

Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community

March 3, 2024



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Mass Readings

Exodus
20.1-17

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians
1.18, 22-25

John
2.13-25

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Catholic Women's League

Vacant

President

Third Sunday of Lent

Spiritual Sacrifice

Jesus does not come to destroy the temple, but to fulfill it (see [Matthew 5:17](#))—to reveal its true purpose in God's saving plan.

He is the Lord the prophets said would come—to purify the temple, banish the merchants, and make it a house of prayer for all peoples (see [Zechariah 14:21](#); [Malachi 3:1-5](#); [Isaiah 56:7](#)).

The God who made the heavens and the earth, who brought Israel out of slavery, does not dwell in sanctuaries made by human hands (see [Acts 7:48](#); [2 Samuel 7:5](#)).

Nor does He need offerings of oxen, sheep, or doves (see [Psalm 50:7-13](#)).

Notice in today's First Reading that God did not originally command animal sacrifices—only that Israel heed His commandments (see [Jeremiah 7:21-23](#); [Amos 5:25](#)).

His law was a gift of divine wisdom, as we sing in today's Psalm. It was a law of love (see [Matthew 22:36-40](#)), perfectly expressed in Christ's self-offering on the Cross (see [John 15:13](#)).

This is the "sign" Jesus offers in the Gospel today—the sign that caused Jewish leaders to stumble, as Paul tells us in the Epistle.

Jesus' body—destroyed on the Cross and raised up three days later—is the new and true sanctuary. From the temple of His body, rivers of living water flow, the Spirit of grace that makes each of us a temple (see [1 Corinthians 3:16](#)) and together builds us into a dwelling place of God (see [Ephesians 2:22](#)).

In the Eucharist we participate in His offering of His body and blood. This is the worship in Spirit and in truth that the Father desires (see [John 4:23-24](#)).

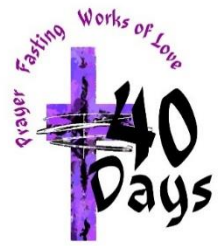
We are to offer praise as our sacrifice (see [Psalm 50:14, 23](#)). This means imitating Christ—offering our bodies—all our intentions and actions in every circumstance, for the love of God and the love of others (see [Hebrews 10:5-7](#); [Romans 12:1](#); [1 Peter 2:5](#)).

— 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 3rd – 10th



Sunday, (Mar 3): 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Intention – Edward John Lefevbre requested by Delia Kathrein and family

Monday: 7:00 p.m. **Praise and Worship** in the church

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

Intention – for the intentions of Marshall Eluik and family requested by the Pellerin family

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

Intention – for the intentions of Antonia Bertolin requested by Denis and Dorothy Pellerin

7:00 p.m. **Knights of Columbus meeting** in the hall

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

Intention – Maurice Paquette† requested by Wilf and Mona Slavik

1:00 p.m. **Bible Study on the Sunday Readings** at Gwen's (164 McPherson Drive)

6:00 p.m. **First Reconciliation Class** in the hall

7:00 p.m. **Youth Group** in the chapel

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

Intention – for the intentions of Nora and Grant Fleming and family requested by Paula Nolan & Ken Work

9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

6:15 p.m. **Lenten Meal** followed by **Foodbank Friday - Stations of the Cross** at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children's program** in the church

5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Intention – Michael Sharpe† requested by Andrea Sharpe

Sunday, (Mar 10): 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 3rd Sunday of Lent

Intention – for the intentions of Rose and Gerry Corrigan and family requested by Paula Nolan & Ken Work

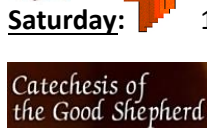
Children's Liturgy Leaders & Assistants

Needed

Please call the office if you would like to help.
780-865-3045. For more info, please see Laura Riou



FLAME OF LOVE Youth Group



Daily Mass readings

Monday, March 4

2 Kings 5.1-15a
Luke 4.24-30

Tuesday, March 5

Daniel 3.25, 34-43
Matthew 18.21-35

Wednesday, March 6

Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9
Matthew 5.17-19

Thursday, March 7

Jeremiah 7.23-28
Luke 11.14-23

Friday, March 8

Hosea 14.1-9
Mark 12.28b-34

Saturday, March 9

Hosea 5.15b - 6.6
Luke 18.9-14

Sunday, March 10

4th Sunday of Lent
2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23
Ephesians 2.4-10;
John 3.14-21

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 (with Reconciliation)

3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Next: March 21

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

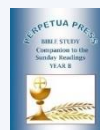
[KofC online video series – Into the Breach](#)



BIBLE STUDY on the UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS.

