

## Ordinary Time

A time to deepen one's prayer life, read the Scriptures, unite more deeply with the Lord in the Eucharist and become a more holy and whole person.



# Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community

## March 2, 2025

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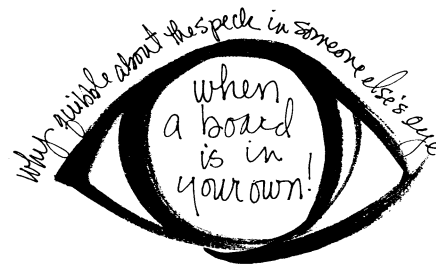
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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon & 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.



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### Mass Readings

Sirach 27.4-7; Psalm 92; 1 Corinthians 15.54-58  
Luke 6.39-45

## Parish Pastoral Council

### Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty

### Associate Pastor

Father Marreddy Udumala

### Deacon

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### Parish Council Members

Dale deSeguin

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Colleen Ludwig

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Dennis Slavik

Lori Richard

Ian Langley



### Finance Committee Chair



Arleen Wambolt

### Bookkeeper

Colleen Ludwig



### Catholic School Trustee

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### Knights of Columbus

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Grand Knight



### Catholic Women's League

Vacant

President

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Heart and Mouth

In today's readings, we hear Jesus speaking in Galilee as well as a Jewish sage named Sirach writing in Jerusalem more than a century earlier. The two of them touch upon a single truth: The words that come out of us make known the hidden thoughts within us. Speech reveals the secrets of the heart.

Sirach teaches that speaking is "the test of men" and their character. One who is upright will utter words that are truthful and encouraging to others. But one whose heart is cluttered with "refuse" will be exposed, since the "fruit" of his mouth speaks volumes about the "tree" that produces it. Sirach also compares the testing of our words to clay fired in a kiln—if properly prepared, a useful vessel emerges; but if the clay is not fully dried, it will break apart in the extreme heat.

In a similar way, Jesus insists that a person speaks "out of the abundance of the heart." He too compares our speech, whether good or bad, to what grows on a tree: "For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit."

Both readings urge us to make wholesome speech a habit. After all, much about who we are is brought to light through what we say. But there's an additional step: The Lord is asking us to look inward, to examine our hearts and fill them with the "good treasure" that God desires.

Why do purity of heart and speech matter so much? Because, as Jesus declares elsewhere: "by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned" (Matthew 12:37). They matter because they help to decide our final judgment, and this is where the Second Reading comes in. Paul reminds us that God will destroy death forever, and if we are to share in this victory and live forever with the Lord, then we must take all steps necessary to give our hearts and lips to what is good.

— 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 – March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>



**Sunday, (Feb 23):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Intention – Annette and Ephreme Lassard† requested by Christine Gamache**

5:30 p.m. **Family Rosary and Potluck** at Way of Holiness

**Monday:** Have a wonderful day!

**Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Intention – Shelagh O’Toole† requested by Christine Gamache**

**Wednesday:** 9:15 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Ash Wednesday – we welcome St. Greg staff and students*



1:15 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Ash Wednesday – we welcome GRCCS staff and students*

5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Ash Wednesday*

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**



**Intention – Rick LaFrance† and family requested by Oran and Bibianne Howsam**

1:00 p.m. **Bible Study on next Sunday’s Readings** at Meding’s

7:00 p.m. **Flame of Love Youth Group** in the hall

**Friday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**



**Intention – for the intentions of Deacon Ed and Gwen Meding requested by Angele Lemire and family**

9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

7:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**

**Saturday:** 10:00 a.m. **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Children’s group** in the church



5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

**Intention – Michael Sharpe† requested by Andrea Sharpe**

**Sunday, (Mar 2):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

**Intention – James Lindsay† requested by Anne Resek**

## Daily Mass readings

### Monday March 3

Sirach 17.24-27, 29  
Mark 10.17-27

### Tuesday, March 4

Sirach 35.1-12  
Mark 10.28-31

### Wednesday, March 5

*Ash Wednesday*

Joel 2.12-18  
2 Corinthians 5.20–6.2  
Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18

### Thursday, March 6

Deuteronomy 30.15-20  
Luke 9.22-25

### Friday, March 7

Isaiah 58.1-9a  
Matthew 9.14-15

### Saturday, March 8

Isaiah 58.9b-14  
Luke 5.27-32

### Sunday, March 9

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent*

Deuteronomy 26.4-10  
Romans 10.8-13  
Luke 4.1-13

## Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed

We need volunteers to serve at Mass.

