



# St. Francis De Sales and St. Andrew Parish BULLETIN

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Roman Catholic Parish  
HIGH RIVER - VULCAN, AB



*There is reserved for me the crown of righteousness.*

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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  
Sunday 5:00 pm - High River

## CONFESSIONS

Monday - Saturday: 45 minutes before Masses

## XXX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



October 26, 2025

## Sunday Readings

**First Reading:** (Sirach 35:15-17, 20-22) The writer of this piece of wisdom literature was a teacher who taught in an academy for scribes. Addressing the wealthy, Sirach reminds them that God is not impressed by externals, be their appearance, social class, or riches – not even by their religious observance. As the author tells us: “with God there is no partiality.” God knows all, and sees all and is the final judge, who judges rightly. Coming to God in prayer with an open and honest realization of who we are and of God’s faithfulness increases the humility that gives our prayer the power to “reach the clouds.” This is why the prayers of the orphan, the widow, and “the lowly” are particularly effective.

**Second Reading:** (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18) Paul’s words are a prime example of the extent to which we can identify our entire being and life journey with Jesus. Writing from prison, Paul faces death. He feels both vulnerable and confident, both angry and understanding and forgiving. Paul has nothing left but to give his life “poured out as a libation” according to Christ’s own example.

**Gospel:** (Luke 18: 9-14) This story would have shocked Jesus’ hearers. Jesus illustrates God’s great mercy in a dramatic reversal of expectations. Echoing today’s reading from Sirach, the Gospel from Luke reminds us that sincerity of heart and humility before God is what gets God’s attention, not externals and a heart filled with pride, judgment, and arrogance. The tax collector knew himself to be a sinner, but he had the courage to plead for God’s mercy. Humility exalts our prayer; self-exaltation crushes our prayer.

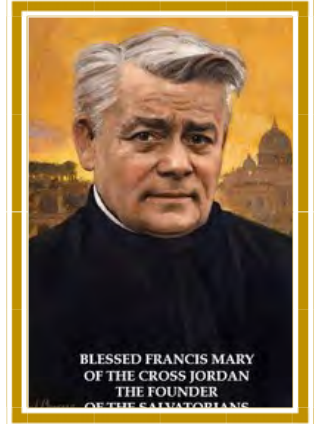
For more information about these reflections, please contact Kiply Lukan Yaworski, Diocese Communications, 306-659-5844 or [kyaworski@rcdos.ca](mailto:kyaworski@rcdos.ca).

Dear Parishioners,

As a member of the Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorian Fathers), I am obliged to participate in our religious community this upcoming week. All confreres working in Canada will gather to discuss various matters related to our Religious Order in different provinces in Canada. This meeting is an opportunity for us to pray together, as well as to spend time as a religious community.

Therefore, I will be absent from the parish from **Tuesday, October 28, to Thursday, October 30.**

As a result, there will be **no Masses at the parish on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of that week.**



Thank you for your understanding, and I kindly ask for your prayers for all Salvatorian Fathers working in Canada.

Fr. Mariusz



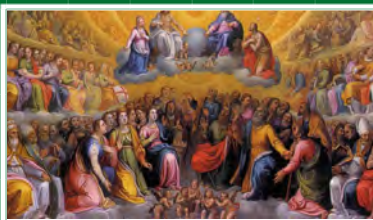
## Candle Light Service for All Souls

As November approaches, a time when we pray for all the faithful departed, I would like to bring your attention to a small update regarding our Candle Mass.

Since the Feast of All Souls falls on a Saturday this year, our Candle Mass celebration will take place on **Monday, Nov. 3rd at 7:00 pm**. This special Mass is dedicated to all the deceased from our parish and our families, and during the service, we will remember our departed loved ones through prayer and by lighting candles. If you have a family member or friend who passed away in the past year (**Nov. 2024 to present**) please let Nancy know and they will be added to the Candle Light Service. If their funeral was not here, please bring in a picture, with the details of **name, date of birth and date of death.**

**There will also be a reception afterwards in the church hall. All are welcome!**

If you have any questions, please call Nancy in the parish office at 403-652-2203 or email at [secreary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secreary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)

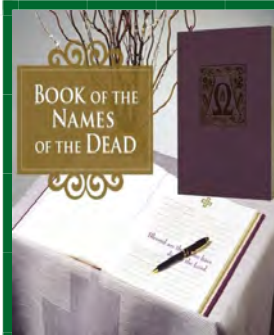


## All Saints & All Souls Day

This year, All Souls Day falls on a Sunday and replaces the usual Sunday Mass.

