

SANTA MARIA GORETTI PARISH

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Temporary Mass Schedule: Tuesday to Friday - 7:00 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. before Mass or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday at 6.20 PM. **Rosary every evening: 6:20 PM**

Baptism: Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 11:00 a.m. Please contact parish office for scheduling Baptism in a week day.

Marriage: Contact the Priest at least 6 months prior to the Wedding.

(A Catholic Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement.)

Mezz'ora Con Voi (Italian Radio Program): Sunday at: 8:30 a.m. on 101.7 FM

31 GENNAIO 2021

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PAROLA AUTOREVOLE, EFFICACE E LIBERANTE



La promessa fatta da Mosè al popolo d'Israele: «Il Signore, tuo Dio, susciterà per te un profeta pari a me» (*I Lettura*), si compie in Gesù Cristo, il Messia, il nuovo Mosè, l'unico maestro di sapienza, il Verbo incarnato, Mediatore fra Dio Padre e l'umanità. Egli è la roccia della nostra salvezza: prostriamoci in ginocchio davanti a lui, Capo e Pastore del suo gregge, accogliendo docilmente la sua Parola per entrare nel suo riposo, partecipando alla sua vita eterna (*Salmo responsoriale*). Lasciamoci liberare e rinnovare da lui, che di sabato nella sinagoga di Cafarnao – “villaggio della consolazione” – parla con autorità profetica rendendo visibile il regno di Dio, e guarisce un indemoniato (*Vangelo*). Gesù, il santo di Dio, è venuto per distruggere le opere del diavolo, per fare nuove tutte le cose. In questa Eucaristia, fonte di salvezza eterna, entriamo in contatto con lui, Medico divino, che ci tocca per guarirci, spegnendo il fuoco delle nostre passioni disordinate e liberandoci dalle vane preoccupazioni che appesantiscono il cuore (*II Lettura*), perché lo ascoltiamo e lo seguiamo, dedicandoci a lui, unica e autentica nostra preoccupazione. **Don Francesco Dell'Orco.**

IVth SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Surely the only unclean spirits that you and I will ever encounter are found in movies like “The Exorcist.” Scary, perhaps, but not real – which is why such movies are safely enjoyable. Modern people like us know there is no such thing as being possessed. Sadly, though, there is. Maybe not by demons that will make our heads spin around or cause us to attach strangers. The unclean spirit that possesses us is familiar and much more subtle. The unclean spirit that controls us is none other than – ourselves. Not our true self, made in God's image, but the deformed self that is greedy, dissatisfied, always demanding more, no matter what the cost or who has to pay it. Yet that spirit's yawning, inner emptiness will never be satisfied, no matter how hard we work to fill it with the endless shiny things in our world. But all is not lost. There is someone who speaks with authority, whose voice can tame the deafening clamour of this unclean spirit and liberate us from ourselves so that we can be ourselves. Jesus teaches, “Be silent, and come out.” And we should listen. We should be silent. Silence is the path through the unclean spirit's endless demands. Through silence we can come out and be free in the presence of God.

Patrick Gallagher.

INTENZIONI DELLE SANTE MESSE
Mass Intentions

SABATO/ SATURDAY 30 GENNAIO: 5:00 PM

✠ Ckjarina Fortino, dalla figlia Ida Spadafora e famiglia.

➤ Per le intenzioni della famiglia Makino.

DOMENICA /SUNDAY 31 GENNAIO: 11:00AM

✠ Christina Tomat, from family.

✠ Giuseppina Vecchio, dal marito Fiore Vecchio.

✠ Carmelina Durante, dai genitori.

✠ Paolino Pagnotta, dalla moglie Ida e figli: Francesco e Eugenia.

✠ Michele Bruni, dalla moglie Antonietta e famiglia.

✠ Silvia Raffaele Mazzuca, dai figli e famiglie.

✠ Carmelina Durante, from Sister Maria Antonucci e nipoti.

✠ Mario Romano (un mese), dal fratello Bruno e cognata Nicolina.

✠ Antonietta Labriola, dal figlio Donato e famiglia.

