

Parish News:



Monday Night Prayer Group: All are welcome to join us Monday evenings at 5:00 pm in the Church for the Rosary, Chaplet, and General Intercessions.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the **first** Saturday morning of each month.

Pastoral Care for the Sick: If you or anyone in your family has fallen ill and would like a visit or to receive the Eucharist, please inform the Parish Office.



2026 Together In Action: To date, we have collected **\$4,178 (27.12%)** toward our **2026 TIA goal of \$15,403!** That means we have **\$11,225** left to collect to meet our target.

Excess Funds:

“Any excess funds for TIA will be applied to our Central Fund Savings for 2026”. Please consider giving regularly to this Diocesan

Initiative using the 'yellow' donation envelopes or via the online website at <https://www.catholicyc.ca/tia.html>.

First Holy Communion Family Gathering:



Wednesday, April 29 15 at 5:00 PM. Light Dinner and refreshments will be served by the *Catholic Women's League Ministry*.

Sacrament of Confirmation Family Gathering:



Wednesday, May 6th. Light Dinner and refreshments will be served by the *Knights of Couples for Christ Ministry*.

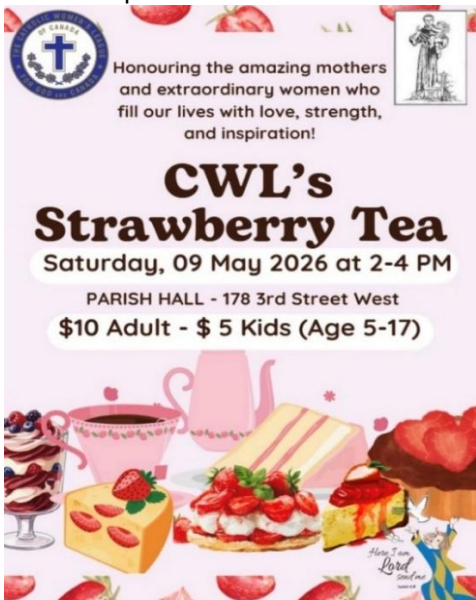
Catholic Women's League News:

Baby Shower for Jesus: As I was browsing the cute little outfits, warm coats, beautiful blankets, diapers, wipes, toys and much more, I was reminded of the huge generosity of our Parish. Because of your huge heart and continued support, we were able to

donate much-needed items to Growing Opportunities!

Calgary Diocesan Convention: May 1-2, 2026 at Doubletree Hilton - Calgary North.

Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel - Sunday, April 26. We will celebrate the **Feast Day at the 10:30 am Mass.** Please wear your scarves and pins!



Couples For Christ News:



Knights of Columbus News:

Pennies for Heaven Collection will continue every 3rd Sunday of every month. Proceeds are donated to seminarians and those entering the religious life who have financial need.

Diocese News:

National Volunteer Week - Apr 19-25: o our Volunteers and Parish Ministers: *"Serve one another humbly in love." (Galatians 5:13)*

Thank you for your steady and faithful witness. In a time when the Church is called to renewal and mission, your service becomes a concrete expression of the Gospel. You show us that the call of every baptized person is not distant or abstract, but lived here and now, in love freely given.

Young Women's Nun Run - Young Women: Visit seven convents in one day and meet women living their vocation with joy and purpose. A unique opportunity for young women to encounter religious life firsthand and hear their stories. When: Sat, Apr 25 at 9 am - starts at 150 Providence Blvd. SE, Calgary. To register, email

dianne.turner@calgarydiocese.ca pm (online via Zoom). Register by emailing mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca

Natural Family Planning Workshop (Online): A two-hour session for engaged and married couples in the Diocese of Calgary to learn Natural Family Planning (NFP) as a practical and ethical way to understand fertility, whether to achieve or postpone pregnancy. When: **Thu, Apr 16 or Thu, May 28, from 7 to 9 pm (online via Zoom).** Register by emailing mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca

2026 April Mass and Intentions Schedules

Tuesday,	21-Apr-25	6:30 PM	(Spec) Adrienne Dart
Wednesday,	22-Apr-25	10:30 AM	(Spec) Maria McIver
		(Sunshine Lodge)	
Thursday,	23-Apr-25	9:00 AM	(Spec) Dave and Anne Pascut
Friday,	24-Apr-25	9:00 AM	(Spec) Oliver & Justine Felisilda
Saturday,	25-Apr-25	5:00 PM	† Joe and Maria Girardi
Sunday,	26-Apr-25	9:00 AM	(Spec) St. Anthony's Parishioners
		10:30 AM	(Spec) Leanne and Ron Wastrodowski

Sacraments:

For Anointing of the Sick: Please email Father Lukas or, in the case of emergencies, please call the Parish, press '0' to be connected to Father Lukas or Fr. Ian.

Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:30 – 4:30 pm every Saturday afternoons and by appointment. To schedule an appointment, please call the Parish Office and leave message for **Fr. Lukas or Fr. Ian.**

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office at (403) 823-2683 to arrange an appointment.

Marriage: Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to your desired date.

Scripture Readings

20 April, Monday: First: Acts 6: 8-15 | Psalms 119: 23-24, 26-27, 29-30 | Gospel: John 6: 22-29

21 April, Tuesday: First: Acts 7: 51-60 | Psalms 31: 3cd-4 and 8a, 17 and 21ab | Gospel: John 6: 30-35

22 April, Wednesday: First: Acts 8: 1b-8 | Psalms 66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a | Gospel: John 6: 35-40

23 April, Thursday: First: Acts 8: 26-40 | Psalms 66: 8-9, 16-17, 20 | Gospel: John 6: 44-51

24 April, Friday: First: Acts 9: 1-20 | Psalms 117: 1, 2 | Gospel: John 6: 52-59

25 April, Saturday: First: 1 Peter 5: 5b-14 | Psalms 89: 2-3, 6-7, 16-17 | Gospel: Mark 16: 15-20

(Feast of Saint Mark, Evangelist)

26 April, Sunday: First: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41 | Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 | Second: 1 Peter 2: 20b-25 | Gospel: John 10: 1-10

St. Anthony's Parish

St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church is an inviting family community united in Christ.

Parish Mission: Family, Faith Building, Liturgy, Environment and Social

Parish Priest: Fr. Lukas Drapal (fr.lukas.d@gmail.com)

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Pastoral Council Chair: Paul Marshall | **Finance Council Chair:** Mary Pavich

Catholic Women's League President: Velma Scott

Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Arlie Arce

Couples for Christ: Cen and Tess Felisilda



Weekend Mass Times: Saturday at 5:00 pm | Sunday at 9:00 and 10:30 am

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 am – 12:00 pm

3rd Sunday of Easter: Sunday, April 19, 2026

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed. When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again, we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them. Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

Gospel Source: Diocese of Calgary - [Sunday Connection](#) | [Loyola Press](#)