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DIOCESAN NEWS

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The Word Conference

The Word Conference, Oct 2–3, is an opportunity to strengthen something at the heart of every parish ministry: forming people as lifelong disciples of Christ. Faith formation is not only about sacramental preparation. Ultimately, every form of ministry should help people encounter Christ, deepen their faith, and grow in discipleship.

With Archbishop Paul-André Durocher, three keynotes, and six practical breakout sessions (for all age groups) the conference will explore how parishes can build a stronger culture of lifelong faith formation.

When: Fri, Oct 2, 6:30–8:30 pm and Sat, Oct 3, 8:30 am–3:30 pm

Location: St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Mary's High School, Calgary Open to all !Learn more and register at [catholiccyc.ca/wordconference](https://www.catholiccyc.ca/wordconference)

The Evangelizing Mission of the Church in Canada

The Episcopal Commission for Doctrine of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has released a new document entitled "The Evangelizing Mission of the Church in Canada", a reflection inviting Catholics to rediscover and share the Good News in today's Canadian society. The link to the document: <https://www.cccb.ca/document/the-evangelizing-mission-of-the-church-in-canada/>

40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

St. James Catholic Church, Calgary - Thu, Sep 24 at 4 pm to Sun, Sep 27 at 8 am

St. Cecilia's Parish, Calgary - Fri, Nov 13 at 9:30 am to Sun, Nov 15 at 8 am



RIP

The parish extends its deepest condolences to the family of **Carl Joseph De Neve** who passed away on August 19, 2026. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

AN OINTING OF THE SICK

If you are admitted to the hospital and would like the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, call your parish priest or the Diocese Call Centre at

403-231-9505

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ST. CECILIA PARISH

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Parish Website: www.stceciliacalgary.com Diocesan Website: www.catholiccyc.ca



PARISH STAFF		WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Pastor: Rev. Derek Remus	derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca	
Parish Secretary: Aann Abraham	office@stceciliacalgary.com	WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday to Saturday : 9:00 am First Friday : 7:00 pm (No 9 am Mass)
Sacrament Preparation	stcereg@stceciliacalgary.com	
Music Director: Ross N. Ferby	ross@stceciliacalgary.com	Confessions: Tues to Sat: 8:15am-8:45am Saturday : 3:00pm - 4:30 pm Sunday: 8:00am - 8:30 am or by appointment
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday: 8:00am - 3:30pm Closed during Mass hours and 12:30pm to 1:00pm	Adoration Fridays 9:30am - 6:00pm First Friday: 9:00am - 6:00pm	
Please submit items for the next bulletin to the office before Wed, Sept 23.		



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

This Saturday, Sept. 26, the Church in Canada celebrates the Feast of the Canadian Martyrs, St. Jean de Brebeuf and St. Isaac Jogues and companions. These heroic men preached the Gospel to the First Nations peoples of eastern Canada and northeastern United States. They underwent profound hardship and torture and shed their blood for Christ.

"How I grieve, my God, that You are not known, that this country is not yet wholly converted to faith in You, that sin is not yet blotted out!" --St. Jean de Brebeuf

"Can we think, the life of man, better employed than in this good work? What do I say? Would not all the labours of a thousand men, be well rewarded, in the conversion of a single soul gained to Jesus Christ? I have always felt a great love for this kind of life and for a profession so excellent and so akin to that of the Apostles." --St. Isaac Jogues

Let us ask the holy Canadian Martyrs to pray for us and for the re-evangelization of our country today.

