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Our Churches

 Assumption
 2405 - 12 Avenue S.

 St. Basil's
 604 - 13 Street N.

 St. Patrick's
 917 - 4 Avenue S.

Our Priests

Fr. Kevin Tumback - Pastor pastorallsaints@shaw.ca

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Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Assumption

7:00 p.m. - St. Basil's

Sunday 7:30 a.m. - St. Basil's

Incense will be used

9:00 a.m. - Assumption 11:00 a.m. - St. Basil's 6:00 p.m. - Assumption

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. - St. Basil's
Wednesday 12:05 p.m. - St. Basil's
Thursday 12:05 p.m. - Assumption
Friday 9:00 a.m. - Assumption

Open for Prayer

Assumption Church will be open for prayer Monday to Friday from 9:30am - 4:00pm The church will be locked, please ring the doorbell.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday at Assumption Church from 8 - 11:00 pm Every first Friday at Assumption. Adoration will begin following the 9:00am Mass and end with Benediction at 8:00pm

Every first and third Saturday at St. Patrick's. 10:00am until noon.

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:00-6:30 p.m. at St. Basil's 8:00-10:00 p.m. at Assumption Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm at Assumption 6:00-6:30 p.m. at St. Basil's Sunday 4:30-5:30 pm at Assumption

Or by appointment, please phone the parish office.

Baptism & Marriage

Arrangements made by calling the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick

Arrangements made by calling the Parish Office.

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

Sunday Reflection

The easy way out

Isn't it marvelous the number of time saving devices we have these days? Microwaves, drive through windows, remote controls. We love the ease they bring. The less effort the better, right?

Consider for a moment the effect all this convenience has on our spirits. To keep our feet walking God's path is a

difficult job at the best of times. How can we arm ourselves for this struggle, when society hands us a universal remote and microwave dinner? It's hard work fighting evil and we're getting more out of condition every day. The dents in our couch increase while evil happens in our own backyards. Scripture tells us that light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to the light. Why? Righteousness is a do it yourself kit. Darkness comes with it's own remote.

Prayers of the Faithful

Remember the sick of the Parish

Jay Harris, Ida Feist, Joseph Kellogg, David Christensen, Josephine Kurjanczyk, Harry Shuya, Barbara Mozgala, Rufino Lim, Rose Bartsoff, Leslie Malabanan, Lawrence Kaupp, Loretta Livingston, Carol Shank, Patrick Barry, Victor Lund, Vickie Richter, Daniel Bosters, Tammy Webster, Lydia Brunner, Jacinta Wells, Leanne White Man Left & Cecilia Chang.

and the Deceased

Anna Maria Bortolussi.

Anniversaries of Death remembered this week

Andy Creighton, Teeara Little Plume, Deanna Akroyd, Fe Casimiro & Peter & Irmina Baier.

Solidarity Sunday

The Fifth Sunday of Lent is celebrated throughout most of Canada as Solidarity Sunday.

Next weekend we will have a second collection for Development & Peace - Caritas Canada.





Sunday March 17th the 9:00 Mass will be at St. Patrick's Church
NOT at Assumption.



Eucharistic Adoration

Every Tuesday

at Assumption Church from 8:00 to 11:00pm

Confessions

during Adoration from 8:00 - 10:00 pm

Every Friday in Lent

at Assumption Church following the 9:00 a.m. Mass until 8:00 pm.

Confessions 10:00 - 11:00 am Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm Eucharistic Presentation 7:15 p.m.



at St. Patrick's Church from 10:00am - noon Rosary at 10:10am - Litany of Mary at 11:00am Next dates: March 16 & April 6.



For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. (Eph 2.10)

This middle Sunday of Lent begins with the word Laetare! or 'Rejoice!' in order to encourage us in our increased works of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during this penitential season. Do not lose heart. It is for good works that we are made.

Ethnic Masses

Polish Mass & Confessions

Sunday, March 17 at Assumption Church. Confessions begin at 11:00 a.m. with Mass to follow

Croatian Mass & Confessions

Sunday, March 24 at St. Basil's Church. Confessions begin at 3:30 pm with Mass to follow

Youth Events

Open Gym Night - March 18th, hosted by NET for all youth in grades 6-12. This will be from 6:30-8:00pm at Children of St. Martha's school.

Free Family Skate - March 23rd from 7:15 - 8:15pm at Civic Ice Centre. Snacks and hot chocolate to follow.

Soup Kitchen - On April 6th the youth will be volunteering at the Soup Kitchen. If you would like to help prepare and serve dinner between 4:00pm - 8:00pm, please contact Nicole at 403-892-2010.







