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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



November 25/26, 2023 : Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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. 7, 2023

5:30pm – 8:30pm

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

Mon., Dec. 25, 2023

8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, & 5:00pm
2:00pm (Igbo Language Mass)

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

Sun., Dec. 3, 2023 is the First Sunday of Advent.

Weekly Mass Intentions: November 27 to December 3

Mon	27	9:00am	Gerry Burchat (RIP) Joseph Anna Tran (RIP) Departed souls of the Rebello Family (RIP)
Tue	28	9:00am	Michelle & Rochelle Velasco (INT) Pamela Coates (RIP) Joachim Nguyen (RIP)
Wed	29	9:00am	Eduardo Blanco (INT) Shobhine George Mullakariyil (INT) Rosalina Bumatay (RIP)
Thu	30	9:00am	Pamela Coates (RIP) Teresa Noriega (INT) Departed souls of the Rebello Family (RIP)
Fri	1	9:00am	Nora Casuga (INT) Joseph Maria Ngyen (RIP) Angelina Pereira (RIP) Souls in Purgatory
Sat	2	9:00am	Lawrence Chin (RIP) Nguyen Family (INT) People who have nobody to pray for them (INT)
		4:00pm	Samuel & Nelida Aldecoa (RIP) Bernardo Serquina (RIP)
Sun	3	8:30am	Departed souls in the Monis Family (RIP) Theresiamma Thomas (RIP)
		10:30am	Francis DeSouza (RIP)
		12:30pm	Escanlar Family (RIP) Francis Pesa (RIP)
		5:00pm	For the people

Together in Action

The TIA 2023 is \$49,139.00
Collection till Nov. 19, 2023 is \$48,970.98



St. Vincent de Paul - World Day of the Poor

A big Thank-you to our parishioners for your donations to St. Vincent de Paul in recognition of World of the Poor. A total of \$18,000 was raised! These donations will go towards our 90+ Christmas hampers and Regular hampers. Regular hampers are requested weekly, delivering to families within our Parish boundary (communities north of 32nd Ave NE, all the way to Redstone/Skyview NE).



St. Vincent de Paul - Christmas hampers

We will be preparing and delivering Christmas hampers in December for families in need. For families with children, we will be including gifts. If anyone is wanting to donate gifts for children, you may do so by picking up a gift tag in the foyer by the small Christmas tree and donating an unwrapped gift for ages 1-9 years old, or a \$25 gift card, ages 10-17 years old. These can be dropped off over the weekends of Dec. 3 and Dec. 10, in the foyer under the small Christmas tree. Thank you for your generosity.

Congratulations to Zia Elise Masangkay Alberto, and Ethan Toyo Abasi Ovieme Usoro who were baptized in our Parish this week.

Bible Quiz

Who is She?

Give the name of Bible-Times woman described here

1. Wife of Jacob & Mother of Joseph.
2. Mother of Moses.
3. The only female judge of Israel.
4. She discovered the strength of Samson's Strength.
5. Mother of Samuel, the last judge of Israel.
6. A deaconess in the church at Cechreae.
7. Mother of John the Baptist.
8. The woman who served while her sister listened to Jesus.
9. Widow who remarried and became David's great-grandmother.
10. She heroically dispatch Sisera with tent peg.

1. Rachel, 2. Jochebed, 3. Deborah, 4. Delilah, 5. Hannah, 6. Phoebe, 7. Elizabeth, 8. Martha, 9. Ruth, 10. Jael

ANSWERS - Bible Quiz

Winter Gifts for Guests at Feed the Hungry

As the winter chill sets in, let's warm hearts and hands together! We cordially invite you to participate in the "Feed the Hungry winter gifts drive".

Your contribution, be it new mittens, gloves, socks, toques or \$10 gift cards from fast food places, can make a significant difference for our guests. These tokens of care will be distributed to Feed the Hungry's guests closer to Christmas. The deadline to drop off Winter gifts for guests of the Feed the Hungry is Wednesday, Dec. 6 at St. Mary's Cathedral during business hours. If you have any questions, please email: feedthehungry@calgarydiocese.ca or call 403-218-5532



**Knights of Columbus Council #7938
Annual Christmas Dinner & Dance**

The Knights of Columbus Council #7938 Officer's Team is hosting, with a special invitation to our Catholic Women's League, the annual Christmas Dinner party.

On Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 5:30 pm at St. Thomas More Parish Hall.

This is an open invitation to all brother Knights & CWL ladies including spouse and children, the event is free. We ask that you bring a POTLUCK DISH enough for your family plus two.

Please RSVP ASAP!