

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER
EDITION

Christensen's Corner

How will you Remember?

For the vast majority of us, our experience with war is limited to two or three minute segments of darkness and devastation as seen through the lens of a television camera or through a journalist's account of fighting in distant parts of the world. For those of us born during peacetime, all wars seem far removed from our daily lives. The minute it make us uncomfortable, it is as easy as pushing a button, to switch the channel and tune it out.

Once a year we set aside a day to formally recognize, remember and give thanks that we are able to live in a country where we are free to attend school, vote, speak our mind, play and worship. Once a year we are asked not to switch the channel. We often take for granted our Canadian values and institutions, our freedom to participate in cultural and political events, and our right to live under a government of our choice. The Canadians who went off to war in distant lands went in the belief that the values and beliefs enjoyed by Canadians were being threatened. They truly believed that "Without freedom there can be no ensuring peace, and without peace, no enduring freedom."

These wars touched the lives of Canadians of all ages, all races, all social classes. Fathers, sons, daughters: they were killed in action, they were wounded, and thousands who returned were forced to live the rest of their lives with the physical and mental scars of war. The people who stayed in Canada also served - in factories, in voluntary service organizations, wherever they were needed. By remembering their service and their sacrifice, we recognize the tradition of freedom these men and women fought to preserve. They believed that their actions in the present would make a significant difference for the future, but it is up to us to ensure that their dream of peace is realized. On Remembrance Day, we acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve.

It is in remembering and telling the story that we discover who we are and the meaning of our lives. It is in recalling the past that we best see what the way into the future is. It is in remembering what happened and why it happened, that we find the principles and the guidelines by which our lives should be governed.

As I invite you to join our St. Joseph's family on November 9, 2023 at 11am for our Remembrance Day Ceremony, which will be led by our grade 9 class, I am reminded of someone else who died for us - died so that we might enjoy eternal freedom - Jesus Christ.

How will you remember on this Remembrance Day?

Mr. Christensen

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Important Dates

Thursday, Nov. 2- Gr. 6-9 to 8:45 am Mass

Friday, Nov. 3- Jagwear Spirit Day

Friday, Nov. 3- Volleyball Zones, Boys @ St. Joes- Girls @ Warner

Sunday, Nov. 5- Daylight Saving Time- set your clocks back an hour

Sunday, Nov. 5- Education Sunday

Wednesday, Nov. 8- Booster Juice Hot Lunch- Canteen Closed

Thursday, Nov. 9- Remembrance Day Liturgy 2:00 pm

Thursday, Nov. 9- 2022-2023 Academic Awards 2:45 pm

Friday, Nov. 10- School Closed for Remembrance Day

Friday, Nov. 10- Last day of Quarter 1

Saturday, Nov. 11- Remembrance Day

Monday, Nov. 13- School Closed Wellness Day

Monday, Nov. 13- First day of quarter 2

Wednesday, Nov. 15- Rock your Mocs- Wear Moccasins

Thursday, Nov. 16- Gr. 1-3 to 8:45 am Mass

Friday, Nov. 17- Youth Choir practice 12:30 pm

Monday, Nov. 20- Thursday, Nov. 23- Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, Nov. 22- Pizza Hut Hot Lunch- Canteen Closed

Thursday, Nov. 23- Gr. 4 and 5 to 8:45 am Mass

Thursday, Nov. 23- Office Hours 5:00 pm

Friday, Nov. 24- Youth choir practice 12:30 pm

Sunday, Nov. 26- Youth Led Mass 4:00 pm at St. Ambrose Parish

Wednesday, Nov. 29- Blessing of Advent Wreaths- Grade 3 Leading

Thursday, Nov. 30- Gr. 6-9 to 8:45 am Mass



JUST A REMINDER TO PLEASE PAY YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL FEES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE . IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY SIGN UP FOR SCHOOL CASH ONLINE, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AND WE CAN HELP! YOU CAN PAY SCHOOL FEES, FIELD TRIPS, HOT LUNCHEES AND MORE AND IT IS VERY USER FRIENDLY AND A PAINLESS PROCESS.... I PROMISE!

