



Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community November 27, 2022

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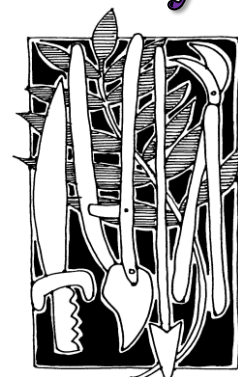
Mass Readings

Isaiah
2.1-5

Psalm 122

Romans
13.11-14

Matthew
24.37-44



THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR
SWORDS INTO PLOWS,
SHARES AND THEIR SWORDS
INTO PRUNING HOOKS...
NEITHER SHALL THEY
LEARN WAR ANYMORE.
ISAIAH 2:4

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First Sunday of Advent

In a Dark Hour

Jesus exaggerates in today's Gospel when He claims not to know the day or the hour when He will come again. Christ occasionally makes such overstatements to drive home a point we might otherwise miss (see [Matthew 5:34](#); [23:9](#); [Luke 14:26](#)).

His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes. For He will surely come, He tells us—like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah.

In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night.

Though we sit in the darkness, overshadowed by death, we have seen arise the great light of our Lord who has come into our midst (see [Matthew 4:16](#); [John 1:9](#); [8:12](#)). He is the true light, the life of the world. And His light continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

In the Church, all nations stream to the God of Jacob, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David. From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more (see [Revelation 22:5](#)).

By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and day (see [Ephesians 5:8](#); [1 Thessalonians 5:5-7](#)). It is time we start living like it: throwing off the fruitless works of darkness, rejecting the desires of the flesh, and walking by the light of His grace.

The hour is late as we begin a new Advent. Let us begin again in this Eucharist.

As we sing in today's Psalm, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Let us give thanks to His name, keeping watch for His coming, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

—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 – November 27th – December 4th

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 1st Sunday of Advent



Intention – Dan Kathrein† requested by Delia Kathrein and family

5:00 p.m. **CWL/KofC Advent Celebration** in the parish hall. All members and spouses are invited.

Monday: Have a wonderful week!

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



Intention – Parish family members requested by Beatriz Moir

Healing Mass
November 29th at 7:00 p.m.
There will be an opportunity
for anointing during mass and
for individual prayer after.



Wednesday: 9:15 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – We welcome the students from Fr. Gerard Redmond school

Intention – for the intentions of Faustina Weidman requested by Paula Nolan and Ken Work

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

Intention – Deceased members of the Moir Aguilar family† requested by Beatriz Moir

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



Intention – Victor Labreck† requested by Paula Nolan and Ken Work

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

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Saturday: 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 1st Saturday – St. Francis Xavier

5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Intention – for the intentions of all CWL members and their families requested by the CWL

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Intention – Clarence Foley† requested by Randy Jones

Daily Mass readings

Monday, November 28

Isaiah 4.2-6
Matthew 8.5-11, 13

Tuesday, November 29

Isaiah 11.1-10
Luke 10.21-24

Wednesday, November 30

St. Andrew
Romans 10.9-18
Matthew 4.18-22

Thursday, December 1

Isaiah 26.1-6
Matthew 7.21, 24-27

Friday, December 2

Isaiah 29.17-24
Matthew 9.27-31

Saturday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier
Isaiah 30.19-21, 13-26
Matthew 9.35 - 10.1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday, December 4

2nd Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 11.1-10
Romans 15.4-9
Matthew 3.1-12

Mass Ministry Volunteers 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.

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.



Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Next: December 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome.
Deacon Ed presiding

sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



Volunteers needed

For the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd children's program for ages 3-6
And Youth Group ages 12 to 17

Contact Dennis Slavik for more information

Please call the parish office to volunteer at 780 865 3045



Women's Advent Brunch

The CWL extends an invitation to all ladies to attend our **Advent brunch on December 10th, 2022 at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish hall. Besides delicious food, you will be introduced to Kristie-Lee Tritz. Kristie-Lee will share her testimony and, as the new director of the Way of Holiness, will update us with what is happening at the Retreat Center. Consider giving a friend or neighbor a treat by inviting her to join you for an enjoyable morning. There is no charge for this event, but please RSVP so we have the right amount of food to Wendy or the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 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.

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: A Baptism Preparation Course is required before a Baptism can take place. For more information or to register, please call the parish office.

