

November 11th, 2007
Thirty Second Sunday of
Ordinary Time (C-1)



FROM THE PASTOR'DESK:

Dear Parishioners:

Lk.20, 27-38 "...God are not the God of the dead but of the living. All are alive for Him..."

*Normal people desire to live and try their best to continue living on, as beautiful persons as much as they can. That tenacious inborn instinct is an ardent longing, very obvious within all of us. **This is a universal inborn human instinct of going on living, even after this life comes to an end.***

*Parents want to live on in their children. A father wants at least one of his sons to continue the business, which he has founded. Former governors, prime ministers, ex-presidents, writers and artists...or whoever you can name... all construct their memorial libraries. They all write books of their memoirs...in short **EVERY ONE WANT TO LIVE ON...WE ALL DO NOT WANT OBLIVION.***

*How do we survive? **In the memory of our beloved ones?** We will live on as the persons they have known. **In God, we will live on as the persons we are.** For God, there are no hidden aspects of our character as there possibly could have been for those who loved us.*

*One of the beautiful elements in the Christian faith is hope for a better future. That is a strong reason that push us - pastor and congregation to pray for one another for a happy future. **We all need hope, strength, love and constancy.** The Gospel today shows that the Sadducees ridiculed Jesus' preaching about the future life, the resurrection and life everlasting. Jesus enlightened them saying that those in the hereafter do not marry because they are no longer liable to death. They are all like angels. " **God is the God of the living and not of the dead.**"*

*As Christians, we believe that our human existence cannot adequately be explained in terms of this earth only; **life does not finish with the grave;** it's an open-ended beginning here on earth but finding its completion somewhere hereafter; beyond what we call death.*

Death is the doorway leading to eternal life. It is our leap into eternity with God calling us to the fullness of life. **The month of November is here** with its short days and long dark nights. The year is dying. **It's a suitable time to remember our dead,** not with fear and despair, but in the hope of joining them in eternal life. **The spirit of the dead lives on in the memory of the living.**



MASS OF THE WEEK
NOV 10 - NOV 16, 2007

Saturday 5:30pm for Holy Souls
Sunday 9:00am
11:00am for spiritual welfare of Marien Rogers & Margerite Decosce
4:30pm for Claudio Domingo+

Monday for Holy Souls
Tuesday for Holy Souls
Wednesday for Holy Souls
Thursday for Holy Souls
Friday for Londa Welsh

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, Juliaalita 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, Giralaine 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, Don McDonell

Anyone requesting for prayers, please call Tel 266-2512

Visit us at our website :
stfranciscalgary.org

PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

WE NEED MORE ALTAR SERVERS! - Children ages 5 and up who would like to join the altar servers of St Francis Church, please let Father Joseph know. You may come on Saturday at 5pm or Sunday at 8:30am or 10:30am or 4pm to the Sacristy with your Mom or Dad or guardian to dress you up. You may also call Father Joseph beforehand at 266-2512.



CONFIRMATION AND RCIA

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

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

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.

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.

OFFERING ENVELOPE 2008 are ready in the sanctuary for you to pick-up . Just look for the box of envelope with your written name and number. Parishioners who wish to have an offering envelope may take numbered boxes with no names. Please remember to use the new envelopes beginning on New Year Day, 1 Jan 2008.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Important Dates To Remember

First Sunday of Advent Dec 2, 2007
Second Sunday of Advent Dec 9, 2007
Third Sunday of Advent Dec 16, 2007
Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec 23, 2007

Christmas Eve Celebration will be held on Monday Dec 24, 2007, beginning from 6pm. The celebration will include Christmas Caroling and Christmas Nativity Play, followed by Christmas Eve Solemn Mass.

Christmas Day Dec 25th
9:00am Solemn Mass
11:00am Solemn Mass
4:30pm Solemn Mass



New Year Eve

There will be no Mass on New Year Eve, Monday Dec 31, 2007.

New Year Day

Tuesday Jan 1, 2008 New Year Day
Solemn Mass :
1. at 12 Noon
2. at 4.30pm



Christmas Party 2007

We will welcome Santa to our Parish on Sat, Dec 15 right after 5:30pm Mass with our international potluck banquet.

ST FRANCIS PARISH BAKE SALE - The bake sale will be held at St Francis Hall between 10am and 2pm on Sat, Nov 17. Also included in this event is a mini flea market of jewelry and Christmas ornaments. All donations of baking, jewelry or ornaments may be dropped off at the church on Fri, Nov 16 following Mass at noon or Sat morning at the hall between 9am and 10am.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Bring your free ticket to the **bake sale** and drop it in one of the boxes for a chance to win one of **five great door prizes**. Come and enjoy a free cup of Christmas apple cider while you do your Christmas shopping early and avoid all the Christmas panic. Anyone wishing to volunteer to work at the bake sale, please call Elaine Cadrin at 238-2167.