

**April 22nd, 2007
THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Dear Parishioners:

After rising from the dead Jesus appeared repeatedly to his disciples under many circumstances and in various form: like a traveler, a teacher or a fisherman etc...These Resurrection appearances of Christ show that: He had a real body. He was not a vision, dream or hallucination. People in those days were familiar with the differences among such phenomena.

These appearances emphasize the identity of the earthly Jesus of Nazareth they all knew with the risen and transformed Christ. Strangely, Jesus seems to break off meetings during these appearances. Their purpose was to strengthen a faith that was already there. They are not meant to stop the clock and encourage disciples to venerate the empty tomb. Rather, these appearing propel them to share their faith experience, to move outward from their small community to others as they spread and preach news of the kingdom that has been born with Jesus.

The Resurrection meant that Jesus had a new relationship with people that was deeper and more intimate than was possible in Galilee. The Risen and Transformed Christ was now the glue of this new community of faith. The Church was composed of those who were changed by the experience of Christ. Later generations would be exposed to a similar experience through their own dying to sin and rising to new sacramental life. We too can experience the saving power of Christ by our repentance and baptism. In that way we can internalize the dying and rising of the Lord.

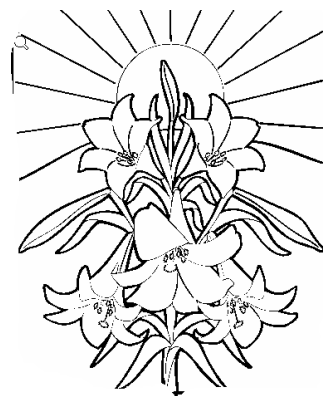


ANNUAL BISHOP APPEAL 2007. The collection for ABA 2007's St. Francis Quota \$15,000.00 is lower now to Nine thousands to go with a little more than six thousand collected during last few weeks. Please be generous. \$6035.00 dollars was collected so far.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK

Andrew & Cecilia Schneider, Jacinta Dato, Sandra Slaney, Concepcion Boquiran, Paula Borrero, 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 Mictchell, John McCarthy, Margie Lowe, Debbie Mclachlin and Family, Consuelo Rendon and Family, Jacqueline Restepo, Carlos Rendon

Anyone requesting for prayers, please call Tel 266-2512



GOOD NEWS! Dr. John McCarthy, our Financial Chairman, has almost completely recovered from a terrible cancer inflicted on him almost one year ago. This is surely due to our prayers. He thanks all of us and will be here with us like before. Thank GOD!

THE DIOCESE OF NELSON offer a conference : "We are Church and We celebrate" June 18-22 at the Naramata Conference Center. Write to Nelson Diocese Liturgy Committee c/o Flo Reid, 828-14 Street South, Cranbrook, BC V1C 1X9

ST AUGUSTIN FINE ARTS SCHOOL announces for September 2007 grades 7-9. New parents and Students Information Night at 7:00 pm Tuesday April 24 and Wednesday May 23. Come learn about this dynamically unique Fine Arts integrated academic program that will begin in September 2007 . 7112-7th St. SW Calgary. Tel. 252-7557



COME AND SEE for discernment weekends. For young women wanting to find out your meaningful life contact Sr. Chantelle Bonk tel. 306-244-0726 Fax 306-244-0726 Website: www.prsntastionofmay.ca

ST MARY'S UNIVERSITY COLLEGE will be having an open house on Wednesday, May 9 at 4 pm to 8 pm located at 13500 Bannister Road S.E. Learn about Ba degree programs and studies in the liberal arts and sciences. For more information please visit www.stmu.ab.ca

Visit us at our website
stfranciscalgary.org

NEWMAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE offers something for everyone this coming summer:

1. One week conferences for parish assistants, volunteers, people in aboriginal ministry.:
 - a. " Leading Scriptural Reflection: May 28-June 1.
 - b. " Leadership and Administration in parishes" June 4-8
 - c. " Direction in Aboriginal Ministry July 16-20
 - d. Two and three-week courses in July for those pursuing Certificates or Degrees. Summer Courses 2007 BTh and MDIV courses.
 - e. Summer School in Liturgical Studies 2007- Two Sessions -July 2-12 & 16-26
- Please call or e-mail for information or additional brochures. Tel. 1-800-386-7231 or 1-780-447-2993 Ext244 Website www.newman.edu

PASTORAL CARE If you are sick, lonely, disabled, or shut-in and would like a pastoral visit or Communion brought to you, please phone Angie Webster at 271-6258

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES - If you are planning to celebrate your Silver, Golden or Diamond wedding anniversaries in Church, please call 266-2512 or Mary Jane at 258-3909 or 615-0144. Wedding anniversary masses will be celebrated every Saturday during the 5:30 pm Mass.

INCOME TAX

Canada Revenue Agency is again offering The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program. Volunteers prepare Tax Returns for qualifying low income Seniors, Families & Students
When? Saturday mornings from Mar. 3/07-April 28/07 (Excluding Easter Saturday) 8:30 AM-1:30 PM
Where? Harry Building (220-4th. Ave. SE)
Shut-in individuals may also request a volunteer to come out to their residence.
Questions:? Call 691-6996 (Calgary).

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT: A Psychological and Spiritual Journey for Healing after Abortion Calgary, May 18-20, 2007. A journey of hope and inner peace. Any one who is struggling with the emotional or apiritual pain of an abortion. Call 218-5506 for more details.