



# Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community January 21, 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 from January 8 to February 11 are changed: Tuesdays 9 a.m. – Wednesdays 7 p.m. – Friday No Mass**

### Mass Readings

Jonah 3.1-5, 10

Psalm 25

1 Corinthians  
7.29-31

Mark  
1. 14-20



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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Following Him

The calling of the brothers in today's Gospel evokes Elisha's commissioning by the prophet Elijah (see [1 Kings 19:19-21](#)).

As Elijah comes upon Elisha working on his family's farm, so Jesus sees the brothers working by the seaside. And as Elisha left his mother and father to follow Elijah, so the brothers leave their father to come after Jesus.

Jesus' promise—to make them "fishers of men"—evokes Israel's deepest hopes. The prophet Jeremiah announced a new exodus in which God would send "many fishermen" to restore the Israelites from exile, as once He brought them out of slavery in Egypt (see [Jeremiah 16:14-16](#)).

By Jesus' Cross and Resurrection, this new exodus has begun (see [Luke 9:31](#)). And the apostles are the first of a new people of God, the Church—a new family, based not on blood ties, but on belief in Jesus and a desire to do the Father's will (see [John 1:12-13](#); [Matthew 12:46-50](#)).

From now on, even our most important worldly concerns—family relations, occupations, and possessions—must be judged in light of the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle.

The first word of Jesus' Gospel—repent—means we must totally change our way of thinking and living, turning from evil, doing all for the love of God.

And we should be consoled by Nineveh's repentance in today's First Reading. Even the wicked Nineveh could repent at Jonah's preaching. And in Jesus we have "something greater than Jonah" ([Matthew 12:41](#)). We have God come as our savior, to show sinners the way, as we sing in today's Psalm. This should give us hope—that loved ones who remain far from God will find compassion if they turn to Him.

But we, too, must continue along the path of repentance—striving daily to pattern our lives after His.

—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 – January 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>

- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – Fred† and Alice Callender† requested by Maureen Callender
- Monday:** Have a wonderful day.
- Tuesday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
Intention – Pat† and Gary Delorme† requested by Stacey Green
- Wednesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – St. Francis De Sales  
Intention – Leonor Remorque† requested by Eden Remorque
- Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – The Conversion of St. Paul  
Intention – Volodymyr Osadche† requested by Zhanna Halamaha  
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** – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – TBA
- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Intention – Terry† and Jerome Callender† requested by Maureen Callender

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

## Children's Liturgy Leaders & Assistants Needed

Children will gather with the teacher and a volunteer parent (assistant) in the hall or upper room during the Liturgy of the word at Sunday Masses.

Children's liturgy will begin 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

We are mandated by archdiocesan policy (Called to Protect) to have 2 adults present when working with children. No prep is required by assistants as the teacher will be responsible for this.

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



### Daily Mass readings

#### Monday, January 22

2 Samuel 5.1-7, 10  
Mark 3.22-30

#### Tuesday, January 23

2 Samuel 6.12b-15, 17-19  
Mark 3.31-35

#### Wednesday, January 24

*St. Francis De Sales*

2 Samuel 7.1-17  
Mark 4.1-20

#### Thursday, January 25

*The Conversion of St. Paul*

Acts 22.3-16 or Acts 9.1-22  
Mark 16.15-18

#### Friday, January 26

*St. Timothy and St. Titus*

2 Timothy 1.1-8 or Titus 1.1-5  
Luke 10.1-9

#### Saturday, January 27

2 Samuel 12.1-7a, 10-17  
Mark 4.35-41

#### Sunday, January 28

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 18.15-20  
1 Corinthians 7.32-35  
Mark 1.21-28

## Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed

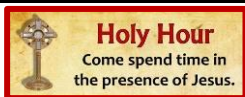
We need volunteers to serve at Mass.

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



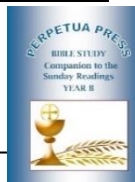
**Mitten Tree** – Our homeless and disadvantaged peoples in Hinton are suffering in this cold weather. The CWL have erected a "Mitten Stand" at the entrance of the church to collect gloves and socks this winter for those most in need. We are looking for adult size gloves and socks, new or in good used condition.

Please contact Marni through the parish office.

