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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.

Parish Office

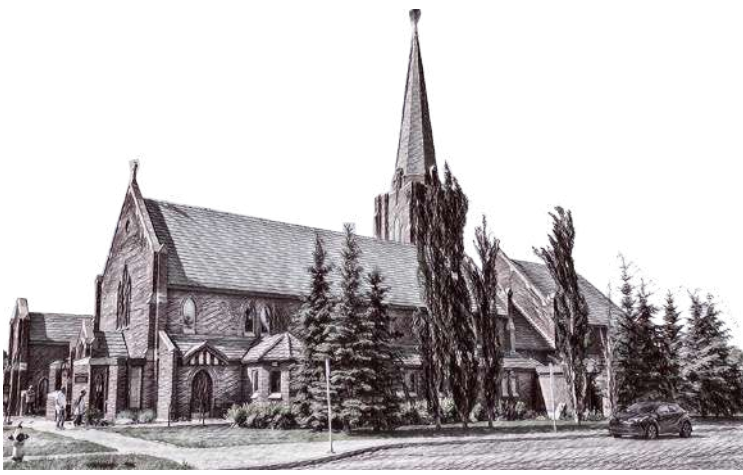
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“Who Is the Greatest in God's Kingdom?”

Fr. Rowel Jose (Arjay) Abanto

Jesus made a dramatic gesture by embracing a child to show his disciples who really is the greatest in the kingdom of God. What can a little child possibly teach us about greatness? Children in the ancient world had no rights, position, or privileges of their own. They were socially at the "bottom of the rung" and at the service of their parents, much like the household staff and domestic servants. What is the significance of Jesus' gesture? Jesus elevated a little child in the presence of his disciples by placing the child in a privileged position of honor. It is customary, even today, to seat the guest of honor at the right side of the host. Who is the greatest in God's kingdom? The one who is humble and lowly of heart - who instead of asserting their rights willingly empty themselves of pride and self-seeking glory by taking the lowly position of a servant or child. Jesus, himself, is our model. He came not to be served, but to serve (Matthew 20:28). Paul the Apostle states that Jesus emptied himself and took the form of a servant (Philippians 2:7). Jesus lowered himself (he whose place is at the right hand of God the Father) and took on our lowly nature that he might raise us up and clothe us in his divine nature. *God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble* (James 4:6). If we want to be filled with God's life and power, then we need to empty ourselves of everything which stands in the way - pride, self-seeking glory, vanity, etc. God wants empty vessels so he can fill them with his own glory, power, and love (2 Corinthians 4:7). Are we ready to humble ourselves and to serve as Jesus did?

Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam! For the Greater Glory of God!



Events & Opportunities at Sacred Heart

Sacramental Registration Closes October 4th

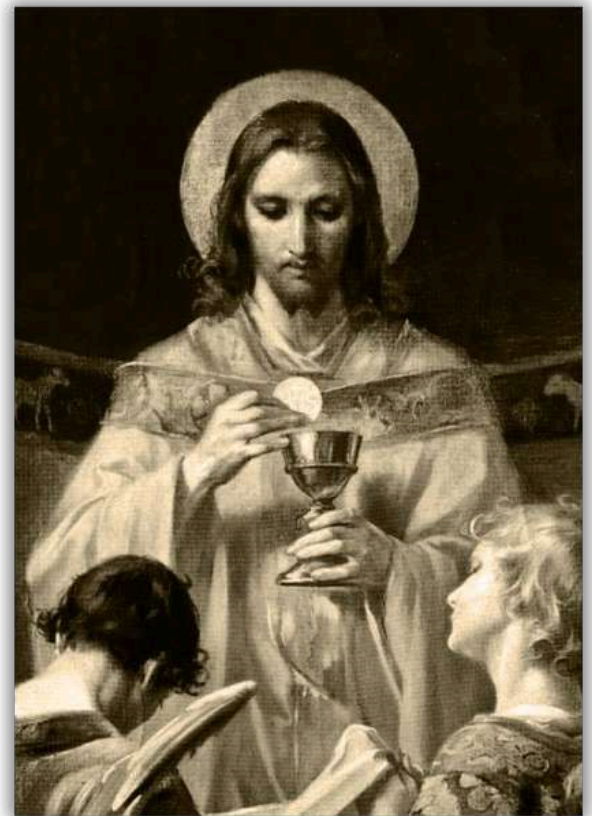
Families of children who are nearing the age of First Communion and Reconciliation are warmly invited to register for our parish's preparation program. This sacred milestone marks a significant step in a child's spiritual journey, as they deepen their understanding of God's love and grace.

First Eucharist is the first time a child receives the Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is a profound moment of communion with God and the Church. The preparation for this sacrament involves learning about the life and teachings of Jesus, the meaning of the Mass, and the importance of receiving the Eucharist with reverence and gratitude.

First Reconciliation is the sacrament of forgiveness, where a child confesses their sins to a priest and receives God's mercy and pardon. This experience helps children develop a sense of responsibility for their actions and a desire to live a life of love and holiness.

Our preparation program is designed to provide families with the necessary tools and support to help their children fully understand and appreciate the significance of these sacraments. Through a combination of catechesis, prayer, and community-building activities, children will be equipped to receive these sacraments with faith and joy.

We encourage families to register early to ensure their child's place in the program. If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please do not hesitate to contact our parish office.



