

September 23rd, 2007
Twenty Fifth Sunday of
Ordinary Time (C-1)

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Lk 16,1-13 "...You cannot give yourself to God and money..."

"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other or be attentive to the one and despise the other.. The meaning is obvious. If you sever the management of your possessions from your religious faith, you will soon be going by a double standard. So, whenever we handle money and do business we should remember as our guide, the wellknown motto "to each his/her own".

All human beings must share together the various divine gifts .. life, land, goods of the earth. The Gospel is especially warning us against making money the goal of our existence. Money plays such an important role in our daily lives that it influences us deeply, whether we have it or not. But it should not be our god.

The great temptation in the business is that we can easily lead to a presumptuous feeling of **absolute ownership** and the desire for more. We often forget the right and needs of others. **There is no such a thing as absolute ownership.**

Humankind is God's partner and with God is responsible for a better world. We have been established by God as His stewards of His creation. We are called to be His children, His heirs. In a world where values are out of focus, money talks, opens doors and is a voice that is always heard and listened to. **Money is something we have to use, but at the same time, watch in case it gets a grip on us and destroy us by becoming our god.**

All human race get the right to use the goods of the earth. Just wage and human treatment must be practiced for all workers. Workers must perform a good job. In many places, unions are formed to protect these rights. **It is very important that both employers and employees are to be careful that their associations and unions do not commit collective injustice!** Everyone on this Planet Earth will live in harmony if we remember that **WE ALL ARE GOD'S STEWARDS TO ENJOY HIS VARIOUS GIFTS.**

Money is an instrument that can buy everything, but happiness, and can purchase a ticket to every place, but heaven.



MASS OF THE WEEK

SEP 22 - SEP 28, 2007

Saturday 5:30pm for Thanksgiving Mass for Calina family

Sunday 9:00am for Filomena Barretto
11:00am for Diosdado+, Flora+, Ariel+
4:30pm for Claudio Domingo+

Monday for Marie Menina+

Tuesday for Olga Pereira+

Wednesday for Hillary+

Thursday for St Vincent de Paul Feast
Felicidad Danan+

Friday for Thomas & Mary Quinlan



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, 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 Hamle 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, Cathy + Dennis & Family

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

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PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

Father Rustiko will celebrate Mass with us this weekend. Father Joseph will be away attending a funeral Mass.

Health Care Apostolate of Diocese of Calgary will be offering the following programs

1. **Pastoral Care Course** : Sep 25 - Oct 30

This course will introduce you to the basic skills for visiting the sick. Please call 218-5501 for registration.

2. **Palliative Care Education Program** : Sep 26 - Oct 24

This course will prepare you to visit those who are palliative in hospices or health care facilities, parish visitation, or your own family and friends. Please call 218-5507/8 for registration.

3. **Mental Health Workshop** : Oct 27

This one-day experimental workshop is suitable for volunteers and anyone working or visiting people with mental illness. Please call 218-5507/8 for registration.

All classes are held at the FCJ Christian Life Centre.

A Wonders Tour of Europe - a 15 day tour to such places like London, Brussels, Luxemburg, Lucerne, Austria, Venice, Assisi, Rome, Florence, Pisa, French Riviera, Lyon, Paris. Tour begins Nov 23, 2007. Cost around \$4000. A priest will accompany the tour as your chaplain, etc. If interested please call Anita Lorena at 264-6478 or call Father Joseph at 266-2512.

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.

St Michael Catholic Community invites you and your family to a special celebration to pray the Rosary, followed by Mss on Saturday, Oct 6, 10:30am at St Michael Catholic Church. Refreshments will be provided after Mass.

COME TO THE QUIET - Women interested in the life of a religious sister are welcome to a day of retreat on Oct 27 from 9:30-4:00pm at Providence Residence, 316-146 Ave SE. For reservations, call Sr Toyleen at 2561404.

A Song For Rachel - The 9th Annual Benefit Concert and Silent Auction will be held on Friday, Oct 19 at 7:30pm at Our Lady of Grace Church. Please call 218-5504 for reservations. Suggested donation : \$10/person - \$25/family.

International Life Chain will be held in Calgary on Sunday, Oct 7 from 2:30-3:30pm at MacLeod Trail (West Side only) between 58th and 90th Ave. Please call Barb - 2550995 or Carol 255-4802 for more details.

Franciscan and Friends Benefit Concert will be held on Friday, Sep 28 at 7pm at Calgary Dream Centre. Proceeds from the ticket sale (\$12 each) will be used to help the poor in the Caribbean. For more information, call 243-1049

LOOKING FOR A MISSION? Sing and serve your community at the same time. THE HAPPY GANG sings at nursing homes, lodges, and at some Masses. All the commitments (Sep 26/07 to May 14/08) are held on Wed 1:30-3pm. Rehearsals are at Scared Heart Church Parish Hall, 1307-14 St. SW. For more information, phone Fran Cardle at 228-5424 or Catherine Kennedy at 541-0830.

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