**Music Ministry Leaders, Adult Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Welcoming families.**

If you are interested in joining a Parish Ministry, please fill out the Stewardship Ministry sign up form at the back of the church and bring it to the parish office. Thank you

## WOMEN'S Lenten Lunch

*All ladies, 16 and over, are invited to a Lent Event.*

March 15 at beginning at 9:30 a.m.  
ending with lunch  
at the Way of Holiness

*Alice Murray, from Caroline, is our guest speaker.  
“After a Courageous Battle - a Caregivers Story”*

Alice Murray shares the difficulty and sorrow but also the beauty and grace of loving someone from this world into the next. Twenty years ago, Alice cared for Susan, her 30-year-old sister during her cancer battle. Her sister’s greatest wish was to die with dignity. This has become a catch phrase for those in support of assisted suicide. Alice details how there can be a whole lot of dignity, peace and even joy in following God’s timing.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Lent observance this Jubilee year.

Archbishop Smith has made Eucharistic worship a priority for our diocese. This Lent, we have the opportunity to allow the Lord to bring blessings to our families, our parish, and our country through consecrating ourselves to the Eucharist. The book, **33 Days to Eucharistic Glory, A Spiritual Pilgrimage**, will be handed out, free, on Saturday and Sunday (March 1 & 2) and on Ash Wednesday (March 5) to those wishing to participate. This book has a short daily reading and reflection for 33 days which each person may do on their own. At the Tuesday evening mass on April 8 there will be a time for a special Eucharistic consecration.

We will be offering small groups at different times for anyone who would like to discuss their experience with this devotion. Watch the bulletin for times and places for these groups.



## Sacraments of Initiation

Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of

### BAPTISM

**1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION - 1<sup>ST</sup> EUCHARIST (Grade 2)**

**CONFIRMATION (Grade 6 or 7)**

please call the parish office if you would like to register your child for classes.

**First Reconciliation Classes begin March 12**

**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

February 8/9: \$1486.05

Building Fund: \$ 38.55



February Total Gift: \$TBA  
Monthly Budget need: \$14,875.00

*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*

**Who ever took the boxes of envelopes #24, #29, and #44, please call the parish office. I need your name.**

### Children's Collection

Through the Children's collection, the young people of our parish can help with the upkeep of our parish building through the building fund. For more info call the parish office 865-3045

Last Sunday's Donations: \$ 38.55 Thank you.

### 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

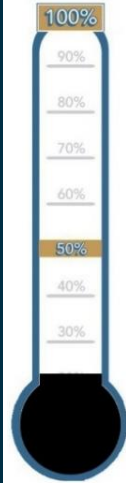
information and to book an introductory lesson.

#### Flame of Love Youth Group

Thursdays 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall

Ages 10-17

For more information contact  
Dennis 780-865-0151 or  
the Parish office at 865-3045



**FIRST SUNDAY COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!**

### Annual Appeal

Proposed 2025 Goal \$ 12,600.00

Total Raised in 2025: \$ 2660.00 (21% of Goal)

Thank you for your donations.

Together we Serve supports 10 different Catholic organizations and institutions. 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](#)

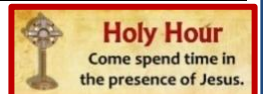
**Weekly Collection** – All cheques **must** be made out to Our Lady of the Foothills (OLOF) if you want a tax receipt for your donations. **This includes Together We Serve. Please note on the memo line on your cheque.** If you do not use the numbered envelopes or Automatic Debit, and would like to, please call the parish office. Please consider donating 1 hour of your wages/week or tithing 10%.

### Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

with Reconciliation  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Next: March 20.

Everyone is welcome. Deacon Ed presiding  
*sponsored by the KofC*



### Ladies Bible Study

Next is **TBA** at 7:00 p.m. at 153 Fairfax Dr.  
Led by Bonnie Meagher  
Please contact Bonnie for more info

124 Market St.

Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Volunteers are welcome.

