

# FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

BEHOLD, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS,  
UNTIL THE END OF THE AGE.

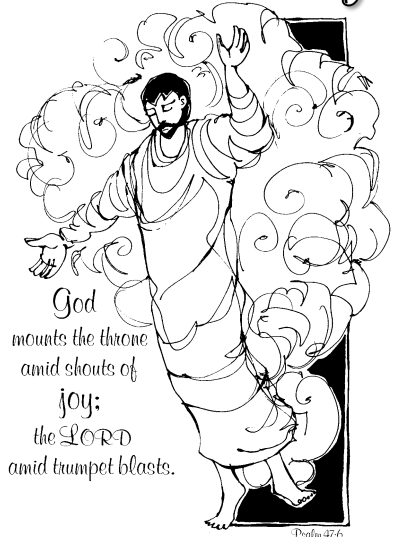


# Our Lady of the Foothills Catholic Faith Community May 12, 2024

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon & 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

## Mass Readings

Acts  
1.1-11,  
  
Psalm 47;  
  
Ephesians  
1.17-23 or  
Ephesians 4.1-13  
  
Mark  
16.15-20



## Parish Pastoral Council

### Pastor

Father Anthony Narisetty

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### Catholic Women's League



Vacant

President

## Ascension of the Lord

### The Good News

In today's first reading, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and he has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14-15](#)).

Indeed, his intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the first reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)) because of the light that came with God's saving grace. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the first Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.

— Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

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**Mission Statement** – Our Lady of the Foothills, is a Catholic Faith Community, centered on Jesus Christ, called to continue His mission by growing in Holiness and by proclaiming the Good News of our Father's love.

# Calendar of Events – May 12<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday, (May 12):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Ascension of the Lord*

**Intention** – for the intentions of David McMullen requested by Ron and Barb Rosmer



**Monday:** Have a wonderful day!

**Tuesday:** NO..... Mass today

**Wednesday:** NO..... Mass today

**Thursday:** NO..... Mass today

NO..... Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. Youth Group in the hall



**Friday:** NO..... Mass today

NO..... Adoration today

The church is closed Monday to Friday this week.  
The carpets are being replaced.  
For more information, please call the parish office.  
Donations to help pay for the carpet are still being accepted.

**Saturday:** 10:00 a.m. **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** in the church

5:00 p.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Pentecost Sunday*



**Intention** – for the intentions of Kathleen Giffin requested by Gary Giffin



**Sunday, (May 19):** 11:00 a.m. **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST** – *Pentecost Sunday*

**Intention** – TBA

12:00 noon **Coffee Sunday** in the foyer

*Please join us for coffee and cupcakes after Mass on Sunday, May 19, to say goodbye and to thank Kristy-Lea for all the hard work she and her husband accomplished at the Way of Holiness Prayer Retreat.*

## Daily Mass readings

**Monday, May 13**

Acts 19.1-8  
John 16.29-33

**Tuesday, May 14**

[St. Matthias](#)  
Acts 1.15-17, 20-26  
John 15.9-17

**Wednesday, May 15**

Acts 20.28-38  
John 17.11b-19

**Thursday, May 16**

Acts 22.30; 23.6-11  
John 17.20-26

**Friday, May 17**

Acts 24.27; 25.13b-21  
John 21.15-19

**Saturday, May 18**

Acts 28.16-20, 30-31  
John 21.20-25

**Sunday, May 19**

[Pentecost Sunday](#)

Acts 2.1-11  
1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13  
or Galatians 5.16-25  
John 20.19-23  
or John 15.26-27; 16.12-15

*Pray the  Rosary*

*"The rosary is the weapon for these times."*

– St. Padre Pio

- Wednesday mornings before Mass At the church:** for our parish family.
- Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. At the cemetery:** for the souls in purgatory

contact Gary to get on the weekly notification list  
[gcgiffin@gmail.com](mailto:gcgiffin@gmail.com).

*Pray the  Rosary*

As the month of May is recognized as the month for Mary - we ask all members of our Parish to join the Catholic Women's League as we pray one decade of the Rosary each day for the month of May.  
**Intention:** *For all the newcomers – may they feel welcomed in our parish. May we stand together to make a difference in families, parish and community.*



## Welcome Newcomers to Hinton Event

### To all Ladies and Daughters

*Our Lady of the Foothills Ladies would like to meet and get to know all ladies (and your daughters) who moved to Hinton from 2020 until today. Those ladies and daughters who arrived earlier than 2020, please invite and accompany a new friend.*

*Children are welcome.*

WHEN: Sunday, May 26, 2-4 p.m.

