



Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community September 10, 2023

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Mass Readings

Ezekiel
33.7-9

Psalm 95

Romans
13.8-10

Matthew
18.15-20



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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

To Win Them Back

As Ezekiel is appointed watchman over the house of Israel in today's first Reading, so Jesus in the Gospel today establishes His disciples as guardians of the new Israel of God, the Church (see [Galatians 6:16](#)).

He also puts in place procedures for dealing with sin and breaches of the faith, building on rules of discipline prescribed by Moses for Israel (see [Leviticus 19:17-20](#); [Deuteronomy 19:13](#)). The heads of the new Israel, however, receive extraordinary powers—similar to those given to Peter (see [Matthew 16:19](#)). They have the power to bind and loose, to forgive sins and to reconcile sinners in His name (see [John 20:21-23](#)).

But the powers He gives the Apostles and their successors depend on their communion with Him. As Ezekiel is only to teach what he hears God saying, so the disciples are to gather in His name and to pray and seek the will of our heavenly Father.

But today's readings are more than a lesson in Church order. They also suggest how we're to deal with those who trespass against us, a theme that we'll hear in next week's readings as well.

Notice that both the Gospel and the First Reading presume that believers have a duty to correct sinners in our midst. Ezekiel is even told that he will be held accountable for their souls if he fails to speak out and try to correct them.

This is the love that Paul in today's Epistle says we owe to our neighbors. To love our neighbors as ourselves is to be vitally concerned for their salvation. We must make every effort, as Jesus says, to win our brothers and sisters back, to turn them from the false paths. We should never correct out of anger or a desire to punish. Instead, our message must be that of today's Psalm—urging the sinner to hear God's voice, not to harden their hearts, and to remember that He is the one who made us, the rock of our salvation.

—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 – September 10th – 17th

- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – TBA
- Monday:** Have a wonderful day.
- Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**
Intention – John and Anne Repchuk † requested by the Knights of Columbus
- Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – St. John Chrysostom
Intention – for the intentions of Dolan Giffin and Natasha requested by Gary and Kathleen Giffin
- Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Intention – TBA
- Friday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – Our Lady of Sorrows
Intention – Paul and Leona Lemire † requested by the Lemire family
- Saturday:** 5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – Lori McKinnon † requested by Gary and Kathleen Giffin
- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – TBA
12:00 noon **Knights of Columbus meal** in the hall. All are welcome.

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.



Daily Mass readings

Monday, September 11

Colossians 1.24–2.3
Luke 6.6–11

Tuesday, September 12

Colossians 2.6–15
Luke 6.12–19

Wednesday, September 13

St. John Chrysostom
Colossians 3.1–11
Luke 6.20–26

Thursday, September 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Numbers 21.4–9
Philippians 2.6–11
John 3.13–17

Friday, September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows
Hebrews 5.7–9
Luke 2.33–35
Or John 19.25–27

Saturday, September 16

St. Cornelius, and St. Cyprian
1 Timothy 1.15–17
Luke 6.43–49

Sunday, September 17

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sirach 27.30–28.7
Romans 14.7–9
Matthew 18.21–35

Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed

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.



NeighbourLink
/80-865-0389 or email neighbourlink1@gmail.com

NeighbourLink is in need of beds - all sizes. Couches, love seats and washing machines. Please call to arrange a pickup.

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament And Reconciliation

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

Holy Hour
Come spend time in the presence of Jesus.

Everyone is welcome.
Deacon Ed presiding
sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



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.



Prayer for Our Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless your Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always, and everywhere. With the virgin mother Mary, we ask this through Christ your Son. Amen.

Sacraments of Initiation

Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of
BAPTISM - 1ST RECONCILIATION - 1ST 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

September 2/3, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$1,711.00

Sept 5 Auto Debit: \$2,681.00

August's Total Gift: \$10,733.20
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

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 information, please call the parish office 865-3045

Last week's donation: \$4.35 Thank you.

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. This will be a zoom session. Please register.

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

Ladies Bible Study

beginning on October 2 runs every other Monday, at 7:00 p.m. at 436 Boutin Ave.