—Fr. Derek Remus

This Week in the Parish

Sat, Sep 19

9:00 am MASS : Petronilo Alphonso (+)
Mass in Anticipation of 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm MASS: Dale & Helene Kalbfleish (Int)

Sun, Sep 20— 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am MASS: Carol Gerritson(+)
11:00 am MASS: People of the Parish (Int)
Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses

Tues, Sep 22

9:00 am MASS: Judy Look (Int)

Wed, Sep 23

9:00 am MASS : Eva Tabanada (Int)

Thurs, Sep 24

9:00 am MASS : Selma Alfredo(+)

Fri, Sep 25

7:00 pm MASS : Marcelito Tabot(+)

Sat, Sep 26

9:00 am MASS : Caroline Frazer(Int)
Mass in Anticipation of 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm MASS: Eladio Tagle (+)

Sun, Sep 27— 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am MASS: Marvin Sonny De Guzman (+)
11:00 am MASS: People of the Parish (Int)
Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses

Sacramental Preparation Schedule

First Reconciliation Schedule (Fall 2026)

Parent Gathering:

Wednesday, Sept. 23 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Confirmation Prep Schedule

Parent Gathering:

Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

First Communion Schedule (Winter and Spring 2027)

Parent Gathering:

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2027 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr. Derek at (403) 252-2790. RCIA classes will begin Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 7 pm and will be held every Tuesday till mid May 2027. These classes are for those interested in becoming Catholic, but they are also open to baptized Catholics wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

Multiply the Hope

As part of the Jubilee Year, the Diocese's Multiply the Hope campaign provides matching funds to support parish renewal projects through 2027. To qualify, parishes must first meet their operating budget and TIA goals. Our parish goal is \$158,425, and in 2025 we contributed \$52,290 from our operational surplus.

To reach our goal, we need to raise another \$100,000 before the end of 2027.

Learn more at catholiccy.ca/multiplythehope.

Volunteer Screening

The next in-person training session is scheduled for October 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Parish Hall. If you missed the last session, please mark your calendar and plan to attend this session. Please note that completing the training modules are mandatory for all volunteers of the Diocese of Calgary.

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit of the World

Where: St. Cecilia's Parish Hall

When: Fri, Nov. 13 9:30 am - 8 pm | Sat, Nov. 14 9:30 am - 8 pm and Sun, Nov. 15 10 am - 3 pm

What: An exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles of the world, created by St. Carlo Acutis.

Volunteers are needed the weekend of the exhibit for 3-hour shifts. Training will be provided. If you would like to volunteer, please see the table in the narthex or call the parish office.

40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

Where: St. Cecilia's Parish

When: Fri, Nov. 13 at 9:30 am to Sun, Nov. 15 at 8 am (same weekend as the Eucharistic miracles exhibit)

What: 40 continuous hours of Eucharistic Adoration for the special intention of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Adorers needed, especially during the nighttime hours. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the narthex in October. Confessions at various times during the 40 Hours (details forthcoming)

Weekly Friday Adoration

Every First Friday, we have Eucharistic Adoration until midnight. We are looking for more parishioners willing to commit to an hour of Adoration on a weekly basis. If you would be willing to become a weekly adorer, Contact Connie Claeys at (587) 429 6504

40 Days for Life

Bishop McGrattan has encouraged parishes to participate in 40 Days for Life, a 40-day campaign from Sept. 23 to Nov. 1 that aims to end abortion through prayer, fasting, community outreach, and peaceful vigils in front of abortion businesses.

Our parish will hold a vigil across from the Kensington abortion clinic on Thurs, Sept. 24 from 1 - 4 pm and Thurs, Oct. 22 from 1 - 4 pm. Please see the sign-up sheet for the vigil in the narthex.

Catholic Men's Discernment Group

Inviting young unmarried men seeking to discern their vocation. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month from September to April and include reflections on how to discern God's will for one's life, silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and the Rosary. For details, contact Fr. Derek Remus

derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca

Next meeting: **Thu, Oct 8 at 7 pm at St Cecilia's Church.**

SCAM ALERT-The parish office has been informed that some parishioners have received scam emails yesterday pretending to be from other parishioners. These emails contain invites to special events and say "A Very Merry Evening." At the top of the email is the name of the company "Paperless Pro." It appears that opening these emails renders one's banking information vulnerable to being hacked. Please note that the emails are sent from the actual email addresses of the parishioners they are impersonating.

WANTED:



Men who would like to make a difference!

Len White: 403-271-6055

or fs4878@kofc.ab.ca

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Our Schools

St. Matthew School:

<https://stmatthew.cssd.ab.ca/newsletters>

St. William School:

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