MAY 11, 2025 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



Our Lady of Victory Parish

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Pastor: Rev. Luan Vu

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Office Hours: Mon - Wed & Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Thursday - Closed)

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NO WEEKDAY MASSES FROM MAY 12 to MAY 15

OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH

Weekend Mass Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

Weekday Mass Wednesday: 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

MARIA GORETTI PARISH

Weekend Masses Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 11:30 am

Weekday Masses

Wed. & Fri. Rosary: 8:40 am Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am Adoration: Friday 9:30 to 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday half an hour before Mass or any day by appointment.

MARGARET MARY **PARISH**

Weekend Mass

Rosary at 9:45 am Sunday Mass: 10:15 am

Weekday Mass

Tuesday: 10:30 am Adoration: 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

by appointment.

Cemetery Contacts:

Our Lady of Victory - Thorsby: Mark Bendoritis - 780.985.3779 St Francis: Ed Naprawa - 780.789.2195 and/or George Cygan 780 918 3412 St Charles: Clem Coffey - 780.696.2221 and/or Barry Gidosh 780 910 1003

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St. Maria Goretti Parish 8 St. Clair Street, Devon, AB

MISSION STATEMENT

Radiating Christ's message of love and hope in the daily celebration of the Eucharist and incorporating it in our family life.

PPC Chair: Travis Schoenfelder 780-566-7417

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Prayer for our new Holy Father: Pope Leo XIV

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, look with favour, we pray, on Leo, our Pope, and grant that he, whom you have made Peter's successor, may be for your people a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and of communion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

- The Roman Missal (3rd Typical Ed., Canadian Edition, 2011)

Mass Intentions for this week

Date		Intention
10	Sat	Thanksgiving for Mapy Rosales and all God's blessings
11	Sun	Repose of the Soul of Justin Delano R.I.P.
16	Fri	Living and deceased members of Donovan and Hug Families
		Zimrose Family Members - Living and Deceased
17	Sat	In honor of my Guardian Angel
18	Sun	Repose of the Soul of Carla Buick R.I.P.
		Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Richard Persson

Sick? Shut-in?

Would you like to receive communion? Please call the office at 780-987-2858 to arrange communion, and/or to be put on our prayer list.

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TRI-PARISH NEWS

Our Carmelite Family of Priests, Nuns and Secular Order invite you to celebrate the Centenary of the Canonization of







St. Thérèse of Lisieux

"I never ceased hoping against all hope!"

Jubílee Mass Saturday, May 17, 2025 at 10:30 am at the Carmelite Monastery

Main Celebrant and Homilist: Fr. Jerome Moras, O.C.D.

Refreshments, snacks - and bring along a friend!

Place: Carmelite Monastery, #12, 51222 Range Rd. 270, Spruce Grove For more information, please visit our website www.carmelitenuns.ca



Please join us for Pizza and Ice Cream after Mass

4th Sunday of Easter - May 11, 2025

1st Reading: Acts 13.14, 43-52

2nd Reading: Revelation 7.9, 14b-17

Gospel: John 10, 27-30

Shepherding Through Virtue

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." John 10:27–28

The image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd is an endearing image. Many artists have depicted the gentleness of Christ as He leads His sheep or carries a straying lamb on His shoulders. We are given this image today as we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday.

In our short Gospel passage today, Jesus addressed some of the Jews who were trying to trap Him in His speech. Prior to this passage, they asked Him, "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." To that, Jesus responded, "I told you and you do not believe." Jesus answered this way because the people questioning Him were not interested in actually knowing whether He was the Messiah. Instead, they wanted to accuse Him of blasphemy. But Jesus tells them that He already told them Who He was through His works: "The works I do in my Father's name testify to me."

Do you see the works of God in your life? If you do, then it is important to understand that Jesus' works are one of the primary ways that He speaks to you and leads you as your Shepherd. God certainly speaks to us through His Word as it is revealed in the Scriptures and in the teachings of the Church. But He also speaks to us through His works. Among the many works of God in your life is the work of grace by which God enables you to grow in virtue. Therefore, it is important to look for the ways that supernatural virtue grows in your life. For example, do you see courage in the face of fear? If so, what is God saying to you through the increase of this virtue? Do you see a supernatural ability to forgive another? If so, what is God telling you through the increase of that virtue? Do you see an increase in the virtue of piety, by which your life of prayer becomes more important to you? If so, what is God saying to you through the increase of this virtue?

The discernment of the will of God enables us to hear His voice and follow Him. And one of the best ways to discern the will of God is to look for the ways that God is touching your life. Where you see virtue increase, the will of God is present and is calling you to grow in that area. Conversely, if there is something in your life that leads you to sin, and, thus, a decrease in virtue, then this is also God's voice telling you to avoid these things.

Reflect, today, upon God's actions that are perceptible in your life. Even though God speaks clearly to us through His revealed Word, He also speaks to us and shepherds us through His discernable touching of our souls. Where you see virtue increase, you will find the will of God. Where you see virtue decrease, you will not find the will of God. Listen to God as He speaks to you this way so that you will hear His voice, follow Him and receive eternal life. (mycatholiclife.com)

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