

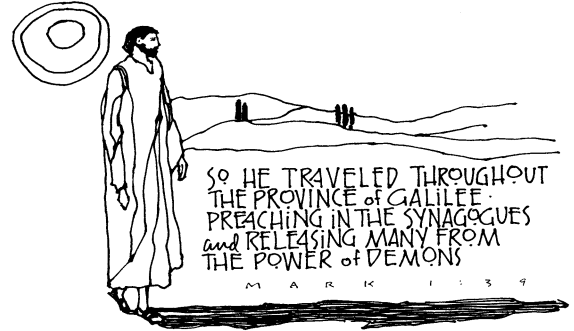


# Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community

## February 4, 2024

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon & 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

**Please note the weekday mass times until February 11 are changed:  
Tuesdays 9 a.m. – Wednesdays 7 p.m. – Friday No Mass**



### Mass Readings

Job 7.1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22-23;  
Mark 1.29-39

### Parish Pastoral Council

#### Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty

#### Associate Pastor

Father Jimmy Puttananickal

#### Deacon

Ed Meding

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#### Parish Council Members

Dale deSeguin

Christian Ludwig

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#### Finance Committee Chair

Finance Arleen Wambolt

#### Bookkeeper

Colleen Ludwig



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Ron McKay



#### Knights of Columbus

Gary Giffin

Grand Knight

#### Catholic Women's League

Alice Willick

Bev DelVecchio

Presidents

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Raised to Serve

In today's First Reading, Job describes the futility of life before Christ.

His lament reminds us of the curse of toil and death placed upon Adam following his original sin (see [Genesis 3:17–19](#)). Men and women are like slaves seeking shade, unable to find rest. Their lives are like the wind that comes and goes.

But, as we sing in today's Psalm, He who created the stars promised to heal the broken-hearted and gather those lost in exile from Him (see [Isaiah 11:12](#); [61:1](#)). We see this promise fulfilled in today's Gospel.

Simon's mother-in-law is like Job's toiling, hopeless humanity. She is laid low by affliction but too weak to save herself.

But as God promised to take His chosen people by the hand (see [Isaiah 42:6](#)), Jesus grasps her by the hand and helps her up. The word translated "help" is actually Greek for "raising up." The same verb is used when Jesus commands a dead girl to arise (see [Mark 5:41–42](#)). It's used again to describe His own resurrection (see [Mark 14:28](#); [16:7](#)).

What Jesus has done for Simon's mother-in-law, He has done for all humanity—raised all of us who lay dead through our sins (see [Ephesians 2:5](#)).

Notice all the words of totality and completeness in the Gospel. The whole town gathers; all the sick are brought to Him. He drives out demons in the whole of Galilee. Everyone is looking for Christ.

We too have found Him. By our baptism, He healed and raised us to live in His presence (see [Hosea 6:1–2](#)).

Like Simon's mother-in-law, there is only one way we can thank Him for the new life He has given us. We must rise to serve Him and His gospel.

Our lives must be our thanksgiving, as Paul describes in today's Epistle. We must tell everyone the good news, the purpose for which Jesus has come—that others, too, may have a share in this salvation.

—Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

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**Mission Statement** ~ Our Lady of the Foothills, is a Catholic Faith Community, centered on Jesus Christ, called to continue His mission by growing in Holiness and by proclaiming the Good News of our Father's love.

# Calendar of Events – February 4<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

**Jewelry Found**  
Please call the parish office  
If any of these belong to you




**Sunday, (Feb 4):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – for the intentions of Oran and Bibianne Howsam and family in thanksgiving

**Monday:**  7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study at 436 Boutin Ave.

**Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – St. Paul Miki and companions  
Intention – for the intentions of Dolan Giffin requested by Gary and Kathleen Giffin

**Wednesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
Intention – for the intentions of Ken Weik requested by Oran and Bibianne Howsam  
7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus meeting in the hall

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
Intention – for the intentions of Sam Kinakin for conversion requested by Mona and Wilf Slavik

 1:00 p.m. Bible Study on the Sunday Readings at Meding's  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group in the hall

**Friday:** No.....**Mass today**

**Saturday:** 10:00 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children's program in the church  
5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – David Sharpe† requested by Andrea Sharpe

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

**Sunday, (Feb 11):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – TBA  
5:00 p.m. Mid-Winter Potluck in the hall. See ad below for more info.

