



Saint Michael Catholic Community



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3rd Sunday of Easter

Life in Brokenness

In the Emmaus story, the two disciples tell the eleven and their companions how Jesus is made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Two broken-hearted disciples are approached by the risen Christ whom they thought to be a lonely traveler, a stranger. Then, Jesus opens their minds by sharing about Scriptures, by breaking the Word of God. Finally, they recognize Him in the breaking of the bread. Three kinds of brokenness are involved in the process towards to the recognition of the risen Christ in the Emmaus story: broken hearts, broken word, and broken bread.

The disciples were broken-hearted after Christ died on the cross. We have to acknowledge our broken-heartedness in order to discover our courage and strength. We have to accept our woundedness in order to be healed. We have to accept the truth of our failures and frustrations in order to face the future with its promise of new life. It is difficult to recognize the risen Christ when we don't see the brokenness of our humanity. Our failure to identify our own crosses with the Cross of Christ makes us incapable to see them from the perspective of the resurrection. A broken, humble heart is necessary for a true relationship with the risen Christ. Our Christian life is like this journey to Emmaus. Our heartbreaks and difficulties can sometimes make us fail to recognize the risen Lord in the strangers we meet in our earthly pilgrimage.

The disciples on the road to Emmaus describe their experience with the breaking of the word in these terms: *"Were not our hearts burning within us... while He was opening the Scripture to us?"* This same fire characterizes our encounter with the Word of God when our minds and our hearts are truly receptive to His message, when we lift our minds and our hearts to God.

Our Eucharist is rooted in this breaking of bread referred to in the Emmaus story. Our Eucharist becomes Christ's memorial of His self-giving love for humanity. Our Eucharist is realized through the breaking of our lives for the love and service for others. As grains of wheat and grapes are broken to become bread and wine, we have to be broken for others to accept the saving power of Christ's resurrection.

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Healing Lines

Our goal remains to move the search for reconciliation and peace *"from the periphery to the centre of the life and witness of the Church."* Peace building in non-violent ways is a Christian core virtue and an imperative of the gospel message itself. This is the mission of healing, including responsible accompaniment for those who are voiceless as well as speaking truth to those in power. We will reject every attempt to use violence and fear as tools of control.

Mass Schedule for this Weekend

Saturday, April 13 at 5pm: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, April 14 at 8:30am: Morning Prayer with Fr. Jose Bustalino
Sunday, April 14 at 9am: Fr. Jose Bustalino
Sunday, April 14 at 11am: Fr. Edmund Vargas
Sunday, April 14 at 5pm: Fr. Jose Bustalino with Dc. Randy Gritter

Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Short Version):

Go to [Current Bulletin Insert.pdf - Google Drive](#)

Diocese of Calgary Beyond Bulletin (Full Version):

Go to [Beyond Bulletin - Divine Mercy Sunday \(2nd Sunday of Easter\) \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

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 pm
Wednesday to Friday: 9 am
Saturday: 5 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11 am, and 5 pm

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

Reconciliation:

Friday: 8:00am to 8:45am
Saturday: 3:30pm to 4:45pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday: 9:30am to 10:30am

Office Hours:

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

Home & Hospital Visits

If you or someone you know is sick, 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.**

Events and Announcements

Daily Mass and Adoration | Friday, April 19 | Moved to the Day Chapel | 9:00am

Daily Mass and Adoration on Friday, April 19 will be moved to the Day Chapel for this day only.

Incense | All 11:00am Masses and Special Occasions

Incense will be used at all of the 11:00am Masses, including special occasions and funerals.

2023 Tax Receipts

2023 tax receipts have been mailed. If you have not received your receipt, please check with the office. Some receipts did not have an address and some were sent back to us with an incorrect address.

St. Michael Catholic Community Pastoral Council

We hope that you are having a holy and blessed Lent, in preparation for Easter. We worked our way through a full agenda at our meeting on Tuesday, February 27. Highlights include: * A presentation by the Chairperson of the Finance Committee. A parish-wide presentation will be made at all Masses March 16 and 17.

