

**MAY 4, 2008  
SUNDAY OF THE  
LORD'S ASCENSION  
(A-2)**

**FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK:**

**Dear Parishioners:**

**“...Where He, our head, has gone, we, his members, hope to follow him” (Preface)**

*Understand Jesus teaching well, we are happy to glorify **His humanity's exaltation** as we celebrate this feast of **HIS ASCENSION** today. **We will follow him** to heaven one day, **for sure.***

*As members of **HIS BODY**, we hope **to follow him AS OUR HEAD.** Taking for granted that all of us are **blessed with abundance** of everything people need in **this present life.** We are still **convinced that there must be something more than all of this present world, a TRANSCENDING REALITY.** We see in Jesus this **transcending reality** as his loving Father who is **waiting for us** too. In **HEAVEN** is our everlasting home.*

*But for now in this **present world**, Jesus doesn't leave us as orphans. **His Spirit is always with us** to the end of time. Jesus always remains with us as **an invisible presence**, a sacramental presence **transcending all barriers** of time and place. It is very important for us to know about our Lord's **ABIDING PRESENCE** in this present time **to share the Lord's life WHENEVER** we read his word, **break his bread**, gather to **pray** in his name.*

***We experience HIS BEING WITH US** here and now whenever we **serve** our brethren, we **deny** ourselves for him, we **carry** our cross after him. We know also that he is with us **to support, encourage and inspire** us when we **willingly suffer** any persecution because of **his name.** **MAY THE RISEN LORD BE WITH US ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE.***

*Fr. Joseph Hau Duc Tran O.P.*



**MASS OF THE WEEK  
May 3, 2008 – May 9, 2008**

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

**Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday** Holy Childhood Mission Day

**Thursday  
Friday**



**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, 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

**Anyone requesting for prayers, please call tel :  
266-2512**



Adult Catechism Class

**PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES**

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** – Every last Saturday of the month, the parish throws a birthday party for all parishioners born on that month. The party will begin after the 5:30pm Mass in the Parish Hall. Parishioners who wish to have their birthday included in the celebration, please let Father Joseph know of your birth date.



**WORLD YOUTH DAY OFFICE**

Our Diocese has over 80 young adults attending World Youth Day this year in Australia! You are invited to attend our World Youth Day 2008 Send-Off Mass! Please join us for Mass on June 29 at 12 noon at St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 – 18th Avenue SW, Calgary followed by a reception at the FCJ Centre, 219 – 19th Avenue SW, Calgary, in the Auditorium.

**CANCER MASS OF HEALING AND HOPE** – St. Thomas More's next quarterly Cancer Mass with sacramental anointing of cancer patients is on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at 7:00pm. The Mass is especially for cancer patients, families, survivors and caregivers, but all are cordially invited to attend to offer prayerful support.

**A MARIAN MOVEMENT CENACLE** with Fr. Francis Geremia will be held at Our Lady of Grace Parish (1714 – 14 Ave. N.E.) on Tuesday, May 13th from 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm. The theme for this year is “The Eucharist, gift of God for the life of the world.” Everyone is welcome! Contact Urbano and Ann Geremia (230-7634) for more information.

**YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR REQUIRED**

Holy Spirit requires a full time Youth Ministry Coordinator commencing August 15th, 2008. For further details (job description & qualifications) please contact the Parish Office at 251-3381 or email your resume to hrcoordinator@holyspiritparish.net

**UPCOMING CHURCH MEETINGS**

May 3 (Saturday) from 2:00 to 9:00 pm -- First Confession - Celebration  
May 11 (Sunday) from 2:00 to 9:00 pm -- First Holy Eucharist Celebration

**HIKE FOR LIFE** (May 10, 2008) - This is a Calgary Pro-Life Assoc's fundraiser to support Respect for Life program taught in the Catholic School System. Please call 243-0691 for more details.

**TRAINING SUMMER SEMINARS 2008** – The Western Canadian Association of Catholic Youth Ministers will be holding a training seminar in Saskatoon, SK on Aug 15-21, 2008. The topics covered are:

- Prayer and Worship,
- Justice and Service,
- Evangelization & Catechesis

Please call Odile at 995-2201 for more information.

**NEWMAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE**

One Week Conference : **Parish Volunteers Involved in Sacramental Preparation**

**Class Times** : Daily from 8:50am to 11:20am and Tuesday/Thursday from 1:15pm-4:05pm

**Dates** : Jul 7-11

**Fee** : \$175

For more information, please call Carol Anne Seed at (780) 447-2993 ext 227

**THERE ARE STILL OFFERING ENVELOPE 2008** with names and numbers that have not yet been collected. You may come to the Sacristy to pick them up.

**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

**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.

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