

DIOCESAN SUNDAY UPDATES

SUMMER - AUGUST 2024

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St. Gabriel's future church in Chestermere. More info at www.saintgabrielparish.ca

Sung Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

St. Anthony's Latin Mass Community invites you to join them in a special celebration for Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary with High Mass (Extraordinary Form) on **Thu, Aug 15 at St Anthony's Church** - 5340 4th St SW, Calgary. Benediction will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by Mass at 7 pm.

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ANCOP Walk

Couples for Christ invites you to join their walk on **Sat, Aug 24** in raising awareness and donations for its crucial programs to help the poor. For more information, contact info@ancopcanada.org

Cemetery Masses with Bishop McGrattan

Masses for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic cemeteries in Calgary and area. Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm on:

- **Tue, Aug 20** - St. Mary's Cemetery
- **Wed, Aug 21** - Queen's Park Cemetery
- **Tue, Aug 27** - Edenbrook Cemetery
- **Thu, Aug 29** - Mountain View Cemetery

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Prison Ministry

Seeking compassionate volunteers to lead Liturgy of the Word and Rosary prayers at the Remand Centre and Calgary Correctional Centre. Serve with empathy and a heart for Jesus: "I was in prison and you visited me" (Matthew 25:36). Interested? [Read more](#) or email receptionist@calgarydiocese.ca

World Day of Migrants & Refugees

In his message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (**Sep 29, 2024**), Pope Francis reminds us, "Let us take our most vulnerable brothers and sisters by the hand, recognize in them the face of Jesus,

and share a part of the road together. Find resources at humandevlopment.va

Truth & Reconciliation Conference "Braiding Together"

Join RMEC in critical conversations addressing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action. Explore our journeys, foster authentic relationships, celebrate diversity, and work towards healing. When: Oct 18-19, 2024 at the Banff Centre. Register at braidingtogether.ca

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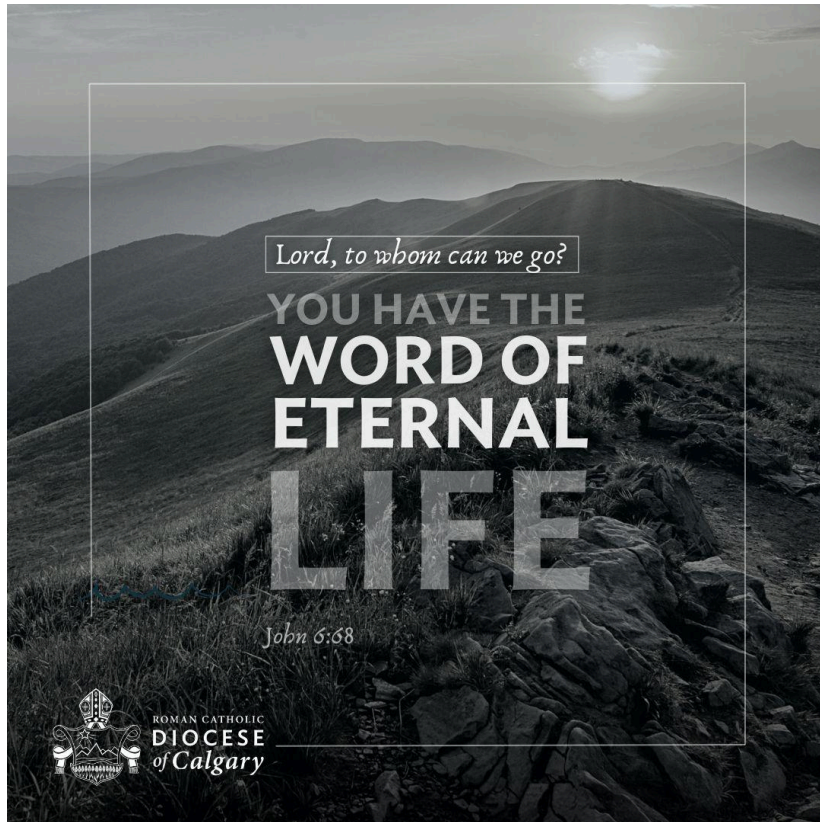
Adoration Hours in the Diocese

Venite Adoremus! Let us worship Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Check out the list of Adoration Hours in parishes across the Diocese - visit catholiccyc.ca

Grief Support Group

The GriefShare ministry at St. Michael's, Calgary is offering an 8-week support group program for individuals who have lost loved ones recently. Meetings will take place every Tuesday evening from **Sep 10 to Oct 29, from 7 to 9 pm.** For more information, contact St. Michael's at 403-249-0423.

August - Sundays in Ordinary Time



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Resources

- [Sacraments & Liturgies](#)
- [Spiritual Resources](#)
- [Sacrament Preparation](#)
- [Online Formation Opportunities](#)

Images for this coming Sunday [DOWNLOAD HERE](#) (Google Drive)

- Kid's Bulletin this Sunday
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Other Resources & Events

1. Sunday Bulletin shorts, free to use:

- Is there a word from the Gospel that means something to you today?
- How has God blessed and "fed" you, despite your grumbling?
- How does the Eucharist sustain you and challenge you to feed others
(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)
 - For 18th to 20th Sunday in Ordinary time **Weekly reflections**, visit: [Diocese of Saskatoon](#) | [Sunday Connections](#) | [Vocations Seed for Year B](#) | [Vatican News](#)

2. Resources for children

- [Kid's Bulletin this Sunday](#) (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
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11. Transitions (for those who are separated and divorced)