- Saturday evening Mass on **November 1** celebrates **All Saints Day** and fulfills your Sunday obligation.
- Sunday Mass on **November 2** follows the special All Souls Day prayers (Gloria and Creed are not said).
- Readings and vestment colors (white, violet, or black) are chosen for remembering all the faithful departed.

*Let's pray together for our loved ones who have passed.*



## Month of November

If you would like your loved ones name in the “**Book of the Names of the Dead**”, please sign the book at the back of the church or call Nancy in the church office, at 403-652-2203 or email her at [secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)

**Deadline is October 31, 2025**

## Online Giving



## Parish Website





Thank you to all the members who contributed to the 100th Anniversary Celebration, the decorating, food and hospitality committees, photographers, fashion show models, servers, choir and cleanup committee. I would like to acknowledge and thank Gloria Smorang for composing and writing the Anniversary Prayer. Also Gloria Lundberg, our Life Member, for all her knowledge of the League, and her artistic talents in designing the 100th Anniversary brochure and the 100th Anniversary Pin that each of our members will receive. Her support and guidance to us on this Anniversary celebration was very much appreciated. May God Bless you all and may our Lady of Good Counsel guide us through the next 100 years.



## CWL Membership Renewal/Drive

St. Francis de Sales CWL will begin their 2026 Membership Renewal/Drive before and after Masses beginning on Saturday October 25th, and will be running each weekend through till November 23rd.

Membership fees this year are **\$40.00** and payment can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfer ([sfscwl25@gmail.com](mailto:sfscwl25@gmail.com)). Those interested in becoming a CWL Member are most welcome and can register at this time. A CWL member is always available to answer any of your questions.

**Come and enjoy where friendships and life long memories are made.**



## Combined Parish Council & Finance Council Meeting

A combined meeting of the **Parish Council** and **Finance Council** will take place on **Tuesday, November 4, at PM**, immediately following the evening Mass.

This meeting is **very important**, as we will be discussing **key matters affecting our parish**. Your presence and input are highly valued. If you are interested in joining either the **Parish Council** or the **Financial Council**, please contact **Fr. Mariusz (403) 992.2313**

**We encourage all members to attend.**



**Knights of Columbus**

The Knights are hosting a pancake breakfast on **Sunday Oct. 26, 2025** after the **11:00 am Mass**.



**All are welcome!**



## **Obituary for Vince Treadgold**

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of **Vincent (Vince) Robert Treadgold**, a beloved member of our parish and a resident of **Seasons Retirement Community**. Vince passed away peacefully on **October 17, 2025**, at the remarkable age of **102**.

Born in Stepney, London, England, on April 9, 1923, Vince proudly served in the **Royal Navy** during World War II and later as an instructor with the **Sea Cadets** and the **Royal Canadian Cadet Corps** after immigrating to Canada in 1969. He was also an active member of the **Knights of Columbus** and the **Fraternal Order of Eagles**.

A **Funeral Mass** will be celebrated on **Monday, November 3, at 11:00 a.m.** at **St. Francis de Sales Parish, High River**.

We give thanks for Vince's long and faith-filled life and commend him to God's loving mercy. May he rest in peace.



## **Obituary for Mrs. Bernadette Helen O'Donnell**

It is with great sadness we announce that Mrs. Bernadette O'Donnell of Calgary, Alberta passed away at the Rosedale Hospice in Calgary, surrounded by her family on **October 12, 2025** at the age of 71 years.

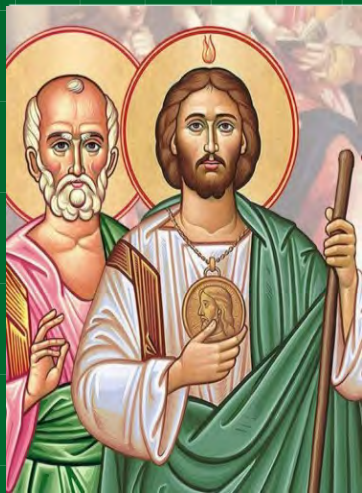
Many of you knew her as the St. Francis de Sale Organist for many years, as well as a CWL Member for many years. This picture is of Bernie playing the organ at mass at SFDS

**Obituary and service information to follow on the Lyle Reeves Funeral Home website.**



100 Years of  
CWL





## Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles – October 28

This Tuesday, October 28, the Church celebrates the feast of **Saints Simon and Jude**, two of Jesus' twelve apostles. Though little is known about their lives, their witness to Christ has inspired generations of believers.

