



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for October 31st 2010,
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Youth Ministry

The Youth Office is offering a one day workshop on **Understanding and Empowering Millennial Youth, Saturday November 20th** at Our Lady of Grace Parish. Our presenter is James Penner, and the cost \$45 which includes lunch. Excellent resource for parents, priests, educators and youth workers. For a copy of the brochure and to register please contact Mary Ann Donalessen at 403-218-5516 or email youthdirector@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca

Health Care Apostolate

Palliative Care Education Program **November 5th - November 20th, 2010**

(Friday, November 5th, 6:15 pm - 9:30 pm; Saturday, November 6th, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Friday, November 19th, 6:15 pm - 9:30 pm; Saturday, November 20th, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm)

Classes held at the FCJ Christian Life Centre, 219 – 19 Ave. SW Calgary

Fee: \$65.00 includes manual. Registration or information phone 403-218-5507 or 403-218-5508

This program will assist you in supporting family, friends and colleagues. The goal of palliative care is to promote quality of life through the control of symptoms, physical, psychological, social or spiritual.

This is a Certificate Program accepted by the Alberta Health Services and the AARN registration. The presenters are professionals selected from their area of expertise.

Liturgy Office

Mass with Sign Language will be offered on **Sunday, November 7 and Sunday, December 5** at 9:00 a.m.

Everyone interested is welcome to attend with the hope that this will be able to continue regularly.

The masses will be held at **St. Anthony Parish, 5340 - 4 St. SW**. Please email pastorjames@shaw.ca for more information.

Religious Education Secretariat

On **Sunday November 7th** 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!

Social Justice

Housing Ex-Prisoners – Where Will They Stay?

Panel presentation and discussion on housing ex-prisoners will be held on **Saturday, November 13th** 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 Oil 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

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.

For a complete listing of Life & Family ministries, programs 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. 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 your 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.

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