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Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00am to 3:00pm

A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners



March 16/17, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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!
<p>WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Monday to Saturday: 9:00am First Friday: 9:00am</p> <p>Adoration: First Friday of the Month 9:30am to Noon</p> <hr/> <p>Baptisms: An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.</p>	<p>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</p> <p>Reconciliation: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: After the morning Mass Saturday: 3:00pm to 3:45pm</p> <hr/> <p>Society of St. Vincent De Paul: (403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)</p>

Please remember St. Thomas More Parish in your Will.

Holy Week Schedule

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, March 23, 2024: 4pm

Sunday, March 24, 2024:

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

(No Igbo Mass on Palm Sunday)

HOLY THURSDAY

March 28, 2024: 7:00pm

(There will be no Mass at 9:00am)

GOOD FRIDAY March 29, 2024

Stations of the Cross: 9am

Good Friday Service: 12:00pm & 3:00pm

EASTER VIGIL - March 30, 2024: 8:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY - March 31, 2024:

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

Igbo Language: 2:00pm

HOLY WEEK

Holy Week is the week which precedes the great Feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday: it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem. *Ordo 2024*

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30pm followed by Mass:
March 22, 2024



Come Join Us For the Sharing of a Humble Meal of Soup and Bun:

Good Friday,
March 29, 2024
after the 3:00pm
service in the
Church Basement
Halls.

Weekly Mass Intentions: March 18 to March 24

Mon	18	9:00am	Peter Ha Huu Vien (RIP) Antoine Nguyen Van Nien (RIP) Peter Nguyen Phat Tai (RIP)
Tue	19	9:00am	Jose Musa (RIP) Ambrose Walton (RIP) Apolonia de Roxas (RIP) Colleen Levy (INT)
Wed	20	9:00am	Romeo & Orlando Tiu (RIP) Bill & Susanna Walton (INT) Maria Drielich (RIP)
Thu	21	9:00am	Sister Mary Dolores (RIP) Souls in Purgatory (RIP)
Fri	22	9:00am	Malea Enojo (INT) Ambrose Walton (RIP) Hilda Gargaceran (RIP)
Sat	23	9:00am	Anthony Dourado (INT) Antonio Bilgera (RIP)
		4:00pm	Samuel & Nelida Aldecoa (RIP)
Sun	24	8:30am	Jean Pittman (RIP) Ambrose Walton (RIP)
		10:30am	Joyce Casebeer (RIP)
		12:30pm	Sr. Mary Dolores (RIP)
		5:00pm	For the people (INT)

Together in Action

The TIA 2024 is \$49,139.00

Collection up to date is \$9,401.50

All Surplus will go to funding the Parish Furnace.

Outdoor Way of the Cross

All are invited to join Bishop McGrattan on the **Outdoor Way of the Cross on Good Friday, March 29, 2024 at 9am.** We are introducing a new route this year that begins at St. Mary's University and leads us to the Father Lacombe Centre in SE Calgary. Remember to dress appropriately for the outdoors. For more information, visit: catholiccyc.ca/way-of-the-cross.

Solemnity of St. Joseph Mass w/ Bishop McGrattan

All are welcome to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph's Mass with Bishop McGrattan, and celebrate 400 years of St. Joseph as Patron of Canada. Refreshments will follow at the Parish Hall on **Tue, Mar 19 at 7pm at St. Joseph's Church Calgary.**

EASTER FLOWERS:

Envelopes are available on the counter in the foyer.

Love righteousness, you rulers of the earth, think of the Lord in goodness and seek him with sincerity of heart. The wisdom of Solomon 1.1

No Office and No Mass on Monday, March 25, 2024

There will be ENMAX POWER OUTAGE

from 8:30am till 3:30pm

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 7, 2024



We will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday on April 7, 2024 starting at 2:30pm with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be confession and at 2:45pm we will recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet concluding with blessing followed by Mass.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

If your parish celebrates the Mass for the Third Scrutiny for catechumens preparing for Baptism at the Easter vigil, you may hear the Gospel story of Jesus raising his friend, Lazarus, from the dead. One of the many lessons learned from this Gospel story is that of Martha's confession of faith in her friend: "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." Raising Lazarus from the dead was a miracle and a clear display of God's power. It was also an unmistakable sign that Jesus was the Christ. Good stewards of their faith see signs of Christ's presence all around them and are eager to respond in faith. The stewardship question for us is: Who or what will be the Lord of our lives? Will it be Christ Jesus? And if so, how will we respond to him? Are we willing to walk in his footsteps and follow his example?

If your parish does not celebrate the Mass for the Third Scrutiny for catechumens, you may hear the Gospel story of Jesus inviting his disciples into a great mystery with curious pronouncements: Those who love their lives just as they are will lose them. If a grain of wheat dies, it will bear much fruit...What does Jesus mean? The climactic event of Jesus' passion and death is drawing closer; a time when the great confrontation between Jesus and the powers of darkness take place. When Jesus is lifted up, he will draw all to himself. The Christian steward knows life can't be lived in complacency. We are called to die to self, bear more fruit, be raised up with Jesus. Jesus brings discomfort to those who are comfortable. Jesus urges us to give witness in his name. How will we respond?

ICSC March 2024 e-Bulletin

The Walton family wishes to convey their sincere gratitude and thanks from the bottom of their hearts for the outpouring of cards and greetings for their son, Ambrose Walton and may he rest in peace.

Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of children is their parents. Proverbs 17.6