



St. Francis De Sales Parish BULLETIN



22 SEPTEMBER 2024 Roman Catholic Parish
HIGH RIVER - VULCAN, AB



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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm - High River
Sunday 9:00 am - Vulcan
Sunday 11:00 am - High River

CONFESSIONS

Monday - Saturday: 45 minutes before Masses

XXV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Twenty Fifth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

**September
22, 2024**



Sunday Readings

First Reading: (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20) In today's First Reading, it's like we have our ears pressed to the wall and can hear the murderous grumblings of the elders, chief priests, and scribes—who last week Jesus predicted would torture and kill Him (see [Mark 8:31](#); [10:33-34](#)).

Second Reading: (James 3:16, 4:3) As James says in today's Epistle, we must seek wisdom from above, desiring humility, not glory, and in all things be gentle and full of mercy.

Gospel: (Mark 9:30-37) Today's Gospel and Psalm give us the flip side of the First Reading. In both, we hear of Jesus' sufferings from His point of view. Though His enemies surround Him, He offers Himself freely in sacrifice, trusting that God will sustain Him.

<https://stpaulcenter.com/reflections> for more info.

Passing by the children.

A persistent judgment leveled against parents today is this: they gladly provide their children with every resource: Leaders, coaches, teachers, tutors, and youth workers. Certainly children should be happy and well-adjusted. They have everything money can buy. But, they do not have the listening ear of Mom and Dad. "Too busy, later, not now, I'm working hard for your good." Recall the old saying:

For the want of a nail the shoe was lost;
for the want of a shoe the horse was lost;
for the want of a horse the rider was lost;
for the want of the rider the battle was lost.

It is still true. For want of a quiet, caring intimacy, a child's primary sense of self-worth is lost. And for want of security and self-worth, the child is lost. In most churches I've known, members find it quite easy to pass a youth by; they are more timid to engage a child than a stranger in conversation. Frequently, when youth are on committees, little sensitivity is expressed toward making them comfortable and enabling them to contribute.

PASSING?



**Chaplet of the
Divine Mercy**

There is a small group who gathers at the church every **Tuesday at 3pm** to pray the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**, followed by the **Rosary**. We usually finish by 3:30 and no commitment is necessary.

If interested, please feel free to drop by anytime and join us.
(please note: you will need to come through the office door)



**1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist
2024/2025**

The registration link is open online to register your child for **1st Reconciliation & 1st Communion starting July 1st**. Your child must be in Grade 2-6 for this Sacrament. **(please note: deadline for registration is October 5**

Please go to our website to register for these Sacraments
<https://www.francisdesaleshighriver.com/index.php/en/services/eucharist>

The **Parent Info Sessions** for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist is **September 21, at 6:00 pm** in the church.



Confirmation 2024/2025

The registration link is open online to register your child for **1st Reconciliation & 1st Communion starting July 1st**.

Your child must be in Grade 7-12 for this Sacrament. **(please note: deadline for registration is October 19, 2024)**

Please go to our website to register for these Sacraments
<https://www.francisdesaleshighriver.com/index.php/en/services/eucharist>

The **Parent Only Info Sessions** for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist is **September 28, at 6:00 pm**

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy at the church office by phone: 403-652-2203 or by email: francisdesales@shaw.ca

I have an ever deeper and firmer belief that nothing is merely an accident when seen in the light of God.

-St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross



Confession or Communion to the Homebound

If you are homebound and desiring to receive communion or the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please call the parish office at 403-652-2203 or email Father Marius at dzambel@me.com to request a visit. He will do his best to schedule a visit with you



"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the whole world. Let Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek. He stays here with us: he is God with us. Seek him without tiring, welcome him without reserve, love him without interruption: today, tomorrow, forever." Saint John Paul II



Sunday Offering

Did you know we now take Donations electronically! **You have the following options:** Direct Debit, Visa, Master Card. We also have E-transfer set up. The email address is

donation@francisdesaleshighriver.com
If you are interested in switching over to one of these payment methods, please call Nancy in the church office at **403-652-2203** or email her at **francisdesales@shaw.ca**



Adoration

Please join us for our Adoration after the 9:00 am mass on Thursdays, **from 9:45 am—9:00pm.** If you would like to come for an assigned time, please contact Nancy in the office at **403-652-2203** or email her at **francisdesales@shaw.ca** All are welcome!

