

The Catholic Community of Our Lady of the Foothills Parish

MINISTRIES



STEWARDS

Gifted and Called

2019

St. Peter says,

“Be ... like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ.” (1Peter 4:9-11)

How often Jesus tells us to see ourselves as stewards entrusted with the Master’s goods for a time and then, when the Master returns, to give an account of how we used his goods.

This is the opportunity that our faith offers, that we are not limited to “do our own thing,” but are invited and empowered to do “God’s things” where we live and for the brief time that we have. If in the end we have used our time and talents well, we will be confident to hear him say, “Well done, good and faithful servant; enter into the joy of your Lord.”

Parish life offers many opportunities for each member to live the life of a good and faithful servant. This booklet is meant to inform you of some of these opportunities to use your time and talent sharing in God’s holy work. We hope you find it helpful.

The Purpose of this Directory is 3-fold:

- 1.To acquaint you with the active ministries in Our Lady of the Foothills Parish.**
- 2.To invite you to prayerfully discern your gifts and talents.**
- 3.To invite you to become actively engaged in the life of our parish and community.**



As a Stewardship Parish we believe everything is a gift from God and we are called to use these gifts and share them with others.

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

Father James Banu Bodula SAC

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Father Thomas Reddy Basani SAC

DEACON

Edward Meding

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Roni Iwanciwski – 865-7229

SECRETARY

Mary Lou LaFrance – 865-1524

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

(Excluding July, August and Holidays)

9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon and 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(Please note: Office opens at 10:00 a.m. on Mondays)

PARISH OFFICE: 865-3045

FAX: 865-5289

PARISH HALL: 865-5291

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend Masses:

Saturday – 5:00 pm; Sunday – 11:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday - 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday - 9:00 am

RECONCILIATION

By appointment

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

Chair Person – Kathleen Giffin 865-7525

The Parish Pastoral Council is an elected body whose mandate it is to provide leadership, direction and encouragement for the apostolic and spiritual development of all parishioners. Members serve for 2 years.

Parish Council meets on the third Thursday of every month, (except in July and August) at 8:00 p.m. in the Hall. Everyone is welcome.

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

PPC Liaison – Christian Ludwig

GOAL: To have an ongoing, planned inspection and maintenance program for the property and buildings of the parish.

Lawn Mowing/Snow Removal

Co-ordinator – Parish Office

Gardening

Co-ordinator – Parish Office

FINANCE

Chairperson – Wes Litke 865-5859

GOAL: To ensure the Parish finances are handled intelligently and to keep the parish informed of the financial status. Meetings are held bimonthly.

PASTORAL AND APOSTOLIC LIFE

PPC Liaison – Roni Iwanciwski

GOAL: To develop and support a Parish attitude of hospitality and reaching out to each other in the parish and community.

All new parishioners are welcomed to our parish and visited in their homes. Information about the parish is given and an invitation to become actively involved.

Sunday Communion To The Sick

Coordinator – Barbara Meyers – 865-4416

Hinton General Hospital, Mountain View Centre and to Pine Valley Seniors Lodge.

This is a group of volunteers who bring Communion to those who are unable to take their rightful and accustomed place with the community at the Lord's Table due to sickness or advanced age. This is a ministry of love to the sick through prayer, personal visits, and words of comfort.

Prayer Chain

Coordinator – Yvonne Hearsey – (865-5568)

This is a group of people who are committed to pray for specific prayer requests as they are received by telephone.

Welcoming Families

Coordinator – Parish Office

These families are scheduled to welcome parishioners at weekend Masses as they come into church.

Food Bank for more information Contact – Marni Wright – 865-4079

Share Shop for more information Contact – Wendy Mackney – 817-4245

Prayer Shawl Ministry for more info Contact – Alice Willick – 865-3292

Way of Holiness Retreat for more info Contact – Kevin Lynch – 865-4055

NEIGHBOURLINK – for more information Contact – Wendy Mackney - 817-4245

Churches of Hinton Serving the Community

Furniture Project (Pick up & Delivery of recycled furniture to those in need 865-0389)

We also provide other assistance such as in & out of town rides / minor home repairs / yard work / visitation / tutoring & other services not otherwise covered in our community.