Mass Intentions

7:00 p.m.

St. Basil's

Maryanna Litke (dec.)

Monday, March 11



Erickson

40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us to pray for vocations: "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:37-38). Come and pray with us. The 40 Hours Devotion for Vocations will be in Lethbridge at St. Martha's, Friday, April 12 at 8 am to Saturday, April 13

at midnight.

St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy

March Events

Saturday, March 23 - 5pm Mass at Assumption

Social and faith formation following Mass in the hall.

For more information contact Fr. Santiago at santiago. Torres@calgarydiocese.ca

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Ecumenical Lenten Lunches - Every Thursday in Lent starting at noon. The March 14 lunch and refection will be hosted by St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.



Soup Supper every Friday in Lent - A simple meal of soup and buns will be served in Assumption hall at 6:00 p.m. following Stations of the Cross in the church. If you can help by providing a meatless soup please call the parish office. Everyone is welcome.

Assumption Charismatic Prayer Group meet every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. This week, March 13th, please meet in Assumption church. All are welcome

Priestly Vocations Night - Have you ever thought God might be calling you to be a priest? Come to the Priestly Vocations Night with Fr. Derek Remus. Mass at 5 pm, followed by Evening Prayer, supper, presentation on discerning a vocation, and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Saturday, Mar 16, from 5 pm to 9 pm at St. Luke's, Calgary.

Upcoming Events at the Martha Retreat Centre - To register call 403-328-3422 or visit martharetreatcentre.ca *Mass* with Fr. Tim Boyle. Thursday, March 14 at 4:00pm. Come hear the Word of God and celebrate the Eucharist. *Ukrainian Easter Traditions* - Saturday, March 16 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Join us for a fun day of learning and reflecting on Ukrainian Easter traditions, baking Paska and making Krashanky and Pysanky. Our hope is that you will leave the Centre inspired, nourished and with freshly baked Easter bread and beautifully decorated eggs. Cost: \$105.00 (All materials and lunch included).

Oasis Day March 21, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Oasis Days begin with a brief time of facilitation that will serve to guide your time of reflection throughout the day. Coming together for lunch, followed by the afternoon to rest, pray, reflect as you spend your time in spiritual development and renewal.

The Annual General Meeting of the **Lethbridge People of Praise Society**, who host the Live-In Retreats, will be held on Saturday, March 16 at St. Joseph's School in Coaldale. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., followed by praise and worship, a guest speaker, the business meeting along with voting for new Core Members and will conclude with fellowship over a potluck lunch. *A minimum of 25 in attendance is required to have a quorum*

Join **Beloved Daughters Ministry** for their *second annual women's conference entitled, "Worthy and Made New."* The Conference will be held from May 3-4 at St. Michael's Church, Calgary, with guest speakers Crystalina Evert and Fr. Anthony Sortino, LC. For more information visit: www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com

Penitential Service this week:

Thursday, March 14, 7:00 pm at St. Peter's, Milk River

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is this Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 pm in Assumption hall. Everyone is welcome.

Eucharistic Presentations - Every Friday in Lent there will be a short reflection on the Eucharist starting at 7:15 at Assumption. Friday, March 15th Fr. Santiago will talk about *The Eucharist as Sacrifice*.

St. Patrick's Party - Saturday, March 16, 6:00 p.m. in Assumption hall. Lamb or beef stew, coleslaw and buns. No host bar. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for children. Tickets available at the parish office and after weekend Masses.

kingdom to come here on earth as it is in heaven.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent, is celebrated throughout most of Canada as Solidarity Sunday, where parishes hold a special collection for Development and Peace - Caritas Canada and pray for greater fellowship and understanding amongst people worldwide. Please pray for Development and Peace, its members and partners as we strive for God's

This week on **formed.org**

Week Four | Restore: Lent with Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT In week four of Restore, Sr. Miriam reflects on almsgiving and how it heals your relationships with others. One of the most powerful ways to heal your brokenness is to give—not only money or clothing, but also your presence and love—to those whom God has placed in your life, even those who have wounded you.

Where are You? This captivating series explores Catholic themes of redemption, grace, and forgiveness through compelling storytelling and thought-provoking narratives. It offers a profound understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and its significance in personal growth and spiritual renewal.

TOGETHER 10024

Our Parish goal for the 2024 TIA campaign is \$76,568. By contributing to TIA, each of us has a unique opportunity to put our faith into action through almsgiving in the season of Lent. In doing so, we contribute to making a more compassionate world and make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

We are requesting that surplus funds raised in 2024 be put towards our Building Fund.