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APPROXIMATELY MID-OCTOBER AND
DELIVERED WITHIN THE WEEK. DON'T
MISS OUT ON THESE DELICIOUS
TASTING APPLES AND AT THE SAME
TIME SUPPORTING A MOST IMPORTANT
CAUSE - LIFE!**



Invitation

**PUBLIC SQUARE
ROSARY CRUSADE**

The world is at a crossroad. God is more offended than ever as people ignore Our Lady's maternal request to "stop offending God." Yes, we must listen to Our Lady's request and stop sinning if we hope to enjoy God's blessings and to avert His wrath. He will hear us, if we pray through the intercession of His Blessed Mother. That's why we're doing the Public Square Rosary Crusade.

In *The Secret of the Rosary*, Saint Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort said: "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering."

**JOIN US FOR THE PUBLIC SQUARE
ROSARY CRUSADE TODAY!**

What: THE HOLY ROSARY
Where: CORNER OF CENTRE ST & 3 AVE SE.
When: 12:00pm. SATURDAY OCT 12, 2024

For more information, contact:
NAME VALERIE SCHEY

PHONE NUMBER 403-808-7081

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UNDERSTAND THE ENTIRE BIBLE!

The Bible Timeline™



A 24-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING
JEFF CAVINS



**Bible Study will be starting on September 4, 2024,
From 6:45 pm—8:30 pm. If you would like to sign up,
please call Nancy in the office at 403-652-2203 or
email her at francisdesales@shaw.ca**

**"For it is
in
giving
that
we
receive."**

~ St. Francis of Assisi



If you are in the hospital, and are **Roman Catholic**, please insure you or a family member contacts Nancy in the Church Office at 403- 652-2203. This will ensure that you will be visited by the Priest or Pastoral Care Team.