WHERE: Our parish hall

COST: FREE.

*A warm welcome...* 

Hosted by the C.W.L.



## Mass Ministry Volunteers Still Needed

We need volunteers to serve at Mass.  
Please contact the parish office if you are interested.  
**We still need:** Music Ministry Leaders, Adult Servers, Lectors, Ushers, and Welcoming families.

## Sacraments of Initiation


Anyone needing preparation for the Sacraments of  
**BAPTISM - 1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION - 1<sup>ST</sup> EUCHARIST**  
**CONFIRMATION**

please call the parish office for more info.


**MARRIAGE:** to properly prepare for this Sacrament, SIX months' notice is required.

**RECONCILIATION:** is available ½ hour before mass on Weekdays and Saturday or by appointment. **Father is NOT available on Sunday** because he is on his way back from Jasper.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH,** at home and in the hospital, especially the members of our parish living in Hinton Continuing Care and Pine Valley.

Heavenly Father, bless the sick of our community, keep them in your tender care and protect them from all evil. Amen.  **PLEASE PRAY**

### YOUR RETURN GIFT TO GOD

May 4/5: Sunday Offering: \$2,329.90 

Special project total: \$17,941.55

April Total Gift: \$12,967.25  
Monthly Budget need: \$15,350.00

*If you are interested in donating through Automatic Debit, please call the parish office.*

*"O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his steadfast love endures for ever!" Psalm 118*

### Attention Envelope users

Whoever is using **Envelope # 56** we need your name.  
Please call the parish office 780-865-3045

## Children's Collection

Through the Children's collection, the young people of our parish can help children around the world through the charities supported by the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton Together We Serve - Annual Appeal. For more info call the parish office 865-3045

Last weekend's Donations: \$26.80 **Thank you.**

## Our Lady of the Foothills Youth Programs

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



Ages 3-9, Saturday mornings 10:00 to 11:30. Call Dennis at 780-865-0151 for more information and to book an introductory lesson.



**Flame of Love Youth Group**  
Thursdays 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall  
Ages 10-17

For more information contact Dennis 780-865-0151 or the Parish office at 865-3045



**Pine Valley Lodge Song & Scripture**  
May 29 at 10:00 a.m.  
You are welcome to join us.

## Together We Serve – Annual Appeal

*the yellow envelopes in your box of Collection Envelopes)*

**Our 2024 Goal \$ 12,000.00**

**Thank you for your donations.**

Total Raised in 2024: **\$4,857.35. (40% of Goal)**

Together we Serve supports 10 different Catholic organizations and institutions. Please consider how God has blessed you and your family. In gratitude for God's abundance in your life consider reaching out to others through Together We Serve. Let us together, support our charitable partners through Together We Serve.

The 10 different Catholic organizations supported by TWS:

- Catholic Social Services
- Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith
- Evangelization of Nations
- Needs of the Canadian Church
- Needs of the Church in the Holy Land
- Newman Theological College
- Pope's Pastoral Works
- St. Joseph Priests' Foundation of Edmonton
- St. Joseph Seminary
- St. Joseph's College



**Donate now!**

So, if you want to donate to the above charities, use the Annual Appeal envelopes. **Please help us meet our goal.**

For more information, please visit: [Website](#)

**Weekly Collection** – All cheques **must** be made out to Our Lady of the Foothills (OLOF) if you want a tax receipt for your donations. **This includes Together We Serve. Please note on the memo line on your cheque.** If you do not use the numbered envelopes or Automatic Debit, and would like to, please call the parish office.  
Please consider donating 1 hour of your wages/week or tithing 10%.

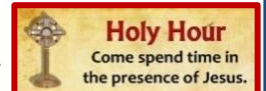
## Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

(with Reconciliation)

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Next: June 20. (May 16 is cancelled)

Everyone is welcome. Deacon Ed presiding  
*sponsored by the KofC*



## Mass Intentions

**Q: What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?**  
An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

**If you are interested in offering a Mass for someone, please call or email the parish office. The stipend is \$10 to be paid before the Mass is offered.**