This Week in Our Churches

Sunday, March 10

7:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist (St. Basil's)

Incense will be used

Sunday Eucharist (Assumption) 9:00 a.m.

First Reconciliation Retreat (Assumption hall) 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Eucharist (St. Basil's) 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. Altar Server Training & Pizza (Assumption)

4:30 p.m. Confessions (Assumption) 6:00 p.m. Sunday Eucharist (Assumption)

7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group (Assumption hall)

Monday, March 11

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Session (Assumption hall)

7:00 p.m. Mass (St. Basil's)

Tuesday, March 12

10:00 a.m. Golden Acres/Blue Sky Mass

6:00 p.m. Confessions (St. Basil's)

7:00 p.m. Mass (St. Basil's)

8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Assumption)

with Confessions

Wednesday, March 13

12:05 p.m. Mass (St. Basil's)

7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (Assumption hall)

7:00 p.m. Prayer Group Meeting (Assumption)

7:00 p.m. RCIA (UMR)

7:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group (St. Martha's)

Thursday, March 14

12:05 p.m. Mass (Assumption)

1:30 p.m. Lectio: Evangelization (UMR)

2:00 p.m. Martha House Mass

4:00 p.m. Martha Retreat Centre Mass

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Session (Assumption hall) 7:00 p.m. Penitential Service (St. Peter's, Milk River)

7:00 p.m. Lectio: Evangelization (UMR)

Friday, March 15

9:00 a.m. Mass (Assumption)

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration

10:00 a.m. Confessions (Assumption) until 11:00 a.m.

St. Therese Villa Mass 10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Legacy Lodge Mass

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Assumption)

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper (Assumption hall)

7:15 p.m. Eucharistic Presentation (Assumption)

Saturday, March 16

10:00 a.m. Prayer & Rosary (St. Patrick's)

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Assumption)

5:00 p.m. Sunday Eucharist (Assumption)

6:00 p.m. St. Patrick's Party* (Assumption hall)

6:00 p.m. Confessions (St. Basil's)

Sunday Eucharist (St. Basil's) 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 17

7:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist (St. Basil's)

Sunday Eucharist (St. Patrick's)

Polish Confermination 9:00 a.m.

Polish Confessions & Mass (Assumption) 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Sunday Eucharist (St. Basil's)

Followed by a coffee social

12:00 p.m. First Communion Bootcamp

(Assumption hall)

Confessions (Assumption) 4:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Sunday Eucharist (Assumption)

High School Youth Group (Assumption hall) 7:00 p.m.

Fr. Kevin's Cluttered Desk

We are told to "live as children of the light" but what does that mean practically in our lives? Growing up on the farm and close to a small town in Saskatchewan, you learnt very quickly what it meant to live in the light. Everybody knows your business. It did not matter who you were or where you lived, everybody knew what you had done and what you had failed to do. There were no hidden secrets, everything always came out. To live in the dark is to try and keep secrets, to hide things from others and sometimes from ourselves, to deny our choices or hide our choices. Some people take the position that they are not hurting anyone but themselves, but if we hurt ourselves then we affect how we behave and how we live, which in turn affects the people around us. Pornography is probably one of the biggest issues in our society today that many seem to think they can hide or keep secret. But the studies prove that not to be true. Pornography affects our relationships with others; it affects how we look at people, are they persons or objects to use and make use of? Pornography affects how we understand sex and the true purpose of sex in life. When I was a teenager, everyone knew that the consequences of sex was a baby, and no teenager generally wants to be a parent. In my twenties it shifted from a baby to a Sexually Transmitted Disease. Then it shifted from an STD to HIV and now STD and HIV seem more likely than a baby. Did you know? According to the AHS South Zone Profile (that would be Lethbridge and area) a total of 1.122 STI/HIV cases were reported in 2020: •Chlamydia: 851 cases. •Gonorrhoea: 219 cases, •HIV: 16 cases, •Infectious syphilis: 36 cases, an increase of 9.1 per cent compared to 2019. Things done in the dark can harm a person and can affect your life forever. We can take an attitude of that won't happen to me or we can choose to live as "children of the light" and strive to remove those things from our lives that can do damage to us and to others. A child of the light listens to Jesus not to the world. The world will tell you it's okay, but is it? The world will tell you everyone is doing it, but are they? The world will tell you that if it feels good you should do it, but to every choice we make in life there are consequences, are we prepared for them?

Peace Fr. Kevin