Athletic Update

AS WE ENTER THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER I WANTED TO GIVE A LARGE THANKS TO ALL OF OUR COACHES AND STAFF LIAISONS WHO DEDICATED THEIR TIME TO OUR ST. JOSEPH VOLLEYBALL ATHLETES. THEIR TIME AND EFFORT CERTAINLY SHOWED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OUR ATHLETES THROUGHOUT THE SEASON. TO START WITH OUR JV BOYS TEAM, THEY CONTINUED TO SHOW IMPROVEMENT HIGHLIGHTING THEIR EFFORTS WITH A THIRD PLACE FINISH AT THE BARNWELL TOURNAMENT. OUR JV GIRLS TEAM WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL FINISHING NEAR THE TOP IN LEAGUE PLAY AND SHOWING WELL AT THE YEAR END TOURNAMENT. THE SV GIRLS FINISHED THEIR SEASON WITH A STRONG PERFORMANCE IN THE YEAR END TOURNAMENT LOSING A CLOSE MATCH FOR THIRD PLACE. AND FINALLY, OUR SV BOYS WERE ABLE TO TAKE HOME THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP WITH A CONVINCING WIN IN THE FINALS. THEY WILL NOW COMPETE IN THE 2J BOYS ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE HELD AT OUR SCHOOL. FUN, EFFORT AND GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP WERE HIGHLIGHTED THROUGHOUT THE VOLLEYBALL SEASON AS OUR ATHLETES REPRESENTED ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL ADMIRABLY. AFTER OUR ZONE TOURNAMENT IN EARLY NOVEMBER, WE WILL TAKE A BRIEF PAUSE AND GET READY TO PREPARE FOR A VERY BUSY AND EXCITING BASKETBALL SEASON.



Youth Led Mass

St. Joseph School is coordinating the 4:00 p.m. Youth led Mass for Sunday, November 26, 2023 at St. Ambrose Church

We need readers, greeters, gift bearers, altar servers, ushers, singers, and musicians!
Volunteer forms will be available at the SJS Office and emailed to all parents.

All students and staff are encouraged to share their precious time and talents for this special celebration. Please email your completed volunteer form to Mrs. Mastel at mastelp5657@gmail.com or take a picture and text it to her at 403-892-4207.

The choir will have two practices:

Friday's, Nov. 17 and 24, 12:22 to 1:22 p.m. in the Choir Loft at St. Ambrose Church. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Mastel at 403-892-4207. YOU ARE ALL INVITED to the ST. AMBROSE TURKEY SUPPER

AFTER MASS at ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL (Details to follow)

Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta



ACADEMIC AWARD

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO EXTEND AN INVITATION TO OUR UPCOMING ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY, WHERE WE WILL GATHER TO CELEBRATE THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR. THE AWARDS CEREMONY WILL BE HELD NOV. 9 FROM 2:30 TO 3:15.

DURING THIS EVENT, WE WILL RECOGNIZE AND HONOR OUR STUDENTS IN VARIOUS CATEGORIES WITH WELL-DESERVED ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS. IN ADDITION, WE WILL PROUDLY ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE WHO HAVE EARNED A PLACE ON THE HONOR ROLL FOR THEIR EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION TO ACADEMICS.

WE WILL BE REACHING OUT TO OUR FORMER GRADE 9 STUDENTS FROM LAST YEAR WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, ENSURING THEY RECEIVE THE RECOGNITION THEY'VE EARNED.

PARENTS, PLEASE CONSIDER THIS YOUR PERSONAL INVITATION TO ATTEND AND SHARE IN THE JOY OF YOUR CHILD'S ACHIEVEMENTS. WE WARMLY WELCOME ALL PARENTS, GUARDIANS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS TO JOIN US IN MAKING THIS OCCASION MEMORABLE.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our school is thrilled to announce the arrival of the Scholastic Book Fair! This exciting event offers students and parents the opportunity to explore a world of captivating books that cater to a wide range of interests and reading levels. The Book Fair is not just about discovering new literary treasures; it's a chance to foster a love for reading and promote literacy within our school community. We're dedicated to providing access to high-quality books that can inspire and ignite the imaginations of our students. So, come join us in this literary adventure, where we believe that every book opens the door to a new adventure and a lifetime of learning. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to stock up on captivating reads and support our school's literary initiatives.