*"One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul."*

– Pope Leo XIII

# Ministry Schedule

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	ADULT SERVERS	LECTORS (READERS)	MUSIC MINISTRY	WELCOMING	USHERS	CHURCH CLEANING
<b>Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.</b>	Barb Marchant Deacon Ed Meding	Ina Lawrence Irene Forcier	School	Robert and Irene Forcier	Glenn Ross Robert Forcier Wes Litke <b>TBA</b>	
<b>Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m.</b>	Franklin Vizcaino Deacon Ed Meding	Gwen Meding Annette Buschert <i>(Deacon Carries book)</i>	School	Wendy Mackney Annette Buschert	Ken Brady Dodie Reyes Pinpin Jain Sales Florjie Michaud	PPC

Just a reminder, please check to see if you are scheduled for ministry. If you are unable to make your commitment to your scheduled ministry, **please find a replacement for yourself.** Thank you for your service and God Bless

## Scent Free Makes Sense

We would like the parish to be sensitive to folks with allergies and refrain from wearing perfume and aftershave at Mass.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.



## Knights of Columbus

All men (18 and up) are welcome to become members of the Knights of Columbus. Please contact the parish office for more information 780-865-3045 [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)  
[KofC online video series – Into the Breach](#)



## Fundraiser for carpet in the church

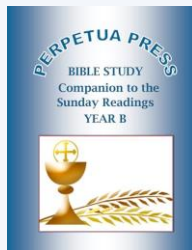
Thank you to all parishioners for the generous donations we have received for the carpet fund. To date we have received **\$17,941.55** and need **\$2,058.45** to reach our goal of \$20,000.00. Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you want to donate. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. Thank you once again for your generous donations and prayers towards this project.



## BIBLE STUDY on the UPCOMING SUNDAY READINGS.

All are welcome on Thursdays at 1:00 pm at Gwen's. Bring a Bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Study guides can be purchased from Gwen for \$25 or available on kindle for \$6. Bible Study - *A Companion to the Sunday Readings, Year B.*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jérôme Farquet of Morocco who passed away on May 5, 2024. Jérôme was the cousin of Angèle Lemire of our parish.

*May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



124 Market St.

Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Volunteers are welcome.

For information call 780-865-3045 or Marni



## Ladies Bible Study

Next is May 20 at 7:00 p.m. at 436 Boutin Ave.

Led by Bonnie Meagher

Please contact Bonnie Meagher for more info.

## NeighbourLink



780-865-0389 or email [neighbourlink1@gmail.com](mailto:neighbourlink1@gmail.com)

**NeighbourLink is in need of kitchen chairs, washing machines, couches and dressers**

Please call to arrange a pickup. Any monetary donations are greatly appreciated as NeighbourLink is non-profit organization run by an amazing group of volunteers.

**NeighbourLink Spring Clean Up of furniture that is not moving (to make room and clean up our storage area.)**

May 18 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at 889 Switzer Dr. Proceeds from the "clean-up" of furniture will be going to buy walkers and wheelchairs to lend out to people in our community.

All monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

## West yellowhead Pregnancy Care Centre

Baby bottle fund raiser begins this weekend. Pick up your baby bottle at the back of the church and return it on Father's Day.

Or you can donate:

**E-transfer:** [donations@wypcc.ca](mailto:donations@wypcc.ca)

**PayPal:** West Yellowhead Pregnancy Care Centre

**Mail:** WYPCC, PO Box 30077 Edson, AB T7E 1Y2

(envelopes are available at the back of the church)



West Yellowhead  
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE



TWENTY-SIXTH CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE • 2024

# CROSSING THE GREAT DIVIDE: THE POWER OF EVANGELIZATION

"...anyone who hears my word and believes in Him who sent me ... has passed from death to life."  
John 5:24



Steve Ray



Brian Holdsworth



Janelle & Ken Yasinski



Brendan McCauley

June 28 - July 1, 2024 • Lac Ste. Anne, AB

## Family Life Conference Information Flyer

Early Bird Pricing will be available  
until June 1st, 2024  
which must include payment.  
[CLICK LINK TO REGISTER!](#)

VISIT THE WEBSITE TO MAKE SURE YOUR  
INFO AND UPDATES ARE CURRENT.  
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Pilgrim Icon  
Program

## St. Joseph

We will have this image displayed in our church  
from Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

On Wednesday,  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>  
at 7:00 pm,  
the Knights will  
lead a liturgical  
celebration in  
honor of  
St. Joseph.

This will include  
prayers, songs,  
readings, a litany,  
and a rosary.



## Prayer for Our Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

## Prayer For Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless your Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always, and everywhere. With the virgin mother Mary, we ask this through Christ your Son. Amen.

## Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

(Can be also found in the new blue 2024 Sunday Missal on page 583)