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Office Hours: Monday & Sunday: Closed
Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00am to 3:00pm

A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners



December 9/10, 2023 : Second Sunday of Advent

PASTOR: Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD	ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD
PERMANENT DEACON: 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 First Friday: 9:00am Adoration: First Friday of the Month 9:30am to Noon Baptisms: An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.	WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm (Igbo Mass: First Sunday of the Month at 2:00pm) Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office Reconciliation: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: After the morning Mass Saturday: 3:00pm to 3:45pm Society of St. Vincent De Paul: (403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)

Please remember St. Thomas More Parish in your Will.
For more information, please visit www.plantingafuture.ca.
There is a booklet on this website to help you with your bequest.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Advent Reconciliation Service Dates

Thu., Dec. 14, 2023: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Christmas Mass Timings

Sun., Dec. 24, 2023

Sunday Masses

8:30am, 10:30am, & 12:30pm

Christmas Eve Masses

5:00pm, 8:00pm & 10:00pm

Christmas Day Masses

Mon., Dec. 25, 2023

8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, & 5:00pm

2:00pm (Igbo Language Mass)

Sat., Dec. 30, 2023

Adoration

5:00pm - 9:00pm

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sun., Dec. 31, 2023

Sunday Masses

8:30am, 10:30am, & 12:30pm

New Year's Eve Mass

5:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Mon., Jan. 1, 2024: 9:00am & 11:00am

Multicultural Mass

Sat., Jan. 6, 2024: 5:00pm

**There will be no 4:00pm Mass

Weekly Mass Intentions: December 11 to December 17

Mon	11	9:00am	Jennifer Davis (RIP) Jean Pittman(RIP) Aida Evalle (RIP)
Tue	12	9:00am	Maureen & Norris Eustace (RIP) Rachael Ramaswamy (INT) Aida Evalle (RIP)
Wed	13	9:00am	Patricia & Glen Nymn (RIP) Joanna Cortez (RIP) Marites Maniual & Dionisia Marzan (INT)
Thu	14	9:00am	Jose Yu (RIP) Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Aida Evalle (RIP) Teresa Paul (RIP)
Fri	15	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Brenda Dore (RIP) Yergealem Eyob (INT)
Sat	16	9:00am	Lucila Nuestro (RIP) Allan Torres (RIP)
		4:00pm	Arelly Nunez (INT) O.P. & Jane Reynolds (RIP)
Sun	17	8:30am	Bill & Jacquie Camier (RIP) Jaison Job Kollanoor (RIP)
		10:30am	Teresita Vierneza (RIP)
		12:30pm	Domingo Riguis (RIP)
		5:00pm	For the people

Together in Action

The TIA 2023 is \$49,139.00

Collection up to date is \$51,990.39.

We thank you for your generosity. All Surplus will go towards renovating the Church's Front Entrance.

Advent Mission: Called to be Missionary Disciples

Each year, Advent invites us to prepare for the greatest event in human history - The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. You are invited to St. Michael's Advent Mission with speaker Peter Thompson:

Mon., Dec. 18 at 7 pm

Theme: God's love affair with humanity

Tue., Dec. 19 at 6 pm (Mass followed by Mission)

Theme: Who do you say that I AM? Matthew 16:15

Wed., Dec. 20 at 7 pm

Theme: His mercies never come to an end.

Lamentation 3:22

Location: St. Michael's Parish (800 85 St. SW, Calgary.

Mission will be livestreamed at St. Michael's Youtube page.

Congratulations to Ravin Caluza, Kyler Carlos, Zayn Estrada, Myca Merelo and Nico Panganiban, who were baptized in our Parish last week

'And the word became flesh and lived among us.'
Display of the manger will be in the foyer after each Mass for purchase.

We congratulate all the candidates who have committed themselves to the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, and extend our sincere appreciation to the entire Sacrament Prep. Team for all their efforts and hard work.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tue., Dec. 12, 2023. Mass is at 9:00am only

NEW WEBSITE

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new website. We request you to let us know your thoughts and feed back.

Thank you.

Simbang Gabi Novena

Please join us in celebrating the 9-day Novena for Simbang Gabi starting on Fri., Dec. 15, 2023 till Sat., Dec. 23, 2023.

Carolling starts at 6:30pm, Novena prayers at 6:45pm and Mass at 7:00pm .

Donation Envelopes for the year 2024 are available for pick up in the foyer.

Please ensure you have collected yours.

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples | Dec. 12

The National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples is celebrated on December 12 every year, on the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas, who appeared to a humble native peasant, Juan Diego, in Mexico in 1531. The Canadian Catholic Aboriginal Council celebrates this day for prayer, solidarity and reconciliation, by issuing an annual message honouring Aboriginal people who were inspired by their Catholic faith .

Do not be troubled or weighed down with grief. Do not fear any illness or vexation, anxiety or pain... Are you not under my shadow and protection?

- Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin