

St. Mary's Parish 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25, 2023 - Year A

Jeremiah 20: 10 - 13 Romans 5: 12 - 15 Matthew 10: 26 - 33

"What I say to you in the dark, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops."

Our Mission: "Together Building Up the Body of Christ"

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9am, 11am & 7pm Daily Mass: Tuesday - 7 pm Wednesday - Friday - 9 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 1:00-4:00pm Tuesday - Thursday: 10:00am - Noon; 1:00pm - 4:00pm Friday: 10:00am - Noon

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Father Mirek nor anyone from St. Mary's Parish would ever send anyone email messages asking for help, money or gift cards.

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Prayer Group:

Join us at 8:30am, before the 9am daily Mass, to pray the Rosary. The rosary is also prayed after the 9am daily Mass.

Adoration:

8-9am on Saturdays. (1st Saturday of the month: 7:30-8:30am)

Holy Face of Jesus:

This group meets on Tuesdays, from 1-2pm, in front of the Blessed Sacrament for prayer, devotion and reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus, as well as recitation of the Rosary for priests.

Zoom Rosary

Zoom Rosary will not be taking place for the months of July and August. It will resume on Friday, September 22 at 7pm

Call for Volunteers

Volunteer: Usher, Eucharistic Minister, Proclaimer, Altar Server and others. If this is something you would consider, please contact the office at 403-347-3114.

Volunteering is a wonderful way to give back.



Mass intentions for the week of **June 25 - July 1**

The intentions in brackets are said by retired priests in Edmonton.

Sun. 9 am: All Parishioners

Sun. 11 am: Chibueze Nwaribe Birthday (†Alfredo Carillo)

Sun. 7 pm: †Ammi Singh Matharu

Tue. 7 pm: †Joe & †Odilla Fischer & family

Wed. 9 am: †Barb Prospero

Thu. 9 am: No Mass *Mass Intention will be said privately

Fri. 9 am: †Veronica Coumont

Sat. 5 pm: Trudy Verhappen (†Barb Prospero, †Socorro Bongo)

Special days this week

Wed. June 28: St. Irenaeus

Thu. June 29: St. Peter and St. Paul

Sat. July 1: Canada Day



The office and church is closed Monday, July 3 and will reopen Tuesday, July 4 at 10am. Happy Canada Day!





CWL Word of the Week

Growth

The Catholic Women's League has grown to become Canada's largest women's organization. Did you know it meets with government and has an impact on legislation and policy?

Help us continue to grow and make a difference.



NEWLY APPOINTED

Father Raymond Maria LaGrange was ordained a Dominican priest on May 20 in Washington DC. Many members of his family live in Red Deer.

Fr. Raymond will celebrate his first

Thanksgiving Mass in our community this

Saturday, June 24th at 5pm. All are invited to celebrate one of our own being ordained to the priesthood.

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION:

Where does the money go?

Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood of Canada A letter from the National Director

Through your generosity to the Holy Childhood Association, children in the Diocese of Chiang Rai can receive healthy meals and access health care. The following is a story of one project that you have helped in Thailand.

Reverend Ivo Cavagna, PIME, has this to say: "thank you for the immense contribution in helping St. Joseph's Center for disabled people to purchase medical supplies for children,

meals program to provide healthy food as well as technological support for the school education program." Bishop Harlom wrote, "We are most grateful for the Holy Childhood Association, Canada, support granted to us. It has enabled us to accomplish activities in the center for disabled people. We ask the Lord to bless you in abundance." Thank you for your continuous donation and prayers.

Fr. Ales Osei, CSSp

National Director.

June: The Month of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**

The Sacred Heart of Jesus has a cross, flames, crown of thorns, and blood. Each of these has special meaning so that we can remember His love for us. The cross points to His sacrifice, the flames are his

purifying passion, the

of His suffering and



kingship, and the blood reminds us of the side wound during His death. He spilled all of His blood for us.