✠ Angelo Labriola, dal figlio Donato e famiglia.

✠ Giuseppina Manna, dalle figlie Carmela e Lucia e famiglia.

✠ Carmelina Durante, da Nicola e Lina Dardano.

✠ Teodoro Manna, dalle figlie Carmela, Lucia e famiglia.

✠ Carmelina Durante, da Maria Parrotta.

✠ Donato Martino, dalle cugine Carmela Labriola e Lucia Manna.

✠ Patricia Rykes (10 years), from Carmela and Donato Labriola and family.

Martedì 02 Febbraio: 7:00 pm S. Messa.

✠ Giuseppe Joe Sellitto, dalla mamma Franca e fratello Dino e famiglie.

✠ Michela Zaffino, Giuseppe Emmanuele, Peppina Zaffino Gallace, from Stefano Gallace and family.

✠ Angelo and Luigina Gallace, from son Stefano Gallace.

✠ Michele Zaffino and Caterina Tassone, from son-in-law Stefano Gallace.

✠ Peppino, Salvatore, Vincenzo Gallace, Rosa Gennaro, from brother Stefano Gallace.

✠ Cosimo Antonio Zaffino, from brother-in-law Stefano Gallace.

Mercoledì 03 Febbraio: 7:00 pm S. Messa.

✠ Frank De Venz, from Clorinda and family.

Giovedì 04 Febbraio: 7:00 pm S. Messa – No Mass Intention.

Venerdì 05 Febbraio: 7:00 pm S. Messa.

✠ Walter Olenyk (un mese), e Gabriela Mazzotta, dalla famiglia Mazzotta e Russo.

➤ For the intention of Murekapette Fabiola.

Grace this Week

Leader: Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom and cured every kind of disease and sickness. (*Matthew 4:23*)

All: May we not forget your power to heal.

'Hear the Word of God and Do It': Living in the Word-

From our awareness of this wondrous gift that is the Eucharist, and of the Lord's command that it be celebrated in his memory, arise some questions: Am I, in fact, putting the Word of God into practice by participating fully every week in Sunday mass? Do I allow other activities to take priority over my sacred obligation? Do I take time to prepare for mass by reading in advance the mass readings, pondering the many blessings for which to give thanks, or considering the needs I wish to place before the altar of God's mercy? (*Archbishop Smith, Pastoral Letter, September 14, 2017*).

Online Marriage Preparation

Engaged couples, register now for ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION in 2021.

Coordinated through Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Sherwood Park, it includes a Virtual Weekend Course:

- February 5-7, 2021
- April 23-25, 2021

The \$ 150 registration fee includes all course materials.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish phone 780 467 5470

Register by emailing Mona: marriage.preparation@caedm.ca



Riposino in pace!

May they rest in peace.

PARISH NEWS



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Preghiera nel tempo della Pandemia

Dio Padre, Tu che crei la vita e non la morte, ascolta la supplica accorata e fiduciosa che, insieme, rivolgiamo a Te. Libera le nostre famiglie, l'Italia, il mondo intero, dalla terribile pandemia che ci ha colpito e unisce l'umanità in un unico grido di dolore. Proteggi tutti i militari che sono a nostro servizio negli ospedali, nelle strade, nei mezzi di trasporto, nelle centrali operative, nelle missioni di pace, nei luoghi dove si studia e si decide. Cristo Gesù, Tu che sei la Vita, scendi dalla Croce sulla quale ti sei donato per noi, e poggiate sulle croci di tanti fratelli e sorelle, disseminate sulla via del Calvario, e illumina con la speranza della Pasqua. Spirito Santo, che infondi vita in chi tocchi, sii, per ciascuno, una carezza d'amore: che non lascia fino alla fine chi muore da solo e consola chi rimane solo senza i propri cari; che illumina l'intelletto di chi ricercar e assicura il consiglio a chi governa; che infonde forza a chi è nella malattia e invade di pietà chi cura e assiste; che dilata con la scienza d'amore il cuore dei pastori e dona a noi la sapienza di riscoprire l'essenziale, per saper chinarci sul prossimo e volgere lo sguardo a Dio. E Tu, Maria, Madre della Vita, assieme a Giuseppe e ai nostri Santi Patroni, custodisci tutti sotto il Tuo Manto, finché sia passato il pericolo e possiamo cantare, con Te e come Te, il Magnificat della gratitudine, della gioia, della lode. Amen.