* Re-introduction of collection baskets at Easter Masses. Volunteers will be needed. * Divine Mercy Celebration on Sunday, April 7, from 2- 3 pm, with a reception to follow. More details to be provided. / The meeting in March is cancelled as it falls in Holy Week. Our next meeting will be on April 16. 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 January, or any past meeting, please go to: <https://saintmichael.ca/pastoral-council-meeting-minutes-january-23-2024/>

Elements of the Catholic Mass | April 13 and 14, 2024 | Before All Masses

Music Part 1: Music, in the mind of the Church, is not thought of as something added to the Mass; rather, music is an integral component of it. The Church describes her music as a treasure of inestimable value—and indeed, how rich is this musical heritage. <https://watch.formed.org/the-elements-of-the-catholic-mass/season:1/videos/music-part-1>

Bible Study “Galatians: Set Free to Live in the Spirit” | Begins Monday, April 15 | 8 in-person Sessions on Mondays | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00pm

Monday’s Bible Study for Spring 2024 is “Galatians: Set Free to Live in the Spirit”. Jeff Cavins will explain how Christ fulfilled the Law and set us free to live in the Spirit, the meaning of “justification”, and how faith and works are an integral part of it. This study will start on April 15, 2024 and will have 8 "in-person" sessions (no zoom) in St. Nicholas Room every Monday at 7:00 pm. To register or to get additional information, please contact Augusto Bitter at abitter@telus.net.

Lectio Divina Workshops: Encounter Christ the Living Word | Wednesday, April 17 | Day Chapel | 7:30pm

The Seeds of the Word Community is glad to participate in the Pastoral Renewal by providing a Lectio Divina Workshop: 'Praying with the Word of God: Encounter Christ the Living Word' for the Parishes of the Diocese of Calgary. A workshop will be offered at St. Michael’s on Wednesday, April 17 at 7:30pm in the Day Chapel. (Please note: the workshop previously scheduled for April 10 has been cancelled). All are welcome! If you are interested in attending, please register at <https://forms.gle/y1zSixLpthjMk6Gg7>

2024 Youth Rally “Impact Nights” | Friday, April 19 and Friday, June 14 | Sanctuary | 7:00-9:00pm

Youth Rally “Impact Nights” for Grades 7-12 at St. Michael’s Church are scheduled on the following nights from 7:00-9:00pm: | Friday, April 19 | Friday, June 14 | The Youth Nights are coordinated through Michael Chiasson of Access 52. They are an expanded version of our recent Youth Gatherings. It is a free event, with free will offerings graciously accepted. The next Youth Rally will be featuring special guests from Houston, Texas. Here is the Link to the Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/impact-nights-april-19-with-access52-tickets-876186195497>. See last page for larger poster.



40 Hours for Vocations | Day Chapel | Friday, April 19, 3:00pm to Sunday, April 21, 8:00am

In collaboration with the Diocese of Calgary, St. Michael’s will be hosting 40 continuous hours of Eucharistic Adoration for vocations from Friday, April 19 at 3:00pm until Sunday, April 21 at 8:00am. To sign up to be an adorer for one or more hours, click this link: www.signupgenius.com/go/409054EA8A623A7FD0-48428431-40hours

Vocations Rally | Sanctuary and Narthex | Sunday, April 21 | 11:00am-3:30pm

The entire Diocese of Calgary is invited to join us for our Diocesan Vocations Rally on Good Shepherd Sunday, April 21, beginning with the 11:00am Mass. Come learn how to build a culture of vocation, whether you are discerning a religious vocation or not, through the testimony and wisdom of our priests, religious, consecrated, and married people. Admission is free and lunch is provided. Please register at <https://www.catholicyc.ca/vocations.html>

Fr. Edmund’s 45th Year Celebration as a Priest | Friday, April 26, 2024 | Sanctuary Mass 6:00pm | Reception 7:00pm

Join Fr. Edmund in celebrating 45 years as a priest! The celebration will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus and will begin with Mass at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary, followed by a Reception at 7:00pm. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by Wednesday, April 24 by signing up here: <https://forms.gle/7bW9NRcdvCUcNfbFA>

Undie Sunday | Narthex | After All Masses | Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28, 2024

The Annual Undie Sunday is back in support of the Elizabeth House on April 27 and 28. At this time the following items are needed: Baby Tylenol, Advil, diapers (size 4), pull-ups, women's lounge/sweatpants (all sizes), women's cotton underwear (sizes M-XL), women's socks (all types), children's leave-in hair conditioner, bath towels, and face cloths. Please note, all items must be NEW. Financial donations will also be accepted. Monetary donations contribute directly to the grassroots operations of Elizabeth House. Donations can be made by cheque to Elizabeth House or online at www.catholicyc.ca. Thank you for your support. Sincerely, St. Michael's CWL and Knights of Columbus.