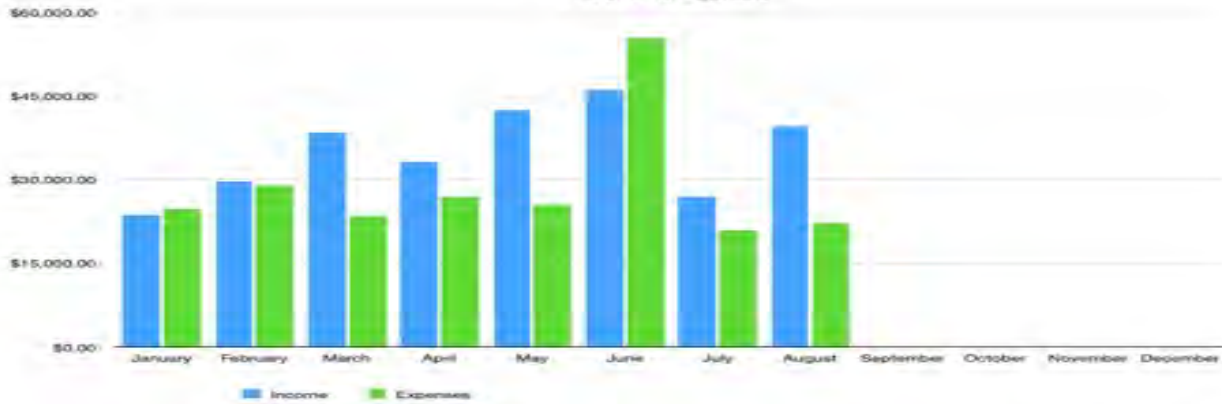


Monthly Financial Report

Summary by Category

Category	Income	Expenses	Difference
January	\$23,671.66	\$24,624.19	(\$952.53)
February	\$29,630.30	\$28,877.84	\$752.46
March	\$38,468.32	\$23,358.71	\$15,109.61
April	\$33,018.83	\$26,980.37	\$6,038.46
May	\$42,474.91	\$25,392.04	\$17,082.87
June	\$48,126.87	\$55,412.85	(\$7,285.98)
July	\$28,934.68	\$29,934.02	\$-999.34
August	\$39,541.34	\$22,065.07	\$17,476.27
September			\$0.00
October			\$0.00
November			\$0.00
December			\$0.00
Total	\$279,866.91	\$227,645.09	\$52,221.82

Income vs. Expenses



Pastoral Care MINISTRY TRAINING

The Diocese of Calgary invites individuals who feel called to assist their parish in a healing ministry. This Pastoral Care Training is designed for those who wish to support the sick, elderly, dying, homebound, and bereaved members of their community. Whether you're a new minister or someone with prior training in Pastoral Care Ministry, this workshop warmly welcomes you.

Session 1

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024
8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Session 2

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024
8:30 am to 3:30 pm

WHERE

St Francis de Sales
(inside of Church Hall)
206 9 Ave SW
High River, AB

COST

\$30.00

REGISTER



Register by
October 16, 2024

ONLINE
<https://forms.gle/rrTwwA3sKZewfv8>

PHONE 403-218-5521
EMAIL mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca

NOTES

- To ensure eligibility, please seek approval from your Pastor and/or Pastoral Care Coordinator. Connect with your parish for screening requirements.
- During both sessions, we're delighted to offer a delicious lunch.
- Upon successfully completing and attending the entire course, participants will be awarded Certificates of Completion.

OUTCOMES

- Learn how to foster a ministry of presence.
- Identifying and developing visiting skills.
- What to focus on when visiting an individual at home.
- How to journey with people at various stages of life (end of life, grief, sickness...)
- Developing a greater degree of empathy and compassion.
- Creating a connection between the individual and the parish.



In the Spirit of St. Francis of Assisi
The Franciscan Friars and Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre
invite all pets and their owners to the
Annual Blessing of Pets
Sunday, October 6, 2024

Visit the grounds and Retreat Centre 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm.

Blessing Ritual at 3:00 pm.
West side of Retreat Centre near the Statue of Saint Francis.

Pets must be leashed or in a crate.

41160 Retreat Road, Cochrane, AB

403-932-2012 or mtfrancis@shaw.ca

James 1:5

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But if any of you lacks wisdom,
let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally
and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

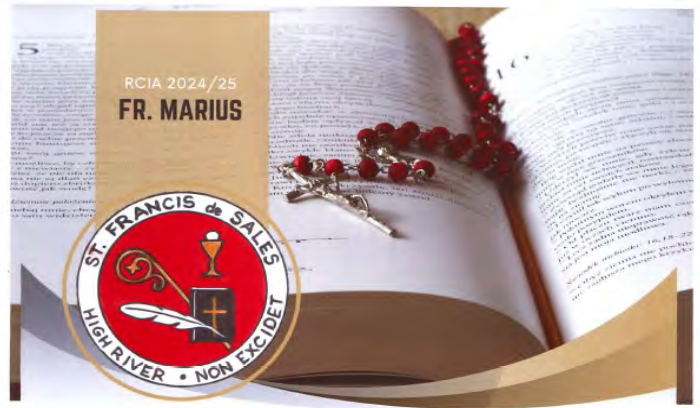


FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

To Register, please go to www.francisdesaleshighriver.com or phone the office at 403.652.2203

Parents Meeting
September 21 at 6:00 PM
at the Church

Fr. Marius



RCIA 2024/25
FR. MARIUS



R.C.I.A PROGRAM



First Meeting

26 September 2024 Thursday at 7:00 PM

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE ON THURSDAYS (PARISH HALL) FROM 7-00 - 8:30 PM



