



# Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for October 17th 2010,  
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Religious Education Secretariat

### PLEASE NOTE THE CORRECTION

On **Sunday November 7<sup>th</sup>** Catholics in Alberta will once again celebrate **Catholic Education Sunday**, a time to stop and think about the gift that Catholic Education is to our entire Catholic Community of Faith. In the past, Catholic Schools have tried to make up for a shortfall of funds through various means of fund-raising including bingo and gambling. Having recognized the dire social effects gambling can have on people and society with addiction, poverty and false hopes; we have come to discern that we are called to be part of the solution, not the problem. Thus, we face the challenge to come up with extra funds in ways that are more in keeping with who we are as Catholic Christians. To this end, Bishop Henry has invited all parishes within our diocese to participate in an annual fund-raising on Catholic Education Sunday. Each parish will be asked to have a **second collection** at their weekend Masses with the **proceeds being designated as follows: 80% of the funds will go to the local Catholic School District, 10% to St. Mary's University College in Calgary and 10% to St. Joseph's Seminary, Edmonton.** Thank you for your support and God bless you for your generosity in helping to sustain Catholic Education in our province!

## Youth Ministry

### FACE TO FACE RETREAT

The youth (grade 7-12) are invited to attend a Face to Face Retreat at St. Patrick's on the weekend of **October 23 & 24**. Ken Yasinski will be the speaker, engaging our youth to experience their faith at a deeper level of what it means to be Catholic. The youth will experience Reconciliation, Adoration and, the Mass. This is a very powerful and high energy retreat that the youth will never forget. Parents are welcome to attend as chaperones and to help with the retreat. To register contact Sharon Riendeau at 403-256-7671 or email [sriendeau@telus.net](mailto:sriendeau@telus.net).

## Social Justice

### Housing Ex-Prisoners – Where Will They Stay?

Panel presentation and discussion on housing ex-prisoners will be held on **Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** at Deer Park United Church, 77 Deer Point Road SE, Calgary. The event is being held from 9:30am-1pm. There will also be a Silent Auction of prisoners' artwork and crafts. This is a free event with lunch provided. Donations are welcome. Participants must pre-register by calling Peter at 403-275-6935.

**Western Conference for Social Justice on the Environment** - Come and learn about Catholic Social Teaching and the Environment. Listen to various speakers such as **Sr. Joyce Murray CSJ**, a Canadian Religious Conference Justice and Peace Fieldworker, **Francois Poitras**, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Justice and Peace Director, **Andrew Nikiforuk**, a Calgary-based author and journalist on Alberta's Tar Sands, **Don Dale**, the KAIROS Canada Prairie Region Representative, and **Sara Michel**, the Development and Peace Regional Animator for Alberta and Mackenzie-Fort Smith. They will discuss current environmental issues and justice initiatives. **It is being held at the FCJ Centre in Calgary on Saturday November 6, 2010 from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Registration cost is \$50.00, including lunch and snacks throughout the day.** For more information, contact the Social Justice Office at 403-218-5519.

**Pakistan Relief - The Diocese is accepting financial donations for Pakistan Relief.** You may contribute **either** (the preferred way) cheques to be made payable to your parish, earmarked "D&P Pakistan Relief" (tax receipts will be issued by the parishes), **or** cheques made payable to the "R.C. Diocese of Calgary", earmarked "D&P Pakistan Relief" (tax receipts will be issued by the Diocese). All donations will be forwarded to Development & Peace. For more information, contact the Social Justice Office at 403-218-5519.

## Life and Family Resource Centre

The **12<sup>th</sup> Annual “A Song for Rachel” Concert!** This concert is an exciting fundraising family event that will take place on **Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke’s Parish**, 1566 Northmount Drive, NW, in Calgary. Tickets: suggested donation is \$10/person and \$25/immediate family. For more information or tickets please contact the Life & Family Resource Centre at 403-218-5505.

**Endow Catholic Women's Luncheon; Friday, October 29** at the Calgary Golf and Country Club with Guest Speaker: Fr. Jerome Lavigne. Topic: Grounded in Love  
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.; Tickets: \$25.00; Dress code: No Denim  
Contact: Marianne 403-270-2202 or [EndowCanada@shaw.ca](mailto:EndowCanada@shaw.ca), by Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Effective Co-Parenting: Putting Kids First** is a parent education program that will give information about the needs of parents, children & families coping with separation and divorce. This program can be attended individually or as a couple if appropriate. For more information or registration contact the Life & Family Resource Centre at 403-218-5504.

## St. Albert the Great Church, Calgary

**Career Opportunity:** Applications are now being accepted for the position of **Youth Coordinator** at St. Albert the Great Parish. This position requires someone with a passion for youth ministry. Please drop you resume off at the parish office or fax it to: 403-257-6072 – Attention: Father Kevin.

## St. Mary’s University College, Calgary

### Speakers Series

You are invited to the St. Mary’s University College Speaker’s Series **on Thursday, November 4** at 7:30 p.m. Join us as Dr. Michael Duggan discusses “*Catholicism: Creating a Civilization of Love.*” Free and open to all. For more info, visit [www.stmu.ab.ca](http://www.stmu.ab.ca).

## FCJ Christian Life Centre

Applications are being accepted now for the 2011 **Spiritual Direction Training Program**. There is an information evening on **Monday, November 8**, at 7:30 p.m. at the FCJ Christian Life Centre, 219 - 19 Avenue SW, Calgary, T2S 0C8. For more information please contact Sr. Joan: 403-228-4215

## Catholic Pastoral Centre Library

The library is open to everyone in the diocese. Find books, CDs and DVDs to support your parish, family, or individual spiritual journey. Check out what we have at <http://rcdc.kohalibrary.com>

Hours are: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 12.40 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. (Except third Fridays of every month). If you are outside Calgary we can mail items to you - if you teach with Calgary Catholic School District we can ‘pony’ items to you.

Do you have a quick question about our Catholic faith? Contact us at 403-218-5510 or email: [library@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca](mailto:library@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca)

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For more information please check out our website at [www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca](http://www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca)

Or contact Carol Hollywood or Jane-Rose Ediau, Library & Archives, 403-218-5510

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