Please call the parish office or Bonnie Meagher for more info



Evergreen Catholic Schools In Hinton



Sharing the fruit of the Spirit

St. Gregory
ECS - Gr. 4
780-865-4555
www.sgces.ca

Fr. Gerard Redmond
Gr. 5 - 12
780-865-2820
www.grccs.ca

Ever Growing, Learning, and Living in Christ

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: **\$9071.46 (75% of Goal)**

HOW CAN I THANK JESUS?



Jesus offers us his whole self: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. He gives it freely, even though we don't deserve it. How can we repay such a gift? The answer is simple: by giving freely to others. Your gift to *Together We Serve* is an opportunity to say "thank you" to Jesus.

"The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51)

Ask at the parish office how you can give to *Together We Serve* or scan here to **GIVE NOW:**

- 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 is finished until further notice 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



Pine Valley Lodge Song and Scripture

September 27 at 10:00 a.m.

You are welcome to join us.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Hickey** who passed away August 31 in Edmonton. John was a devout member of our parish for many years.

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

Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
Saturday Sept 16 5:00 p.m.	Randy Smith Deacon Ed	Angele Lemire Dan Burkinshaw Deacon Carries book	Kathleen's Group	Rick and Shelley Appel	Glenn Ross Rick and Shelley Appel TBA	
Sunday Sept 17 11:00 a.m.	Ange Giffin Dennis Slavik Deacon Ed	Linda Jones Gwen Meding Deacon Carries book	Kathleen's Group	Jo Holba	Ken Brady Christian Ludwig Cel Marchildon Karl Holba	PPC

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



Mass Intentions in the Holy Land

Father Anthony will be going to the Holy Land
November 6-15

If anyone would like to offer a Mass intention in the Holy Land you are welcome to do so.

Please call the parish office. 780-865-3045.
The Stipend is \$10 for each Mass offered.

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.

MONTH FOUR – Developing Baby



"I had a dream!" Your baby's brain has begun maturing – a process that will continue until she is about 14 years old. Her eyelids are now sealed and will re-open at 7 months. Her taste buds are now working.

Nutrients consumed by her mother are passed on to her within an hour or two. Three hundred quarts of fluid a day are sent to the baby via the umbilical cord. Fine hair begins to grow on head, eyebrows and eyelashes. Facial expressions similar to parents of the baby can be seen at this time. This month REMS (rapid eye movements) have been recorded – a sign of dreaming. Your baby is now about 9 inches in length. Thank you for praying!

Say this prayer every day for nine months to save a baby's life!

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

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A Catholic Marriage Conference

Experience the Breathe Catholic Marriage Conference

Sept. 22-23, 2023

in Spruce Grove at Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Register at:

<https://www.catholicmarriageandfamily.com/events/breathe-catholic-marriage-conference-spruce-grove>

or contact Denise at 306-369-2220

Early Bird Pricing saves you \$10.00 per ticket and helps us attend to all the little details for you. Together, we will all "Carry on Bravely"

2023 • CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Women of Dignity 

"Carry on Bravely"

*"The good Lord does
not do things by halves,
He always gives
what we need - let us,
Carry on Bravely."*

St. Zelig Martin

October 20-21, 2023
Holy Trinity Parish
200 Boundary Road
Spruce Grove, AB

EARLY BIRD

\$50 Woman/\$30 Student

MIDNIGHT SEPT. 30

\$60 Woman/\$40 /Student

Friday: 5:30-10 PM

REGISTRATION

MASS/TALK

ADORATION

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 7:00-4:00 PM

REGISTRATION

MASS/TALKS

RECONCILIATION

LIGHT BREAKFAST

LUNCH

REFRESHMENTS

SNACKS

WEEKEND SPEAKERS & CELEBRANTS

Susanna Parent

Dr. Rebecca Genuis

Amanda Marleau

Fr. Frank Sharma

Fr. Jim Corrigan

<https://www.catholicfamilyministries.com/women-of-dignity-conference>