**Saint Simon**, often called "the Zealot," is remembered for his fervent love for God and commitment to spreading the Gospel.

**Saint Jude**, also known as Thaddeus, is known as the patron saint of desperate or lost causes. Together, they remind us that every Christian, no matter their background, is called to courageously share the Good News.

As we honor these apostles, let us pray for their intercession. May their example inspire us to be faithful in our daily lives, to persevere in our faith, and to reach out in love to those around us.

A simple way to celebrate their feast is by offering a prayer or attending Mass this Tuesday in their honor. Saints Simon and Jude teach us that even in times of uncertainty, God calls us to be bold witnesses of His love.



## Honoring the Saints and Praying for the Departed

November is a special month in the life of the Church—a time when we lift our hearts in gratitude and prayer for those who have gone before us. On **All Saints' Day (November 1)**, we celebrate the countless men and women who now share in the joy of God's presence. These saints, known and unknown, are a reminder that holiness is possible for each of us, and that life in Christ extends beyond this world.

The very next day, **All Souls' Day (November 2)**, invites us to turn our prayers to all the faithful departed. In remembering those who have died, we acknowledge a profound truth: we are all part of God's family, united across time and eternity. Our prayers, Masses, and acts of love help the souls of the departed on their journey toward God's fullness of life.

In our parish, it is a cherished tradition to offer a **special Mass for all those who have died in the past year**. Since this year November 2 falls on a Sunday, this Mass will be celebrated on **Monday, November 3 at 7:00 pm**. I warmly invite everyone to join us, to pray for our beloved dead, and to reflect on the hope that Christ's victory over death brings to all who believe.

*Let us come together in prayer and remembrance, trusting in God's mercy and celebrating the gift of eternal life.*

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart.

JEREMIAH 1:5



## MEMORIAL LITURGY

FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A CHILD  
THROUGH MISCARRIAGE OR STILLBIRTH

PRESIDER: BISHOP WILLIAM T. MCGRATTAN

### WHEN

Tuesday,  
Nov. 18, 2025  
at 7 pm

### WHERE

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL  
219 18 Ave SW  
Calgary, AB

When families lose a baby in the womb, the cries of birth go unheard; the grasp of tiny fingers slips away. This profound loss needs articulation. Join Bishop McGrattan in a prayer gathering to commend our children communally into the embrace of our merciful God and to support those who are grieving the loss of a child.

### TO ATTEND

PLEASE REGISTER AT  
MISCARRIAGELITURGY.CA



## MASS FOR LIFE

WITH BISHOP WILLIAM T. MCGRATTAN

Come to a Eucharistic Celebration, giving thanks to God, the Author of Life, and praying for the dignity and sanctity of every human life.

**TUESDAY,  
OCTOBER 28,  
AT 5 PM**

St. Mary's Cathedral  
219 18 Ave SW  
Calgary





### 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 [fr-marius@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:fr-marius@francisdesaleshighriver.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."*

- Pope Saint John Paul II



### Sunday Offering

Did you know we now take Donations electronically! **You have the following options: Direct Debit, Visa, M/C.** We also have **E-transfer set up.**

The email address is  
[donation@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:donation@francisdesaleshighriver.com)

If you are interested in switching over to one of these payment methods, please all Nancy in the church office at **403-652-2203** or email her at [secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)



### Adoration

Please join us for Adoration after the 9:00 am Mass on Thursdays.  
**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 [secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)  
**All are welcome!**



## THIS WEEK AT SFDS

### Sunday, October 26

- 9:00 – 10:00 AM – Mass (Vulcan)
- 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Mass (High River) Pancake Breakfast
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM – Confessions
- 5:00 – 6:00 PM – Mass

### Monday, October 27

- 8:00 - 9:00 AM – Confession
- 8:30 – 9:00 AM – Rosary
- 9:00 – 9:45 AM – Mass

### Tuesday, October 28 - ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE, APOSTLES - FEAST NO MASS

### Wednesday, October 29

- NO MASS
- 1:00 – 3:00 PM – Grief Sharing
- 3:15 – 3:45 PM – Liturgy at Seasons
- 4:00 – 4:30 PM – Liturgy at Hospital
- 4:00 – 4:30 PM – Liturgy at Hospital
- 7:00 – 8:30 PM – Bible Study

### Thursday, October 30

- NO MASS
- 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM – Adoration and Benediction
- 7:00 – 8:30 PM – RCIA

### Friday, October 31

- 8:15 – 9:15 AM – Confession
- 8:45 – 9:15 AM – Rosary
- 9:15 – 10:00 AM – Daily Mass
- 9:00 – 11:30 AM – TOPS Group (East Hall)

### Saturday, November 1 - ALL SAINTS

- 8:00 – 9:00 AM – Confession
- 8:30 – 9:00 AM – Rosary
- 9:00 – 9:30 AM – Daily Mass
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM – Confession
- 5:00 – 6:00 PM – Vigil Mass

### SFDS Gift Shop

#### Have you checked out our Gift Shop Showcase?

We have Rosaries for sale, as well as Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation gifts.

