



Saint Michael Catholic Community



800 85 Street SW | 403-249-0423 | info@saintmichael.ca | October 6, 2024

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Family Factor...

Strengthening the family is one focal thrust of our ongoing renewal. Family is rooted in marriage which brings about children who need the unique care of a father and a mother. Marriage affects our social and public life, especially in terms of procreation and the care and education of children. Marriage matters because God has ordained it as part of the design of creation and redemption. In our faith, marriage is celebrated as a sacrament, that is, an expression of God's love for all of us. More than ever, we have to assert the importance and the sacredness of the institution of marriage and the family.

It is important to note that parental care is not exclusively the provision of the biological needs and wants of children. Marital obligation is not confined to the bedroom. The physical aspect of the family relationship is just one of the many areas of responsibility. In some cases, it may not prove very important. Some parents tend to think that the educational development of their children is the primary obligation of the school. But the reality is that they are charged with that responsibility. The religious and spiritual training of the children is not the exclusive domain of the Church, but a shared responsibility of both parents. The school and the Church, together with the government, are joint partners of the family in the full development of the future citizens of our land.

Some marital partners think that marriage is primarily a sexual relationship. But the truth is marriage is the totality of the marital relationship. The moral relationship is an area where true lasting friendship thrives. The moral and spiritual relationship can be a dependable and solid basis for the other levels of relationship. It can be a source of emotional, as well as physical strength, especially during the difficult times of marriage.

The working principle of the Christian family is based on the higher values of love and service, as enumerated in the Beatitudes in today's gospel. It hinges on our personal relationship with our God who is at the center of our lives. The solid basis of the marital relationship is not the love of husband and wife for each other but their own respective relationship with their God. In many Church documents, the family has been described as the *domestic* Church or the *microcosm* Church. The Bishops of Northern Canada in a joint letter some time ago did express a deep concern for family violence, particularly against women: "*Let us pray that our families and communities will be known by how much each member loves, respects, and supports the others*". fredmund@saintmichael.ca

Healing Lines

Faith communities and faith leaders have a unique role to play in responding to the needs of abuse victims and their families. First and foremost, faith communities need to be safe places to disclose abuse. Persons of faith who are abused often feel that their spirit has been broken, that God does not care about their life, that they are worthless in every way. The healing journey from victim to survivor is long and arduous; ongoing emotional support and many caregivers are required. Many persons of faith who are abused would like assistance from both community agencies and their faith fellowship. Become one of the chosen as we are asked to assist wherever we can.

Mass Schedule for this Weekend

Saturday, October 5 at 5:00 pm: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, October 6 at 8:30 am Morning Prayer: Fr. Kelvin Chukwurah
Sunday, October 6 at 9:00 am: Fr. Kelvin Chukwurah
Sunday, October 6 at 11:00 am: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, October 6 at 5:00 pm: Fr. Kelvin Chukwurah

Glad to have you here!

We welcome new parishioners and visitors. We'd love to see you again! Please register at the Parish Office, or online at saintmichael.ca

Connect with us

Follow us on social media at [@saintmichael.ca](https://www.instagram.com/saintmichael.ca)

Also, join Flocknote by texting **SMCYC** to **514-900-0130** or by visiting flocknote.com/smcyc



Church Schedule

Subject to change

Weekday & Weekend Masses:

Tuesday: 6:00 pm

Wednesday to Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am live-stream
at saintmichael.ca/Mass or on Facebook Live

Reconciliation:

Friday: 8:00 am to 8:45 am

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:45 pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday: 9:30 am to 10:30 am

Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday: 9:30 am to 12:00 pm noon

Home & Hospital Visits

If **you** or a **family member** is sick and cannot make it to Mass, and needs Anointing of the Sick and/or Holy Communion, we can arrange to have one of our priests visit them. Please call the Parish Office at **403-249-0423** to schedule a visit.