*"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"*



**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.*



## 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](#)



**This One Book** – A zoom study of **Beautiful Eucharist**

(Passed out at Christmas)

Mondays at 8:00 p.m.

Beginning January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Meeting ID: 880 7681 0422

Passcode: 354266



## The Rosary

1. *At the church:* for our parish family. **Wednesday mornings before Mass**
2. *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 and Scripture

January 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

You are welcome to join us.

## 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 13/14: Sunday Offering: \$3270.00

New Year's Offering: \$50.00

Special project total: \$12,905.00



December's Total Gift: \$15,346.45

Monthly Budget need: \$14,925.00

*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: **\$7.75 Thank you.**



### Ladies Bible Study

Next is January 8, every other Monday, at 7:00 p.m. at 436 Boutin Ave.

Please call the parish office or Bonnie Meagher for more information

### The Share Shop

open Monday to Saturday 12 noon to 3 pm daily.

Drop off bins are open for donations 9 am to 7 pm.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support through donations or shopping in the store. Your support means a lot to us.

**Help is needed to sort and hang clothes.**

Next dates: Jan 14 & 15 - groups go in at 10 am, 1 pm and 7 pm.

You can join us at anytime and for any length of time.



### 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: **\$893.75. (7% 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, as one family in Christ, share joyfully in our mission to serve by supporting 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 [www.caedm.ca/WeServe](http://www.caedm.ca/WeServe)

**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



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
Association of Canada

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

#### NEWCOMERS:

*We are blessed that you have chosen to join us in worship and ministry here at Our Lady of the Foothills Parish. If you are new or have not registered, please complete a Registration Form available at the back of the church and drop it off at the office or in the collection basket during the weekend masses.*

*A Warm Welcome*

# Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
<b>Saturday Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.</b>	Deacon Ed Meding	Mike Meagher Ren Werbicki <i>Deacon Carries book</i>	School Group	Ren and Sue Werbicki	Glenn Ross Ken Brady Bonnie Meagher Mike Meagher	
<b>Sunday Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m.</b>	Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed Meding	Ron Rosmer Kathleen Giffin <i>Deacon Carries book</i>	School Group	Ron and Barb Rosmer	Christian Ludwig Florjie Michaud Ron Rosmer Brian Beauchamp	KofC

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

## 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.



## 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

To help stop the anti-life push around the world, the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. Our CWL, and K of C are encouraging a wonderful opportunity to be pro-active and pro-life from the comfort of our homes by praying that a child's life be spared abortion and be allowed to live.

### MONTH EIGHT – Developing Baby



*"I like to listen to my Mommy's voice!" In the last two months the baby continues to gain weight. She is developing a layer of fat that will keep her warm after she is born. In the 9<sup>th</sup> month she will shift to a head-down position, preparing for birth.*

*Her lungs are now fully developed and capable of making the transition to breathing air. After birth she will continue the human growth process for many years to come. She is about 18 inches in length. Your baby's mother appreciated the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It has not been easy, but your prayers have given her the grace she needed to bring her baby to term.*

*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 –*

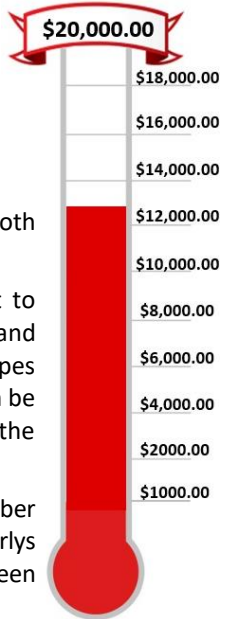
## Fundraiser for carpet in the church

As it has been a number of years, the finance committee would like to update the carpet in the church and change the carpet in the welcoming area to vinyl plank flooring. The carpet is starting to lift, which becomes a tripping hazard for our parishioners.

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

We are asking for parishioner financial support to complete this project. Your support is voluntary, and any donation will be greatly appreciated. Envelopes will be 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 any member of the Finance Committee – Arleen Wambolt, Marlys Phillips, Randy Jones, Paula McKay, Wes Litke, Colleen Ludwig and Father Anthony.



## 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 prior to the First Communion Classes (to be held in April of 2024). 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!!