

# St. Thomas More Parish: 15 Templebow Road NE, Calgary AB T1Y 6J3

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**Office Hours:** Monday & Sunday - Closed  
Tuesday to Saturday - 10:00am to 3:00pm (Office is closed for Lunch  
from 12:30pm to 1:30pm)

*A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners*



## 4th Sunday of Easter, April 25/26, 2026

### **Pastor:**

Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD

### **Associate Pastor:**

Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD

### **Permanent Deacons:**

Deacon Norman Dumais

Deacon Dale Laing

### **Office Assistant:**

Rachael Ramaswamy

### **Administrative Assistant:**

Fe Badajos

### **Bookkeeper:**

Cindy Kreutzer

### **Hospitality:**

Everyone in the Parish!

### **Weekday Mass Schedule:**

Monday to Saturday: 9:00am

### **Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am,

12:30pm & 5:00pm

### **Igbo Mass:**

First Sunday of the Month: 2:00pm

### **Adoration:**

First Friday of the month:

9:30am to Noon

### **Reconciliation:**

Tue., Wed., Thu., & Fri.:

After the morning Mass

Saturday: 2:30pm to 3:30pm

### **Baptisms:**

An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.

### **Confirmation:**

On-line registration is now closed.

### **Society of St. Vincent De Paul:**

(403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)

ONE OF THE HALLMARKS of the Gospel of John is the series of "I am" statements, with Jesus telling us how to understand who he is and what he holds out to us. Some, such as "I am the bread of life," are easier to understand. But the image of Jesus as "the gate," as he asserts in today's Gospel, can seem confusing.

In my hometown, gates are most often designed as a barrier, a way to keep the unwanted and unknown at bay. But the very nature of a gate allows it to swing open, and Jesus the shepherd assures us that he has kept the gate open to us in welcome. The gate leads to the sheepfold, a place of safety and security, of peace and life.

Jesus -- the gate -- is the point of entry to that sheepfold, but it is up to us to listen to his voice, avoiding the pitfalls of attempted shortcuts or false guides. While all of us will encounter the "thieves and bandits" who come "only to steal and kill and destroy," the gate reminds us that faith creates a discipline in us that allows us to overcome the temptations standing in the way of eternal life. The gate is open and inviting, allowing us to "find pasture" -- eternal peace and eternal life.

*(Living with Christ, April 2026) - Catherine Mulrone*

### **Readings:**

**1st Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36b-41**

**2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.20b-25**

**Gospel: John 10.1-10**

Every year this Fourth Sunday of Easter is "Good Shepherd Sunday." While Peter in Acts speaks of this salvation being for "all who the Lord calls," in his letter he speaks of patient endurance as that to which "you have been called." Here, in John's gospel, Jesus speaks about calling "his own sheep by name and leading them out." There is something unique about Jesus' voice that calls, something that finds resonance deep in our heart.

- With the many of voices in our modern world, how do we tune into the sound of our Shepherd's voice?
- How do you feel cared for by Jesus the good Shepherd?
- How are we called to be shepherd, after the example of the Good Shepherd?

*(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)*

### **Good Shepherd Sunday**

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is widely known as Good Shepherd Sunday, the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. To support the education and formation of seminarians and the permanent diaconate program in our Diocese, please give online at [catholicycyc.ca/donatevocations](http://catholicycyc.ca/donatevocations).

***Do not be satisfied with little things, because God wants great things!***

*-- St. Catherine of Siena*

**Weekly Mass Intentions: April 27 to May 3**

Apr. 27	Mon	9:00am	Mariyamma (RIP) Dominic Vu Nguyen (RIP)
Apr. 28	Tue	9:00am	Architha & Vinod (INT) Ray Ouellette (RIP)
Apr. 29	Wed	9:00am	Mary Jarvis (INT) Peter Ortholf (INT)
Apr. 30	Thu	9:00am	Franklin Babita Singh (INT) Teresa Trinh Nguyen (RIP)
May 1	Fri	9:00am	All Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Joseph Nguyen & Family (INT)
May 2	Sat	9:00am 4:00pm	Anna & Joseph Tran (RIP) Saga Naeselius (RIP) Lorraine Swanson (RIP) Dominic Vu Nguyen (RIP)
May 3	Sun	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Paul family (INT) Elena Cuatico Tan (RIP) John Fernandes (RIP) Dominic Vu Nguyen (RIP) Frank Palmer (RIP) Visnja Jurkovic (RIP) St. Thomas More Parishioners (INT) Mariano, Rolando, Estrellita and Jose Ulit (RIP)