If you are interested in buying one, please see Nancy in the church office during office hours, or call her at 403-652-2203, or email at [secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)

### St. Francis de Sales 2026 Offering Envelopes

If you are interested in Offering Envelopes for 2026, please contact Nancy in the church office by phone, **403-652-2203** or email [secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com](mailto:secretary@francisdesaleshighriver.com)

**Please Note: we have other options for Sunday Offerings which are :  
Direct Debit, Visa, M/C. and E-transfer.**



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.



# MASS INTENTIONS

# October 1– 31, 2025

|            |                                         |                                                                     |
|------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| October 1  | 6:00 pm                                 | Bereavement Mass                                                    |
| October 2  | 9:15 am                                 | Wendell & Noelle Hoffart                                            |
| October 3  | 9:15 am                                 | Eduardo Bartiana †                                                  |
| October 4  | 9:00 am<br>5:00 pm                      | Lisbeth Arat †<br>Maureen Kivineen†                                 |
| October 5  | 9:00 am—(Vulcan)<br>11:00 am<br>5:00 pm | St. Andrews CWL Sisters<br>Rou Lady rose Jundez†<br>Carolyn Kuziw † |
| October 6  | 9:00 am                                 | John McIsaac †                                                      |
| October 7  | 7:00 pm                                 | Mary Campbell                                                       |
| October 8  | 4:00pm—(HR Hospital)<br>6:00 pm         | John Dexter Garcia †<br>SFDS CWL Sisters                            |
| October 9  | 9:15 am                                 | Gerald McInnis †                                                    |
| October 10 | 9:15 am                                 | Patti Keats †                                                       |
| October 11 | 9:00 am<br>5:00 pm                      | Seraphion & Mercedes Magalso †<br>Our Parish                        |
| October 12 | 9:00 am—(Vulcan)<br>11:00 am<br>5:00 pm | St. Andrew's CWL Sisters<br>Bryan Johnson †<br>Carolyn Kuziw †      |
| October 13 | 9:00 am                                 | Abigael Pantig †                                                    |
| October 14 | 7:00 pm                                 | Toni Lewis †                                                        |
| October 15 | 3:15 pm—(Seasons HR)<br>6:00 pm         | Fr. Terry Connolly<br>George Toro †                                 |
| October 16 | 9:15 am                                 | Otto Paulgaard †                                                    |
| October 17 | 9:15 am                                 | Felipe Tagaloquin †                                                 |
| October 18 | 9:00 am<br>5:00 pm                      | Gilles & Monique Tremblay<br>Eileen Clancy †                        |
| October 19 | 9:00 am—(Vulcan)<br>11:00 am<br>5:00 pm | George & Antonina Sztuk †<br>Our Parish<br>Carolyn Kuziw †          |
| October 20 | 9:00 am                                 | Jessica Doian                                                       |
| October 21 | 7:00 pm                                 | John Gall †                                                         |
| October 22 | 3:30 pm—(The Manor)<br>6:00 pm          | Fr. Valentine Suum<br>Loqueta Sepe †                                |
| October 23 | 9:15 am                                 | Jerry & Raylene Rosell & Family                                     |
| October 24 | 9:15 am                                 | Judy McLaughlin                                                     |
| October 25 | 9:00 am<br>5:00 pm                      | Toni Lewis †<br>Florrie O'Brien †                                   |
| October 26 | 9:00 am—(Vulcan)<br>11:00 am<br>5:00 pm | Leonard Lauzon †<br>Our Parish<br>Carolyn Kuziw †                   |
| October 27 | 9:00 am                                 | Mike & Holly Smith                                                  |
| October 28 | 7:00 pm                                 | Bryan Johnson †                                                     |
| October 29 | 4:00 pm—(HR Hospital)<br>6:00 pm        | Fr. Vijaya Bathineni<br>Pat Farrell †                               |
| October 30 | 9:15 am                                 | Michael Ryan †                                                      |
| October 31 | 9:15 am                                 | Bill Ward †                                                         |



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