

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL
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MARCH 09, 2008

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Priests on Staff: Fr. Larry Bagnall
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Priest in Residence: Fr. Max Oliva, S.J.

Fr. Sajo Puthussery
 Fr. Terrance Connolly

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Sat. 5:00 p.m. Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., 12:00 Noon & 7:30 p.m.
SATURDAY & HOLIDAYS: 9:00 a.m. **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:** 7:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
THE ROSARY is prayed Monday to Friday at 4:30pm and Saturday at 8:30am
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Friday 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. (Reconciliation Room #1) Sat. 8:15 - 9:00 a.m. in Reconciliation Rooms # 1 & 2, and 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. in west Confessional, or by appointment. You may call the Parish Office at any time.
7:30 P.M. CHOIR: Practice on Sunday at 7:00 p.m. New members always welcome.

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READINGS FOR MARCH 16, 2008 – PASSION SUNDAY

Isaiah 50.4-7; Philippians 2.6-11; Matthew 26.14 – 27.66

EASTER CHOIR Would you like to sing in the choir at the Easter Services? Rehearsals are on Monday Nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory on March 10th and March 17th. This choir sings at the Holy Thursday evening mass, Holy Saturday evening and two masses on Easter Sunday Morning. New members are welcome. Please call Frank Lynch at 254-2661; and leave a message saying that you are coming.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Mar.14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral.


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Meeting for Mar.12th. at 7:30 pm

ST. MARY'S SENIORS will be meeting this Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at noon in the Rectory Hall. Lillian Markwart and Yolanda Baroldi will be our hostesses for our March meetings. Come down and join us for lunch and join in the lively conversations. Hope to see you there.

PARISH VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER This annual event, held for all Parish Volunteers (Liturgical and non-Liturgical activities) will be held Saturday May 24th after the 5:00 pm mass. Put this date on your calendars. We hope to see you there.

INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS WORKSHOP SERIES At. St. Mary's Cathedral Parish; this Tuesday, March 11, 2008 in the Rectory Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m. This week's workshop is facilitated by Sister Geraldine Hagel, scsl, and she will share with us "The Eucharist: Body of Christ for the Church". Mark your calendars, and see you there.

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MAR. 15/16, 2008

	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30a.m.	12:00 Noon	7:30 p.m.
	D. Mullen	J. Gandecki	J. Smithers	R. McConachie	E. Flores
	E. Churko	T. Gandecki	L. Clemente	C. McConachie	R. Flores

LECTORS FOR MAR. 15/16, 2008

5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30a.m.	12:00 Noon	7:30 p.m.
P. Collins	S. Gauthier	M. Hanlon	C. Mojica	S. Couper
		N. Maguire	J. Grant	S. Couper



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER for this area of the City of Calgary will take place on Friday, March 7, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, 1009 - 15 Ave. S.W. Everyone is welcome.

DAY RETREAT (Men & Women) on the '*Living the Beatitudes*' at Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre in Cochrane on **Saturday, March 15, 2008** from **9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.** Join us for a day of reflection, silence, Eucharist, guided meditations, quiet time, opportunities to meet with individual team members, then, we conclude the day with supper. Please register by Monday, March 10, 2008, contact Linda Schultz 245-8549.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY The Irish Cultural Society is celebrating the 10th Anniversary of "St. Patrick's Day in the Cathedral" with Fr. Kevin Lynch O.E.M. on Saturday, March 15, 2008 beginning with the IRISH CULTURAL CHOIR at 11:30 a.m. and the Liturgy at 12:00 NOON. The celebration will be followed by a light lunch in the Parish Hall at 1:00 p.m. We invite all nationalities and denominations to join with us and pray for peace in our troubled world.

25th ANNUAL OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS – **Good Friday, Mar. 21st, at 9:30 AM.** This walk begins and ends at St. Mary's Cathedral (219 – 18 Ave SW) and takes approximately two hours. Christ shared in our human suffering, even in death itself. We will walk in solidarity with him and with all our suffering brothers and sisters who are thirsting for compassion and justice in the world today. Everyone is welcome! For information call 218-5519.

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS who have shared in the celebration of the Eucharist with us this Sunday. For our new parishioners we are pleased to have you join us in our journey of faith. For our visitors, you have entered this church not as a stranger but as a guest of God. Parishioners and visitors are invited to call Lillian Illescas at the parish office with any questions they may have (phone 228-4170 or e-mail – lillian@stmaryscalgary.com). New parishioners are welcome to use the yellow envelopes in the pew (or from home) and should include their full name, address, postal code and phone number. Once you use these envelopes on a regular basis for a period of three months, envelopes will be mailed to you. You will get an income tax receipt at the end of the year if your donation is more than \$20.00.

CHOIR DIRECTOR The music ministry at Holy Spirit Parish is looking for an individual to assist in leading the music at Sunday 11:00am Mass. The person would be responsible for choosing hymns for Mass, organizing choir practices, leading the choir, and assisting in congregational singing. Someone proficient in voice and possibly piano would be most ideal. The Church provides an honorarium on a “per service” / monthly basis. Those interested may contact Paul Kennedy, Business and Finance Administrator at 251-3381
Or e-mail: accounting@holyspiritparish.net



Father Larry's BAG 'N' ALL: Ahhh!!!! Daylight saving! Maybe we lost an hour of sleep this weekend but we have gained an extra hour of daylight in the evenings. Although we have had a very remarkably warm winter these last couple of weeks, nevertheless we know that we could still have some snow and winter weather. However, the geese seem to be pairing up early and this warm weather certainly makes one hope for the fact that spring and really warm weather is just around the corner. It was 10 years ago that Bishop Henry was installed as the 7th Bishop of Calgary. Bishop Henry had arrived on March 9th but the official installation was on March 19th. Bishop Henry talks about thinking of March 17th, 1998 as his installation day but decided on March 19th. And it was a good thing that he did because we remember the 17th that year. We had a major dump of snow. Even the city couldn't clean the street in one sweep because there was so much snow and it was so heavy. Anyhow we don't need a repeat of that type of weather. Having experience it once was enough for me.....Just a couple more weeks of Lent now. Rather than letting down your guard let us put some extra effort into the prayer, penances and sacrifices for these next 2 weeks. This is the time of grace. This is the time that God can really work in our lives. Let us make a concerted effort for these next 2 weeks.....The story of Lazarus in our Gospel this weekend gives us such hope in our continued faith journey. As we continue in our lives to follow the example that Jesus has given us so we hope that at the end of our days Jesus will invite us to come forth into the eternal life the “new life” that we were created for.....Hmmm.....Have a blessed week. May this Lent continue to be a time of peace and blessing for you.

49th INTERNATIONAL EUCHARIST CONGRESS – Quebec City: First Departure:

Calgary to Montreal Jun 12 and return Jun 23 includes 3 nights in Montreal (visits St. Joseph Oratory, Notre Dame Basilica, etc.) stopping at Sainte-Anne de-Beaupre enroute to Quebec City. Mass celebrated in all churches. **Second Departure:** Jun 14 – Calgary to Quebec City and return Jun 23/08. Same departure/return dates for Youth (must be 18 years or older) with accommodations at Youth Hostel in excellent location in centre of Old City. Reservation should be made as soon as possible to meet the deadlines. Heritage Travel is holding not-refundable deposits on hotels/hostel and air. For information contact Stella at 228-0755, or toll-free 1 888 228 0755 or email: surbaniak@heritagetravelinternational.com