The Book Fair is scheduled to run from November 20th to November 23rd, with the following operating hours: Monday through Wednesday, it will be open in the library from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and on Thursday, November 23rd, we extend our hours to welcome you from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Students will have an opportunity to visit the book fair at various times throughout the week with their classmates or at recess. Thank you for supporting our School Book Fair.

Remembrance Day

As Remembrance Day falls on Saturday this year, we will have our Remembrance Day Liturgy on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 11:00 pm here at the school. Friday, Nov. 10 the school will be closed in honour of that.



November Hot Lunches

We have two great hot lunch days planned for November. Wednesday, Nov. 8 Booster Juice is in the house.

To follow on Wednesday, Nov. 22 Pizza Hut Hot Lunch will be on the menu. ALL hot lunch items must be purchased through school cash online and the sale will close the week before. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the school.





SJS Youth led Mass

Sunday, November 26, 2023, 4:00 p.m.



*St. Joseph School will be coordinating the
4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Ambrose Church for
Sunday, November 26, 2023, 4:00 p.m.*

If YOU would like to participate,
please complete the attached volunteer form and
email it to Mrs. Pat Mastel, mastelp5657@gmail.com
or snap a picture and text it to her at 403-892-4207.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Mastel at 403-892-4207.

The choir will only have 2 practices in preparation for this special Mass:
Friday's, Nov. 17 and 24, 12:22 to 1:22 p.m. in the Choir Loft at St. Ambrose Church.

We will meet in the Gathering Space after school & walk to the church together



NOVEMBER 26, 2023 YOUTH LED MASS VOLUNTEER FORM

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please PRINT First and Last Name

Homeroom

Parent's Phone/Cell Numbers: _____

Parent's Email Address: _____

I would like to share my talent as a:

_____ Reader _____ Altar Server
_____ Greeter _____ Usher
_____ Gift Bearer _____ Choir Member

Student's Signature: _____ Parent's Signature: _____



Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta



**YOU ARE ALL INVITED to the ST. AMBROSE TURKEY SUPPER
AFTER MASS at ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL (Details to follow)**

November

Build! Pilgrims of Hope



*“Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.”*

Psalm 96:3

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini 1850-1917 (Feast Day: November 13)

Maria Francesca Cabrini was born on July 15, 1850 in what is now Lombardy, Italy, the youngest of thirteen children in a farming family. As a young person, she dreamed of becoming a missionary and achieved a teaching certificate. In 1870, she became the headmistress of an orphanage, and in 1870, took her religious vows. It was at this point that she took the name Xavier, to honour the patron saint of missionaries, St. Francis Xavier. In 1880, along with several other religious sisters, she formed the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and became known more popularly as Mother Cabrini.

The order was very active in Italy, supporting orphans and providing education and housing, which led to Mother Cabrini being asked by the Pope to migrate to the United States to support the growing Italian-American population. While she was initially resistant to this idea, Mother Cabrini did emigrate to New York. While there, she and her sisters established schools, orphanages, and hospitals in a time before governmental support for these types of institutions. She became an American citizen in 1909, and when canonized in 1946 became the first American saint.



“Building” In Our Schools

Influenced by the book "The Dot", International Dot Day (a global celebration of creativity, courage, and collaboration) is held yearly on September 15th. *The Dot*, a book written by Peter H. Reynolds, is a story of a caring teacher who dares a doubting student to trust in her own abilities by being brave enough to "make her mark." Standing at 4 feet high, St. Michael's Pincher Creek's grade 7 homeroom replicated the faith plan image using a variety of assorted sizes and coloured dots. What a beautiful faith-building expression of creativity!

Corporal Works of Mercy — Bury the Dead —

Did you know that this Corporal Work of Mercy is the only one not found in Matthew 25? Most often, reference is made to Tobit. Tobit risked his own life to ensure that his fellow Israelites received a proper burial during a time of oppression. We also know about the importance of human dignity as Catholics. Jesuit Father James Keenan has noted that "the significance of burying the dead is then rooted in the profound respect that Christians have for the human body. The human body created and redeemed by God is to be raised up by God in glory."

November is a month where we are often more conscious of praying for the deceased and those who are grieving, as we observe both "All Souls' Day" and "Remembrance Day". Through our prayers and actions, we show our respect for life, which is always a gift from God, and seek to comfort those who mourn.

