

All Saints

Roman Catholic Parish



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September 20, 2020

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Churches

Assumption 2405 - 12 Avenue S.
St. Basil's 604 - 13 Street N.
St. Patrick's Closed

Our Priests

Fr. Kevin Tumback - Pastor
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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
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

You are able to **register for weekend masses** by phoning the office on Thursday at 403-327-8931.

Lethbridge City Council has passed the Temporary Mandatory Face Covering Bylaw on August 24, 2020.

In general, this new bylaw states that a person must wear a face covering at all times while in an indoor, enclosed, or substantially enclosed public place or in a public vehicle.

Open for Prayer

Assumption Church will be open for prayer Monday to Friday from 9:30am - 4:00pm
Please use the east entrance.
Please respect social distancing of 6 feet

Sacraments

Reconciliation

By appointment.

Outdoor Reconciliation Tuesday 8:00-10:00p.m. at Assumption (during drive-up Adoration).

Anointing of the Sick

Arrangements made by calling the Parish Office.



Sunday Reflection

The Rating Game

The equality of God's grace can be a two-edged sword. Those who think they are undeserving get more than they expected. Those who believe they are more deserving receive less than

anticipated. In the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, the labourers who spent twelve hours in the vineyard got a denarius. The later hires who worked only one hour also got a denarius. Where's the fairness in that?

Jesus' message meant that because we are all equal before God, no one is graded, or rated, or considered more valuable. No one gets ahead of the rest. There aren't four-star Christians or one-star Christians. We are each beloved, valued and precious children accepted into God's great love. And that is perfect fairness, no matter what we might think.

Prayers of the Faithful

Remember the sick of the Parish

Marie Mawhinney, Dorothy Harty, Dorothy Shaw, Cinette Kado, Carmen Groten, Lucy Pavan, Math Harty, Kem Brewer & for all those infected with the coronavirus;

and the Deceased

Bill Gejdos & Don Mehlen.

Anniversaries of Death remembered this week

Leona Kinahan.

Stewardship Reflection

So the last will be first, and the first will be last. (Matthew 20.16)

Is the cup half full or half empty? It depends on who is doing the drinking. The Lord says: my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways. The justice of God is mercy and generosity.



Last week's word search phrase:
Go Tell it to the Mountain

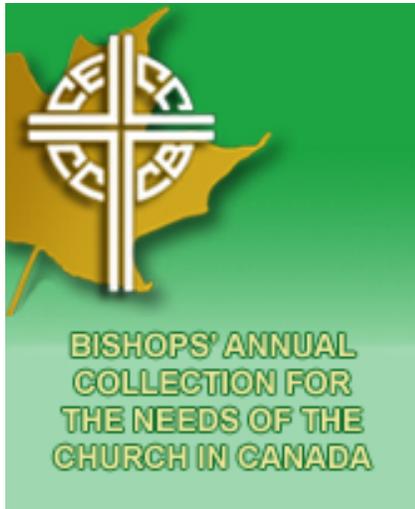


Eucharistic Adoration



Every Tuesday the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the upper window of the parish office at Assumption from **8:00 to 11:00 p.m.**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.



Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada - Support for the Bishops of Canada to pursue the Church's pastoral mission

This year, the Catholic Church in Canada, along with the rest of society, has been seriously affected by the Coronavirus pandemic: from an inability to gather in worship, through limitations on pastoral and personal interaction, to office closures. Bishops, as shepherds who watch over their flock, felt this disruption very keenly.

As we continue to address the challenges and impact of the Coronavirus upon our families, communities of faith and ecclesial outreach, your prayers, gestures of kindness and generosity are invaluable, heartfelt and true sources of consolation, comfort and renewed encouragement in the pursuit of the Church's pastoral mission.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place next weekend, Sept. 26/27. This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, Sept. 22	7:00 p.m.	Louise Rohaly (dec.)
Wednesday, Sept. 23	12:05 p.m.	Intention of Vivien Kruszewski
Thursday, Sept. 24	12:05 p.m.	Intention of Danica & Phil Pothier
Friday, Sept. 25	9:00 a.m.	Intention of Bob & Caroline Comstock



Mass Attendance

	Aug 30	Sept 6	Sept 13
5:00 Assumption	65	64	103
7:00 St. Basil's	39	36	34
7:30 St. Basil's	55	49	48
9:00 Assumption	94	100	114
11:00 St. Basil's	110	88	98
6:00 Assumption	59	67	76

Sacramental Preparation

Registration

This year due to COVID registrations for all sacraments will take place after Masses this weekend **Sept. 19/20**. Registration will be in the hall after the 5:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Masses.



