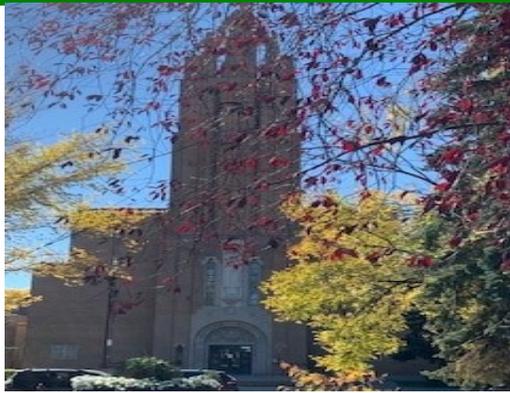


# ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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## OCTOBER 3, 2021

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,  
12:00 PM, SFXC—4:00 PM

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday, 7:30 AM & 5:00 PM  
(Statutory Holidays during the week —  
9:00 AM Mass only)  
Saturday 9:00 AM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tues - Thurs & Sat. 4:30—5:00 PM  
Friday 8:00-9:00 AM & 3:00-4:30 PM

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday 8:00 AM—4:30 PM

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact Deacon Dennis at the  
Parish Office (403) 228-4170.

**DONATIONS OVER THE PHONE, ON LINE  
& IN PERSON.** If would like to donate to help  
with the costs and maintenance of the Parish,  
please call Lillian at (403) 228-4170.

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday  
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM  
Closed Statutory Holidays

### MARRIAGE: IMAGE OF GOD'S LOVE

Genesis, chapter one states: "God created man in His image; in the divine image He created him; male and female He created them." Chapter 2 says that God created the woman and ever since the man clung to his wife, and the two became "one flesh."

St. John Paul II said, a human images God not only as ruler of the world, "but also, and essentially," as a "divine communion of persons." God ordained the communion of woman and man "right from the beginning."

Throughout salvation history, God expressed His love for His chosen people as conjugal love. "I will lead her into the desert and speak to her heart," He said. "She shall respond there as in the days of her youth when she came up from the land of Egypt. On that day she shall call me 'my husband,' and "I will espouse you to me forever ... and you shall know the Lord."

In the New Testament, Christ described God's Kingdom as a wedding: "The reign of God may be likened to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his Son." Asked why his disciples did not fast, He revealed Himself as the bridegroom: "How can wedding guests mourn so long as the groom is with them?"

God's love for us reached its "fullness" when the bridegroom Christ sacrificed Himself on the cross for His bride the Church, said Pope St. John Paul II.

Finally, the Book of Revelation describes Heaven itself as the marriage of Christ and the Church.

A Sacrament is an observable sign that actually brings about the spiritual reality it signifies. In matrimony, that sign is the spouses' free consent, consummated by the marriage act. The spiritual reality it signifies is Christ's union with his Church. By the power of God, then, spouses' consummated consent really does create between them the relation between Christ and the Church.

Accordingly, St. Paul used Christ's love for the Church to teach us about matrimony. God's love came first; human love images it. A consummated marriage is a Sacramental sign of Christ's indissoluble, faithful, and fruitful union with his Church.

**Here are some ways couples can deepen their love for each other:** Remember to say "I love you". Start your day with a warm kiss or a hug. Make time for each other. Believe in the power of touch. Pray together as often as you can. Do little things that make each other smile and feel loved. Let your spouse know how much you appreciate her/him. Surprise each other with little tokens of appreciation. Be there for each other in good times and the bad and have realistic expectations.

In the Eucharist a communion takes place that corresponds to the union of man and woman in marriage. Just as they become "one flesh", so in Communion we all become "one spirit", one person, with Christ. **Pope Benedict XVI**

**Readings for October 10— Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** (Wisdom 7:7-11) I accounted wealth as nothing in comparison to wisdom.

**Second Reading** (Hebrews 4:12-13) The word of God can judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

**Gospel:** (Mark 10:17-30) Go, sell what you own; then follow me.

**Stewardship of Treasure Sep. 18 - 24, 2021**

<b>General Collections</b>	<b>Last Week</b>
Envelopes/Loose/Debit/etc.	\$ 4,525.

**Together in Action**

**Together in Action** is an annual diocesan-mandated parish charitable appeal that funds diocesan, local, national & international initiatives: [www.catholicyc.ca/tia.html](http://www.catholicyc.ca/tia.html)

**Goal: \$41,552. Donations to date: \$13,799.**

Some employers offer a charitable **donation matching program**, please contact Lillian at the parish office for more information about this ([Lillian@stmaryscalgary.ca](mailto:Lillian@stmaryscalgary.ca) or 403-228-4170, ext. 222)

Thank you for your financial support to St Mary's Cathedral during this difficult time. It is now possible to make a donation through a variety of means. Please visit [stmaryscalgary.ca/content/donations](http://stmaryscalgary.ca/content/donations) to make an online donation. If you have questions about charitable giving, please contact: Lillian at 403 228-4170.



While the precise origins of this month of the Holy Rosary are unknown, we know that Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, a feast day that was originally entitled the feast of Our Lady of Victory and instituted in 1571. In addition we

know that in 1917, when Our Lady first appeared in Fatima, she identified herself as Our Lady of the Rosary. The last of the six Fatima apparitions took place on October 13, 2017.

At St. Mary's the rosary is prayed every Monday to Friday at 7:00 am and 4:30 pm before the 7:30 am and 5:00 pm daily Masses.

The Annual Rosary Rally will be held on October 16<sup>th</sup> at Noon in front of St Mary's Cathedral. All 20 mysteries of the Holy Rosary will be recited. Everyone is welcome to attend.

