

ST. CECILIA'S PARISH

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 THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER

April 13/14, 2024

MASS TIMES & PARISH INFO

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am & 11am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Saturday
9:00am

First Friday

Mass at 7pm (no 9am Mass)

PARISH OFFICE

Office is closed on Mondays
Tues to Fri 9am to 4pm
Lunch break 12:00 – 1pm

Are you **NEW** or recent to our parish?

Welcome! If you have been coming consistently for 6 months or more, please pick up a registration form from our Information Desk in the foyer.

Confessions



Every Saturday

3pm – 4pm

Or by appointment

Adoration

Fridays:

9:30am - 6:00pm

First Friday:

9am to 6pm



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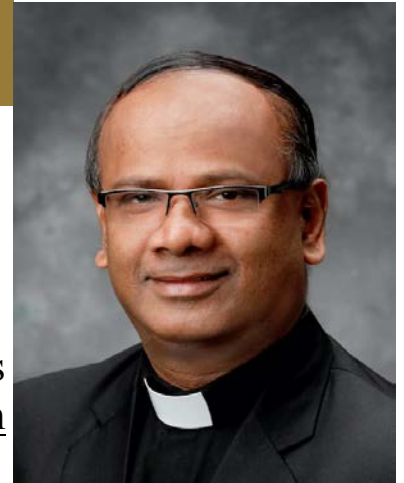


FR. PAUL'S COLUMN

ST. MARTIN I, POPE, AND MARTYR

APRIL 13TH

St. Martin I was born in Tuscany, Italy in 316. He is recognized as a **saint** and **martyr** in both the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches.



St. Martin, I became a **deacon** and served in Rome, where he acquired a reputation for **education, charity to the poor and holiness**. As a cleric, he **assisted two popes** in important roles. Pope Theodore, I **chose Martin as his representative to the emperor in Constantinople** during a period of theological controversy between the imperial capital and the Roman Church.

Pope Theodore died in 649 and **named St. Martin as his successor**. He was the **74th Pope** from 649 to 653. He **called the Lateran Council of 649**, a council that his predecessor Pope Theodore had intended to call and made **Monothelism the topic of discussion**. The Lateran Council was attended by 105 bishops, held five sessions, and **issued twenty decrees condemning Monothelism**.

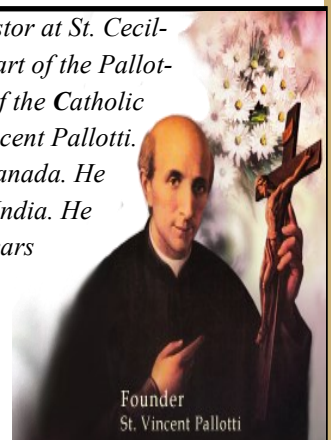
St. Martin, I died in 655 from the **effects of the torture and imprisonment**. Pope Martin I is the **last martyred Pope**.

Saying of the Saint

“I hope that God, who knows all things, when he shall have taken me out of this world, will bring my persecutors to repentance.”
St. Martin I.

Fr. Paul Raj, SAC has been the pastor at St. Cecilia's since November 2014 and is part of the Pallottine Fathers Community (Society of the Catholic Apostolate) who's patron is St. Vincent Pallotti. St. Cecilia's is his first parish in Canada. He comes from the Tamil province of India. He was also in the Philippines for 3 years serving and studying.

*To learn more about the Pallottine Fathers please visit their website:
www.pallotti.org*



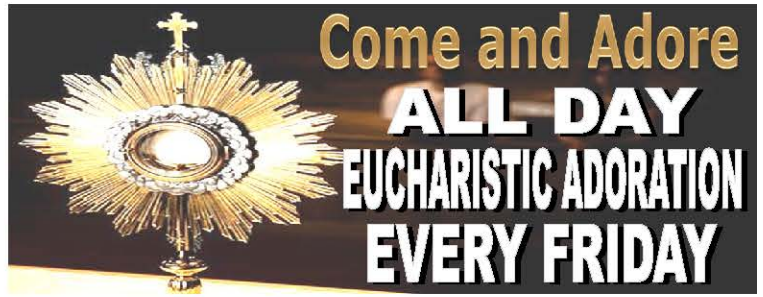
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 13
 9:00am: Int. Anita and Barry Blatz
 5:00pm: †Jonathan Casas

Sunday, April 14
 9:00am: †Bruce Ross
 11:00am: All parishioners, living & deceased

Monday, April 15
 No Mass

Tuesday, April 16
 9:00am: †Fernand, Laurette & Rolly Goudreau

Wednesday, April 17
 9:00am: Int. Baptista Family—Thanksgiving

Thursday, April 18
 9:00am: †Nikolai & Nina Kurylenka

Friday, April 19
 9:00am: Int. Delos Reyes Family

Saturday, April 20
 9:00am: Int. Licudine Family
 5:00pm: Int. Evangeline Mapanao