First Communion is offered to children in grade 2 or older.

First Reconciliation is offered to children in grade 2 or older.

Confirmation is offered to children in grade 6 or older. The child will need to have received the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Eucharist and 1st Reconciliation.

RCIC - If you have children 7 years of age or older who have not been baptized maybe now is the time to enable them to prepare for sacramental initiation in the Catholic Church. The RCIC process is set up to help families do this. Sessions take place on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at Assumption hall.

RCIA - Sessions are held on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in Assumption hall. Non-baptized adults (catechumens) and baptized Christians (candidates) are invited to these sessions that serve to prepare them for sacramental initiation in the Catholic Church.

All Saints Parish

January - August 2019/2020 comparison

Thank you for your support, together we move forward in faith.

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Revenue		
Operating Receipts	464,814	509,556
Other Donations (Bequests)	1,061	0
Government Subsidy	33,867	0
Grocery Cards	2,050	3,050
Religious Education	3,400	4,476
Sale of Church Supplies	9,140	11,165
Stole Fees	12,095	10,230
Youth Ministry	7,602	11,672
Refugee Collections	1,000	4,280
Other	26,898	34,112
Total Revenue	<u>561,927</u>	<u>588,541</u>
Expenses		
Salaries and contracts	208,377	274,765
Property Maintenance	123,660	111,244
Rectory Operating	10,890	12,241
Office and Administration	26,424	43,389
Diocesan Support	51,443	107,740
Church Supplies	12,057	11,527
Refugee Expenses	0	13,417
Other Church Programs	20,127	33,211
Total Expenses	<u>452,978</u>	<u>607,534</u>
Unadjusted Balance	<u>108,949</u>	<u>(18,993)</u>
Adjustment for Bequests	<u>(1,061)</u>	<u>0</u>
Revenue/Expense Difference	<u>107,888</u>	<u>-18,993</u>
Building Fund Income		
New Church	210,560	152,648
St. Patrick's Maint. Income	1,900	1,600
Building Fund Expenses	(448)	(17,778)
St. Patrick's Maint. Expenses	<u>(1,557)</u>	<u>(1,419)</u>
	210,455	135,051
General Central Fund Balance	2,685,259	2,629,862
Building Fund Balance	6,210,782	5,278,552

Thank you to all

who continue to support our parish through envelopes, Pre-Authorized Giving and E-Transfers.

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who continue to support the Building Fund. (Still no word from Rome regarding St. Patrick's.)

Maintenance Expenses

- Assumption hall roof repair
- New furnace in parish office
- Heating fixes for St. Basil's sacristy

Upcoming Expenses

The trees at St. Patrick's are in need of Pruning before they cause damage.

East transept roof at Assumption needs repairs. The roofers are scheduled for early October.

We did not pay the Diocesan Assessment of \$11,000 for April, May, June and July.

Staffing

Youth Ministry:

Amy - resigned

David - resigned

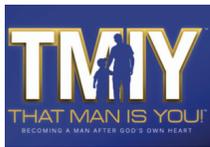
Sarah - temporary layoff

Other:

Laura - temporary layoff

Joey - temporary layoff

Roisin - medical leave



That Man Is You, a program dedicated to helping Catholic men understand their role and purpose, is meeting virtually this fall! We have a few options, including Monday evenings at 7:30pm, Thursday evenings at 8pm, or Friday mornings at 6:30am. Please contact Savio Baptista at 403-320-1876 or tmiylethbridge@gmail.com for more info or to register. The program is free and the online platform we use is Zoom. We hope to see you this fall!

