



### 2026 Together in Action

In the spirit of the Jubilee Year proclaimed by Pope Francis last year, our Diocese has launched a matching financial campaign for parishes called Multiply the Hope. The campaign will run until the end of 2027.

To qualify for the matching funds, we must first meet both our operating budget and our TIA goal.

Learn more about the campaign at [www.catholicyc.ca/multiplythehope](http://www.catholicyc.ca/multiplythehope).

We are encouraged by the strong response to the *Multiply the Hope* campaign across our Diocese, which is already helping parishes meet real needs and strengthen their mission.

In the first year of the matching campaign, \$4 million has been matched for parish loans and \$3 million for repairs and maintenance. This support is allowing essential projects to move forward and helping our parish communities grow stronger in faith and service.

The *Multiply the Hope* campaign continues through the end of 2027, and \$4.9 million in matching funds is still available for parishes across the Diocese.

Our Parish goal is \$158,425. In 2025, we were able to allocate \$52,290 to Multiply the Hope from our operational surplus.

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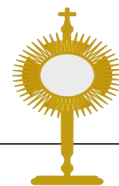
With Fr. Derek Remus, Alane Boudreau, and Emily Rochford

WHEN: SATURDAY 16 MAY 10 am to 12:30 pm (Mass at 9 am)

WHERE: ST. CECILIA'S CHURCH 321 90 Ave SE, Calgary

REGISTER: [CATHOLICYC.CA/SACREDMUSIC](http://CATHOLICYC.CA/SACREDMUSIC)

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### Upcoming dates for 40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

St. Mary's, Cochrane - Fri, May 8 from 9:30 am to Sun, May 10 at 1:30 am.

St. Gerard's, Calgary - Tue, May 12 to Fri, May 15, daily from 9 am to 7 pm.

St. Michael's, Calgary - Friday, May 29 from 3 pm to Sunday, May 31 at 8 am.

Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore - Fri, Jul 2 at 3 pm to Sun, Jul 5 at 7 am.

### DIOCESAN NEWS

For more information check the Bulletin Boards

or go to

<https://www.catholicyc.ca/resources.html>

### ANOINTING 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

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## ST. CECILIA PARISH

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Parish Website: [www.stceciliacalgary.com](http://www.stceciliacalgary.com) Diocesan Website: [www.catholicyc.ca](http://www.catholicyc.ca)



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

### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

This weekend, Bishop McGrattan will visit our parish to celebrate the 11 am Mass and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on twenty-four youth and one adult. The celebration of this Sacrament is a source of great joy for our parish and indeed for the entire Church.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that the Sacrament of Confirmation completes the grace of Baptism and "gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross" (n. 1303).

The day after his election as Successor of St. Peter, Pope Leo XIV stated that there are contexts today "where it is not easy to preach the Gospel and bear witness to its truth, where believers are mocked, opposed, despised or at best tolerated and pitied" (Homily at Holy Mass *Pro Ecclesia* celebrated with the Cardinals in the Sistine Chapel, May 9, 2025). The Holy Father added that it is precisely these places, however, where "our missionary outreach is desperately needed."

To be missionaries in today's world, it is important for us to reflect on the power of the Sacrament of Confirmation, which gives us a supernatural strength to bear witness to Christ with courage and joy. Please join me in praying for the individuals newly confirmed and sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in our parish. And may we all "stir up" the grace of our own Confirmation so that we might "confess the name of Christ boldly" to the world. — Rev. Derek Remus.

### This Week in the Parish

Sat, May 2

- 9:00 am MASS : Jessica Gregorash (Int)
- 11:00 am : Confirmation Altar Server Practice (Church)
- 1:00 pm : Confirmation Rehearsal (Church)
- Mass in Anticipation of 5th Sunday of Easter
- 5:00 pm MASS: Noreen MacDonald (Int)

Sun, May 3 — 5th Sunday of Easter

- 9:00 am MASS: Fr. Henry Rosenbaum (+)
- 11:00 am MASS: Parishioners -Living & Deceased (Int)
- Sacrament of Confirmation

Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses

Mon, May 4

(All Masses from Tues, May 5– Fri, May 8 are cancelled, as Fr. Derek will be away on retreat. Fr Derek will offer Mass at his retreat for the intentions scheduled for these days.)

