

# Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community May 21, 2023

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

## Mass Readings

Acts  
1.1-11  
  
Psalm 47  
  
Ephesians  
1.17-23  
  
Matthew  
28.16-20



## Parish Pastoral Council

### Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty

### Associate Pastor

Father Jinu Rajan

### Deacon

Ed Meding

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Mike Meagher

### Parish Council Members

Dale deSequin

Gary Giffin

Christian Ludwig

Colleen Ludwig

Ian Langley

Athena Marchildon

Lori Richard

Sarah Shah

Dennis Slavik



### Finance Committee Chair



Arleen Wambolt

### Bookkeeper

Colleen Ludwig

### Catholic School Trustee



Ron McKay

### Knights of Columbus



Gary Giffin

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### Catholic Women's League



Alice Willick

Bev DelVecchio

Presidents

## The Ascension of the Lord

### The Good News

In today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and He has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14-15](#)).

Indeed, His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the First Reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). The Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through Baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)). Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with Him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.

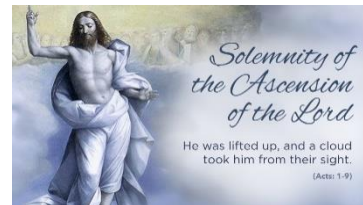
—Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D

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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 – May 21<sup>st</sup> – May 28<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *The Ascension of the Lord*  
**Intention** – Rodrigo Brisuela† requested by Delia Kathrein and family



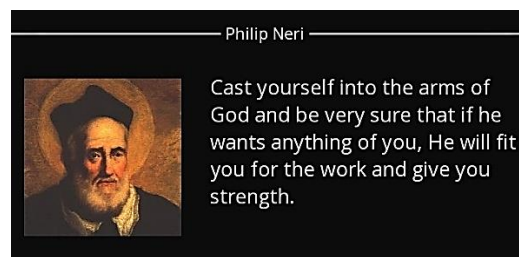
**Monday:** Have a wonderful week!

**Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
**Intention** – for the intentions of Joe and Alice Willick requested by the CWL  
**Jasper Intention** – Ella Wechsel† requested by Ron and Barb Rosmer

**Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
**Intention** – for the intentions of Kathleen Giffin requested by Gary Giffin and family

**Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**  
**Intention** – Rachel Lalonde-Haller† requested by Linda Jones

**Friday:** Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – **St. Philip Neri**  
**Intention** – Doreen Seidlitz† requested by Wilf and Mona Slavik  
 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**



**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Pentecost Sunday*  
**Intention** – Carol Ross† requested by Shelley and Rick Appel

**Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Pentecost Sunday*  
**Intention** – for the intentions of the Graduates of Fr. Gerard Redmond School requested by Linda Jones  
 12:00 noon **Coffee Sunday** after Mass in the Foyer

## Daily Mass readings

### Monday, May 22

Acts 19.1-8  
 John 16.29-33

### Tuesday, May 23

Acts 20.17-27  
 John 17.1-11a

### Wednesday, May 24

Acts 20.28-38  
 John 17.11b-19

### Thursday, May 25

Acts 22.30; 23.6-11  
 John 17.20-26

### Friday, May 26

#### St. Philip Neri

Acts 24.27; 25.13b-21  
 John 21.15-19

### Saturday, May 27

Acts 28.16-20, 30-31  
 John 21.20-25

### Sunday, May 28

#### *Pentecost Sunday*

Acts 2.1-11  
 1 Corinthians  
 12.3b-7, 12-13  
 John 20.19-23

## Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed

If you have experience in Mass Ministry, we need volunteers to serve at Mass.  
 Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

**We need Adult Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Welcoming families.**

## Attention Parents of Confirmation age children

*Confirmation Class Letters will be mailed to you directly.*

*If you have not received the letter please call Mary Lou at the Parish Office - 865-3045*

### To remind you that:

There will be a **Parents Meeting on Monday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Room.** Registration will be at this time - **PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE (unless they were baptized at Our Lady of the Foothills).**

It is not necessary for your child to attend this meeting.

A \$40.00 donation, per child, is asked to help cover the cost of all materials used.

## NeighbourLink

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

NeighbourLink is in need is single and double beds, and stoves.

Please call to arrange a pickup.



**NeighbourLink AGM** will be June 26 in the United church basement.

Potluck beginning at 6 pm. Hamburgers, buns and drinks provided.

Please bring something to share. (salad or dessert)

AGM and regular monthly meeting to follow supper. Everyone is welcome to attend.