**Together in Action**  
The TIA 2026 is \$49,139.00  
Collection up-to-date is \$25,051.00

**Attention all Ge'ez Rite Parishioners**

As confirmed by the Chancellor's office, the presence of our resident priest, Fr. Aklilu means that all sacramental preparation and celebrations for the Ge'ez Rite faithful should be handled at the Holy Trinity Ge'ez Rite Catholic Community. All future sacramental processes (Marriage Education), Baptisms, Interviews, and Liturgy Planning are now directed to Holy Trinity Ge'ez Rite Catholic Community at the Office of

Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

Address: 404 Northmount Pl NW,  
Calgary AB T2K 3P9.

Contact Number: 403-617-0479

Email: [holytrinitygeezriteca@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitygeezriteca@gmail.com)

Office hours: Friday 9am till noon

Saturday 6:30pm till 8:30pm

Sunday before Mass 12:30 till 1:30pm

Also available by phone and appointments as needed

**First Saturday Devotion**

Sat., May 2, from 8:30am to 10:20am at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Calgary. Enter into the First Saturday devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary with Confession at 8:30am, Mass at 9am (Fr. Edmund Vargas), followed by Rosary and meditation. All are welcome; refreshments provided.

Contact: [heralds@heralds.ca](mailto:heralds@heralds.ca).

**Saint of the Week - April 29**

**Saint Catherine of Siena**

One of four women honored with the title of Doctor of the Church, Catherine was born in Siena, Italy, in 1347, her parents' twenty-fifth and youngest child. She joined the Dominican Third Order in 1365, spending years in seclusion from the world, fasting and praying. In 1368, after a vision where Christ accepted her as his "bride," she felt called to carry this love to others. She cared for the poor and tended the sick; she corresponded with people from all walks of life, even counselling princes and popes; she was renowned as a peacemaker. She is especially remembered for her spiritual reflections.

She died in Rome in 1380. This great Christian mystic was canonized in 1461, became a patron of Italy in 1939, and was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970. With St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, she is co-patron of Europe.

(Living with Christ, April 2026)

**Sacrament of Confirmation Program 2026**

**4th Gathering: Sat., May 2, 2026 from 10am - noon**

**Accepting new members: 12:30PM choir**

We are pleased to announce that we are accepting new members who are gifted with music skills (singing or playing any instruments) for the 12:30pm choir and are dedicated and committed to attend practice for 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month, Sunday services and some special occasion for Christmas, Lent & Easter celebrations.

**Pilgrimage to Austria, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia & Hungary under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Jerry D'Souza, OCD has only 10 spots remaining.**

**For more information, please contact by:**

**Tel: 905-412 3355; 1-800-565-3619**

**Email: [group@qstours.com](mailto:group@qstours.com)**

**4th Annual Women's Conference**

**- Who You Say I Am**

**Fri.-Sat., May 22-23 at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Calgary.** A two-day women's conference with inspiring speakers, prayer, and fellowship.

Register at [www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com](http://www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com).

**Mother's Day Celebration Sat., May 2 at 9:30am at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Calgary.**

Join a special Mother's Day celebration with Adoration, Rosary, Holy Mass, May crowning, and lunch.

Please bring flowers to honor Our Blessed Mother Mary. Contact Sr. Katrina at 587-755-1019 for details.

**Women's Retreat Tue., May 5 at 5:15pm at Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre, Cochrane.** An evening retreat for women to pray, reflect, and be renewed in mission, featuring Mass, supper, a guest talk, and quiet reflection. Register at [stlukescwl.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:stlukescwl.treasurer@gmail.com) by Apr. 28 or call/text 587-700-5172.