**Diocese of Calgary 24-Hour Emergency
Priest Paging Hotline: 403-231-9505.**

Serving the following hospitals:

Alberta Children's, Foothills, Peter Lougheed, Rockyview, and South Health Campus.

Events and Announcements

Daily Mass Cancelled | October 8 - 10, 2024

Daily Mass will be cancelled for October 8 - 10, 2024 due to Priest Study Days.

Coffee Wednesday | Cancelled for Wednesday, October 9, 2024

October – The Month of the Rosary

The Catholic Church dedicates October as the month of the Rosary when Catholics honour Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our mother. We invite family and friends to pray the rosary during this special month for devotion to Blessed Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary. At St. Michael Parish, please join us to pray the rosary: Weekdays: Before Daily Mass at 8:20am, and Tuesdays: After Evening Mass at 6:30 pm.

Missa Pro Populo (Latin for “Mass for the People”)

Our Sunday 11:00am Mass intention is usually celebrated for “the People of God at St. Michael’s”. Canon Law, no 534.1 requires the pastor to celebrate a Mass for all the people entrusted to his care on Sundays and holy days of obligation. This is partly why the pastor celebrates this particular Sunday Mass. He is also able to fulfill his obligation by applying the Mass intention on another day or delegating it to another priest.

St. Michael Statue Fundraiser

Now available... Smaller replicas of the new St Michael's statue at \$165.00 each are now available at the Gift Shop. All proceeds help cover the costs of the artwork by Timothy Schmalz.

A Note from the Parish Renewal Team

We would like to thank all parishioners who attended our first ever Parish Renewal Gathering! Approximately 130 parishioners attended the event which began with music, followed by a time of prayer and silent reflection, and finished with a chance to discuss in small groups the three pillars of Parish Renewal, these being, becoming Missionary Disciples in Christ, becoming a Church of Encounter and Witness, and Strengthening Family Life. The Parish Renewal Team is committed to carefully consider all parishioners’ inputs and discussion points when formulating our Parish Renewal Plan. We would also like to thank the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women’s League for preparing and serving a delicious lunch, the Love One Another Community for providing the beautiful music, and finally, our priests and parish staff who supported us in preparing for and hosting the renewal gathering.

Blessing of Pets | Saturday, October 5, 2024 | Outside the Main Entrance | 12:00pm

All are invited to bring your pet(s) for a blessing on Saturday, October 5 at 12:00 pm outside the Church’s main entrance in honor of St. Francis’ Feast Day which is on October 4. To ensure their safety, please make sure your pets are leashed.

The Living Rosary (Candle Light, No Mass) | Tuesday, October 8, 2024 | Day Chapel | 6:00pm

The Rosary Group and the CWL group would like to invite you to join us to pray the Living Rosary. In a Living Rosary, each person stands in place of a bead of the rosary and leads the prayer when it is their turn. Each person will be holding a torch candle and will light the candle when it is his or her turn. We will be in a circular shape like a rosary. Please feel free to pray in your own language when it is your turn. We look forward to you joining us and to pray the rosary together as a parish.

SSVP Share Sunday | October 12 and 13, 2024 | Narthex | After All Weekend Masses

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will distribute a list of food items needed after each Mass on October 5 and 6, 2024. In order to be kind to the environment, we ask that you use a cloth bag for your groceries and you bring it to Church on Thanksgiving weekend on October 12 and 13, 2024. Thank you!

Lectio Divina 2025 and Bake Sale | October 12 and 13, 2024 | Narthex | After All Masses

The Seeds of the Word Community will be selling their baked and homemade goods after each of the Masses on the weekend of October 12th and 13th. Our “famous” bread and cookies, as well as icons and journals, all made by the Seeds of the Word Community, will be available for sale. All proceeds will be used to help cover the cost of printing the 2025 Lectio Divina Compendium. We accept cash, debit, and credit card. Thank you for your generous support of our Community and its mission in spreading the Word of God!