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
The weekend of November 19/20, 2022
Sunday Offering: \$1293.05

October's Total Gift: \$ 15,237.50
Monthly Budget need: \$17,712.00

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 – Are you interested in helping at **Share Shop** in your free time? Our group works two days every two weeks. We are looking for help during the selling times, 12 to 3 pm. We have a great group of ladies who come early in the morning to sort and hang everything up, but by noon, when the store opens for selling, we are tired - only a few of us stay to work when the store is open. We need help picking up empty hangers, helping customers with their items, whether it be carrying things to a car or helping to fold and bag items. Your help, in any way, would be appreciated. Please contact Wendy Mackney or Shirley Roy for more information. Thank you

Church Keys

If you have a key to the church or hall, please call the office and speak to Mary Lou. I am in the process of having keys to the church and hall **returned to the office.** A new process is being set up for the parish regarding keys. The Archdiocese has expressed that parishes identify who has a key to the church or hall for insurance and safety purposes.

Attention all Volunteers

I will be calling volunteers over the next month, confirming if they are in fact still planning to volunteer in the parish and if any **security checks need to be updated.** If you would like to begin or resume volunteering, please contact the office and speak to Mary Lou who will pass your name on to me.

Thank you.

Paula McKay, Volunteer Coordinator

"Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention" training

There will be a **"Called to Protect"** training session on **Tuesday November 29, 2022 starting at 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm.**

The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. This is a virtual session by zoom. Please register using the link: Registration: <https://forms.gle/x3NRXzgEM8AmAAB7> Those who register will receive training materials and a zoom link close to the day of the training. Thank you.

Together We Serve – Annual Appeal
(The yellow envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)

Our 2022 Goal \$ 16,000.00

Total Raised so far in 2022: **\$9982.75 (62% of Goal)**

2022 FALL APPEAL
Together Again!



First Sunday of Advent, November 27

What does **Jesus** mean in today's Gospel when He tells us to "keep awake"? When our faith is "awake", others can see it in the good works that we do. **Together We Serve** is one way we help each other to stay awake, as we wait for the glorious return of the Bridegroom at the end of time.

"Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." Matthew 24:42

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

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 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

Wednesday morning Men's ZOOM Group

For zoom link or info, email Gary: gcgiffin@gmail.com



CWL/KofC Advent Celebration

All CWL members and K of C members, and spouses, are invited to an Advent Celebration on Sunday, November 27, at 5:00 in the parish hall. Deacon Ed will be providing entertainment. RSVP to Wendy Mackney or Gary Giffin.



Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	Church Cleaning (The following Monday)
Saturday December 3 5:00 p.m.	Dan Burkinshaw	Ina Lawrence Barb Kneteman	Kathleen's Group	Robert and Irene Forcier	Ken Brady Glenn Ross Robert Forcier Irene Forcier	
Sunday December 4 11:00 a.m.	Ange Giffin - Cross Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed Meding	Gwen Meding Sarah Shah Deacon Carries book	Kathleen's Group	Colleen Ludwig	Christian Ludwig Cel Marchildon Brian Beauchamp TBA	CWL

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



NeighbourLink

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780-865-0389

or email neighbourlink1@gmail.com

NeighbourLink needs beds all sizes, washing machines and stoves. Please call 865-0389 to arrange a pickup.

Also, NeighbourLink is looking for people who would volunteer their time to delivery lunch to the Adult Day Center. You pick up at the hospital kitchen at 11:30 am and deliver to the Adult Day Center in the valley - about 15 minutes. Please call Wendy for more information.



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

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



St Gregory PAC is doing a Fundraiser with Farm to School. Please contact Colleen at St. Gregory school for more information. 780-865-4555

www.farmtoschool.ca

ATTENTION: If you, or any member of your household are sick, please stay at home.

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.

Pray for Our Clergy

This is an opportunity to include our Priests and Deacon in your prayers every month

You will receive a card that you can post on your refrigerator as a reminder.

If you would like to participate, please send me an email.



Prayer for our parish

Heavenly Father, we praise you; we worship you; we adore you. We come before you on bended knees to ask in our need: Please fill our church to overflowing, so that we might sing your praises on high! Help us to meet our financial obligations. Increase in us a personal mission to faithfully fulfill the ministries of our Parish Community and serve you and your people. Grant us the grace to forgive those in our community who have hurt us and forgive us for the times we have hurt others. You are the One True God through whom all things are possible. Jesus, we surrender ourselves to you, Take care of everything! Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen. (Can be also found in the new green 2022 Sunday Missal on page 601)

Prayer and Praise Meeting

in the hall
Tuesday,
December 13
after
7:00 p.m. Mass



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