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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



5th Sunday of Easter, May 2/3, 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)

WHEN POPE FRANCIS announced the Synod on Synodality, a three-year global conversation (2021-24) with the People of God to discern together how to be a Church where we walk together, reactions from Catholics ranged from amazement to cynicism to hope. This massive project reached from the Vatican to the tiniest faith community through small groups wrestling with questions about where the Church is and where it could go.

I guess not much has changed in 2,000 years: the early Church wrestled with these same questions, as we see in today's first reading. What are the priorities? Who can carry them out? How can we best serve those we care for? Confident in God's love and God's word, believers made decisions together and kept on working for the kingdom. They were (and we are) "living stones": "a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people," as the first Letter of Peter puts it.

Just as he beckoned his disciples, Jesus invites us to follow him. In today's Gospel, Thomas asks, "How can we know the way?" As we continue to walk together on the synodal path, we at times wonder the same thing. But by keeping our eyes on Jesus -- the Way, the Truth and the Life -- we cannot go astray.

Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.

(Living with Christ, May 2026) - Anne Louise Mahoney

Readings:

1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.4-9

Gospel: John 14.1-12

In typical John-style we hear from the mouth of Jesus the basic building blocks of his true identity, of his life and ministry, and of Christian truth and theology: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." As Jesus takes leave from his disciples and they ask where he is going, he stresses once again who he is - I AM. Jesus' words are to encourage all disciples to continue believing the God of life.

- What part of this reading speaks to you most strongly today?
- How do Jesus' words console you, challenge you, send you forth?
- In what way does faith in Jesus help you grow a big heart?

(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)

Sing the Mass Workshop

Discover the beauty of the Mass Propers (antiphons, in English) and how they can enrich your parish's worship. Build on what your parish is already doing and begin singing them with confidence. When: **Saturday, May 16, 10am to 12:30pm** at St. Cecilia's Church, Calgary. Register online at catholicyc.ca/sacredmusic or mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca

Even if we speak with a low voice, even if we whisper without opening the lips, even if we call to him only from the depths of the heart, our unspoken word always reaches God and God always hears. -St. Clement of Alexandria

Weekly Mass Intentions: May 4 to May 10

May 4	Mon	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Vicente Baria (RIP) Rose Deguzman (RIP)
May 5	Tue	9:00am	Subash Munisamy (INT) Teresa Trinh Nguyen (RIP) Dominic Vu Nguyen (RIP)
May 6	Wed	9:00am	Rey Bustamante (RIP) Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Kuriakose TM (RIP)
May 7	Thu	9:00am	Joseph & Maria Nguyen (RIP) Ivy D'Souza (RIP)
May 8	Fri	9:00am	Chuma Metuh (INT) Pedro Panganiban (RIP) Lily D'Silva (RIP)
May 9	Sat	9:00am 4:00pm	Fr. Jerry D'Souza (INT) Susanna Nunn (RIP) Joshua & Levi Lamadrid (INT) Rufina Gonsalves (RIP)
May 10	Sun	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Maria Raposo (INT) Teresa Paul (RIP) Mary Jarvis (INT) Dominic Vu Nguyen (RIP) Stephen Pausta (INT) Frank Palmer (RIP) For the People (INT)

Together in Action

The TIA 2026 is \$49,139.00
Collection up-to-date is \$26,318.00

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

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

46 Annual Hike for Life

A 10K family-friendly walk promoting respect for life. When: **Sat., May 9, from 8:30am to noon at Prince's Island Park** (check-in at Enmax Stage). Register and support at calgaryprolife.com.

Saint of the Week - May 6

Saint François de Laval

François de Montmorency Laval (1623-1708) was the first bishop of Quebec City. Born in France to a noble family, he was educated by the Jesuits and ordained in 1647. Despite controversy, he was made bishop in 1658 and arrived in New France the following year. In 1663, he founded the Seminary of Quebec -- now Laval University -- to supply priests for his vast diocese, which extended to all the French-speaking territory of North America. He later established a minor seminary and an industrial school. His pastoral concern for the settlers and the Native people often resulted in conflict with civil authorities.

François was an outstanding educator & administrator a generous benefactor, a caring bishop and a pious man whose spiritual influence was widespread. He well deserved his title of "Père de la Patrie" (Father of the Homeland) and was canonized in 2014. Saint François de Laval is the patron of the Bishops of Canada.

(Living with Christ, May 2026)

Sacrament of Confirmation Program 2026

6th Gathering: Sat., May 16, 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.

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.

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

Natural Family Planning

Engaged and married couples are invited to an introductory workshop on Natural Family Planning, exploring NFP as a practical and ethical aid in married life. When: **Thu., May 28, from 7pm to 9pm, online via Zoom.** Presented by Rikka Borrás, RN, Certified Marquette Method Natural Family Planning Nurse. Registration closes one day before the event. To register, call 403-218-5521.