> For ways to incorporate His Sacred Heart into your life this June, google: Catholic-Link. Org



RCIA and CIC

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If you are interested in journeying towards God, through Jesus Christ, and learning more about Catholicism, or seeking to become a member of the Catholic Church, you are invited to join St. Mary's RCIA program.

The program is intended for those 7 years and up. Please contact the parish office at 403-347-3114 or visit the Parish website for more information.



Skaro Shring Monday, August 14 105th Annual Pilgrimage

6:30pm: Reconciliation 7:00pm: Rosary 7:30pm: Vespers (in Polish) 8:00pm: Mass at the Grotto

Sacred Heart and St. Mary's are planning a bus trip to Skaro. If you are interested in going, please let the office staff know as soon as possible, so that we can accommodate everyone.



Thank you everyone who volunteers their time and talent, in whatever capacity, to St. Mary's Parish. We cannot do it without you!

If you will be away from St. Mary's Parish this summer, please make sure you find replacements if you are scheduled to serve while you are out of town. Thank you for your ministry and your generous support.



The Foundation of St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College is pleased to congratulate

Fr. Santiago Torres, who was ordained by

Bishop William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary, on **June 16.**

Fr. Santiago originates from Colombia and has been studying at the Diocese of Calgary since 2015. After two years at Mount Royal Seminary, he came to St. Joseph Seminary in 2017.

Our Lady of Victory Camp

Registration for summer camp is now open, and any young person entering grades 4-12 next fall is welcome to attend!

Read more about what we do at camp, how to register, or how you can get involved or support OLVC at www.olvcamp.com.





We Need Your Help!

Work has already begun at Our Lady of Victory Camp to prepare for the relaunch of camp this summer. This April, we need extra hands to help get ready for work bees in May and June. It's our hope to refresh the camp after it has been sitting dormant the past four summers. Please consider giving a day to camp this month!

Call Deacon Claude Baril at 403-896-3745 to get involved or to learn more details.

With the return of Our Lady of Victory Camp only a couple of weeks away, the cooks at camp could use your help! The camp is looking for volunteers who can do a grocery pickup once a week, delivering groceries from the Wholesale Club in Red Deer to the kitchen at OLVC. Anyone who may be interested in helping out once or more often throughout the summer can call (587) 447-2837 or email camps@caedm.ca.

Playground Fundraiser

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St. Teresa of Avila School is fundraising for a new inclusive **playground**. It is our goal to raise funds to build a barrier-free playground that all students can access. If you are interested in making a donation, please email **nicole.zimmerman@rdcrs.ca**



NEWCOMERS: We are blessed that you have chosen to join us in worship and ministry here at St. Mary's. If you are new or have not registered, please complete a Registration Form available at both entrances, and drop it off at the office or in the collection basket during the weekend masses. WELCOME!



The Pope's Monthly Intention: June 2023

For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

July 2023 For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Pope Francis Twitter

Thinking of Christ present in so many desperate people fleeing conflicts and climate change, the problem of hospitality needs to be confronted together, without excuses and without delay, because the effects will be felt, sooner or later, by all of us.



This week: Leisure, Vain Productivity, and Living Within the Gift While You Slumber

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Check also other news and resources at the Archdiocesan website: https://caedm.ca/.

You may also want to consider subscribing to other diocesan publications and resources, such as the *People of Mission Bulletin* or the *Window* newsletter.

Lac Ste. Anne Pilgrimage is on July 21-27

FOR SEVERAL DAYS each July, thousands of pilgrims make

their way to the shores of Lac Ste Anne.

Many come in search of healing and



Many come in search of healing and spiritual renewal. Some simply come to reconnect with old acquaintances and forge new friendships. This pilgrimage, which began over a hundred years ago, has become the largest annual Indigenous religious and Catholic gathering in Western Canada.

The history of the lake stretches back to the distant past. Here Native families, who in the fall had scattered to winter

camps and trap lines, gathered in the summer for the buffalo hunt. The Crees called the lake Manito Sakahigan" or Spirit Lake". The Sioux living nearby named it "Waka Mne" or Holy Lake.

Please check their schedule at lacsteannepilgrimage.ca

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