

Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community September 24, 2023

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Mass Readings

Isaiah
55.6-9

Psalm 145

Philippians
1.20-24, 27

Matthew
20.1-16



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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First and Last

The house of Israel is the vine of God, who planted and watered it, preparing the Israelites to bear fruits of righteousness (see [Isaiah 5:7](#); [27:2-5](#)).

Israel failed to yield good fruits, and the Lord allowed His vineyard, Israel's kingdom, to be overrun by conquerors (see [Psalm 80:9-20](#)). But God promised that one day He would replant His vineyard and its shoots would blossom to the ends of the earth (see [Amos 9:15](#); [Hosea 14:5-10](#)).

This is the biblical backdrop to Jesus' parable of salvation history in today's Gospel. The landowner is God. The vineyard is the kingdom. The workers hired at dawn are the Israelites, to whom He first offered His covenant. Those hired later in the day are the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, who, until the coming of Christ, were strangers to the covenants of promise (see [Ephesians 2:11-13](#)). In the Lord's great generosity, the same wages, the same blessings promised to the first-called, the Israelites, will be paid to those called last, the rest of the nations.

This provokes grumbling in today's parable. Doesn't the complaint of those first laborers sound like that of the older brother in Jesus' prodigal son parable (see [Luke 15:29-30](#))? God's ways, however, are far from our ways, as we hear in today's First Reading. And today's readings should caution us against the temptation to resent God's lavish mercy.

Like the Gentiles, many will be allowed to enter the kingdom late—after having spent most of their days idling in sin.

But even these can call upon Him and find Him near, as we sing in today's Psalm. We should rejoice that God has compassion on all whom He has created. This should console us, too, especially if we have loved ones who remain far from the vineyard.

Our task is to continue laboring in His vineyard. As Paul says in today's Epistle, let us conduct ourselves worthily, struggling to bring all men and women to the praise of His name.

—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 24th – October 1st

- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – Kevin Curtis Hand† requested by Mark and Lauren Slavik
- Monday:** 11:00 a.m. **CWL Lunch meeting** in the hall. Lunch will be served at noon.
- Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *St. John de Brébeuf and St. Isaac Jogues and companions*
Intention – for the intentions of Rene Lemire on his 80th birthday requested by Angele Lemire and family
- Wednesday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *St. Vincent de Paul*
Intention – for the intentions of Eileen Brown requested by Gary and Kathleen Giffin
3:30 p.m. **Finance meeting** in the hall
- Thursday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**
Intention – Albert Hurtubise† requested by Tracy and Dennis Slavik
- Friday:** 9:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael*
Intention – for the intentions of Fr. Jinu Rajan requested by the KofC
- Saturday:** 5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – Paul Cracknel† requested by Anne Resek
- Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention – TBA
12:00 noon **Coffee Sunday** in the foyer after Mass (remember to bring your favourite mug)



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 25

Ezra 1.1-6
Luke 8.16-18

Tuesday, September 26

St. John de Brébeuf and St. Isaac Jogues and companions

Revelation 7.9-17
2 Corinthians 4.7-15
Luke 9.23-26 or
John 12.24-26

Wednesday, September 27

St. Vincent de Paul

Ezra 9.5-9
Luke 9.1-6

Thursday, September 28

Haggai 1.1-8
Luke 9.7-9

Friday, September 29

St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael

Revelation 12.7-12a or
Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14
John 1.47-51

Saturday, September 30

St. Jerome

Zechariah 2.1-5, 10-11
Luke 9.43b-45

Sunday, October 1

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18.25-28
Philippians 2.1-11
Matthew 21.28-32

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

780-865-0389 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.

Any monetary donations are greatly appreciated as NeighbourLink is non-profit organization run by an amazing group of volunteers.

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 and Reconciliation

3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Next: October 19

Everyone is welcome. Deacon Ed presiding

sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Holy Hour

Come spend time in the presence of Jesus.



CWL Lunch Meeting

On Monday, Sept. 25, lunch will be served at noon in the church hall. Guest Speaker, Pat Keith (Diocesan Secretary) will give a presentation re: National CWL's Unity Outreach Program. there will be a short council business meeting to follow. All CWL members are welcome.

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.



YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

September 16/17, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$1,059.25

Sept 18 Auto Debit: \$2,706.00

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

Attention Collection Envelope Users.

Who ever has the box of envelopes with the number 24, please call the parish office. In order for you to receive a receipt for your donations, I need to know who you are.

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: \$36.10 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.

First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart - Oct 6

Every Mass on the first Friday of the month will be devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

There will be special prayers offered at this Mass.