Register

Visit: sacredheartcalgary.ca/sacraments



Calgary Prayer Breakfast Ticket Contest

Win Two Complimentary Tickets to the
56th Annual Calgary Leadership Prayer Breakfast



The Knights of Columbus invite you to participate in a raffle to win two tickets to the prestigious 56th Annual Calgary Leadership Prayer Breakfast.

This exclusive event will be held on Thursday, October 17th, 2024, at 7:00 AM at the New BMO Convention Centre.

Prepare to be inspired by a keynote address delivered by the renowned author and philosopher, Vishal Mangalwadi. Mangalwadi's insightful exploration of the intricate relationship between poverty, prosperity, and the enduring wisdom of the Bible promises to be a highlight of the breakfast.


With his extensive research and personal experiences, Mangalwadi has gained international acclaim for his thought-provoking perspectives. His message will challenge and inspire attendees, offering invaluable insights into the role of faith in shaping our world.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience a truly remarkable event and hear from one of the most influential thinkers of our time.

Enter to Win  **sacredheartknights.ca/contest**



Apostoli Viae Gospel Encounter Group

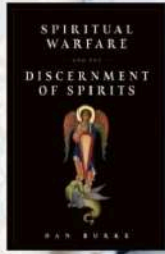
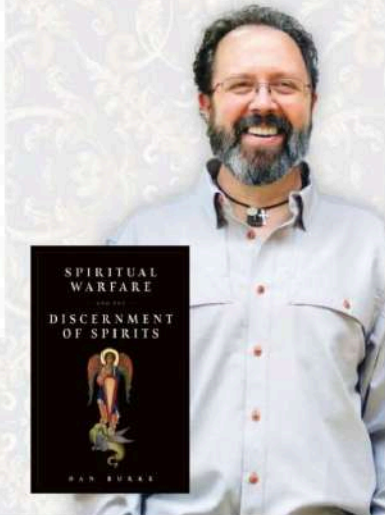



**SPIRITUAL
WARFARE
AND THE
DISCERNMENT
OF SPIRITS**

VIDEO SERIES STUDY

Find the keys to true spiritual freedom in a powerful series of talks by Dan Burke, author of *Spiritual Warfare and the Discernment of Spirits*. Listen to his gripping testimony as it reveals the battleground of the mind and the forces of darkness and light pulling us toward despair or liberation. Learn the rules of discernment and how they unlock the path to practical progress in spiritual warfare and discover how to hear the voice of God in order to discern His will and reclaim your peace of mind.

Dates: Thursday October 3, 17, 31, November 14, 28 & December 12
Time: 10:00-11:30am
Place: Lower Hall Sacred Heart Church




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Spiritual Warfare & Discernment of Spirits

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For more information contact Carla Hamarsnes:
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Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your understanding of spiritual health and find lasting peace.

Career Opportunity

Seeking a Parish Administrative Assistant to play a pivotal role in supporting the daily operations of Sacred Heart Parish. You will provide essential administrative support to our clergy, staff, and ministries, ensuring the smooth functioning of our church and its programs. Your strong organizational skills, excellent communication abilities, and attention to detail will be instrumental in contributing to the overall success of our parish.



Responsibilities:

- Phone answering, reception, filing, document prep, scheduling
- Maintain church/hall bookings & rentals
- Manage Parish bulletin, website, & database
- Prepare daily/weekly commentaries & mass schedules
- Manage Sacramental records & reports
- Assist with weddings, baptisms, & funerals
- Maintain facilities & equipment

Qualifications:

- 2+ years' experience, Admin Diploma/Certificate preferred
- Strong organization & time management
- Proficient in MS Office (Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Excellent communication & attention to detail
- Adaptable, team player, active listener
- Familiar with Diocese

Benefits:

- Comprehensive benefits package
- Paid time off & development opportunities

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AT THE PARISH OFFICE

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Men of the parish are invited to join us on a transformative journey of spiritual growth and fellowship. The COR program, centered on the practice of Lectio Divina, offers a unique opportunity for personal and spiritual enrichment through prayer, faith-based discussions, and fostering a supportive community.

In our upcoming Lectio Divina, we will delve into the Gospel of Saint Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48. This passage offers a profound challenge to our modern understanding of leadership and community. Jesus' rebuke of those who try to prevent children from coming to him underscores the importance of humility and accessibility. His warning against causing division among believers highlights the need for unity, forgiveness, and a selfless spirit.

As men, we are often called upon to lead. This passage invites us to reflect on the kind of leaders we want to be: those who are humble, inclusive, and dedicated to fostering unity and harmony. Join us in exploring these themes and discovering how they can enrich your spiritual journey.

Experience the transformative power of the COR program.

**Join us for our next gathering
Saturday, September 28th, from 10 AM to 12 PM
in the Upper Hall.**

Career Opportunity



We're seeking a reliable and detail-oriented individual to join our maintenance team. Responsibilities include general upkeep of church facilities, grounds, and equipment. This role involves tasks such as:

- **Building maintenance:** Performing minor repairs, monitoring equipment, and coordinating with contractors for major repairs.
- **Grounds maintenance:** Ensuring proper upkeep of lawns, landscaping, and parking areas.
- **Safety:** Maintaining a safe and clean environment for staff and visitors.

Ideal candidates will have experience in building operations, strong communication skills, and a positive attitude.

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