

21 February 2010  
First Sunday Of Lent (C-2)

FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK:

Dear Parishioners :

Lk,1-13: "...Scripture has it, 'Not on bread alone shall man live'."



Jesus was **tempted** to **give up** his vocation. The first temptation **struck** him just when He was **hungry** after keeping his **fast** for **forty** days. The **devil** said to him :” If you are the **Son of God**, **command** this **stone** to turn into **bread**”. Jesus answers **straight** into his **face** :

“...*Scripture has it, 'Not on bread alone shall man live'.*”

**Tired** and **hungry**, Jesus would **easily** use his own **power** to **ease** his **hunger** by turning **stones** into **bread**, as he was tempted by devil. But he **refuses** to do so. How **easily** we may **fall** into **thinking** that **material** things bring us **happiness**. We spend time **having** our **wants** and **wishes** **satisfied**, until the naked **truth** dawns on us **otherwise**:

“*Man does not live by bread alone*“...

We all **realize** that there is **more** to life than the **satisfaction** of our **appetites**.

Let us find **special** time during this **Lenten** season for a **quiet** and **purposeful** reflection. We are to grow **higher** in our own **relationship** with God, to **discover** and do **His Will**. Make a **great effort** to **practice**: \***Fasting**, \***Praying** and \***Giving Alms** during this precious time of Lent. As **followers** of Christ, we must all **stand together** and be **counted**. The Lord will **overshadow** us, and we will find **refuge** under his **wings**.

Fr. Joseph Hau Duc Tran O.P.

MASS OF THE WEEK  
February 20 , 2010 – February 26, 2010

Saturday 5:30pm  
Sunday 9:00am  
11:00am  
4:30pm Claudio Domingo+



Monday  
Tuesday THE WAY OF THE CROSS  
Wednesday Devotion to our Mother OLPH  
Thursday  
Friday THE WAY OF THE CROSS

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

*Please pray for our parishioners who are sick*

Andrew&Cecilia Schneider, Jacinta Datoc, Sandra Slaney, Concepcion Boquiran, Paula Borrromero, Irma Ponce, Douglas Keller, Milagros Velasco, Joseph Cortez, Marlisa Wolfe, John&Rose Lafferty, Stephen Hungerford, Nora Li, Mark Cavelo, Katherine Haynes, Oli Figel, Micheal Schneider, Julialita Hermano, Don Skilling,Vic Spiegelman, Leslie Tibor, Lali Anika, Serena D.Blances, David, Dona, Richard, Julia Almeida, Maria Pachecos, Laurence Smolinski, Debbie Nizrik, Debbie Galligler, Cirilo Salvador, Giralaine Whale, Mrs Pe Benito, Lea Comeau, William Rudd, John Puchniak,Barry Hamle Louis Roy, Aurea Eusebio, Johanna Brianti and James, Linda, Anthony & Mireya & the Kelly Family, Irene Arthurs, John McCarthy, Debbie Mclachlin and Family, Consuelo Rendon and Family, Jacqueline Restepo, Carlos Rendon and Ms. Andrea, Cathy +Dennis & Family, Mrs Shashwork Beraki, Vickie, BJ & Family, John Corrigan, Susan Luz Bella, Antonio Carvalho, Leonisa Alonzo, Joanne Alonzo, Angela Mitchell, Juanita Yetman



PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

A **WARM WELCOME** to the very Reverend Father Joseph Tran Trung Liem. Father Hau will be away for three weeks in Vietnam. Father Hau will be back on 28 February.

**2009 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** are ready for pickup in the Sanctuary.

**OFFERING ENVELOPE 2010** are still available in the sanctuary. All are invited to use the offering envelopes. Please take one box with no name on it.

**PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND**

The pilgrimage will now only be to the Holy Land starting on April 10, 2010 to April 20, 2010. The cost is now reduced to CAD \$2279. Those who are interested, please let Father know to obtain the detail itinerary.

**10 DAYS PILGRIMAGE TO FOLLOW THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL (Aug 14 – Aug 24, 2010)**

Those interested, please let Father know at 403-2662512 or joseph@stfranciscalgary.org

**LET US BE REMINDED THESE LOVELY COURTESY :**

1. Please give your seats to seniors who arrive for Mass later than you.
2. Please move in when there is an empty space beside you so that others may sit down.
3. Please turn off your cell phone and other portable devices during Mass and any other celebration.
4. Remember to check that you have all your belongings before leaving the Church

**CONFIRMATION AND RCIA** : Classes for RCIA are held every Saturday from 7:00 pm. Confirmation classes are held every Saturday at 8:00 pm. Both Classes will be at the Parish Office, located at 64 -1st Street S.E. For more information, please call Rico at 263-0491 or 693-6125.

**LIVE-IN CAREGIVER NEEDED**

A loving home is in need immediately of a live-in caregiver to care for an elderly Filipino lady. Please contact Guia at 403 475-2027 or Cecilia at 403 275-4717 after 6pm. Also you can reach Guia at her cell 403 991-2427.

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LENTEN SEASON 2010 PROGRAMME

**Ash Wednesday** : February 17 - There will 2 Masses, one at Noon and the other at 5:30pm. You may receive ash right after the Homily.

**The Way of the Cross** will be celebrated solemnly right after the Mass every Tuesdays and Fridays. The first celebration will be on Friday, 19 February after the Noon Mass.

**First Sunday of Lent** : February 21

**Second Sunday of Lent** : February 28

**Third Sunday of Lent** : March 7

**Fourth Sunday of Lent** : March 14

**Fifth Sunday Of Lent** : March 21

**HOLY WEEK**

**Palm Sunday** : March 28

**Holy Thursday** : April 1 - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 5:30pm

**Good Friday** : April 2 - Celebration of the **Lord's Passion** will be held at 3pm

**Holy Saturday** : April 3 – **Easter Vigil** will be celebrated at 5:30pm

**Easter Sunday** : April 4 – Solemn Mass of the **Resurrection of the Lord** will be celebrated at 9am, 11am and 4:30pm

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**

The Diocese of Calgary is participating in the humanitarian aid relief for the earthquake victims in Haiti, launched by the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP). All donations received by CCODP will be sent directly to its partners on the ground in Haiti, mainly Caritas Haiti. Please make cheques out to your parish, earmarked “D and P Emergency Haiti”.

**CHRISM MASS CHOIR**

Music is an important part of liturgical celebrations. The annual Mass of Chrism offers a special opportunity for choristers to share their artistic gifts with the Diocese and to facilitate the participation of all who attend. The Diocesan Sacred Music Committee (SMC) invites you to join the Chrism Mass Choir in 2010! The first practice will be held on Sunday, Feb 28 (2 to 4 PM). For more information, please visit: <http://CalgarySMC.wordpress.com>

**BISHOP CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** will be held on Thursday, February 25 at 9:30am - 3:15pm and 6:30pm – 8:30pm. All are welcome.

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