Ladies Bible Study

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

Please call the parish office or Bonnie Meagher for more info



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: **\$9290.01 (77% of Goal)**



THE POWER OF ONE

Through your ONE Gift to Together We Serve you join 12 Catholic organizations in carrying out the mission of the ONE Church established by Jesus Christ.

With just three months to go in the annual campaign, the push is on to reach our \$1.6 million goal!

SCAN HERE TO DONATE

or speak with someone at your parish office.



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



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

The **Share Shop** is open Monday to Saturday 12 noon to 3 pm daily. Drop off bins are open for donations 9 am to 7 pm. Because of more and more theft from the bins, we have to lock them in the evenings - we hope donations will not be left out front on the sidewalk.

Thank you for all your support.



NEWCOMERS:

We are blessed that you have chosen to join us in worship and ministry here at Our Lady of the Foothills Parish. If you are new or have not registered, please complete a Registration Form available at the back of the church and drop it off at the office or in the collection basket during the weekend masses. WELCOME!

Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING (The following Monday)
Saturday September 30 5:00 p.m.	No Adult Server	Dan Burkinshaw Ren Werbicki	School Group	Rick and Shelley Appel	Glenn Ross Rick and Shelley Appel TBA	
Sunday October 1 11:00 a.m.	No Adult Server Deacon Ed	Kathleen Giffin Athena Marchildon Deacon Carries book	School Group	TBA	Ken Brady Christian Ludwig Cel Marchildon Dodie Reyes Pinpin	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

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

Pine Valley Lodge Song and Scripture

September 27 at 10:00 a.m.

You are welcome to join us.

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

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St. Gregory
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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

Attention all Parishioners: PARISH PASTORAL COUCIL DISCERNMENT AND NOMINATION

We will be commencing the process of discernment for new **Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson**. We will begin **accepting nominations** in the coming week. Below you will find the position to be filled at this time along with what is involved in its role. We ask you to pray and discern about this important task. Ask for God's guidance and wisdom to help you with this.

Our parish is full of gifts and talents waiting to be awakened by the Spirit's prompting. If you know of someone who would be an excellent person to fill this role (or you feel called to this role) please nominate them (or yourself) on the nomination slip

Parish Council Chairperson

The Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson's duties are as follows:

- together with the pastor, schedules meetings and prepares the agenda
- organizes and coordinates activities and procedures for the PPC
- chairs regular and special meetings
- maintains regular contact with pastor
- communicates with the PPC committee leaders
- communicates with members between meetings
- ensures communication between the PPC and the parishioners is maintained

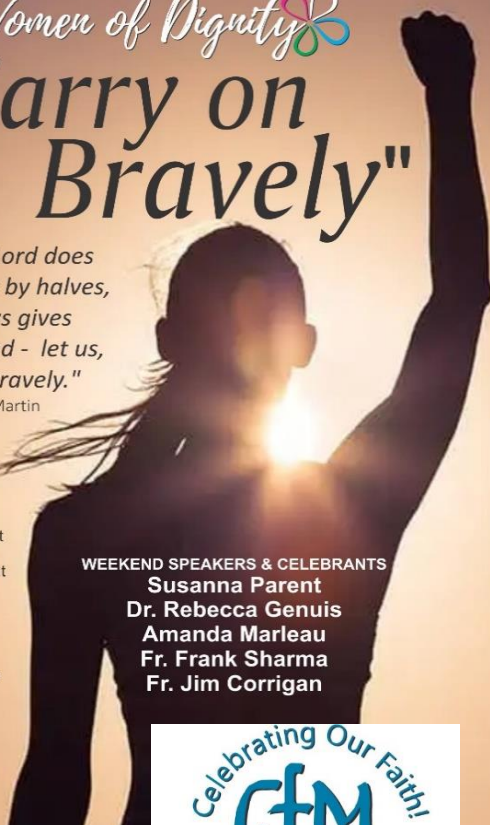
DON'T MISS OUT! Early Registration Ends September 30!

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*

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



2023 Women of Dignity Conference - October 20-21 Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove, AB 'Carry on Bravely'

Ladies this is your opportunity to come together with other like-minded women as you journey through life whether single, married, mother, from teen to granny we are inviting you to join us for a weekend of discernment and an opportunity to find meaning and purpose in life's challenges. Invite family and friends to make this a special faith-building journey and experience! Check out the website for conference information.



Susanna
Parent

Dr. Rebecca
Genuis

Amanda
Marleau

**Register Online Today and take advantage of Early
Discount Registration**
[https://www.catholicfamilyministries.com/women-
of-dignity-conference](https://www.catholicfamilyministries.com/women-of-dignity-conference)