

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,
12:00 PM , 4:00 PM (St. Francis Xavier
Chaplaincy)

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tues - Thurs & Sat. 4:30—4:50 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 you 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

OCTOBER 17, 2021

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

To serve and to suffer

There is a term that has made its way into religious circles in recent years, those in authority are expected to exercise “servant leadership.” It is not actually a religious concept but comes from the business world! It’s about employers who inspire rather than command, who care more about their employees than about the business, and so motivate employees to give their best to the business.

This is not quite what Jesus had in mind. It isn’t about the relationship between employers and employees, but between servants and served. We could even say it is about the relationship between servants and servants. It’s not only leadership that is called to service.

St. Paul encourages Christians to “bear one another’s burdens.” That is the kind of mutual service that Jesus proposes. We see it put into practice in the early chapters of the Acts of the Apostles, where “the community of believers was of one heart and mind.”

Jesus presents himself as the model: “The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” He expects the same of His disciples.

“Giving one’s life” means dying, of course, in the spirit of John 15:13, “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.” But it also means devoting one’s life to others, in a genuine show of care for each other. In this sense Jesus presents Himself as a model not only for bishops, priests and religious, but to spouses, to families and, yes, even to employers and employees.

Pope Francis exemplifies this spirit very well indeed. Of all his titles, he prefers “Servant of the servants of God.” It’s not about him. It’s about all of us. And he inspires us to respond to the invitation of the second reading: “Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy.” Here, too, we “receive mercy” not just to have it for ourselves, but to exercise it towards others. It is part and parcel of being a servant.

Would you like to do something great, something beautiful for Jesus? Pray for the grace to do so. There could be some serious suffering involved and surely some serious service expected. “Power for a disciple of Jesus is the inner strength that makes it possible to serve and to suffer”.

Readings for October 24— Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: (Jeremiah 31:7-9) I am going to bring my people home — both those who are blind and those who are lame.

Second Reading (Hebrews 5:1-6) You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.

Gospel: (Mark 10:46-52) My teacher, let me see again.

Stewardship of Treasure Oct. 2 - Oct. 8, 2021

General Collections

Envelopes/Loose/Debit/etc.

Last Week

\$ 5,075.

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

Goal: \$41,552. Donations to date: \$13,984.

Some employers offer a charitable **donation matching program**, please contact Lillian at the parish office for more information about this (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 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. 7th 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. 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.

Book of the Month: The Gift booth is featuring October's Spiritual Book of the Month: *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (2nd edition). We also still have copies of 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.

Sunday Missals for 2021-22 are expected to be available for sale in the next few weeks.

White Mass Please join the Canadian Federation of Catholic Physicians and Societies in celebrating the White Mass (the feast day of St. Luke) at St. Mary's Cathedral on **October 18th at 7:00 pm** with Bishop McGrattan as the celebrant. Standard protocols for masking and distancing during mass will apply.

New Receptionist: Please welcome Michelle MacPhee, the new part-time receptionist, who will be working in the Cathedral office Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Volunteers always needed: Whether you are new to the parish and would like more information on volunteering or whether you would like to return to a more active roll call 403-228-4170 or contact Marilyn@stmaryscalgary.ca

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, Oct. 18

7:30 am Elizabeth Irene Romman (RIP)

5:00 pm Alfredo Sy, Sr. (INT)

Tuesday, Oct. 19

7:30 am Ian Griffin (INT)

5:00 pm Rino Family (RIP)

Wednesday, Oct. 20

7:30 am Francisca Leiva (RIP)

5:00 pm Irmgard Belle (INT)

Thursday, Oct. 21

7:30 am Intention of the Donor (INT)

5:00 pm Catholic School Board Trustees (RIP)

Friday, Oct. 22

7:30 am Regino Cuz (RIP)

5:00 pm Leonardo Severo Gil Torres (RIP)

Saturday, Oct. 23

9:00 am Maria Fraser (INT)

5:00 pm Coreen Ponaiah (INT)

Sunday, Oct. 24

8:00 am Charlene Munn (RIP)

10:00 am Al Fitzsimmons (RIP)

12:00 Noon St. Mary's Parishioners



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 *Ian Griffin, Lucia Vindel and Laura Meier*. For those who have died in Christ, that they may be resurrected with Him into eternal life.

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.



Offering Envelopes – We are preparing our data base for those who would like to use weekly offering envelopes. During COVID we have not automatically generated envelopes, therefore if you would like to use envelopes once again on a more regular basis, please contact lillian@stmaryscalgary.ca or call 403-228-4170. We would also be pleased to assist you with any questions you might have in regard to beginning a direct debit/credit donation either weekly or monthly. Direct debit/credit forms are available at the main entrance of the Cathedral.

Dealing with Personal Loss: Respite at the FCJ Centre. This weekend retreat will focus on how we can understand grief and life's losses by learning how it impacts our lives. The spirit of the program is making space for God through art, nature, meditation, and journaling. The weekend retreat will be **October 29-31** at the FCJ Centre. For details or to register go to: www.fcjcentre.ca or call 403-228-4215.