St. Gabriel the Archangel **Catholic Parish**



7 January 2024 EPIPHANY OF THE

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SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

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

• Saturday 5:00 PM

9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Sunday

Last Sunday of the month Mass held at the I.O.O.F. Hall 255 Centre Street. Langdon, AB

 Sunday 4:00 PM (once a month)

WEEKDAY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

7:00 PM - Rectory Chapel Tuesday

• Wednesday 8:15 AM - St Gabriel School

8:00 AM - Our Lady of Wisdom Thursday School

 Friday 1:00 PM - Rectory Chapel

ADORATION & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED **SACRAMENT**

 Friday 1:30 PM - Rectory Chapel

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

• Tuesday 6:30 pm (Rectory Chapel)

• Saturday 4:15 pm to 4:30 (St. Gabriel School)

Per appointment.

Please mark your calendars for after the 10:30 mass on Sunday, January 28. We will be treated to the Sinulog Dance from Couples for Christ.

Intrigued? Watch the bulletin in coming weeks for details!





Upcoming Events in the Parish

Saturday, January 6 at 9:30 am: RCIA classes

(Rectory Basement)

Tuesday, January 9 at 7:30 pm: Building Committee Meeting

(Rectory Basement)

Thursday, January 11 at 6:00 pm: First communion - Session 1

(OLW School)

Saturday, January 13 at 9:30 am: RCIA classes

(Rectory Basement)

Tuesday, January 16 at 7:30 pm: Parish Pastoral Council

(Rectory Basement)

Thursday, January 18 at 6:00 pm: Confirmation - Session 1

(OLW School)

Saturday, January 20 at 9:30 am: RCIA classes

(Rectory Basement)

Monday, January 22 at 6:30 pm: Knights of Colubus Basketball

Free-throw

(SGA School gym)

Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 pm: Parish Finance Council

(Rectory Basement)

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

Denise Hiscock
Bobby Fraser
Agnes Mlohon
Melissa Hiscock
Mary Meier
Gladys Banayat

Candice Duke Oscar & Renate Klune

Barb Perry Karen Lerner

Sonia Mora Ann & Mike Cunningham

Rose Armes Aloisia Baldes
Gerard Bruha Annie & Stu Orr
Rene Asprer Claude Catellier
Janice Roberts Dennis Urbshott
Aaron Fraser Madeleine Gagne

Mr. & Mrs. Becerril

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION	
BAPTISM	For adult baptisms, please call Fr. James. For infants, print and fill out Baptism Registration available in our website https://www.saintgabrielparish.ca/baptism.html
FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	Jan 11 at 6 pm First Communion Session #1 at OLW school. If your child have not yet completed First Reconciliation, please book an appointment with Fr. James before the next class. After school is a good suggestion.
CONFIRMATION	This Sacrament is for anyone who has received the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Reconciliation. Age 12 and up. Registrations are now open in our parish website. Here Classes begin on Jan 18 at 6 pm!
RCIA Rite of Chris- tian Initiation for Adults	Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil! Eph. 6:11 We are starting a new RCIA inquiry group here in January, so anyone interested please contact Fr. James at 403.455.0196 as soon as possible!

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

May they rest in peace

Elaine Dabreo Madeline Martin

DAT	Е	Mass Intentions
Mon	Jan 8	No Mass
TUE	Jan 9	7:00 pm Mass (Rectory Chapel) INTENTION: SHARON FISHER, RIP
WED	JAN 10	8:15 am Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: GREGORIA FUENTES
Тни	JAN 11	8:00 am Mass (Our Lady of Wisdom School) INTENTION: MADELEINE GAGNE
FRI	JAN 12	1:00 pm Mass (Rectory Chapel) INTENTION: MADELINE MARTIN, RIP
SAT	JAN 13	5:00 pm Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: Bob LANDRY, RIP
Sun	JAN 14	9:00 am Sunday Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: ALL PARISHIONERS 10:30 am Sunday Mass (St Gabriel School) INTENTION: GILBERTO TORO, RIP

Sunday Reflection

This well-known passage from Matthew's infancy narrative compares and contrasts the openness of the wise men, the "outsiders," with the power-hungry and suspicious King Herod, a Jewish leader, and therefore, an "insider." The powers of light and of darkness, the energy for good found in dreams and the brute power of oppression and force, an open universal perspective and a closed defensive and self-serving isolation -- all these are clearly contrasted here.

- 1. What, in the wise men's experience, communicated there was something special about this birth?
- 2. How did God's revelation to the wise men challenge the assumptions of Jewish beliefs?
- 3. In your experience, how do "insiders" (i.e. those inside the church) display Herod-like characteristics and how do "outsiders" display openness and faith in God?

-Diocese of Saskatoon Sunday Reflection

Kid's challenge this week:

<u>Sunday Colouring Page</u> <u>Kid's Bulletin this Sunday</u> Sunday Connection this Sunday (Gr. 1-8)

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. In many cultures, gifts are not exchanged at Christmas, but rather on the feast of the Epiphany. Whenever you exchange your Christmas gifts, take some time to reflect on this tradition of gift giving at Christmas. Think of the best gift you have received. What was it? What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to you?

Read today's Gospel, Matthew 2:1-12. The gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—have come to be understood as symbols of Christ's royalty, divinity, and eventual suffering and death. They are special because in giving them, the Magi acknowledge who Jesus was to be: our Savior. We pray that we will acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all that we do and say. Conclude by singing together "We Three Kings."

St. John's Bible

Please join us for our third installment of the Inspiration Unplugged Catholic Lecture series!

Come learn about and experience The Saint John's Bible! Brad Neary, Director of the Heritage Program, will share the history of the original manuscript as well as details of the full-sized printed version, referred to as the Heritage Edition. The Saint John's Bible is the first-handwritten, illuminated Bible commissioned by a Benedictine monastery in 500 years!

Wednesday, January 24th from 7 - 9 pm at McGivney Hall, St. Mary's University



Very cool to see if you've never seen it as it uses the

modern NSRV translation!

2nd Annual

Fun Night With Sisters





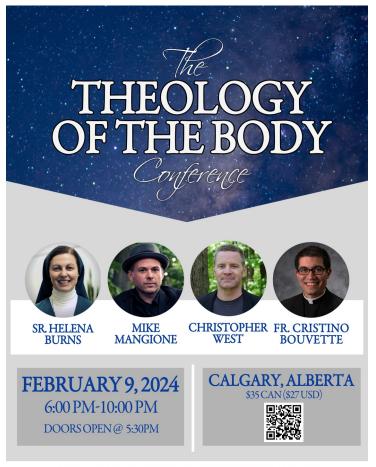
Friday Evening January 12, 2024 6-9 p.m.



Sacred Heart Convent 219-19th Avenue SW, Calgary

Please let us know if you are coming by January 11th.
Contact Sr. Dianne at 403-218-5504 or email
sisterdianne.turner@calgarydiocese.ca
so that we can order the right amount of pizza
(meatless, of course, because it is Friday).

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