

**August 12th, 2007**  
**Nineteenth Sunday of**  
**Ordinary Time (C-1)**



**From the Pastor's Desk**

Dear Parishioners,

**" Do not live in fear, little flock. It has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom." Lk 12,32-48**

*A huge eight lanes interstate bridge in Minneapolis crumpled into the Misissippi River last August 1, at rush hour when the traffic was heavy....many died or were wounded, cars were destroyed...In Baghdad, hundred of people are dying, everyday victims of senseless terrorist explosions at the market place or anywhere there are people gathering...and here at home, our home city of Calgary is not completely peaceful either: there are victims of gunshot or stabbed more than before...These are the latest News! Not Good News!*

*We are tempted to ask questions and wonder what happen in our present world? Jesus gave response in St. Luke we hear this Sunday " Do not live in fear, little flock. It has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom." These words are very comforting us at this time. Jesus said " **Be vigilant, Be awake! Be faithful to Our God!."***

*There are many uncertainties in our life journey. Where it will take us, when it will end, **OUR FAITH IN GOD** is the only beacon of light. Our faith in God must be as great as that of Abraham, in our computerized and, nanotechnology age, when we attempt at solving the dark mystery of where we came from, why we are here, and where we are going. We believe that there is a purpose to life and a divine providence at work within us. Somehow, the hand of God is in action, weaving a pattern in and out of our lives, shaping our destiny.*

*But one thing we can be certain: our dear Lord will meet us at the end of this life, that His help, His blessings, what we need for the journey, are there for asking. Pray then day and night to our Father in heaven. It is God's world and he knows what he is doing with it. "**Trust in God"**, Jesus assures us. "**There are many rooms in my father's house.**"*

*Surely people will never stop being fearful in life...They are fearful that their money will be stolen or eaten up by inflation. They are fearful that The honors they received will be forgotten as soon as they are bestowed. They are fearful that their achievements, their popularity will be surpassed by another. Jesus tell us that we are created for something more than all those transitory blessings. **Focus more on the things above, not on those things of this passing earth.***

*We are asked by Jesus to sell what we have and give to the poor. It means that we must become sharing of our God-given gifts with our fellowmen and live completely trusting in God's love. Are we to hope in God's caring love which provides for all our needs? Be far from what is greed. **Jesus assures us again that our loving God gives his kingdom for all of us his children to enjoy.** Be his good stewards! To have our belt fastened and our lamps burning ready - like servants working hard, and awaiting their master's return. Be always ready for the moment God calls us to His Home for eternity, sharing his heavenly banquet.*

*So live joyfully and share the good thing with our loved ones. Make every encounter with them an opportunity to show that we truly care for them and are concerned about them. **Be strong stewards and faithful children of God.***

**MASS OF THE WEEK**  
**AUG 11 - AUG 17, 2007**

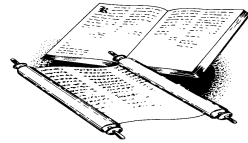
**Saturday** 5:30pm  
**Sunday** 9:00am  
11:00am  
4:30pm for Claudio Domingo+

**Monday**  
**Tuesday** for Rose Quiteria Vaz+  
**Wednesday** for Maria Augusta Vaz+  
*THE FEAST OF ASSUMPTION OF OUR MOTHER MARY*  
**Thursday** for Menino Severes+  
**Friday**

**MASSES IN THE CEMETERY**  
*during the Summer Month 2007*

St. Joseph Cemetery.....Wed, Aug 15 at 7:30pm  
Good Shepherd Cemetery.....Thur, Aug 16 at 7:30pm

St Francis' parishioners will attend at St Joseph's Cemetery. Those who wish to go there as a group, please call Vidyu 263-9274.



**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**

*Please pray for our parishioners who are sick*

Andrew&Cecilia Schneider, Jacinta Datoc, Sandra Slaney, Concepcion Boquiran, Paula Borromero, 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, JuliaIita 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 and Ms. Andrea, Westley Lowe and Margie Lowe

**Anyone requesting for prayers, please call**  
**Tel 266-2512**

**PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES**

**Newcomer Committee** .. St Francis has established this committee to welcome new parishioners to this church. The members are  
Fely de la Fuente : 470-3036  
Fena Gallego : 714-7893  
Vidya Perai : 263-9274  
Newcomers are encouraged to get in touch with them.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION**

Catechism classes for children grade 2 and up is available in this parish and will begin again in September. 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 will also begin after the summer holidays. 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.

**PASTORAL CARE**

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

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

Classes will be held on Tuesday after the summer holidays. For more information, please call Father Joseph at 266-2512.

**PROMISE KEEPERS** will be hosting a conference in Calgary. The theme for 2007 is **Pure Power**. For more information, please call 1-8888-9019700.

**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

**GRIEFSHARE** is a weekly support group for people who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Meetings will commence on Sept 7, 7pm at St Michael's Catholic Community (4718 Worcester Dr SW). Please call Nadia at 280-8744 for more information.

**IF YOUR MARRIAGE NEEDS HELP** - Retrouvaille Calgary can help. Call 403-257-9638/403-218-5504 or email rfietz@telus.net

**AWAKENING HOPE FOR LIFE** Conference featuring Rev Dr Tad Pacholczyk, will be held at St Mary University College on Fri Oct 19 and Sat Oct 20, 2007. For more information, please contact by phone 218-5504/218-5505.

**The Calgary Catholic School District Reception Centre** will be open throughout the month of August to register students new to the District who were born outside Canada. Please call 290-0647 or 206-6575 to make an appointment.

**Centre For Suicide Prevention** will be conducting several workshops about  
. *Youth Suicide*  
. *Self Harm*  
. *safeTALK*

during the months of September to December 2007. For more information, please call 403-2453900.

**ANNUAL BISHOP APPEAL (ABA) 2007**

The collection for ABA 2007's St. Francis Quota **\$15,000.00** is lower now just over one thousand to go with almost fourteen thousand collected during the last few weeks. Please be generous. **\$13,900.00** dollars was collected so far.

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