At the entrance of the church, there is a **walker** and **wheelchair** for your convenience while in the Church and Parish Hall.

Please feel free to use these as needed.




## 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.**  **PLEASE PRAY**



### YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

May 13/14, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$1625.25  
May 15 Auto Debit: \$2696.00

April's Total Gift: \$13,902.25  
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*

### Volunteers Needed

And Youth Group ages 12 to 17

Contact Dennis Slavik for more information

Please call the parish office to volunteer at 780 865 3045



### Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Next: June 15

**Holy Hour**  
Come spend time in the presence of Jesus.

Everyone is welcome.  
Deacon Ed presiding

sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



**Called to Protect training**, an abuse prevention training session will be offered TBA. The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. To register, use the link TBA

### Pastoral Visits

If you have a family member who is homebound and feeling lonely or in hospital who would like a call or a visit from the Pastoral team, please call the parish office. 780-865-3045

## Together We Serve – Annual Appeal

(The yellow envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)

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

Total Raised so far in 2023: **\$6410.55 (53% of Goal)**



How can I do the work of Jesus?  
When you give to **Together We Serve**, you support the work of Catholic organizations at home, in Canada and abroad as they take the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

"Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these..." (John 14:12)

Ask at the parish office how you can give to **Together We Serve** or visit:

[www.caedm.ca/togetherweserve](http://www.caedm.ca/togetherweserve)

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!**

**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%.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Ages 3-6, Saturday mornings 10:00 to 11:30. Call Dennis at 780-865-0151 for more information and to book an introductory lesson.

### The Rosary

1. **On Zoom: Monday Evenings at 7pm**  
a Rosary for our Priests, Deacon, and parish team
2. **At the church: Wednesday mornings before Mass**  
a Rosary for our parish family.
3. **At the cemetery: Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.**  
a Rosary for the souls in purgatory



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

### Pine Valley Lodge Song and Scripture

June 14 at 10:00 a.m.

You are welcome to join us.

**Evergreen Catholic Schools In Hinton**



Growing in the Peace of Christ

St. Gregory  
ECS – Gr. 4  
780-865-4555  
[www.sgces.ca](http://www.sgces.ca)

Fr. Gerard Redmond  
Gr. 5 – 12  
780-865-2820  
[www.grccs.ca](http://www.grccs.ca)

**Ever Growing, Learning, and Living in Christ**

# Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
<b>Saturday</b> <b>May 27</b> <b>5:00 p.m.</b>	Randy Smith	Ina Lawrence Ren Werbicki	School Group	Ren and Sue Werbicki	Glenn Ross Robert Forcier Irene Forcier Aniceto Traspaderme	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>May 28</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Ange Giffin Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed Meding	Gwen Meding Kathleen Giffin Deacon carries book	School Group	<b>TBA</b>	Ken Brady Christian Ludwig Brian Beauchamp Jain Sales	KofC

## Ministry Schedules

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 and God Bless

## Are you new to the Parish?

Register with our parish. Please call the office. (865-3045) or fill out the registration form found on the wall to your left as you exit the church and bring it into the parish office or drop it into the collection basket.



124 Market St.  
Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
For information call 780-865-3045  
Volunteers are welcome.

## 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](#)



## 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.

### The Spiritual Adoption Program has two elements:

1. To name your baby and pray daily for nine months for this unknown child who is in danger of abortion. A special prayer is found on the Spiritual Adoption Prayer cards which are at the back of the church and in the bulletin.
2. At the end of nine months the CWL & K of C will host a baby shower as a visible means of imitating the Magi by providing assistance in the form of a donation to our local Pregnancy Care Centre. We are starting this adoption between Mother’s Day and Father’s Day. The celebration will be around the end of February. Date TBA. Last year, due to unexpected circumstances, were unable to have the baby shower. This year we will.

Our prayers DO make a difference between whether a baby will be born... or aborted. Spiritual Adoption Prayer cards are at the back of the church.

If you have any questions contact, Laura Riou, Gwen Meding or Gary Giffin.

### *Pregnancy Care Centre - Baby Bottle Fundraiser*

*Pick up your baby bottle at the back of the church and return it on Father’s Day.*

*Donation envelopes are also available at the back of the church if you wish.*



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Clem Michaud who passed away April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Clem was a long-time member of our parish. His funeral will be held on May 27 at 11:00 a.m.*

*May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

### 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.