Sunday, April 21
 9:00am: †Roberto Baradas Verano
 11:00am: All parishioners, living & deceased

<i>Mass Readings</i>	
<u><i>Saturday, Apr 13</i></u> Acts 6.1-7 John 6.16-21	<u><i>Sunday, April 14</i></u> Acts 3.13-15, 17-19 1 John 2.1-5 Luke 24.35-48
<u><i>Mon, Apr 15 (no Mass)</i></u> Acts 6.8-15 John 6.22-29	<u><i>Tuesday, Apr 16</i></u> Acts 7.51—8.1a John 6.30-35
<u><i>Wednesday, Apr 17</i></u> Acts 8.1b-8 John 6.35-40	<u><i>Thursday, Apr 18</i></u> Acts 8.26-40 John 6.44-51
<u><i>Friday, Apr 19</i></u> Acts 9.1-20 John 6.52-59	<u><i>Saturday, Apr 20</i></u> Acts 9.31-42 John 6.53, 60-69
<u><i>Sunday, April 21</i></u> Acts 4.7-12 1 John 3.1-2 John 10.11-18	

The Pope's Prayer Intention April 2024



For the role of women We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



Got bottles for refunding? We have a large, marked wooden box in the hall where the double doors are for those who wish to donate their bottles. All the refunds collected from these donations support our Youth Group. Please rinse bottles before donating.

Parish News Update



Would box 213 please call the parish office. You need to register your number otherwise we won't know who is making the donation.

UPCOMING BAPTISM PREP CLASSES



Sat. May. 4 at 9:30am

Sat. June 1 at 9:30am

Please sign up via the office.

SACRAMENT CLASS SCHEDULE

Class Dates for 1st Comm (Sat. at 10am): Apr 20, May 11 Retreat June 8

Celebration of Sacrament on Saturday, June 9, 2024 at the 11am Mass

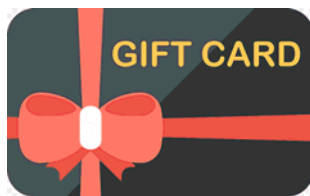
Class Dates for Confirm. (Sat. at 10am): Retreat May 25th

Celebration of Sacrament: Wednesday, May 29th at 7pm



Parishioner Danny Barth will be participating in this year's Hike For Life, collecting pledges and donations for Pro Life Calgary. Envelopes and pledge forms can be found in the foyer. Please make out any cheques to the Calgary Pro Life Association

Did you know that our Knights of Columbus sell grocery gift cards after each Mass on the weekend? Consider purchasing some cards for your regular shopping and benefit the parish at the same time! A speaker will be at each Mass this weekend to give more information.



LIBRARY GRAND RE-OPENING!



Children and their families are invited to the Library after mass on April 20th & 21st for snacks and kid's story time.

All are welcome to browse through the Library's great selection of books. Many new books have been added recently that can help you grow closer to God.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

403-252-2790 ext. 223

Over and over, we are invited to place our trust in God. We can imagine the terrified followers of Jesus hiding behind locked doors.

This might be a good time to spend with Jesus looking at the fears in our own lives, which keep us locked up from asking for Jesus' help. The needy too are afraid to ask for help.

Pantry Needs: Canned fruit, creamed corn, canned peas, pancake mix (just add water)





Our schools:

We have within our parish boundary: St. Matthew School (K-9), St. Cecilia School (K-6) and St. William School (K-6)

40 HOURS FOR VOCATIONS

“Could you not stay awake with me one hour?” (Matt. 26.40)

We will be holding our 40 Hour Devotion starting at 6am on Fri, April 26th until 10pm Sat, April 27th. Registration for the hour slot is not required but would be appreciated so we know when we have coverage. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer. We need a minimum of 2 people per hour.




St. Matthew School
Monthly Newsletter
<https://stmatthew.cssd.ab.ca/newsletters>



St. Cecilia School
Monthly Newsletter
<https://stcecilia.cssd.ab.ca/newsletters>



St. William School
Monthly Newsletter
<https://stwilliam.cssd.ab.ca/newsletters>

Parish financial support -Thank you!

	January	February	Mar 9/10	Mar 16/17
Parish support (Envelopes + Loose)	\$16,282.70	\$17,760.50	\$4,308.20	\$3,685.40
Together in Action	\$738.00	\$1,775.00	\$615.00	\$75.00
St. Vincent de Paul (Parish Env's + SSVP env's)	\$455.00	\$720.00	\$370.00	\$20.00
Building Maintenance	\$195.00	\$150.00	\$265.00	\$35.00
Development and Peace	—	—	—	\$561.60
Seminarian Fund	—	—	—	\$329.64

DIRECT DEBIT FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER: \$11,380.00 (includes special donations outside of parish support)

We are almost caught up so we appreciate your continued patience as we await the most up-to-date financials. All methods of your donations have continued to be getting deposited.



