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Mass Times

Saturday: 9:00 am, 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
11:00 am, 5:00 pm
Mon to Fri: 12:05 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Fridays at 11:15 AM
And by appointment

Adoration

Friday: 12:45 pm
Incense is used.

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“He was amazed at their lack of faith”

Today the liturgy helps us discover the sentiments of the Heart of Jesus: “He was amazed at their lack of faith” (Mk 6:6). Without a doubt, the disciples must have been impressed by the lack of faith of the Master's fellow citizens and his reaction. It seemed only natural that things would have occurred differently: They came to the land where he had lived for so many years, they had heard about the works he was doing, and the logical consequence was that they would welcome him with affection and trust, more willing than others to listen to his teachings. However, it was not so, but quite the opposite: “And they took offense at him” (Mk 6:3).

The amazement of Jesus at the attitude of his people shows us a heart that trusts in people, that expects a response and is not indifferent to the lack of it, because it is a heart that gives itself seeking our good. St. Bernard expresses it very well when he writes: “The Son of God came and did such wonders in the world that he uprooted our understanding of all that is mundane, so that we might meditate and never cease to ponder his wonders. He left us infinite horizons for the ease of the intelligence, and an overflowing river of ideas impossible to wade through. Is there anyone capable of understanding why the Supreme Majesty would want to die to give us life, why He would want to serve so that we could reign, live without a place to rest his head so that we can possess the world, and allow himself to be lowered to the most vile and vulgar to exalt us above all else?

One could think of how the lives of the Nazarenes would have changed if they had approached Jesus with faith. Thus, we must ask him daily as his disciples: “Lord, increase our faith” (Lk 17:5), so that we open ourselves more and more to let His love work in us.



Events at Sacred Heart

Apostoli Viae Gospel Encounter Group

Encounter Jesus and His Church through the exploration of the Gospels and fellowship with one another.

Thursday July 11 - 10:00-11:30

Thursday July 25 - 10:00-11:30am

Housey Hall

Come and join us, everyone is welcome.



SAVE THE DATE





AUGUST 11th

Volunteer Sign-ups Open Next Week

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

Come and join us in a spirit filled
CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM
Every Saturday, June 29 - August 10 2024
6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church
1307 - 14th Street SW Calgary AB T3C 1C6

For more details, please contact:
Bro Cesar Berdan - (403) 971-8432
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Every Saturday 6:30-9:00 PM, June 29th - August 10th 2024 Sacred Heart Housey Hall

The Sacred Hearts: Beacons of Love



Catholic devotion finds a radiant expression in the veneration of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Far from mere flesh, these hearts represent the very essence of Christ's boundless love and Mary's unwavering faith. While Scripture doesn't focus solely on their physical form, it offers precious threads woven into a tapestry of profound meaning.

Threads of Love and Suffering from Scripture:

- The Gentle Heart of Jesus (Matthew 11:25): Our Lord invites us to learn from his meek and humble heart, a testament to his immense love for all humanity.
- Mary, Pondering Deeply (Luke 2:19, 51b): We witness Mary's attentiveness, treasuring the mysteries surrounding her Son's life, holding them close to her very core.
- A Shared Sword of Sorrow (Luke 2:35): Simeon's prophecy foretells Mary's participation in Jesus' suffering, her heart pierced in a spiritual union with His.
- Living Water Flowing from the Sacred Heart (John 7:38): This passage signifies the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, a gift of love from the very depths of Jesus' being, flowing to believers.
- The Blood and Water, Source of Sacraments (John 19:34): The piercing of Jesus' heart symbolizes the wellspring of the Church's Sacraments, and speaks to the profound union between His suffering and Mary's, as foreshadowed in Luke 2:35.

The Church Fathers: Recognizing the Centrality of Love

Steeped in the wisdom of Sacred Tradition, the early Church Fathers recognized the centrality of Jesus' love and Mary's faithfulness. Their writings laid the groundwork for the future flourishing of devotion to the Sacred Hearts.

Saintly Champions and the Spread of Devotion

Saints like St. Bonaventure and especially St. John Eudes stand out as champions of this devotion. St. John Eudes is revered for consolidating relevant sources and gaining Church approval for their public veneration.

Liturgy: A Celebration of Love

Even before private revelations concerning the Hearts of Jesus and Mary, liturgical celebrations began to emerge. St. John Eudes, again a key figure, obtained permissions for feasts dedicated to their hearts. These celebrations, later extended to the Universal Church, beautifully integrated this devotion into the life of the Catholic faithful.

Papal Consecrations: Acts of Entrustment

Throughout history, Popes have encouraged the consecration of individuals and the world to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. This solemn act signifies entrustment to their loving care, seeking refuge and strength in their merciful embrace.

A Devotion Rooted in Love: A Source of Comfort

The devotion to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary is a cornerstone of Catholic spirituality. It is a constant reminder of God's immense love poured out through Jesus' sacrifice and Mary's unwavering faith. By meditating on the depths of their love, we are drawn closer to the very essence of divine love and compassion, and find comfort and strength on our own journeys of faith.