Transitions is a 15-week peer-led, God-centred support group that is designed to foster healing in its participants. It is facilitated within a confidential, safe, and respectful environment of community and belonging for individuals working through the pain of separation and divorce. The group meets every **Tuesday, beginning October 1, 2024** (7 to 9 pm). No fee to register – limited spots are available. Register now at catholiccyyc.ca/transitions

12. Summer Calendar Highlights

- **Aug 5-7** - [Deliverance Retreat with Fr. Antony Parankimalil, VC](#) - St. Luke's, Calgary
- **Tue, Aug 6** - *Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord*
- **Aug 8-10** - [40 Hours Devotion for Vocations](#) at St. Thomas More, Calgary
- **Aug 10** - [Angels on High: Stanley Glacier Hike](#)
- **Aug 10&11** - [75th Anniversary: Family Festival Day](#) - Mount St. Francis Cochrane | Mass with Bishop McGrattan on Sun, Aug 11
- **Aug 12-17** - [Ignite Camp](#) (Gr. 9-12), Bruno, SK
- **Thu, Aug 15** - *Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- **Aug 14&15** - [The Skaro Pilgrimage](#), at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Skaro, AB
- **Aug 14&15**, [Feast of Assumption Pilgrimage](#) in Girouxville, AB
- **Thu, Aug 15** - [Solemnity of the Assumption, Solemn High Mass with the FSSP community](#) at St. Anthony's, Calgary
- **Thu, Aug 15** - [Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes for the Solemnity of the Assumption](#) with Bishop Stephen Hero, St. Laurent, SK
- **Aug 16-18** - [Women's Retreat Weekend](#), Mount St. Francis, Cochrane
- **Aug 16, 17-23** - Experiencing Creation's Wisdom - [Lecture](#) (Aug 16); [Retreat](#) (Aug 17-23) - FCJ Retreat Centre, Calgary
- **Aug 20-23** - [Ascension Day Camp \(Gr. 4 - 6\)](#) - Ascension, Calgary
- **Aug 20-25** - [In the Midst of Life's Turmoil, Finding Rest In God: A Franciscan Path: Preached Retreat](#) - Mount St. Francis, Cochrane
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- **Aug 27-30** - [Vacation Bible School: Elemental](#) - FCJ Centre, Calgary
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- **Thu, Aug 29** - [Cemetery Mass with Bishop McGrattan](#) - Mountain View Cemetery
- **NEW! Young Adults' Festival of Tents**, Our Lady of Victory Camp, AB
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- **Sat, Sep 14** - Diocesan Gathering of Parish Renewal Teams to present the Diocesan Survey Results. Locations: TBA
- **NEW! Sat, Sep 28** - [FIAT - A day of Retreat for Single, Catholic Women \(16+\) discerning Religious Life](#), St. Luke's, Calgary
- **Sun, Sep 29** - [World Day of Migrants & Refugees](#)
- **2024 Monthly Liturgical Calendar** - [click here](#)

To **submit your parish/lay association events** - go to catholiccyc.ca/news and click "Add Event" (please submit description + poster/graphic in JPEG/PNG)

Worth sharing

Together in Action

Together in Action supports diocesan ministries and programs in the 68 parishes across southern Alberta. It helps us to carry out the mission of Christ through His Church. [More info here.](#)

Feed the Hungry - Volunteer, Donate, or Sponsor a Sunday

Take part in the spirit of generosity and giving. Let's feed the hungry in Calgary, one Sunday at a time. We invite you to volunteer, donate, or sponsor one Sunday dinner. [More info here.](#)

National Synodal Report

We invite everyone to read the Synod on Synodality reports. To read the Diocesan,

Western Region and National reports, visit catholiccyc.ca/synod

Break the cycle. Talk about it.

Perhaps you are a sexual abuse survivor, a relative or a friend of someone who was abused. Talk to someone or call our toll-free number to help you break the cycle of silence. Visit catholiccyc.ca/talkaboutit

Emergency Relief for Turkey and Syria

Funds are still urgently needed to provide food, medical supplies, shelter, and other essentials in the aftermath of a devastating earthquake in Turkey and Syria. [Find ways to give.](#)

Bishops of Canada deepen commitments for healing and reconciliation

Recently, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB), gathered in the Plenary Assembly and agreed upon a series of next steps related to the painful legacy of residential schools. This work builds on previous commitments to promote access to records, educate clergy on Indigenous cultures and spirituality, and contribute \$30 million to healing and reconciliation initiatives across Canada. Read more at ccc.ca

Faith Formation Courses

These formation opportunities will help you with your faith journey and to help you grow closer to Christ. Find a list of webinars and courses on our diocesan website [here](#).

Catechesis webinar recordings from CCCB

The webinar recordings, PowerPoint presentations and guides for reflections are available [here on the CCCB website](#). They represent a rich collection of resources that can be used in diocesan/eparchial and parish settings for the formation of catechists and leaders in evangelization. Past Webinars:

- [Directory for Catechesis](#)
- [Nurturing Friendship: The Directory for Catechesis in Dialogue with the Encyclical Letter Fratelli Tutti](#)
- [Encounters of Hope: The Process Of Evangelization In Our Daily Lives](#)

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- [For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission](#)

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Sunday Offering

Our parish relies on your Sunday offerings for maintenance and growth. By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for your parish. You can also use the online giving page on the diocesan website to set up a one-time or recurring donation to your parish via credit card. Funds donated will be transferred to the selected parish. Give now at catholiccyc.ca/donatetoparish [or contact your Parish to set up a direct debit deposit].

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