

June 17th, 2007
Eleventh Sunday of
Ordinary Time (C1)



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

We are all joyfully celebrating FATHER'S DAY today. It is more than ever on this beautiful Father's Day we must proclaim very warmly loud and clear our loving praises to our fathers filling him with plenty of joy.

First we thank Dad for the gift of life which he has shared with us. We thank him for the good things he has provided to enrich our lives. We thank him for his loving presence, which has enabled us to return that love today.

We realize that a great deal of things can be said rightly about "being a father". We sense firmly that no greater art than that of being a father. It is through a great loving father that a child is able to get in touch with the self, with others and with God.

We all now know well that choosing to be a father means choosing to provide for, care for, love and self-sacrifice for children. It means choosing to be like God the Creator, who is present to us at all times, in all circumstances.

We also will not ignore the demands of fatherhood, which are numerous. The demands are an investment for tomorrow. Like most transactions the more you put into it the more you get out of it. Those fathers who enjoy a warm, and affectionate relationship with their adult children, are reaping the rewards of their investment.

Let us not overlook either many pressures facing fathers all the times. Here we just mention a few of them. * Fathers are subject to federal laws, provincial laws, county laws city laws, in-laws and outlaws. * Fathers are compelled to pay income tax, property tax, business tax, amusement tax, head tax, sales tax gasoline tax, and hidden tax. * Fathers are asked to contribute to United Way, Cancer Society, Red Cross, Salvation Army and St. Vincent de Paul for the poor. * If father goes to business himself, he soon discovers that he is inspected, expected, dejected and suspected by what seems like an overwhelming number of bureaucrats.

It is not easy being a Dad this day, isn't? So today is a special day we together celebrate and pray that our father will be able to see beyond the demands of fatherhood to enjoy the tremendous privilege that is theirs to share in the Fatherhood of God.

MASS OF THE WEEK
JUN 16 - JUN 22, 2007

Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 9:00am
11:00am
4:30pm

Tuesday for Carlito Antonio+
Wednesday for Thomas & Mary Quinlan+
Thursday
Friday

MASSES IN THE CEMETERY
during the Summer Month 2007

St Mary's Cemetery.....Tue, Jun 19 at 7:30pm
Holy Family Cemetery.....Wed, Jun 20 at 7:30pm
St. Joseph Cemetery.....Wed, Aug 15 at 7:30pm
Good Shepherd Cemetery.....Thur, Aug 16 at 7:30pm



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, Giraldivine 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, Margie Lowe, Debbie Mclachlin and Family, Consuelo Rendon and Family, Jacqueline Restepo, Carlos Rendon and Ms. Andrea, Don Gueril

Anyone requesting for prayers, please call
Tel 266-2512

PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

FATHER JOSEPH will be away from June 14 - 21 to be with his ill sister in Los Angeles. Father Reg will celebrate Mass during Father Joseph's absence. Let us pray for his sister to endure her painful sickness.

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!

Another GOOD NEWS! Jean Kramer, has recovered miraculously from her illness. She thanks us for our prayers.

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.

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.

ANNUAL 9-DAY NOVENA to Our Mother of Perpetual Help hosted by Holy Trinity, St Mark, St Thomas More, Corpus Christi Churches from June 16-24, 2007. All are invited to participate in this celebration. See poster at Church Lobby for the celebration times.

HOLY FAMILY CYBERHIGH is a leader in Online Education, serving the needs of students from Grade 7-12 all across Alberta. For those who are interested, please visit their website - www.holyfamilycyberhigh.ca Phone : 780-324-3008.



ANNUAL BISHOP APPEAL (ABA) 2007
The collection for ABA 2007's St. Francis Quota **\$15,000.00** is lower now to three thousands to go with a little more than twelve thousand collected during last few weeks. Please be generous. **\$12,050.00** dollars was collected so far.

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

BISHOP'S DINNER 2007
WHEN : Thursday Oct 25, 2007
WHERE : Stampede Park
Roundup Centre, Hall "C"
13th Avenue & 3rd Street SE, Calgary
TICKETS : \$125 per person, \$1000 per table of eight
COCKTAILS : 6pm - Dinner : 7pm
DRESS : Business Attire
For further information, please call the Catholic Pastoral Centre at 218-5521

KNITTING WITH INTENTION
June 24 - 1:30 to 4:30pm
You are invited to join with other knitters in the group, in the creation of a shawl. This group is open to all...experienced and beginner knitters are welcome. Cost: \$5/donation/session. With Shelagh Lennon, Calgary, AB. For more information call 228-4215 (FCJ Christian Life Centre)

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE 40th Anniversary Celebration
When : 2pm Sunday June 24th
Where : St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 18th Avenue SW



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