 Mid-Winter Potluck

**Children's Liturgy Leaders & Assistants Needed**  
Children's liturgy will begin, on Sundays during Mass, when we have a team in place.  
Please call the office if you would like to help. 780-865-3045.  
For more info, please see Laura Riou

Daily Mass readings	
<b>Monday, February 5</b> <i>St. Agatha</i> 1 Kings 8.1-7, 9-13 Mark 6.53-56	
<b>Tuesday, February 6</b> <i>St. Paul Miki and companions</i> 1 Kings 8.22-23, 27-30 Mark 7.1-13	
<b>Wednesday, February 7</b> 1 Kings 10.1-10 Mark 7.14-23	
<b>Thursday, February 8</b> 1 Kings 11.4-13 Mark 7.24-30	
<b>Friday, February 9</b> 1 Kings 11.29-32; 12.19 Mark 7.31-37	
<b>Saturday, February 10</b> <i>St. Scholastica</i> 1 Kings 12.26-32; 13.33-34 Mark 8.1-10	
<b>Sunday, February 11</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1 Mark 1.40-45	


**Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed**  
We need volunteers to serve at Mass.  
Please contact the parish office if you are interested.  
We **need** Music Ministry Leaders, Adult Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Welcoming families.

**Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** (there will **not** be Reconciliation)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Next: February 15  
Everyone is welcome. Deacon Ed presiding  
*sponsored by the KofC*

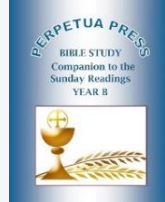


**Mitten Tree** – Our homeless and disadvantaged peoples in Hinton are suffering in this cold weather. The CWL have erected a "Mitten Stand" at the entrance of the church to collect gloves and socks this winter for those most in need. We are looking for adult size gloves and socks, new or in good used condition.  
Please contact Marni through the parish office. *"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"*


**Knights of Columbus**  
All men (18 and up) are welcome to become members of the Knights of Columbus.  
Please contact the parish office for more information 780-865-3045 [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)  
**KofC online video series – Into the Breach**



**BIBLE STUDY on the UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS.**  
All are welcome on Thursdays at 1:00 pm at Meding's. You will need a Bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church.



Study guides can be purchased from Gwen for \$25 or available on kindle for \$6. Bible Study - A Companion to the Sunday Readings, Year B.



**The Rosary**


- At the church: for our parish family. **Wednesday mornings before Mass**
- At the cemetery: for the souls in purgatory. **Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.**

For zoom link or info, email Gary:  
[gcgiffin@gmail.com](mailto:gcgiffin@gmail.com)



**Pine Valley Lodge Song & Scripture**  
February 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.  
You are welcome to join us.

*Please pray for Father Anthony, for safe travels and good health, while he is away January 8 to February 11.*



## Sacraments of Initiation

Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of  
**BAPTISM - 1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION - 1<sup>ST</sup> EUCHARIST  
CONFIRMATION**

please call the parish office. 780-865-3045

**MARRIAGE:** to properly prepare for this Sacrament, SIX months' notice is required.

**RECONCILIATION:** is available ½ hour before mass on Weekdays and Saturday or by appointment. **Father is NOT available on Sunday** because he is on his way back from Jasper.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH,** at home and in the hospital, especially the members of our parish living in Hinton Continuing Care and Pine Valley.

**Heavenly Father, bless the sick of our community, keep them in your tender care and protect them from all evil. Amen.**



### YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

January 27/28: Sunday Offering: \$1269.40

Special project total: \$13,245.00



January Total Gift: \$12,025.20  
Monthly Budget need: \$15,350.00

*If you are interested in donating through Automatic Debit, please call the parish office.*

*"O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his steadfast love endures for ever!" Psalm 118*

### Attention Collection Envelope Users.

Who ever has the envelopes with the **Number 24**, and **Number 47** please call the parish office. In order for you to receive a receipt for your donations, I need to know who you are.

### Children's Collection

Through the Children's collection, the young people of our parish can help children around the world through the charities supported by the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton Together We Serve - Annual Appeal. For more info call the parish office 865-3045

Last weekend's Donations: **\$23.50** Thank you.

*Mid*  
**WINTER**  
*Potluck*

**Sunday, February 11 at 5:00 p. m.**

**Bring a food dish to share.  
Coffee & tea will be provided.**

*Bring a friend & enjoy  
some time of fellowship.*

Volunteers needed for setup Saturday morning.

### Together We Serve – Annual Appeal

(The yellow envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)

**Our 2023 Goal \$ 12,000.00**

Total Raised in 2023: **\$ 11,230.11. (94% of Goal)**

**Thank you for your donations.**

**Our 2024 Goal \$ 12,000.00**

Total Raised in 2024: **\$1016.85. (8% of Goal)**

Together we Serve supports 10 different Catholic organizations and institutions. Please consider how God has blessed you and your family. In gratitude for God's abundance in your life consider reaching out to others through Together We Serve. Let us together, support our charitable partners through Together We Serve.

The 10 different Catholic organizations supported by TWS:

- Catholic Social Services
- Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith
- Evangelization of Nations
- Needs of the Canadian Church
- Needs of the Church in the Holy Land
- Newman Theological College
- Pope's Pastoral Works
- St. Joseph Priests' Foundation of Edmonton
- St. Joseph Seminary
- St. Joseph's College



**Donate  
now!**

So, if you want to donate to the above charities, use the Annual Appeal envelopes. **Please help us meet our goal.**

For more information, please visit: [Website](#)

**Weekly Collection** – All cheques **must** be made out to Our Lady of the Foothills (OLOF) if you want a tax receipt for your donations. **This includes Together We Serve. Please note on the memo line on your cheque.** If you do not use the numbered envelopes or Automatic Debit, and would like to, please call the parish office.