All are welcome on Thursdays at 1:00 pm at Gwen's. Bring 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

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.**
3. On Zoom: for our clergy (Sacred-Art rosary), **Tuesdays, 8:00 pm**
Meeting ID: 886 5905 6308
Passcode: 395944



Sacraments of Initiation

Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of
**BAPTISM - 1ST RECONCILIATION - 1ST EUCHARIST
 CONFIRMATION**
 please call the parish office. 780-865-3045

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

First Reconciliation Classes will be on March 7, 14, 20 at 6:00 p.m. All children who will be entering into the First Communion Classes must attend the First Reconciliation classes. All classes must be attended.

To register your child please bring child's baptism certificate and the class fee of \$40.00 to the first class on March 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

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



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 24/25: Sunday Offering: \$1455.55



Special project total: \$14,555.00

February Total Gift: \$12,425.20
 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

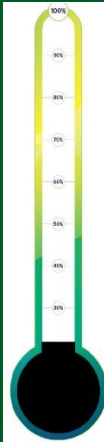
Children's Collection

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: **\$40.35 Thank you.**



Pine Valley Lodge Song & Scripture
 March 20th at 10:00 a.m.
 You are welcome to join us.



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: **\$2788.45. (23% 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%.

The Evangelization Committee invites you to Foodbank Fridays

a Lenten repast, a penitential bite, alas, a meager meal, each Friday, before our Lenten observance of the Stations of the Cross.

(February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15)



Join us in the Hall for a **Lenten Meal** starting at 6:15 p.m.

Prior to the Knights of Columbus led, Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Please bring a donation for the Foodbank.



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

Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
Saturday March 9th 5:00 p.m.	Barb Marchant	<i>1st Reader and Psalm</i> Ina Lawrence Irene Forcier	No Music	Robert and Irene Forcier	Glenn Ross Ken Brady Wes Litke Robert Forcier	
Sunday March 10th 11:00 a.m.	Franklin Vizcaino Deacon Ed Meding	Florjie Michaud Gwen Meding	Dio Provvede	Jo Holba	Christian Ludwig Jain Sales Jo Holba Karl Holba	Florjie and Ladies

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

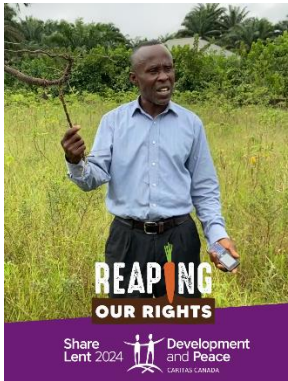
We would like the parish to be sensitive to folks with allergies and refrain from wearing perfume and aftershave at Mass.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.



March 3

Denouncing oil pollution in Nigeria



Nigeria is Africa's largest economy and biggest oil producer. Despite oil exports worth billions of dollars, millions of Nigerians remain in poverty and face food insecurity. In the south, pollution and contamination by the oil industry are causing great hardship.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner Health of Mother Earth Foundation (HOMEF) defends farmers' rights and helps protect

their lands.

To learn more about the work of HOMEF, read our [Mini-magazine](#) and watch the video at devp.org/lent.

Fundraiser for carpet in the church

Thank you to all parishioners for the generous donations we have received for the carpet fund. To date we have received \$14,555.00 and need \$5,595.00 to reach our goal of \$20,000.00. Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you want to donate. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt.

Thank you once again for your generous donations and prayers towards this project.



NeighbourLink

780-865-0389 or email neighbourlink1@gmail.com

NeighbourLink is in need of single and double beds, washing machines and Fridges.

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.



Ladies Bible Study

Next is March 11
at 7:00 p.m. at 436 Boutin Ave.

Led by Bonnie Meagher

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

EMBRACING the POWER & THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKSHOP

Friday, March 22, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 23, 2024, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Church

124 Tamarack Ave, Hinton, AB

Friday's Workshop: *Receiving the Infusion of the Holy Spirit*

Saturday's Workshops: *Tongues, Prophecy, Wisdom, Knowledge & Introduction to Healing*

Cost: Love Offering

Overnight accommodations can be arranged by contacting the Way of Holiness Retreat Centre at 780-865-4055 or email retreat@wayofholiness.net

Saturday Lunch will be provided.

Presented by: Our Lady of Assumption Prayer Community (Lethbridge)

Hosted by: Our Lady of the Foothills Charismatic Prayer Group

God Gives His Spirit Without Measure

— John 3:34 —

Registration: Beatriz Moir: 780-740-4898 Email: bea_earth@hotmail.com

Many ages & walks of faith welcome!

Come Praise and Worship

Date: Monday March 4, 2024

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Our Lady of the Foothills
Main body of church

Join "Dio Provvede (Kathleen's group)" in praise & worship music.
Hosting by Beatriz Moir.

More Information; bea_earth@hotmail.com or 780-740-4898