Children’s Liturgy | Cancelled for Sunday, October 13, 2024

Coffee Sunday | Cancelled for Sunday, October 13, 2024

40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign | Wednesday, October 16, 2024 | Kensington Abortion Clinic | 8:00am - 1:00pm

St. Michael is once again part of this prayer campaign. Over 5000 babies are killed at the Kensington abortion facility every year. 40 Days for Life is a prayerful, respectful campaign that seeks to bring awareness to the inconvenient truth that abortion kills innocent human beings. Our prayerful presence during 40 Days at abortion centres around the world draws attention to the plight of preborn children and seeks God’s help through intercessory prayer. Will you join us? Sign up and be a loving, prayerful voice for the preborn babies who have no voice but ours. We know from the testimonies of many that these campaigns save lives. St. Michael’s day to pray this campaign is Wednesday, October 16. Our team will be there between the hours of 8:00am to 1:00pm that day. Please join us by signing up online at [40 Days for Life](https://40daysforlife.org/). Click on the “SIGN UP FOR VIGIL HOURS” box and choose an hour or more on Wednesday, October 16, 2024. Up to four persons can sign up for each one hour time slot. Signs are provided and you will not be alone. Questions? Call Karen at 403-870-7080.

Catholic Education Sunday | October 19 and 20, 2024

Join us in celebrating Catholic Education Sunday on October 19 and 20. Let us unite with our community to support and give thanks for Catholic education in Alberta. Your dedicated donation will provide enhanced learning opportunities for Calgary and area Catholic students. For more information, please visit <https://theccf.ca/who-we-are/news-events/catholic-education-sunday.html>



World Mission Sunday | October 19 and 20, 2024

October 19 and 20 will be World Mission Sunday, and we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord’s mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope’s missions. Your prayer and donations will assist churches, hospitals, schools, and the training of priests in mission dioceses and throughout the world. Pray and Give Generously. You can donate to World Mission Sunday through our regular donations with a note that indicates it is for World Mission Sunday or donate online at catholiccyv.ca/worldmissionsunday.

Events and Announcements

Bible Study "Daring to Walk the Talk: Putting Your Faith Into Practice" | Mondays: Sept. 30 - Dec. 2, 2024 | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00 - 9:00pm

"Daring to Walk the Talk" is an inspiring study designed to help participants live their faith more fully. It introduces seven key virtues and outlines practical steps for living them out in daily life. Participants will be drawn into an intimate and life-changing encounter with Christ. It will begin on Monday, September 30 with 8 in-person sessions (no zoom) in St. Nicholas' meeting rooms and will occur every Monday at 7:00 pm. There will be no class on Monday, October 14 and Monday, November 11, 2024. To register or to get additional information, please contact Augusto Bitter at abitter@telus.net.

Steve Bell Concert | Friday, October 25, 2024 | Sanctuary | 7:30pm

St. Michael's is pleased to host an evening of story and song with The Steve Bell Band, with special guest Mike Janzen, in concert on Friday, October 25, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. featuring music from Steve's 23rd solo release, The Glad Surprise, as well as classics and favorites. Tickets are \$30 each, and will be available after Masses on October 12 and 13, and 19 and 20, and at www.stevebell.com/events.

Pastoral Council Update

Greetings to all our parishioners! We hope your summer was restful and rejuvenating. Our first meeting of autumn was held on Tuesday, September 24 and we have a few highlights to share: - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A committee will be formed to explore the creation of an Adoration Ministry at SMCC.

