



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre

For January 21st, 2018 | 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

ECUMENICAL TAIZE PRAYER AT ST. JOSEPH (WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY)

It's the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity! Join the Ecumenical Taize Prayer Service on **Thursday, January 25** at 7 PM - at St. Joseph Catholic Church (640-19th Ave NW) with Fr. Yarek Dziuba, Fr. Adrian Martens and other ecumenical guests. Let us pray for unity of Christians in Southern Alberta and around the world. More information: www.prayeryc.com

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S RELIC PILGRIMAGE IN CALGARY

St. Francis Xavier's incorrupt forearm, a sacred first class relic, is making a rare visit to Canada. It will be in Calgary for only a short time this weekend. More information at <http://www.cco.ca/relic>. Here is the updated schedule:

- **Sunday, January 21 at St. Albert the Great Church** (10 Prestwick Dr SE, Calgary)
 - 1 pm to 4:30 pm - Public Veneration
 - 5 pm - Mass with Bishop McGrattan
 - 6:30 pm - Sung Vespers with Bishop McGrattan for the Solemn Reception of the Relic, followed by public veneration at 10 pm.
- **Monday, January 22 at St. Michael's Church** (800 85 St SW, Calgary)
 - 6:30 pm to 10 pm - Public Veneration

2018 DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP – JAN 27

"Together for Peace" is the theme for Share Lent 2018. Come and hear about our partners and the impact of their programs in building peace. Learn about the resources that help us to spread the message of Jesus Christ and "be artisans of peace locally and globally". The workshop will be at Holy Spirit Parish, 10827 24 St. SW - Office door entrance - on **Saturday, January 27, 2018**, 10 am – 3 pm. All are welcome. Lunch will be potluck. Please call 403-218-5519 to register. No cost. Free will offering.

TRANSITIONS

Transitions is a 15-week peer support program for those recently separated or divorced. Participants will meet every week to reflect upon and discuss topics such as self-esteem, stress, anger, guilt, blame, loneliness, forgiveness, blended families and more. The next program will begin in **Wednesday, February 14, 2018**. For more information or to register, call 403-218-5505 or email lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca

EFFECTIVE CO-PARENTING: PUTTING KIDS FIRST

'Effective Co-Parenting: Putting Kids First' is an educational 5-week program for separated and divorced parents to help raise their children through this difficult time and increase the understanding of needs of children for developing self-esteem and security. The next program will run 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on **Wednesdays, February 21 - March 21**. For more information or registration contact the Life & Family Resource Centre at 403-218-5505 or email lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

It's our fifth birthday! Coldest Night of the Year - Calgary will turn five this **February 24, 2018**. We'd love to have you celebrate with us by walking or volunteering in support of Feed the Hungry (a Diocesan program) and our friends KAIROS Calgary as they work to pay down the mortgage on Bankview Apartments (affordable housing). We'll be starting from Eau Claire Market again this year, offering 2, 5 and 10 km routes so the event is accessible for all. For more info visit www.cnoy.org/calgary or connect with Samantha at 403-218-5531 or samantha.jones@calgarydiocese.ca

FIRST AIDERS NEEDED – THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS

The Outdoor Way of the Cross at St. Mary's Cathedral (**Friday, March 30**) needs your help. If you are a physician, nurse, medical practitioner, certified first aider or are willing to certify; please contact Linnea Ferguson at outdoorwayofthecross@calgarydiocese.ca or (403) 218-5500. More information: www.wayofthecross.ca

BUILDING SACRED BRIDGES CONCERT

The 2nd annual interfaith music event - Building Sacred Bridges - will be held on **February 10, and 11, 2018** at Knox United Church and Beth Tzedec Synagogue respectively. The concert will feature music groups and choirs from various faith groups, including the Adorare Choral Ensemble and St. Bonaventure Choir. The event is meant to raise awareness about the lack of affordable housing in Southern Alberta and offers the opportunity to learn more about the Habitat Interfaith Build Project. Please go to www.habitatsouthernab.ca/bsb to reserve your tickets. If you would like to volunteer for future build days, please contact Marilou at 403-218-5519 or email marilou.legeyt@calgarydiocese.ca

PROJECT RACHEL POST ABORTION WEEKEND RETREAT

The retreat offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for women and men who are suffering from a past abortion experience. Trained certified counselors are available to accompany people on a journey toward hope and inner peace. The next retreat is scheduled for **February 23 - 24, 2018**. For more information or to register call Project Rachel at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223. You may also e-mail info@projectrachel.ca

YOUNG WOMEN VOCATION EVENTS – FEB 8 & 24

Attention: Single Young Women between 16 and 35! The Vocation Committee of AWR (The Assembly of Women Religious) is planning two events. For registration, contact: Sr. Terry f.c.J. at tksmithfcj@yahoo.ca; 403-228-3623.

- **Thursday, Feb. 8**, from 5 to 9 pm, at St. Mary's Cathedral: Mass followed by potluck and an information session on religious life.
- **Saturday, Feb. 24** retreat on a Lenten theme. This retreat will begin with 9 am Mass at Holy Trinity Parish and end at 4 pm. (Please note the changes that have been made to the date & location of the retreat).

SR. HELENA BURNS: BECOMING DIGITAL MISSIONARIES

A renowned #medianuns with the Daughters of St. Paul, Sr. Helena Burns is a prolific Theology of the Body speaker and Writer/Director of "The Media Apostle: The Fr. James Alberione Story." On **Feb. 4-6, 2018**, Sr. Helena will be coming to Calgary to speak on being a missionary in today's digital world. You don't want to miss this! This parish mission will be at St. Michael Catholic Community (800 85 Street SW) from 7 pm to 8 pm each night.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY –FULL TIME – ST. JAMES PARISH - OKOTOKS

St. James Parish is looking for a Receptionist/Secretary to work on a full time employment basis. For more information about this position, qualifications and application details see the Diocesan website at www.calgarydiocese.ca or submit your application to office@stjamesparishrc.com by January 26.

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY AND MASS

St. Patrick's Parish is forming a new ministry whose mission is: "To create a loving, supportive and compassionate church community that renews and restores faith and hope to families and children living with special needs." The Special Needs Mass will be a place of understanding, acceptance and welcome for those who live with special needs as well as those who care for them. Next Special Needs Ministry Mass (Sunday 5 PM): January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 27 and June 24, 2018.

MEN OF INTEGRITY CONFERENCE

Come to the Catholic Men's Conference, "Men of Integrity: Lead by Example" on **February 2-3** at Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove, AB. Speakers include Sean Dalton, Matt Dalton, Fr. Miguel Irizar and Fr. Paul Moret. Cost: \$50.00/person or 35.00/student. For more information or to register: www.catholicfamilyministries.com or call 780-961-3346.

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