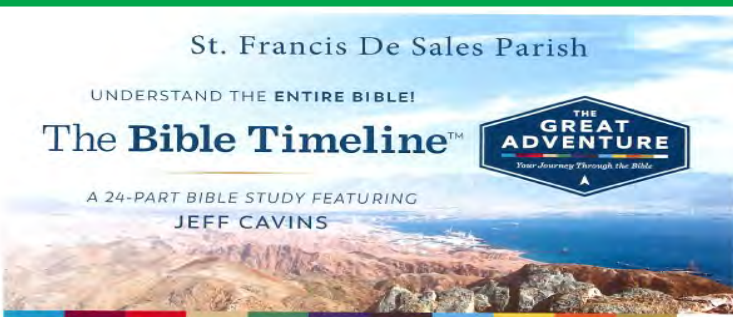
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UNDERSTAND THE ENTIRE BIBLE!

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A 24-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING
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Dates - Times - Location

The initial meeting is scheduled for September 4 at 6:45 PM. Subsequent sessions will continue every Wednesday from 6:45 PM until 8:30 PM in our Parish Hall.

Cost - Registration

The cost of the workbook and other materials will be about \$50.

For More Information

Please contact Fr. Marius at:
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Cell: 403.992.2313
Or Parish Office at:
francisdesales@shaw.ca
Phone: 403.652.2203

In *The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation*, presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end.

Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of the Bible in a way that will transform your life.

I never would have read the Bible if it wasn't for this, and now I simply adore Scripture. It has given me such insight into the Catholic faith and helps me to understand its true beauty.

—Kyley D.



To Register, please go to www.francisdesaleshighriver.com or phone the Office at 403.652.2203

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parents Meeting,, September 28 at 6:00 PM at the Church



Visit www.francisdesaleshighriver.com to learn more!



Sept. 1– 30, 2024

Sept. 1	9:00 am—(Vulcan) 11:00 am	St. Andrew's CWL Sisters Our Parish
Sept. 2	9:00 am	Darlene Gillis †
Sept. 3	7:00 pm	Darlene Gillis †
Sept. 4	6:00 pm	Bereavement Mass
Sept. 5	9:15 am	Wayne Chayer †
Sept. 6	9:15 am	Dolores Miller †
Sept. 7	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Deacon Larry Driver Frank Sekura †
Sept. 8	9:00 am—(Vulcan) 11:00 am	Our Parish Tony Van Wezel †
Sept. 9	9:00 am	Owen Abma
Sept. 10	7:00 pm	Bob Richer †
Sept. 11	4:00 pm—(HR Hospital) 6:00 pm	Mary Ann SFDS CWL Sisters
Sept. 12	9:15 am	Doreen McMillan
Sept. 13	9:15 am	Ray & Sybil Schey †
Sept. 14	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Dolores Miller † Danny & Mary Rehak †
Sept. 15	9:00 am—(Vulcan) 11:00 am	Our Parish Steve Abma
Sept. 16	9:00 am	Diane Chayer
Sept. 17	7:00 pm	Dolores Miller †
Sept. 18	3:15 pm (Seasons HR) 6 :00 pm	Donald Trump & Family Wayne Chayer †
Sept. 19	9:15 am	George & Antonina Sztuk †
Sept. 20	9:15 am	Theresa Fallows †
Sept. 21	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Wayne Chayer † Jason Sekura & Family
Sept. 22	9:00 am—(Vulcan) 11:00 am	Our Parish Jill Barton †
Sept. 23	9:00 am	Annah Baldwin
Sept. 24	7:00 pm	Bob Lainchbury †
Sept. 25	3:30 pm—(The Manor) 6:00 pm	David Hagel † Wayne Chayer †
Sept. 26	9:15 am	Theresa Fallows †
Sept. 27	9:15 am	Bob Lainchbury †
Sept. 28	9:00 am 5:00 pm	Danny & Marie Rehak † Tim McLean †
Sept. 29	9:00 am—(Vulcan) 11:00 am	Jay Louise † Our Parish
Sept. 30	9:00 am	Bob Lainchbury †



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