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DIOCESAN NEWS

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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
First meeting: **Thu, Sep 10 at 7 pm at St Cecilia's Church, Calgary**

40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

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

Volunteer Screening Update

The next phase of our volunteer screening is to complete or update our Praesidium Volunteer Training Modules. In accordance with the guidelines of the Diocese of Calgary, all volunteers serving in parishes are required to complete and keep their modules up-to-date.
Two in-person training sessions will be offered at our parish on:
September 12: 10 am - 12 pm
October 17: 10 am - 12 pm
If you are unable to attend either of these sessions, please contact the Parish Office.
We will arrange for an online profile to be created for you so that you can complete the required training modules online.

RIP

The parish extends its deepest condolences to the families of **Maria Pigao**, who passed away on July 23, 2026, **Faye Masse**, who passed away on July 30, 2026, **Ramon Polintan**, who passed away on August 17, 2026, and **Ronald Gelinas**, 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.

Cemetery Masses

Bishop McGrattan will celebrate Masses for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic cemeteries in Calgary and area. All are welcome!
Tue, Sep 1, at 7 pm at Queen's Park (outdoor);
Wed, Sep 2, at 7 pm at St Mary's Cemetery (outdoor)

Mass on Sept. 8 - Nativity of Mary

Mass next Tuesday, Sept. 8, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, will be celebrated at 6:30 pm rather than 9 am, as Fr. Derek will be attending a diocesan meeting in the morning.

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 Diocesan Website: www.catholiccyyc.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	stcreg@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 9.		

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The sub-season of summer called "late summer" is upon us. The mornings are cooler; the days are still warm. A few yellow leaves can be seen here and there. The marvelous order and splendour of God's creation should fill us with wonder and lead us to contemplate the marvelous wisdom and beauty of God Himself.

More wondrous still than God's creation is His renewal of creation through the redemptive work of His Son. This work was accomplished by his Cross and Resurrection. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." By taking up our cross with Christ, our souls become radiant with supernatural splendour.

The Holy Mass makes present Christ's Sacrifice on the Cross in every time and place; the Mass is the Sacrifice of the Cross, offered in an unbloody manner. Jesus Christ, the Word through whom God created and governs the entire universe and who became man for our salvation, is really present in the Eucharist. At every Mass, we should be filled with wonder as we contemplate the awesome mystery of our salvation made present under the humble veil of bread and wine.

—Fr. Derek Remus

This Week in the Parish

Sat, Aug 29
9:00 am MASS : Rosario Manalac (+)
Mass in Anticipation of 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm MASS: Rosario Samson (+)
Sun, Aug 30 — 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am MASS: Rose Garfield (+)
11:00 am MASS: People of the Parish (Int)
Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses
Tues, Sep 1
9:00 am MASS: Chaddy Camacho (Int)
Wed, Sep 2
9:00 am MASS : Cerilo & Laura Tabot (+)
Thurs, Sep 3
9:00 am MASS : Lillian Rose (Int)
7:00 pm MASS : Priestly & Consecrated Vocations
Fri, Sep 4
7:00 pm MASS : Arnelio R. Sison(+)
Eucharistic Adoration :9:00 am –6:00 pm
Sat, Sep 5
9:00 am MASS : Aby Vandanath (Int)
Mass in Anticipation of 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm MASS: Carol Gerritsen (+)
Sun, Sep 6 — 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am MASS: Douglas, Valian and Deepika (+)
11:00 am MASS: People of the Parish (Int)
Coffee & Social after all weekend Masses

First Thursday Mass & Holy Hour for Vocations

Starting this Thursday, Sept. 3, a special Mass for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life will be held at our parish on the first Thursday of the month. The Mass will be followed by an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Please join us in praying for vocations!

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." (Matt. 9:37-38)

Stewardship Weekend - September 19-20

You are warmly invited to consider serving Christ and His Church by volunteering in our parish. A list of ways to volunteer can be found in the pamphlet rack in the Narthex and on the parish website. Some of these ways involve serving within the parish itself; others involve bringing the Gospel to outside the parish.

After all weekend Masses on Sept. 19-20, there will be a Volunteer Fair in the parish hall. Groups wishing to set up tables should contact the parish office.

Weekly Friday Adoration

Every Friday, our parish has Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am to 6 pm. We are looking for more parishioners willing to commit to an hour of Adoration on a weekly basis. During Adoration, two people must be present in the church at all times. If you would be willing to become a weekly ador-er, please call Connie Claeys at ...

FIRST Friday Adoration

Starting this Friday, Sept. 4, we will be extending our Adoration on the **first** Friday of the month from 9 am to midnight. The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed before the 7 pm Mass and exposed again afterward. To commit to an hour of Adoration between 7:30 pm and midnight, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth." —St. Teresa of Calcutta

Parish Office Hours

Regular office hours will resume in September. The Parish Office will be open Tuesday to Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

New Sacramental Prep Email Address

Our new email address for sacramental preparation is **stcreg@stceciliacalgary.com**. Please send all inquires regarding Baptism of infants and school-aged children, 1st Reconciliation/1st Communion, and Confirmation to this address.

New Volunteer Schedule Email Address

Please send your questions regarding volunteer schedule during Saturday and Sunday Masses to **schedule@stceciliacalgary.com**.

Sacrament Registration 2026-2027

Registration forms for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation/First Communion and Confirmation are available at the Parish Office and in the pamphlet rack in the Narthex. All registration forms and supporting documents must be submitted by **Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026**. Completed forms may be submitted to the Parish Office or scanned and emailed to **stcreg@stceciliacalgary.com**.

First Reconciliation and First Communion are open to children who are baptized Catholic and in Grade 2 or over. **The Sacrament of Confirmation** is open to students who are baptized Catholic, have received First Reconciliation and First Communion, and are in Grade 6 or over.

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.

Celebration of Our Lady's Birthday

The Blessed Virgin Mary's birthday (September 8th) is one of three na-tivities celebrated in the Church's Liturgical Calendar. The Legion of Mary invites you to celebrate the Birthday of our Blessed Mother on Saturday, September 12th after the 5pm Mass in St. Cecilia's Parish Hall. The celebration will include prayers, hymns, cake, and fellow-ship. All are welcome!

WANTED:



Men who would like to make a difference!

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