, Calgary.

Join us for God Squad Canada's 28th Annual Men's Conference, Pilgrims of Hope. Be inspired by keynote speakers, foster spiritual growth, and build connections with other men of faith. Register now at godsquad.ca.

WHAT CATHOLIC BELIEVE ABOUT LENT AND HOW TO MAKE THIS YOUR BEST LENT YET!



Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and use our postal code **T1X 0B9** and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.

APOSTOLIC BLESSING ON THE SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH

Wednesday, March 19
7:00 pm



Jubilee Year Mass with Apostolic Blessing with Bishop McGrattan will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary.

REASON for your HOPE

weekend retreat

ST BONAVENTURE PARISH, CALGARY

FRIDAY MAR. 7
7 PM - 8 PM

SATURDAY MAR. 8
9 AM - 3:30PM

[REGISTER HERE](#)



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

<p>BAPTISM</p>	<p>For adult baptisms, please call Fr. James. 403 455 0196 For infants, print and fill out Baptism Registration available in our website and contact the parish office for more information and requirements.</p>
<p>FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (Grade 2-7)</p>	<p>Mar 13- Session #2 First Eucharist preparation At OLW, please arrive 5:50 pm</p>
<p>CONFIRMATION (Grade 6-7)</p>	<p>Mar 6 - Session 5 at OLW School 6:00 pm to 8 pm for child and parent. Please arrive at 5:50 pm</p>
<p>RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults</p>	<p>Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. - <i>Matt. 11:28</i> Anyone interested in joining the Catholic church founded by Jesus himself, please contact Fr. James at 403.455.0196</p>



WILLIAM T. MCGRATTAN



BISHOP *of* CALGARY

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OUTLINING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RECEPTION OF INDULGENCES RELATED TO THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025 IN THE DIOCESE OF CALGARY

A Plenary Indulgence may be received in the Diocese of Calgary by doing the following during the period from December 29, 2024 through December 31, 2025:

At least once during the Holy Year:

- Receive sacramental confession and absolution
- Receive Holy Communion

And, while striving to be free from attachment to sin, carry out any of the following:

- 1) Make a pilgrimage visit, whether individually or as a group (family, parish, co-workers, etc.), to either St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary, or The Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore, and while visiting those sites take time for prayer specifically for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- 2) Make a pilgrimage visit to St. John the Evangelist Ordinariate Parish, Calgary, and while visiting this church take time for prayer specifically for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- 3) Attend any of the Masses with Apostolic Blessing by Bishop William T. McGrattan on:
 - a. March 19, Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary
 - b. August 22, Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore
 - c. December 8, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary
- 4) Those who are truly repentant of sin, but who cannot participate in diocesan pilgrimages, can receive the Jubilee Indulgence by prayerfully reciting the Our Father and any approved version of the Profession of Faith (Creed), and also praying for the intentions of the Holy Father. Those who are homebound due to age, illness, imprisonment,

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etc., may also offer up their suffering as a prayer for others and/or for the poor souls in purgatory.

- 5) Visit for an appropriate amount of time family members, neighbours or friends who are in need (such as the sick, lonely elderly people, the disabled, prisoners, etc.). This visit is to be made with a vibrant awareness of Christ's presence in these persons in need.
- 6) Carry out personal acts of penance for an entire day (particularly Fridays), such as:
 - Abstain from eating meat
 - Abstain from futile distractions (such as entertainment, social media, etc.)
 - Abstain from unnecessary consumption of food or drink (fasting)
- 7) Carry out significant acts of charity such as:
 - Contribute to the poor
 - Support the homeless, the orphan, the migrant or refugee, etc.
 - Contribute a significant amount of one's free time to worthy volunteer activities in support of human life and dignity

During the Jubilee Year an individual may receive one Plenary Indulgence per day, and may apply that indulgence to themselves or to a deceased person.

Given at the Chancery
of the Diocese of Calgary
on this 24th Day of February, 2025



✠ William T. McGrattan
Bishop of Calgary



Rev. Nathan Siray
Chancellor



CHURCH WEDDING FOR CIVILLY MARRIED COUPLES

Presided by Bishop McGrattan
13 Sep 2025 at St Mary's Cathedral

Register & attend one of the Sacred Grace information sessions at any of the following locations:

- [Thu, Mar 6 at 6 pm – St. Michael's, Calgary](#)
- [Sun, Mar 9 at 6 pm – St. Thomas More, Calgary](#)
- [Sun, Mar 16 at 6 pm – St. Patrick's, Calgary](#)

Please note that the Sacred Grace team can also assist couples in arranging for their parish priest or deacon to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at their home parish, if preferred.

TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE PAPAL CHAPELS

Discover the heart, soul, history, and art of the Basilicas. Take a virtual tour of the Papal Chapels. [Click here](#)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

WITHIN CALGARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY AND BEYOND:

For detailed job descriptions and application process, visit our [Careers page](#)

THREE YEARS OF WAR IN UKRAINE



On the third anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the [2024 Canadian Pastoral Letter on Ukraine, Canada, and the Church](#) remains a vital resource for reflection. It urges faith communities to promote peace and support those affected by war.

We remember the lives lost, the displaced, and those suffering. Let us pray for an end to violence and the restoration of peace and dignity for all.

CARING FOR SENIORS PREVENTING ELDER ABUSE & EMBRACING CULTURAL SENSITIVITY

To register: <https://www.catholiccyyc.ca/seniors> or call Mara at 403-218-5521.

- **Date:** Wednesday, March 12, 2025
- **Time:** 10 am – 3 pm
- **Location:** Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17th Ave SW, Calgary)
- **Complimentary Lunch & Refreshments**

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