Beloved Daughter’s Ministry: Women’s Conference | Sanctuary | Friday, May 3, 7:00-9:00pm and Saturday, May 4, 8:30am-4:00pm

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, 2024 at St. Michael Catholic Community with guest speakers Crystalina Evert and Fr. Anthony Sortino, LC. For more information visit www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com



44th Annual Hike For Life | Saturday, May 11, 2024 | Prince’s Island Park | 8:30am-12:00pm

Please join Fr. Edmund in support of the Calgary Pro-Life Association's 10K Hike For Life at Prince's Island Park. You can join the St. Michael's team, start collecting pledges and hike on your own, or you can make a donation to Fr. Edmund or any other team member from now until May 12. All donations go directly to Pro-Life and will be accepted online until June 30 at www.calgaryprolife.com. Please indicate that the donation will be sponsoring St. Michael Catholic Community. Pledge forms are also available at the office. All funds raised will go to support the Respect For Life program. St. Michael's CWL will be in the Narthex collecting pledges after all Masses on May 4/5 and May 11/12.

Events and Announcements

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition | Friday, May 24 to Sunday, June 2, 2024 | Mezzanine | Various Times

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition will be held at St. Michael Catholic Community between May 24 and June 2. It will be an awesome display of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, but we need YOUR help. Volunteers are urgently needed to assist in this spiritually impactful opportunity. A message regarding the Exhibition will be announced at each weekend Mass and members of the organizing committee will be in the Narthex after each Mass, easily identifiable by the red sashes that they are wearing. Please speak to one of them about volunteering or for more information about the exhibition. Find below the links to register to volunteer.

We will need over 200 volunteers for this event for various tasks:

Volunteer Group "A":

- ensure visitors are welcomed - count visitors as they arrive - answer visitor questions - oversee the displays making sure they are not touched or damaged

To volunteer for group "A", please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054EA8A623A7FD0-48413752-eucharistic>

Volunteer Group "B": (an acceptable police check is required)

- book sales - donations

To volunteer for group "B", please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054EA8A623A7FD0-48417650-eucharistic>

These are not hard tasks, but they need friendly people who are eager to help make this experience impactful and contemplative for all.

For more information, please contact: Eucharist@saintmichael.ca

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Barcelona | November 3-12, 2024

Fr. Edmund Vargas will lead a Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Barcelona on November 3-12, 2024. If you are interested in joining, please see the details and itinerary in the link: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1218566>

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Special thanks to all St. Michael parishioners for supporting the Society of St. Vincent de Paul! If you have lost your job, please contact us for food support.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS. If you are interested, contact us by email SSVP@saintmichael.ca or phone 403-249-0423, ext. 122. **DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** 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. Currently we are looking for: syrup, canned ham, canned chili or stew, Hamburger Helper, shampoo, and conditioner.

MONETARY DONATIONS can be deposited in the drop-box in the Food Chest or by online donations 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. If you or anyone you know needs assistance, please contact us by email SSVP@saintmichael.ca or phone 403-249-0423, ext. 122.



Coffee Connections:

Thursdays | After Daily Mass | 9:30am

Sundays | After Morning Masses | 10:00am and 12:00pm

April 2024:

April 13 | Confirmation Retreat | Session Various Rooms, 9:30am-3:30pm | Confessions Various Rooms, 1:30pm

April 15 | Bible Study "Galatians: Set Free to Live in the Spirit" (First Session) | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00-9:00pm

April 16 | Rosary Group | Day Chapel | 6:30-7:00pm

April 16 | PPC Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 7:00pm

April 16 | RCIA | St. Nicholas' Room | 7:00-9:00pm

April 17 | Women's Ministry Bible Study "Wild Goose" | St. Nicholas Room and Theater | 10:00am-12:00pm

April 17 | Lection Devina Workshop "Encounter Christ the Living Word" | Day Chapel | 7:30-8:30pm