- The Parish Renewal Team is excited to host the Parish Renewal Gathering on Sunday, September 29. This is a key step in developing a Pastoral Renewal Plan for our parish. - Potluck Sundays are returning on November 3! Watch the bulletin for further details. Thank you for your interest in our work. If you would like to attend one of our meetings as an observer, or if you have any questions or concerns, please reach us at (403) 249 0423. To read the minutes from our meeting in May, please go to: [PastoralCouncilMeetingMinutes-May28,2024-St.MichaelCatholicCommunity\(saintmichael.ca\)](https://www.saintmichael.ca/PastoralCouncilMeetingMinutes-May28,2024-St.MichaelCatholicCommunity(saintmichael.ca))

Social Committee

Social committee is returning! The Social committee provides and fosters a sense of community through social gatherings in our parish. Potluck Sunday Returns November 3! Volunteer opportunities are needed and available, for all ages and on a flexible schedule. Please contact Tammy Ringstad 403-978-9285 or tammyringstad@gmail.com

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

If you have lost your job, or you know of someone who needs assistance, please contact us by email [SSVP@saintmichael.ca](mailto:ssvp@saintmichael.ca) or phone 403 -249-0423, ext. 122. DONATIONS of non-perishables and monetary can be dropped off in the SSVP Food Chest in the Church' Gathering Area or you can arrange for a pick-up by emailing us at [SSVP@saintmichael.ca](mailto:ssvp@saintmichael.ca). MONETARY DONATIONS can also be done online through the Parish website: <https://saintmichael.ca/giving/>. Please indicate funds are for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the drop-down menu. WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS. If you are interested, contact us by email [SSVP@saintmichael.ca](mailto:ssvp@saintmichael.ca) or phone 403-249-0423, ext. 122. You may visit us at <https://www.ssvpstmichael.ca/>



Pantry Needs :
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Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Short Version): [Current Bulletin Insert.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Full Version): [Beyond Bulletin - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

Weekly Events:

Sundays **Children's Liturgy:** Guardian Angel Room, Session A: 8:30am and Session B: 10:30am | **Coffee Connection:** After 9am and 11am Mass

Mondays **Bible Study:** "Walking Toward Eternity", St. Nicholas Room, 7:00-9:00pm

Tuesdays **Rosary Group:** Day Chapel, 6:30pm | **Grief Share Program:** Rooms 143 and 144, 7:00-9:00pm | **RCIA:** St. Nicholas Room, 7:00-9:00pm

Wednesdays **Coffee Connection:** After Daily Mass | **Men's Ministry:** "Apostles of the New Springtime", Theatre and Narthex, 6:00-7:30am |

Women's Ministry Bible Study: "Bread of Life", St. Nicholas Room and Theatre, 9:30am-12:00pm

Thursdays **Moms and Tots,** St. Nicholas Room, 9:30-11:30am | **Knitting Ministry:** Library, 10:00am-12:00pm

October 2024:

October 5 | Baptism Prep | St. Nicholas Room | 9:00am-12:00pm

October 5 | Blessing of Pets | Outside of Main Entrance | 12:00pm

October 5 & 6 | SSVP Distributing Food Lists | After Each Weekend Mass

October 7 | Sacrament for Teens Session #2 | Library | 7:00-8:30pm

October 8-10 | Daily Mass Cancelled

October 8 | CWL Monthly Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 5:30-9:00pm

October 9 | Cancelled: Coffee Wednesday

October 12 & 13 | SSVP Share Sunday | Narthex | After All Masses

October 12 & 13 | Seeds of the Word Community Fundraising | Narthex | After All Masses

October 13 | Cancelled: Children's Liturgy

October 13 | Cancelled: Coffee Sunday

October 14 | Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed

October 14 | Cancelled: Bible Study "Walking Towards Eternity"

October 16 | Youth Night with Face-To-Face Ministries | Sanctuary | New Time 5:30-7:30pm

October 16 | Adult Catechesis Session #1 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm

October 17 | First Reconciliation Session #2 | Sanctuary and Narthex | 6:00-7:15pm

October 17 | Knights of Columbus Meeting | Theater | 7:00-9:00pm

October 19 & 20 | Catholic Education Sunday

October 19 & 20 | World Missions Sunday

October 21 | Sacrament for Teens Session #3 | Library | 7:00-8:30pm

October 22 | SSVP Monthly Meeting | St. Gabriel Room 145 | 7:00-9:00pm

October 23 | Adult Catechesis Session #2 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm

October 25 | Steve Bell Concert | Sanctuary | 7:30-9:30pm

October 27 | Altar Server Training | Sanctuary | 12:00-2:00pm

October 29 | PPC Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 7:00-9:00pm

October 30 | Adult Catechesis Session #3 | Day Chapel | 7:00-8:30pm

Eternal Springs Columbarium

The Columbarium at St. Michael's offers a consecrated and sacred space where the cremated remains of departed loved ones rest in perpetuity. For pricing or more information, please email columbarium@saintmichael.ca.

Pray For Our Seminarians:

Peter An, Andre Boudreau, Joshua Capicio, Bennet Chacko, Jonathan Dobek, Samuel Ejeregbe, Evin George, Solomon Ip, Jeffrell Painaga, Antonio Pasqualotto, Mikhel Sari, Benjamin Taylor, Joshua Walter

Please Pray For:

If you would like to request a prayer for a loved one, please email the office with your request, noting consent.

Helen Gal
Rosemary Pangilinan
Rina VandeGeer
Lenore Youngberg
Susan Neri
Leo Pelletier

Bill and Darlene Taylor
Elizabeth Myers
Maddy Azalea
Allison George
Julian Dumanski
Maria Duri

Pietro Duri Jr.
Peitro Duri Sr.
Rosa Duri
Talia Duri
Alessandro Bonvicini
Nenite Mirales

For the Souls of:

Funeral:

Sexual Abuse in the Church

Many suffer in silence. Perhaps you are affected by the news of sexual abuse of minors in the Church; perhaps you are a sexual abuse survivor or a relative of a friend of someone who was abused; perhaps you know about an abuse; perhaps you have sexually abused someone. Break the cycle of silence: you can choose to talk about it. Call the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary's hotline at **1 833-547-8360**.

E-Transfer:

You can now donate using e-transfer service. Sign in to your own banking institution and e-transfer the amount to: support@saintmichael.ca.

Text to Donate:

Don't carry cash? You can now use text messaging to donate any amount to St. Michael's. To set up your account, text *give* to **833-768-0514** and follow the prompt. Once you're in, text any amount to the same number - anytime.

Gifts to the Parish

	July 2024	August 2024	September 2024
General Collections Collections	\$114,707	\$75,187	\$81,345
Other Income	\$10,715	\$27,514	\$26,566
Operating Costs	\$165,123	\$127,350	\$119,780
Surplus (shortfall) YTD Optg Costs	(\$39,701)	(\$24,649)	(\$11,869)
Central Fund Loan (Mortgage) Building Fund Collections	\$10,751	\$11,057	\$16,674
Current Loan Balance	\$3,491,012	\$3,467,753	\$3,444,039
Diocesan Annual Campaign Together in Action YTD	\$33,241	\$34,565	\$37,456
% TIA Goal \$121,243.00	27%	28.5%	30.8%
Society St. Vincent de Paul (monthly)	\$3,711	\$1,928	\$3,733

Mass Intentions

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please visit the office.

Mass Intentions are not final and can be moved to accommodate urgent pastoral needs.

Saturday, October 5:

5 pm: Intentions of Sevilla Family

Sunday, October 6: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am: Liliana Parra Vega †

11 am: For the People of God at St. Michael's

5 pm: Francisco Arreaza † & Giovanni Marasco †

Tuesday, October 8:

6 pm: No Mass - Priest Study Day

Wednesday, October 9:

9 am: No Mass - Priest Study Day

Thursday, October 10:

9 am: No Mass - Priest Study Day

Friday, October 11:

9 am: Intentions of Angela Marra

Saturday, October 12:

5 pm: Intentions of Tony & Jane Uzomechine

Sunday, October 13: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am: Patricia Chang †

11 am: For the People of God at St. Michael's

5 pm: Intentions of Cyril & Telima Nwachukwu

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