For information call  
780-865-3045 or Marni



# Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING
<b>March 5</b> 5:00 p.m. <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	Marni Wright Deacon Ed Meding	Linda Jones Ron Rosmer <i>(Deacon Carries book)</i>	Dio Provvede	Ron and Barb Rosmer	(Presenting the Gifts only) (no collection) Glenn Ross Cel Marchildon	CWL/KofC (After Ash Wed please)
<b>Saturday</b> <b>March 8</b> 5:00 p.m.	Randy Smith	Ginnie Blair Barb Kneteman	School	Irene Forcier Robert Forcier	Glenn Ross Robert Forcier Ken Brady Ken Work	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>March 9</b> 11:00 a.m.	Franklin Vizcaino Deacon Ed Meding	Gwen Meding Athena Marchildon <i>(Deacon Carries book)</i>	School	Jo Holba	Christian Ludwig Karl Holba Jo Holba Dennis Slavik	Florjie and Ladies

## 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](#)



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



## NeighbourLink

780-865-0389 or email [neighbourlink1@gmail.com](mailto:neighbourlink1@gmail.com)

**NeighbourLink is in need of single beds and washing machines.**

Please call to arrange a pickup. Any monetary donations are greatly appreciated as NeighbourLink is non-profit organization run by an amazing group of volunteers.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE News Euthanasia presentation recording



Upcoming Events: Feb 6 – 11:30 a.m. Birthday Lunch at L&W  
Feb 10 – 5:30 p.m. Monthly Meeting at Ranchers in the conference room



## Pine Valley Lodge Song & Scripture

April 2 at 10:00 a.m.  
You are welcome to join us.

**Respect for Life Prayers for March 2**  
*Lord, in you and with you, our prayers and labours for the protection of all human life are never in vain. Strengthen and inspire our commitment and witness.*



*"The rosary is the weapon for these times." – St. Padre Pio*

Pray  
the  
Rosary



**Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. At the cemetery:** for the souls in purgatory

contact Gary to get on the weekly notification list [gcgiffin@gmail.com](mailto:gcgiffin@gmail.com).

## 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*

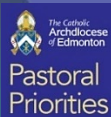
All are welcome to attend a

## Monthly FAMILY ROSARY & POTLUCK

At Way of Holiness at 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday, March 2

For more info, please contact Laura Riou

be it done



Learn more at: [CAedm.ca](http://CAedm.ca)

Living in the Word through:

### worship

We are a faith community that understands and joyfully celebrates the Eucharist.

### witness

We are a faith community confident in proclaiming the Great Story to our work and life communities.

### service

We are a faith community that supports families, and recognizes marriage and family are the core of God's plan.

## Pray an AVE Today

One Hail Mary



For Our Pastors

Fr. Anthony Narisetty and  
Fr. Marreddy Udumala



OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**To the Clergy and Faithful of the Archdiocese of Edmonton**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

In a communiqué from Rome dated today, the Holy See announced that Pope Francis has named me as Archbishop of Vancouver, succeeding the Most Reverend J. Michael Miller. I am grateful to His Holiness for the confidence placed in me to assume this new mission, and ask for the assistance of your prayers.

By God's grace, I have had the extraordinary privilege to serve as your Bishop for nearly eighteen years. I am thankful beyond words for the many occasions we have had to work together in our portion of the Lord's vineyard. Within my heart I hold a particular appreciation for the priests, deacons, and consecrated women and men with whom I have enjoyed a close collaboration. The Archdiocese of Edmonton is richly blessed with gifted lay faithful, who readily and eagerly place their gifts at the service of the Church and her mission. Thank you all for your witness to the joy that is ours in Jesus Christ.

I shall remain with you for the next few months of transition, the details of which have yet to be finalized. My formal installation as Archbishop of Vancouver will likely take place in the latter part of May.

Let us continue to hold the Holy Father in prayer. It is a matter of deep concern for us all when our Pope, our spiritual father, is not well. May the Lord give him strength and consolation in this time of serious illness.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Richard W. Smith

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Our Lord, As Francis, our beloved pope, suffers from grave illnesses, we come before you in prayer. We ask you to look with mercy on your servant Francis, who has served you devotedly and tirelessly as a Jesuit, a priest, an archbishop, a cardinal and as pope. Most of all, he has served you as a faithful Christian sharing the love, mercy and compassion that your Son showed to all he encountered in his public ministry, especially those who were poor or in any way struggling. During his papacy, Francis has striven to imitate your Son by reaching out to all who were feeling abandoned, ignored or neglected, making it his special task to care for those who were in any way sick. As Francis himself now faces serious and complex illnesses, help the doctors, nurses and medical team who care for him, help him bear any pain with grace and help him to heal quickly. Send your Holy Spirit, your own breath, into his weakened lungs to heal him, inspire him and raise him up again so that he may live out his vocation as the Vicar of Christ. But if it is your will, loving God, to take him to yourself, let his passing into new life be painless and peaceful. We ask all this in your Holy Name. Amen.



Come and visit us!



**PRE K - 4**

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NON SCHOOL DAYS **ONSITE!**  
CONTACT Alyx Sheehan  
at 780 865 4005.**

**School Website**



**Online Registration**