April 18 | Moms & Tots | St. Nicholas' Room | 9:30-11:30am

April 18 | Knitting Ministry | Library | 10:00am-12:00pm

April 18 | Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting | St. Michael's Room | 7:00pm

April 19 | Daily Mass and Adoration | Moved to the Day Chapel | 9:00am

April 19 - 21 | 40 Hours Devotion for Vocations | Day Chapel | Begins Friday, April 19 at 3:00pm | Ends Sunday, April 21 at 8:00am

April 19 | Youth Rally Impact Night: Grades 7-12 | Guest from Houston, Texas | Sanctuary | 7:00-9:00pm

April 21 | Vocations Rally | Sanctuary | 12:00pm-3:00pm

April 22 | Bible Study "Galatians: Set Free to Live in the Spirit" | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00-9:00pm

April 23 | Rosary Group | Day Chapel | 6:30-7:00pm

April 23 | RCIA | St. Nicholas' Room | 7:00-9:00pm

April 23 | SSVP Monthly Meeting | St. Gabriel Room 145 | 7:00pm

April 24 | Women's Ministry Bible Study "Wild Goose" | St. Nicholas Room and Theater | 10:00-12:00pm

April 25 | Moms & Tots | St. Nicholas Room | 9:30-11:30am

April 25 | Knitting Ministry | Library | 10:00am-12:00pm

April 26 | Fr. Edmund's 45th Anniversary | Sanctuary Mass 6:00pm | Reception Narthex 7:00pm

April 27 | Baptism Prep | St. Nicholas' Room | 9:00am-12:00pm

April 27-28 | Undie Sunday | Narthex | After All Masses

April 28 | Altar Server Training | Sanctuary | 12:00pm

April 29 | Bible Study "Galatians: Set Free to Live in the Spirit" | St. Nicholas Room | 7:00-9:00pm

April 30 | Rosary Group | Day Chapel | 6:30-7:00pm

April 30 | RCIA | St. Nicholas' Room | 7:00-9:00pm



EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT THE REAL PRESENCE



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May 24 - June 2, 2024

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 Ejeregebe, Evin George, Solomon Ip, Jeffrell Painaga, Antonio Pasqualotto, Mikhel Sari, Benjamin Taylor, Joshua Walter

Please Pray For:

Rosa Duri	Joey Stevenson	Cecile Manning
Elizabeth Chandless	Pietro Jr. Duri	Duncan Smith
Helen Gal	Aaron Armstrong	Evelyn Dumanski
Demy Navarro	Rina VandeGeer	Annette LaMarca
Bill Dingman	Bert Saunders	Bill Tapuska

For the Souls of:

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**.

To report sexual abuse, call the police at **1 403-266-1234**.

E-Transfer:

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

	October	November	December
General Collections			
Collections	\$97,285	\$89,909	\$148,442
Other Income	\$29,506	\$58,358	\$57,002
Operating Costs	\$164,849	\$135,449	\$119,954
Surplus (shortfall) YTD Optg Costs	(\$38,058)	\$12,819	\$85,491
Central Fund Loan (Mortgage)			
Building Fund Collections	\$13,724	\$18,512	\$129,611
Current Loan Balance	\$3,698,763	\$3,675,809	\$3,653,177
Diocesan Annual Campaign			
Together in Action YTD	\$55,760	\$62,408	\$74,471
% TIA Goal \$121,243.00	46%	51%	61%
Society St. Vincent de Paul (monthly)	\$3,473	\$6,455	\$25,278

Mass Intentions

Book an intention online at saintmichael.ca

Saturday, April 13

5 pm: Frank Zerr †

Sunday, April 14: 3rd Sunday of Easter

9 am: Gregorio and Tomasa Hidalgo †

11 am: For All Parishioners

5 pm: Intentions of the Pinto Family

Tuesday, April 16

6 pm: Intentions of Maya George

Wednesday, April 17

9 am: Intentions of Joan Dvorak

Thursday, April 18

7 pm: Pauline Tan †

Friday, April 19

9 am: Intentions of Erin Bradford

Saturday, April 20

5 pm: Hoan Luong †

Sunday, April 21: 4th Sunday of Easter

9 am: Jerome Francis Harte †

11 am: For All Parishioners

5 pm: James Armand Martin Sr. †

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