In addition, the gift booth has an assortment of rosaries for sale, pocket-sized Pray the Rosary books, Mysteries of the Rosary prayer cards as well as prayer cards associated with the Saints for the month of October, including: St. Thérèse Lisieux (Oct. 1), Holy Guardian Angels (Oct. 2), St. Frances of Assisi (Oct. 4), St. Faustina (Oct. 5), St. Terese of Jesus/Avila (Oct. 15), St. John Paul 11 (Oct. 22), and St. Jude (Oct. 28).

**Book of the Month:** The Gift booth is featuring October's Spiritual Book of the Month: *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition). There are also still copies of September's selection *The Examen Prayer: Ignatian Wisdom for Our Lives Today* by Fr. Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V. and Scott Hahn's *The Lamb's Supper The Mass as Heaven on Earth*, the focus of Fr. Julian's August homilies. They are all available for \$30.

**Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday, Oct. 4**  
7:30 am Scott Allan (RIP)  
5:00 pm Norma dela Cruz (RIP)
- Tuesday, Oct. 5**  
7:30 am Ron Schreiber (RIP)  
5:00 pm Gordon Arges (INT)
- Wednesday, Oct. 6**  
7:30 am Janice Fraser (INT)  
5:00 pm Robert Edney (INT)
- Thursday, Oct. 7**  
7:30 am Rhonda's Health (INT)  
5:00 pm Charles Keenan (INT)
- Friday, Oct. 8**  
7:30 am Doreen Jacobs (RIP)  
5:00 pm Iris (INT)
- Saturday, Oct. 9**  
9:00 am Huge Thompson (RIP)  
5:00 pm Clement D'Souza (RIP)
- Sunday, Oct. 10**  
8:00 am Virginia Maria Lima (RIP)  
10:00 am Fr. Dennis McDonald (RIP)  
12:00 Noon St. Mary's Parishioners

**TOGETHER We PRAY We SERVE We LOVE**

**PRAYER CORNER INTENTIONS:** For the sick, the suffering, the elderly, the lonely and all who find themselves on the margins of society, that they may be empowered by God's special care of them. In particular, let us remember *Lucia Vindel, Joan Foster, Maria Fraser, James Lipowy, Laura Meier, Tony Zuczek and Karl Beischroth.*

For those who have died in Christ, that they may be resurrected with Him into eternal life.

**JOURNEY INTO FAITH**

**RCIA: Curious about the Catholic faith? Feeling drawn toward discovering if becoming a member of the Catholic Church is for you?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) offers the opportunity for those discerning "becoming Catholic" to journey with others toward coming to know God and building a strong relationship with our Father. New session will begin Tuesday, **October 5<sup>th</sup>**. If you have questions or would like more information on the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Dennis Foraie at 403-228-4170 (ext. 226).

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul** – Financial donations are welcomed by marking your envelopes to St. Mary's "SSVP". If you require assistance, please contact us at 403-397-6028.

**Healing & Reconciliation**  
For those interested in recent Diocese of Calgary coverage on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation please go to: <https://www.catholicyc.ca/>



## Statement of Apology by the Catholic Bishops of Canada to the Indigenous Peoples of This Land

We, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, take this opportunity to affirm to you, the Indigenous Peoples of this land, that we acknowledge the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. We also sorrowfully acknowledge the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies<sup>1</sup>, we<sup>2</sup>, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, express our profound remorse and apologize unequivocally.

We are fully committed to the process of healing and reconciliation. Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, and as a further tangible expression of this ongoing commitment, we are pledging to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, we invite the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us in each of our dioceses across the country to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. We commit ourselves to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

Having heard the requests to engage Pope Francis in this reconciliation process, a delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in Rome in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous participants, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. We pledge to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We commit ourselves to continue accompanying you, the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. Standing in respect of your resiliency, strength and wisdom, we look forward to listening to and learning from you as we walk in solidarity.

24 September 2021

<sup>1</sup> [Indian Residential Schools and TRC - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops \(ccb.ca\)](https://www.cccb.ca/indian-residential-schools-and-trc)

<sup>2</sup> [The CCCB website has a link to several apologies previously offered by Catholic bishops, including those offered by bishops at national TRC events](#)

## Ways to Serve at St. Mary's Cathedral

As the mother church of the Diocese, as well as a landmark in Calgary's downtown, the Cathedral community has a wonderful opportunity to be a place of spiritual comfort and refuge to so many because of the COVID pandemic.

Would you consider helping the Cathedral by using your talents to bring others to Jesus and the Church? Be assured that everyone who volunteers will be kept safe by following the Province of Alberta's and the Diocese of Calgary's directives, as well as providing training and support.

**Please complete the following information if you are willing:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check off what ministry you would like to participate in and your preferred Mass Time. You may select more than one if you wish:

### Liturgical Ministries

- Art & Environment       Lector       Usher

### Community Life Ministries (not Mass-time dependent)

- Catholic Women's League       Collection Counter\*       Information & Gift booth  
 Knights of Columbus       St. Vincent de Paul\*

*\*Police information and reference checks are required in these ministries*

### Daily Masses

- Mon. 7:30am    Tue. 7:30am    Wed. 7:30am    Thu. 7:30am    Fri. 7:30am    Sat. 9:00am  
 Mon. 5:00pm    Tue. 5:00pm    Wed. 5:00pm    Thu. 5:00pm    Fri. 5:00pm

### Sunday Masses

- Sat. 5:00pm       Sun. 8:00am       Sun. 10:00am       Sun. 12:00pm       Sun. 7:00pm

**Please return this form as soon as you are able by:**

-scanning and emailing to [marilyn@stmaryscalgary.ca](mailto:marilyn@stmaryscalgary.ca)

-handing it into the Gift and Info booth

-depositing it into the black Donation boxes