Tues, May 5

- Mass Intention: Germaine Dansereau (Int)

Wed, May 6

- Mass Intention : Celestina and Godofredo Bungabong(+)
- Funeral Vigil and Funeral Details for Fr. Henry Rosenbaum: See inside page for details.

Thurs, May 7

- Mass Intention: Iona(+)
- 11:00 am: Funeral Mass for Fr. Henry Rosenbaum.

Fri, May 8

- Mass Intention: All Souls in Purgatory (+)

Sat, May 9

- 9:00 am MASS : Amanda Brown (Int)
- Mass in Anticipation of 6th Sunday of Easter
- 5:00 pm MASS: Amady Brillon (+)

Sun, May 10 — 6th Sunday of Easter

- 9:00 am MASS: Ambrosio Camarillo(+)
- 11:00 am MASS: Parishioners -Living & Deceased (Int)
- Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses

### Updates from Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you require support, please call the parish office at 403-252-2790 and select extension 3 for the St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) helpline. We are currently collecting the following items for hampers: Canned fruit, Canned vegetables, Soup and Reusable grocery bags that are no longer needed.

### World Youth Day Information



We invite youth, young adults, and graduating students to consider World Youth Day 2027 in South Korea.

The Diocese of Calgary is currently gathering expressions of interest (no commitment required) to help assess potential participation. Please submit expressions of interest by May 15. Please see our website for the Interest Form.

### Children's Sacraments

#### First Communion Schedule

Sacrament of Holy Communion:

Sunday, May 31 @11am Mass

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Sunday, May 3 @11am Mass

#### Sacrament of Baptism

To register.

Email: sacraments@stceciliacalgary.com

Baptismal registration forms are available in the pamphlet rack. Completed forms can be dropped off in the office or the box kept in the narthex. Parish office will contact you for the further steps.

Upcoming Preparatory Sessions:

Saturday, June 6 at 10 am

### Homebound?

If you know of a parishioner who is homebound and in need of the Sacraments, Please contact the parish office: (403) 252-2790.

### Are you new to our parish?

Welcome to St. Cecilia Parish! If you have been attending regularly for six months or more, we invite you to pick up a parish registration form from the pamphlet rack in the Narthex.

### Fr. Derek on Retreat; Weekday Masses Cancelled

Fr. Derek will be away this week from Monday to Friday for the annual priest retreat. The 9 am Mass from Tuesday through Friday will therefore be cancelled. While on retreat, Fr. Derek will offer Mass for the Mass intentions scheduled for these days.

### Cycle A –Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 3, 2026

**“Do not let your hearts be troubled ...” – John 14:27**



### Seeds of the Word – Lectio Divina Compendium

The Seeds of the Word Community's 2026 *Lectio Divina Compendium* is now available. This resource supports daily prayer and meditation on Scripture, helping deepen your relationship with God through His Word.

Copies, along with baked and homemade goods, will be sold after Masses on May 9–10.

Proceeds support the community's mission of evangelization and making the Word of God more accessible to all.

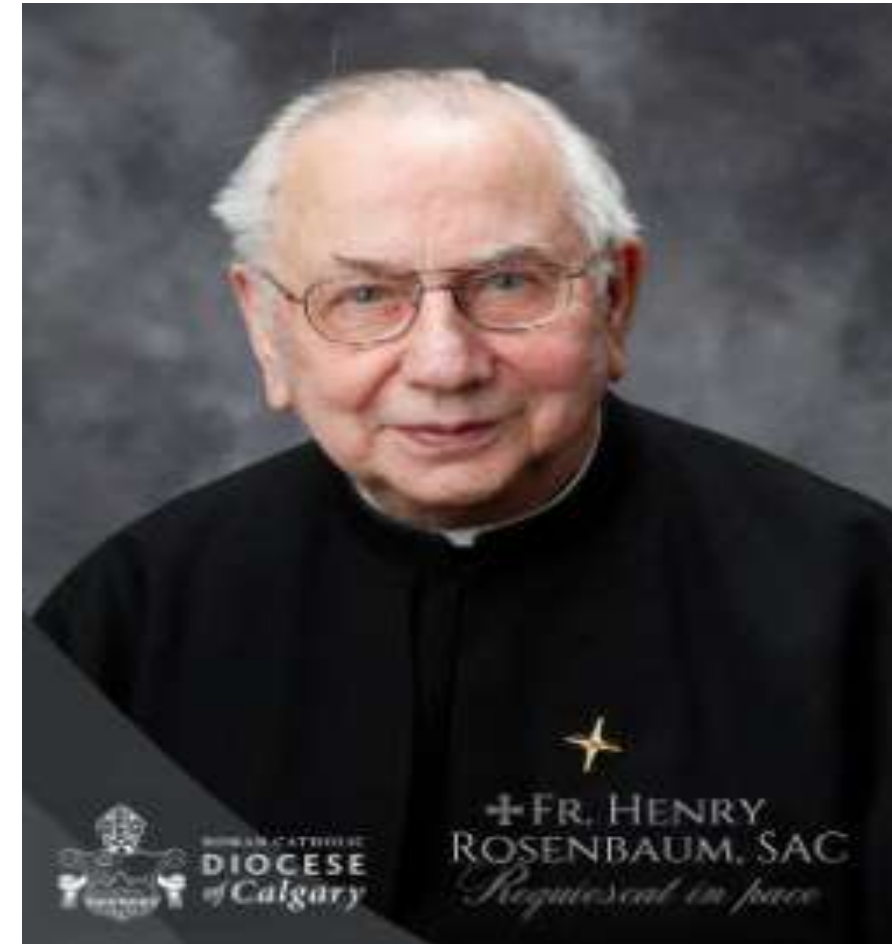
### VOLUNTEER INFORMATION & SCREENING FOLLOW- UP