PASTORAL CONVERSION IN PRACTICE

Archbishop Richard Smith

At the very outset of his papacy, Pope Francis called the entire church to pastoral conversion for the sake of the mission of the Church. We know that fidelity to the Gospel requires a radical change of heart. This call of the Holy Father is addressed, in addition, to the Church's practices and structures. If anything at this level needs to be changed in order better to serve the mission, then it must be changed. With this blog post I am announcing two ways in which the Archdiocese is moving forward in response to this call in the context of current challenges.

First, I introduced just last week in the Archdiocese a new mission-driven organizational approach to ministry. For some time now we have been involved in a process of strategic re-thinking, yet all of that came to a rather crashing halt with the onset of the pandemic. The revenue crisis brought about by the outbreak necessitated a very close look at how we could continue our necessary ministry with radically reduced resources. That rather practical concern soon gave way to the deeper question of how the Lord might be calling us, in current circumstances, to re-think radically everything that we do for the sake of mission. This led to a months-long intensive process of reflection that has finally issued in the new approach we are launching on this Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. What better day? The proclamation of Christ's victory over sin is the heart of ecclesial mission. We must be ever alert to new ways to proclaim the Gospel and to be sure that our every effort is in line with, and in service to, our fundamental evangelical duty.

The second initiative is undertaken in conjunction with the other Bishops of Alberta and the Northwest Territories. The call to pastoral conversion is reaching us anew in the pandemic context. The experience over the last number of months has called into question many of our prevailing assumptions and modes of behaviour, and now people ponder what must be changed in the way we live for a future of hope. Via our new Pastoral Letter here, released today, the Alberta and NWT Bishops are inviting our people to engage in conversations around this very point. The letter will summon us to ponder our past, present and future in the light of key principles of Catholic Social Teaching through participation in seven panel discussions. Each event will be a moderated discussion among four to five persons of one particular principle of the Church's social doctrine. These will be registered and distributed on a weekly basis by Grandin Media, which will offer the opportunity for remote participants to offer their comments and/or questions. This feedback will, in turn, be used by the Bishops and their colleagues to inform future pastoral and catechetical endeavours as we move together into a post-pandemic future.

May all of our efforts at ongoing pastoral conversion bear fruit in lives renewed by the encounter with Jesus Christ, who, by His Holy Cross, has redeemed the world.

World Day for Consecrated Life / Giornata Mondiale della Vita Consacrata

On Tuesday, February 2, 2021, the Church celebrates the World Day for Consecrated Life. This day coincides with the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. As Saint John Paul II explained in his Message for the First World Day of Consecrated Life, the purpose of this day is threefold:

1. To praise and thank the Lord of the gift of consecrated life,
2. To promote a knowledge of and esteem for the consecrated life in the entire Church,
3. To give an opportunity to consecrated persons to celebrate together solemnly and renew their commitment to the Lord. Let us pray for consecrated persons and vocations.

There will be a special mass in our parish and blessing of candles.

Martedì 2 Febbraio 2021 la Chiesa celebra la Giornata mondiale per la vita consacrata. Questo giorno coincide con la festa della Presentazione del Signore. Come ha spiegato San Giovanni Paolo II nel suo messaggio per la Prima Giornata Mondiale della Vita Consacrata, lo scopo di questa giornata è triplice:

1. *Lodare e ringraziare il Signore del dono della vita consacrata,*
2. *Promuovere la conoscenza e la stima della vita consacrata in tutta la Chiesa,*
3. *Dare l'opportunità alle persone consacrate di celebrare insieme solennemente e rinnovare il loro impegno al Signore. Preghiamo per le persone consacrate e le vocazioni.*

Ci sarà una messa speciale nella nostra parrocchia e la benedizione delle candele.

