



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for March 14th, 2010, the 4th Sunday in Lent

The Palio: the Running of the Horses

Palio of Calgary tickets are now available at your parish office or www.paliocalgary.ca and don't forget to book the date in your calendar: **JUNE 19, 2010**. This diocesan wide family-centred and community building event will be raising funds for building and maintenance of our parishes throughout the diocese. The day will consist of:

- Fun and games for kids of all ages in a country setting
- An open air mass with Bishop Henry and many of our priests concelebrating
- The horses will run each representing a parish in the Diocese

Your Mission: Get your tickets, name your parish horse and invite your friends and family, this event is open to all!

Ecumenical Office

The L'Arche Calgary Cake Walk is coming up! View cake masterpieces and enjoy a slice of premium cake! This year is especially exciting because L'Arche Calgary and the Pastry Chef Guild of Alberta have teamed up to present the Lindt Chocolate Competition at the same time! The event is **Sunday, March 14**, 12 to 3:30 pm at the SAIT Heart Building and 4 Nines Cafeteria. Tickets are only \$5 and parking is free. Proceeds will support L'Arche Calgary's members with developmental disabilities.

For more information visit www.larchecalgary.org or www.pastrychefs.ca

Chair of Christian Thought

The Iwaasa Lecture on Urban Theology with Dr. Ronald A. Kuipers, Assistant Professor of the Philosophy of Religion, Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto, ON. **"What's So Critical About Faith? Exploring a Crucial Feature of Human Life"**, Monday, March 15, 2010 at 7:30pm, Emmanuel Christian Reformed Church, 3020 51 St SW, Calgary. **"Cross-Pressured Authenticity: Charles Taylor on Religious Identity in a Secular Age"** Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 12:00 noon, Scotia Bank Milling Area, Rozsa Centre, University of Calgary.

Social Justice Ministry

Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross – April 2, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. This walk begins and ends at St. Mary's Cathedral (219 – 18 Ave SW) and takes approximately two hours. Christ shared in our human suffering, even in death itself. We will walk in solidarity with him and with all our suffering brothers and sisters who are thirsting for compassion and justice in the world today. Everyone is welcome! For information call 403-218-5519.

St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary

Celebrate Saint Patrick's Day. The Irish Cultural Society is celebrating the 12th Anniversary of St. Patrick's Day in the Cathedral with Fr. W. Stephenson on **Wednesday March 17th 2010** beginning with The Irish Choir and the Liturgy at 12 noon. The celebration will be followed by a light lunch in the Parish Hall at 1:00 p.m. We invite all nationalities and denominations to join with us and pray for peace in our troubled world.

Liturgy

The **Western Conference for the Catechumenate**, in partnership with the North American Forum on the Catechumenate is presenting a Conference on **The evangelizing parish: vision — passion — mission (practice)**. This event will take place on Friday & Saturday, **May 28 and 29, 2010** at Holy Spirit Church, Saskatoon, SK. This Conference, while focusing on the RCIA, can be valuable to anyone working on evangelization in a parish. For more information contact: Fr. Michael Koch Email: mjkrca@shaw.ca, ph: 306-373-0404, fax: 306-374-4613.

A new Summer School in Liturgical Studies, designed for all who prepare, lead, evaluate, participate in, and appreciate the liturgical life of the parish, will begin in the summer of 2010. Liturgical ministers, liturgy committee members, musicians, catechists, priests, deacons, and seminarians are invited to participate. For more information contact Linda Boire, ph: 780-476-7021 or lmboire@telus.net

Life and Family Resource Centre

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (RV) is for women and men suffering from a past abortion experience. The next RV retreat will be held **April 16-18 2010**. Please contact the Project Rachel office at 403-218-5506 or toll free: 1-877-597-3223, or via e-mail: projectrachel@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca

Project Rachel offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for those who are suffering distress from a past abortion experience. For more information call Project Rachel at 218-5506 or toll-free: 1-877-597- 3223 or email: projectrachel@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca

Restoring the Hope - Rainbows A programme helping children cope with changing family relationships through separation, divorce or death is looking for people who like to help the children in this very important ministry. We need coordinators, and facilitators. Training provided. Please call Irena at 403 218-5505

For a complete listing of Life & Family ministries, programmes and events please check our website at www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca Scroll down to Offices, click on "Diocesan Offices", find and click on "Life and Family Resource Centre", or call 403-218-5505 for more information.

St. Mary's University College

'Byzantine Iconography' a free public lecture by Marianne Savaryn on **Thursday, March 18** at 7:30 pm. Midlands Building, St. Mary's University College, 14500 Bannister Road SE, Calgary T2X 1Z4. For more information contact: 403-531-9130 or www.stmu.ab.ca

StMU Bookstore Sale – March 8 - 19, 2010 Religious books, novels, textbooks, merchandise at clear-out prices! StMU Bookstore in the Le Fort Centre, 14500 Bannister Road SE, just off Macleod Trail South. Open 9:30 am to 3:00 pm daily. For more info, call 403-254-3726

For more information please check out our website at www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca

Or contact Carol Hollywood, Library & Archives, 403-218-5510

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