WE NEED YOUR HELP - Commitment can be anywhere from 1 hour a month and up.

EDUCATION

PPC Liaison – Marilyn Litke (GRCCS), Ian Langley (St.G)

GOAL: To challenge all parishioners to continue the ongoing process of growth in their own personal faith journey, and in the knowledge of official Catholic Church teachings.

Proclamation of the Word for Children

Coordinator – Danielle deSeguin – 865-5445

Liturgy is offered every Sunday morning during the regularly scheduled mass. Children between 3-8 years are welcomed to attend and share in the Gospel reading. This program is not offered during the summer months or at Lay-led celebrations.

Rite Of Christian Initiation Of Adults (RCIA)

Coordinator – Parish office – 865-3045

This program is offered to those adults who wish to become Catholic. The group meets once a week starting in September and finishing in April.

Baptism Preparation

Coordinator – Athena Marchildon – 865-3752

This preparation course is required before Baptism takes place. Upcoming classes are announced in the bulletin.

First Reconciliation

Coordinator – Roni Iwanciwski 865-7229

This preparation class is offered to all students in Grade 2 or older who have not yet made their First Reconciliation.

First Eucharist

Coordinator – Barb Kneteman – 865-1674

This preparation class is offered to students in Grade 2 or older, who have received their 1st Reconciliation and have not yet made their First Communion. The first Sunday in May is the usual date for this Sacrament.

Confirmation

Coordinator – Roni Iwanciwski – 865-7229

Students in Grade 7 or older, who have not received this Sacrament (including adults), are invited to attend classes. Confirmation is usually held in the spring every 2 years at the convenience of the Bishop.

Christian Men's Breakfast

Coordinator – Gary Giffin – 865-7525

The Breakfast is open to all Christian Men who wish to meet on Wednesday morning for prayer and reflection. The meetings are held at the Holiday Inn Greentree restaurant at 6:30 a.m.

Bible Studies

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

There are currently a number of Bible Studies being held in the parish. They run at various times of day or evening. Anyone interested in studying God's word and growing in your Catholic faith, in a group setting is welcome.

SEARCH Youth Retreat

Coordinator – Dennis Slavik – 740-3351

Goal: To lead Youth (15 - 25 years old) to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

DIVINE WORSHIP

PPC Liaison Oran Howsam – 865-3264

GOAL: To make of all Liturgical Celebrations (Worship and Sacraments), particularly our weekend Eucharist service, gatherings of joy and thanksgiving for our parish community.

Adult Servers

Coordinator – Oran Howsam – 865-3264

Eucharistic Ministers

Coordinator – Oran Howsam – 865-3264

Junior Servers

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

Lectors

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

Offertory Families

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

Ushers

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

Music

Coordinator – Roni Iwanciwski – 865-7229

Art And Environment

Coordinator – Anne Desrochers – 865-3765

Prayer of the Faithful

Coordinator – Parish Office – 865-3045

Writing the prayers that are said at weekend Masses.

YOUTH

PPC Liaison – Louise LaFrance 814-0430

GOAL: To initiate and coordinate youth activities within our parish, for the purpose of helping our youth to grow in their faith.

EVANGELIZATION

PPC Liaison – Athena Marchildon – 865-3752

“The Church which goes forth is a community of missionary disciples...who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice.”

– *The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis*

COMMUNITY LIFE

PPC Liaison – Clare and Andy Cyr – 865-7394

Our goal is to build and strengthen our Christian Community life by organizing and implementing social and recreational events in the parish.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
OF CANADA

PPC Liaison – Clare Cyr

PRESIDENT – Wendy Mackney – 817-4245

The Catholic Women's League is a faith centred organization for all women 16 years of age and older that focuses on spiritual development, knowledge of the Catholic faith, and social issues which are translated into action. Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of every month (except July and August) at 8:00 pm in the Parish hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (K_OF_C)

PPC Liaison – Dale deSequin

GRAND KNIGHT – Andy Cyr – 865-7394

An organization of Catholic men devoted to the service of the Church and engaged in a wide variety of charitable, social and family functions. The KofC meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 8:00 pm in the Parish hall.

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.



STEWARDSHIP
is...

“Living Life as God Intended”