Please consider donating 1 hour of your wages/week or tithing 10%.

### Our Lady of the Foothills Youth Programs

#### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



Ages 3-9, Saturday mornings 10:00 to 11:30. Call Dennis at 780-865-0151 for more information and to book an introductory lesson.



#### Flame of Love Youth Group

**Thursdays 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall**  
Ages 10-17 starting again Jan 18  
For more information contact Dennis 780-865-0151 or the Parish office at 865-3045



#### Ladies Bible Study

Next is February 5 and 19  
at 7:00 p.m. at 436 Boutin Ave.  
Led by Bonnie Meagher

Please call the parish office or Bea Moir for more info.

#### The Share Shop

open Monday to Saturday 12 noon to 3 pm daily.  
Drop off bins are open for donations 9 am - 7 pm.  
All volunteers are welcome to come in and help. Thank you to everyone for your continued support through donations or shopping in the store.  
Your support means a lot to us.



# Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
Saturday Feb 10 <sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.	Randy Smith Deacon Ed Meding	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading and Psalm Ginnie Blair Barb Kneteman Deacon Carries book	No music	Rick and Shelley Appel	Glenn Ross Ken Brady Rick Appel Shelley Appel	
Sunday Feb 11 <sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m.	Ange Giffin Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed Meding	Athena Marchildon Linda Jones Deacon Carries book	Dio Provvede	Jo Holba	Christian Ludwig Karl Holba Jo Holba Jain Sales	Florjie and Ladies
February 14 5:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday	Randy Jones	Marni Wright Linda Jones	School Group	Ron and Barb Rosmer	Ken Brady Glenn Ross Florjie Michaud Ron Rosmer	

Just a reminder, please check to see if you are scheduled for ministry. If you are unable to make your commitment to your scheduled ministry, **please find a replacement for yourself.** Thank you for your service and God Bless

## Mass Intentions

**Q: What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?**

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

If you are interested in offering a Mass for someone, please call or email the parish office. The stipend is \$10 to be paid before the Mass is offered.

"One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul." – Pope Leo XIII

## Spiritual Adoption Program

### MONTH NINE – Developing Baby



**"Here I am!"** Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month - - nine months after his/her mother conceived him/her. The only change at birth is a change in the external life support system of the baby. He/she is no different now than he/she before birth except that he breathes and eats differently. He/she is truly a miracle. He began as a 46-chromosome cell and has developed over the past nine months into this unique human baby. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist that is just like your spiritually adopted baby. Your prayers saved his/her life. Thank you on behalf of all of the little babies that you cared enough to pray for him/her and his/her mother.

**Happy Birthday Baby!**

Say this prayer every day for nine months to save a baby's life!  
**Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.** – Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen –

## BABY SHOWER

Sunday, February 18, after the 11:00 mass.

for our "spiritually adopted" babies!



Lunch will be served by the Knights of Columbus. Bring your children as a witness to life.

There will be an activity table for children.

Natalie Walter, from the West Yellowhead Pregnancy Care Center will bring a message of hope and encouragement.

Every baby shower needs gifts.

Cash donations, disposable diapers and baby wipes are most needed. Everyone is most welcome.

West Yellowhead  
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE



## Scent Free Makes Sense

We would like the parish to be sensitive to folks with allergies and refrain from wearing perfume and aftershave at Mass. Thank you in advance for your consideration.



## Fundraiser for carpet in the church

The finance committee would like to update the carpet in the church and change the carpet in the welcoming area to vinyl plank flooring.

We have received two quotes, and they are both around \$20,000.00.

We are asking for parishioner financial support to complete this Special Project. Your support is voluntary, and any donation will be greatly appreciated. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the church office.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.



## ATTENTION ALL THE PARENTS WITH BAPTIZED CHILDREN, GRADE 2 and OLDER, WHO WILL BE PREPARING FOR THEIR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

The preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a very special part of the ongoing moral and spiritual education of your child. Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Parish will offer our First Reconciliation Classes (to be held in February of 2024) prior to the First Communion Classes. All children who will be entering into the First Communion Classes **must** attend the First Reconciliation classes.

Please contact the office (780-865-3045) to register your child for 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion.

We thank you for the commitment to be involved in the religious education of your child.



**Faith Formation**  
Register today!!

## Called to Protect Training

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Monday February 12, 2024, 7 – 9:30 pm. The two and half session is mandatory for all Clergy, Employees and Volunteers of the Archdiocese who have not yet participated in this training. This will be a zoom session open for all. Please register.

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/zjCGpvTbduKRUu4B6>