Livestream Mass

Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries invites you, your family and friends to a livestream mass on **Saturday February 13, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.** with His Grace Archbishop Smith. Let us join in celebration of faith and hope as we remember and pray for all our loved ones who have died. Check the following websites for the link to the livestream mass, closer to the date <https://www.ecc.caedm.ca/> <https://www.caedm.ca>

HAPPY NEWS FROM OUR SMG CENTRE -

SMG Centre has a New Initiative: "TAKE AWAY MENU", please help our center.

SMG CENTRE NEWS: Hello from your Centre! It has been a while since we posted in the bulletin. There have been so many challenges in these past months. We have to thank Our Lord for giving us strength in faith and in our parish community, led by Father George. Your Centre has also been beset by challenges as banquet functions, meetings and meal gatherings have essentially been stopped due to COVID. But we are here, part of our Santa Maria Goretti Parish community and are devoted to our parish family. We are heartened to see the strength of resolve within our community to overcome this health crisis. And your Centre looks forward to the months ahead when things will surely get better. May God Bless us all! We have exciting news! Chef Patrick has made a takeaway menu. You can preorder and Patrick will make the meal that you can pick up and take home. Please call Patrick at **780-426-5026 between 9:30 am -2 pm** weekdays, or log onto our website <https://santamariagoretticentre.com> for more info. He will be happy to help!



Let us welcome in to our faith community

MINAH LINDIA BER

presented for the sacrament of baptism

Please buy your Grocery Cards..... help your parish.

It is a gentle reminder to our community to purchase your grocery / gift cards from parish for you and as gifts for your family, thus you can help your parish. Thank you.

2020 TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY

Envelopes with Income Tax Receipts are ready for pick up. They are organized in Alphabetical order. (Tax receipts from church contributions and CFIC donations are in the same envelopes). Please note that this year we will be sending out the tax receipts for 2020 via email also. If you would like to receive your tax receipt electronically, please send your address and email address to the office. Thank you for your generosity.

Le Ricevute per le donazioni sono pronte. (Quelle della Parrocchia e quelle dei figli dell'Immacolata Concezione nella stessa busta). Vi preghiamo di notare che quest'anno invieremo anche via email le ricevute fiscali per l'anno 2020. Se desiderate a ricevere le ricevute elettronicamente, per favore inviate il vostro indirizzo e indirizzo email all'ufficio. Grazie per la vostra generosità.

ENVELOPES ARE READY AT CHILDREN'S ROOM - YEAR 2021

Please Pick your envelopes. **THEY ARE IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.**

If there are any changes to the information we have on file, please do not hesitate to give the offices a call so that we could modify the information. If you do not have an envelope, please contact the office and we will provide you with one set. If you are not registered with Santa Maria Goretti Parish, we encourage you to do so in support of our parish. Thank you for your great and continuous support for our parish.

LE BUSTE SONO A DISPOSIZIONE NELLA STANZA DEI BAMBINI - ANNO 2021

Le vostre buste sono pronte per ritirare. SONO IN ORDINE ALFABETICO.

Se c'è qualche cambiamento della informazione che abbiamo nel ufficio per piacere chiamate l'ufficio a 780-422-8304 o date in scritto. Grazie per la vostra generosità.

Registration for 2021 First Holy Communion & Confirmation Sacraments

Registration is now open for children who wish to receive their Sacrament of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please get the registration form from the parish office (tel.780 422-8304) or from our Santa Maria Goretti Church website (www.smgoretti.org) Email:smgedmonton@outlook.com Due to COVID-19 catechism classes will not take place at Santa Maria Goretti Centre this year, but instead resources will be available for our families to pick up at the parish office in December. Parents are asked to work through the book together with their child to prepare them for their sacrament. We do however hope to see the children and their families at Sunday masses at 11:00 o'clock. If the COVID-19 situation improves by March, we will look at gathering the children for a couple of Sundays or perhaps meet with them online to share our sacramental videos. More information will follow about this at a later date. **Dates: First Holy Communion - Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Confirmation - Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 2:00 pm.**

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