We sincerely thank all our parish volunteers who responded promptly to the Volunteer Information and Screening request. Your cooperation has helped us successfully update our volunteer database and continue building a safe and welcoming parish community.

If you are currently serving in any ministry and may have missed submitting your information, we kindly ask you to contact the office or complete the form using the link below: <https://forms.gle/9yyRUv1E9BmMj7Cc> as soon as possible to update your volunteer status.

As we continue the screening process in accordance with the Diocese of Calgary guidelines, only those included in our updated database will remain on the active volunteer roster.

### In memoriam: Fr. Henry Rosenbaum, SAC



In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the repose of Fr. Henry Rosenbaum, former pastor of our parish, who died last Sunday, April 26, at the age of 91. We give thanks to God for his years of faithful ministry and service to our community. May he rest in eternal peace.



*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon him.  
May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

### Schedule of Funeral Rites

#### Wednesday May 6, 2026

##### Funeral Vigil

6:00- 6:45pm Viewing

7:00pm St. Cecilia's Parish, Calgary, with Fr. Paul Raj presiding

#### Thursday May 7, 2026

##### Funeral Mass

10:30am viewing

11:00am St. Cecilia's Parish, Calgary, Bishop William T. McGrattan as Celebrant with priests concelebrating.

##### Interment – St. Mary's Cemetery following the Mass

##### Funeral Reception

12:00pm St. Cecilia's Parish Hall, Calgary

### Sacrament of Confirmation

We are pleased to invite you to join us at the 11am Mass this Sunday for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a joyful and important moment in the lives of our candidates, as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and are strengthened in their faith.

We warmly welcome all members of our parish community to attend and support our candidates with your prayers and presence.



We also extend our heartfelt congratulations to the following individuals who will be confirmed:

**Christopher Correa**  
**Therese Felicity Dumo**  
**Jasmine Ekatah**  
**Jayden Ekatah**  
**F Rhoderick S Gabasa IV**  
**Emilia Juszczak**  
**Patrick MacLennan**  
**Rhiana Magallanes**  
**Alex Majchrzak**  
**Alicia Mbama**  
**Brandon Mbama**  
**Brian Mbama**  
**Cassandra Mbama**  
**Stephanie Mbama**  
**Jhann Paule**  
**Margaret Robles**  
**Madison Roy**  
**Samuel Sales**  
**Harper Sarro**  
**Ryle Tan**  
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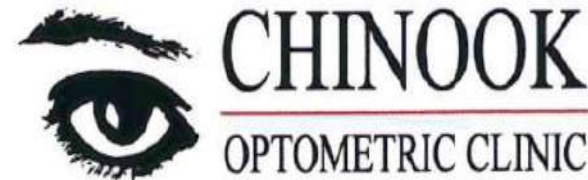
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All are welcome to this morning walk for life: Saturday, May 9-Prince's Island Park (Enmax Stage), Calgary.

Enjoy a community walk, live music by Eric Reinhart & Friends, a BBQ lunch, refreshments, and fun prizes! Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.



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Purchase a raffle ticket and share with family and friends.

Tickets available at the link below:

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