September's Faithfully "To Send or Not to Send" edition is out! Don't miss our back to school articles featuring our parishioners, teachers and St. Mary's University. Bishop's message about recognizing the responsibilities we have to each other as stewards of creation. Read the beautiful story about IWIN project, a CWL initiative to help human trafficking survivors get back on their feet, one backpack at a time, and many more stories. The link is on our website homepage, or contact the office and we can print a copy.

Martha Retreat Centre Programs - 403-328-3422 or admin@martharetreatcentre.ca

Mass weekly on Tuesdays 4:00pm – 4:30pm

Centering Prayer is a meditation prayer of surrender. If you are new to this kind of prayer it is best to try to come to the gathering space 10-15 minutes early for a quick "how to". We meet on every Tuesday from 1:30pm to 2:40pm and once a month on Monday evenings at 7pm.

Oasis Day - Thursday, Sept. 24, 9:00am to 4:00pm. Enjoy a day of silence for prayer and reflection in your own provided room, or feel free to use the chapel, library, or take a walk in nature. This is a day to regenerate your body, mind and spirit. Come and spend a day of rest, prayer and reflection.

Book Study: The Universal Christ by Richard Rohr - Thursdays, 7:00 pm—9:00 pm Sept 24 – Nov 5. Drawing on scripture, history, and spiritual practice, Rohr articulates a transformative view of Jesus Christ as a portrait of God's constant, unfolding work in the world. The outcomes of this book study include insight into a previously forgotten teaching on Christ and utilizing contemplative practice as a tool for a deeper way into being. Please read chapters one and two before the first session.

Knitting Into the Mystery of Healing - Wednesdays, Sept. 23 - Nov 25 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Coming together to knit a prayer shawl is a popular and delightful way to be present to others in prayer and socializing. At the close of the five consecutive Wednesday evenings, the beauty and colour of the completed shawls and the friendships developed are truly a cause for rejoicing. Please bring your own materials.

Life Transitions Retreat at the FCJ Centre - We have experienced many losses. Many of us have lost jobs, freedom, plans and human connections. You are invited to a weekend retreat of peaceful exploration and tending of the soul through creative expression. Oct 16-18 at FCJ Centre, Calgary. Cost: \$285 or \$185 for commuter. Register: 403-228-4215.

Fr. Kevin's Cluttered Desk

It is sometimes interesting how we struggle with God's generosity. God chooses to give as God chooses to give. As humans we tend to think that if you get one piece then I should get one piece. But God sees differently. When we come to receive the Eucharist, we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus and we also receive grace upon grace, but how much is dependent on the amount we need or are open to receive? One person may need lots and another less but only God really knows this. "Mrs. Smith" may look holy and be greatly esteemed by the community yet inside she may need lots of help and lots of grace, but we cannot tell from the outside. On the other hand, "Mrs. Jones" may look like she is struggling and needs much help but in reality, and God's eyes, she needs much less.

It has been remarked by many a missionary priest how faith filled many of the poor are in comparison to the wealthy of the world. But this is more a reality of awareness, of dependency on God and not ourselves. The poor know that they are in need of help, but many of the rich are not even aware how much help they need.

God's generosity is not about what we want but what we need, and only God truly knows the heart and the needs of His people. God's generosity is also about our willingness to admit our dependency on God. Do I turn to Him for help and do I open myself up to God's help or do I think I can do it on my own? Being open is a key here, accepting what God knows we need and letting go of that idea, "I know what I need and want". This is another level; of trusting in God, because God knows best.

Peace Fr. Kevin

COVID and the Call to Faith

Over the next seven weeks, Grandin Media is hosting seven panel discussions on themes referenced in the letter – the impact on family, care of the vulnerable, the changing workplace and the inherent dignity of human life. The panelists, assembled from across the province and territory, include experts in their fields in health care, education, social services, law and ministry and business.

Starting Sep. 21- Week 1 Reflection "*Inherent Dignity of Every Human Life.*" The situation of this pandemic invites us all to re-discover the inherent dignity of every human life and to re-awaken a sense of gratitude, affection and responsibility towards all people, particularly the most vulnerable in our society.

Visit our website (allsaintslethbridge.org) to download the reflection and connect to the panel discussion. There is also an opportunity to respond to the prepared reflection questions or to send thoughts/comments through email prior to the panel discussion.