Diocesan News

NEWS.CalgaryDiocese.ca | FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING in the DIOCESE. Contact: 403-218-5500 | communications@calgarydiocese.ca



We are excited to share with you the 2023 Impact Report of the Diocese of Calgary. As we reflect on the past year, we celebrate the growth, resilience, and profound impact of our actions. This report highlights how, through faith and collaboration, we continue to move towards becoming true missionary disciples in our world today!

catholicyc.ca/2023impactreport

On behalf of Bishop McGrattan, thank you for your unwavering support and generosity towards serving our community and spreading the good news of God's unconditional love!

Check out new **career opportunities** in the Diocese:

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Vocations Rally Our Church is facing a crisis of vocations - for both priesthood and religious life. Together, how can we strengthen the future of the Church? You are invited to the Diocesan Vocations Rally, co-hosted by the Benedict XVI Institute of Newman Theological College. It is an afternoon of formation, information, and fellowship on Vocations! Come learn how to build a culture of vocation, whether you are discerning a religious vocation or not. Through the grace of God, the future of the Church depends on us all. Bring as many people from your parish as you can. Lunch is on us. When: **Sun, Apr 21, from 11 am to 3:30 pm.**

A Great Symphony of Prayer: The Our Father as a Programme of Life Embark on a spiritual journey with the CCCB's engaging webinar series, "A Great Symphony of Prayer," in response to Pope Francis's Year of Prayer initiative, hosted by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. Crafted by the Jubilee Office in Rome, this series offers deep dives into prayer through specially prepared booklets. This is a unique opportunity to connect with the divine and join a global community in prayer. When: **Tuesdays at 11 am MT from Apr 2 to Apr 30, 2024.** [Register Now](#)

Young Adults 19-30: Hope on the Horizon Summer Mission in Downtown Vancouver Join the "Hope on the Horizon" Summer Mission from **August 6 -21, 2024** hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver and Catholic Street Missionaries. This event, for young adults aged 19-30 in downtown Vancouver, offers an immersive experience into street missionary work. Participants will engage in prayer, service, and outreach to the homeless, alongside training and recreational activities. Food and accommodation included. For details and registration, visit: catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon.

Elizabeth House's Beach Carnival & Dodgeball Tournament - April 27 Elizabeth House invites you to a Beach Dodgeball Tournament **at The Beach YYC** (3030, 2600 Portland St SE Calgary)! You can bring friends and family and come spend an afternoon in the sand, or grab a team of 5 or 10 and join the dodgeball tournament on **Sat, April 27, from 2:30 pm to 5 pm.** Friends vs. friends, class vs. teachers, parents vs. kids, let's have some fun for a good cause! All proceeds will go towards purchasing a new van for the Elizabeth House.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter (April 21, 2024), or widely known as Good Shepherd Sunday is the World Day of Vocations. There will be a special collection for the work of vocations, in supporting the education and formation of seminarians and permanent diacönite program in our Diocese.



WANTED:
KofC
Men who would like to
make a difference!
Len White: 403-271-6055
or fs4878@kofc.ab.ca

Knights of Columbus

KIDS' PAGE

When Jesus rose from the dead, some of the disciples thought He was a ghost.

To show them that He was really alive, Jesus asked for something to eat. What did they give Him?



Colour the spaces using this code to find out!

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ROOM BOOKINGS

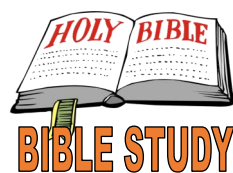
Mon	Apr 15	7:00pm—St. Vincent de Paul (Board)
Tues	Apr 16	9:00am—MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 10:00am—Bible Study (Boardroom) 7:00pm—RCIA (Boardroom)
Wed	Apr 17	9:00am—MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 6:00pm—Finance Council (Boardroom) 7:00pm—Sunday Choir Practice
Thur	Apr 18	9:00am—MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 1:00pm—Pastoral Care (Boardroom)
Fri	Apr 19	9:00am—MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 3:00am—Divine Mercy
Sat	Apr 20	9:00am—MASS (rosary at 8:30am) All Day—Couples For Christ (Auditorium) 3:00pm-4:00pm—CONFESSION 5:00pm—MASS
Sun	Apr 21	9:00am—MASS 11:00am—MASS



Prayer Shawl Ministry: last Tuesday of the month after the 9am Mass. New knitters welcome. Yarn available. **Next meet: Tues. Apr 30th**



Every First Friday beginning with the 7pm Mass. Night concludes by 9pm. **Next meeting: May 3**



Tuesdays after the 9am Mass. New members welcome!



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