

**February 4th., 2007
FIFTH SUNDAY IN
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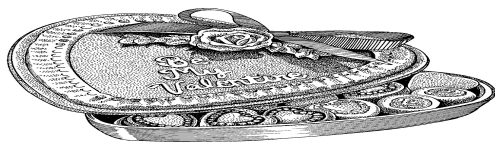
Dear Parishioners:

Let us have a reflection today about THE AWARENESS OF THE SACRED in our life ? Now usually when we are sick, we go to the doctor for our treatment; we do not go to the priest except in very rare case when we run into something called exorcism, to have him expel a demon from our body. Counselors delve into the psychological structure of youngsters and advise them as to what direction they should choose in life...It seems that intuitive awe for the sacred and the presence of any supernatural entity in all of life is disappearing to the degree that science or common sense steps in.

Specially in this hightechnology and nanotechnology age the refusal of the sacred domain in our life and activities is very obvious in a lot of people.. The question: can only artists, painters, and poets still have the intuitive awareness of the sacred in the reality of life ? All believers have it in their best moments. We should keep it alive . In faith, we should be just as fully aware of God's presence in any scientific process as we are of His presence in the beauty of nature and in all what happens in our life.

Today readings deal with the calls of Isaiah, Paul and Peter, all three of them overwhelmed by a feeling of their utter unworthiness in the presence of the Most Sacred, of God. They experienced Him and they heard His call. Isaiah felt unclean, humble, and unworthy in the presence of the Lord (Is 6,1-2. 3-8). St. Paul also had an experience similar to Isaiah's awareness of God's presence in the temple. (Paul I Cor. 15,1-11 or 15,3-8..) St. Peter's awareness of God Presence: " Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man..."

As we are very familiar how to tune to the signals of televisions so we must know how in faith to keep "tuned in " to God. Then we will hear his daily call, and with his help our answer will be " Here I am".
AWERENESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIFE IS VERY IMPORTANT. If we wish to be more than "being of dust and to dust we return"



Fr. James Profit, sj. will preach "Emmaus Lectures 2007" about Peace on Earth, Peace with Earth.. The Lecture is on Friday Feb. 2,2007 and Saturday Feb. 3, 2007 in FCJ Christian Life Center. 219- 19th. Ave. SW Calgary, AB. T2S OC8 Call 228-4215 To register.

The 2007 THE ANTHONY JORDAN LECTURES "HOPE and CHALLENGE" in a time of Receding Transcendence" Speaker: Fr. Rolheiser. To register: call: 780- 447-2993
The Newman Theological College. Edmonton.

GUARDIANS OF ST. FRANCIS: All Guardians are invited to attend a meeting on February 10, Saturday from 3 to 5 at the Parish Office: 604-1st S.E. This is also an invitation for those who are interested in Joining this ministry. Call: Carol 263-0491 or 693-6125.

THE OFFERING ENVELOPES YEAR 2007 are still available in the Sacristy. Please look for your name or number ? Or take a number with no any name, and begin to use those unnamed envelopes 2007. St. Francis Church needs very much your contributions. Thanks.

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Catechism for children grade 2 and up began on Sept 9. Classes are held every Saturday from 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm at the Parish Office, located at 64 - 1st Street S.E. A copy of your child's baptismal certificate is required. To register, please call Rico at 263-0491 or 693-6125.

Confirmation and RCIA Classes began on Saturday Oct 7. Classes are held every Saturday from 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm at the Parish Office, located at 64 - 1st Street S.E. For more information, please call Rico at 263-0491 or 693-6125.

MARRIED COUPLE'S Weekend Retreat: March 02-04 at Mount St.Francis Retreat Centre. Call Jerry or Ann at 286-8445 to register or for information.

HEALING HOPE

St. Thomas More Church will hold a Mass for Cancer Patients with Sacramental Anointment at 7:00 pm Feb. 13, 2007.

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER GROUP

will be having a Life in the Spirit Seminar beginning Tuesday Feb. 6th 2007 at 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

CULTURAL PILGRIMAGE OF THE BALTIC STATES AND RUSSIA

from Sept 20 to 25th ,2007. The tour will visit THE HILL OF CROSS in Lithuania, St. Jacob's Roman Cathedral the Dominican Monastery in Tallinn, the Trinity Monastery of St. Sergius If interested, please call Liz at 1-888-565-9922. Fr. Dennis Polanco S.A. will lead the group.

RETROUVAILLE A life line for Married Couples. A three month program for married couples who feel anxious about their marriage relationship. Who feel alone or distant from their partner. Who feel disillusioned or bored in their marriage etc. Next program in Calgary: Feb. 16-18, 2007 Call (403) 218-5504 for information or visit the website at: www.helpourmarriage.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

thanks all our parishioners who help to prepare and deliver those cherished hampers last Saturday January 20th. There are still so much work to do for so many people in need here in Calgary. Let all of us be ready to engage in this kind of charitable work among our dear people right here in this city. God always blesses all those who do his work any where with his people.

CARICO: The Finest Quality, Health Welness and Elegant Lifestyle Products

The member of this company will hold a talk in our Parish Hall on Saturday Feb.10th at 4:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.It is free and everyone are invited to enjoy a delicious snack after the talk. Please come.

Calgary Catholic Immigration Society urgently needs many volunteers. Those compassionate individuals will help the newcomers a couple of hours each weeks to adjust their new homes in Calgary. Tel. Beata 290-5752. Vicky or Chantal at 262-2006.

MASS OF THE WEEK

From Feb. 3rd to 12th., 2007

Saturday:

5:30 pm

Sunday:

9:00 am

11: 00 am

4:30 pm For Claudio Domingo

Monday:

Tuesday: for Alec,Mary,Pat and Brenda Greenwood

Wednesday:for Rosie& Denis Smith

Thursday: for Colin,Florence& Larry McRae

Friday: for Art, Bonnie, Shannon & Stacey McRae

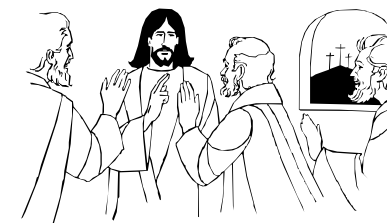


SUNDAY MISSALLETTS for 2007 are still available. Please get one copy or two for your friends. You just pay \$ 5:00 for each.

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, Giraline Whale, Mrs Pe Benito, Lea Comeau, William Rudd, John Puchniak, Barry Hamleley, Louis Roy, Mrs C.Blue, Aurea Eusebio, Karol Kramer, Jean Kramer, Johanna Brianti and James, Linda, Anthony & Mireya & the Kelly Family, Irene Arthurs, Bruce Mitchell, John McCarthy

Anyone requesting for prayers, please call Tel 266-2512



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