What might some practical suggestions be?

- Be faithful about attending prayers, wakes, and funerals
- Spend time with those who are grieving or who have experienced loss
- Go with friends and relatives to visit the cemetery
- Offer daily prayers for those with terminal illnesses and for those who have died
- Send Mass cards to families of those who have died

Pope's Prayer Intentions - Let us pray for the Pope that, with the help of the Holy Spirit, he may continue to accompany in the faith the flock entrusted to him.

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Catholic Social Teaching — Subsidiarity —

Through the course of this year, we will look each month at one of the Catholic Social Teachings. The aim of Catholic Social Teaching is to shine the light of the Gospel on our contemporary world, allowing us as disciples of Christ to look at the world around us with new eyes, and to take action.

Mother Cabrini was well known for her works of service, in a time when the government did not provide the same levels of funding and structure as it does today. She saw a need, assessed the need, and chose to take the actions that she could to try to address the need. When we act in this way, seeking to create solutions with those around us, we are engaging in subsidiarity.

"The principle of subsidiarity allows everyone to assume his or her own role in the healing and destiny of society. Implementing it, implementing the principle of subsidiarity gives hope, it gives hope in a healthier and more just future." (Pope Francis)

The basic premise of subsidiarity is that local groups, associations, and institutions are often in the best position to deal with local issues, and should be supported by higher orders of government in addressing them. We often see this principle applied by organizations such as Chalice, that seek to work together with those at the local level in supporting development programs.

Learn more about subsidiarity with one of these resources:

The Religion Teacher - [Subsidiarity](#)
Caritas Australia - [Subsidiarity](#)
CAFOD - [Subsidiarity](#)

“During our daily ordinary tasks, whatever our work, let us offer every act to the Heart of Jesus for the conversion of sinners.” (St. Frances Xavier Cabrini)



Gospel Readings

November 1, 2023



All Saints Day

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12a

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." — Matthew 5:12

Today is a great day of hope in the Church. We remember and celebrate all the men and women who have gone before us... the saints. Many of them had difficult lives, suffering for their love and faith in Jesus. All of them lived lives of great example. They showed us how to live out the beatitudes (also from today's Gospel). They taught us how to pray and live lives pleasing to God. May we be inspired by them and strive to also live lives that will be pleasing to God.

As a family, learn something new about a saint you didn't know much about before. For example, read about St. John Vianney, St. Benedict, St. Rose of Lima, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Lucy, or St. Juan Diego, just to name a few.



Prayer:

Dear Lord, thank you not only for your Son who lived the perfect example in life, but also for all the saints who continue to reinforce Jesus' teachings.

November 5, 2023

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

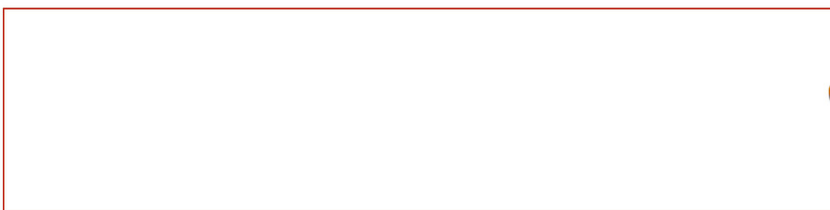
Gospel Reading: Matthew 23:1-12

"...do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice." — Matthew 23:3

Have you ever played a board game with someone who kept changing the rules so they would win? In this Gospel, Jesus warns the people about some religious leaders who were changing God's rules for the game of life. God's rules are simply to love him above all things and to love each other as we love ourselves. But these leaders, to make themselves look important, added more rules that were almost impossible for people to obey. And to make it even worse, they didn't even follow their own rules!

Here is a lesson we can learn from this Gospel. To be a good leader—one who is worth following—people need to see that we practice what we preach and that what we preach is good and honorable. This is what the word "integrity" means—what we say with our actions matches what we say with our words.

Do you have a younger brother or sister, cousin, or friend who looks up to you? What are some things you can do to give them a good example to follow?



Prayer:

Dear God, please help me to follow your rules so I can help others follow them, too.

Download this month's [Saint Prayer Card](#) - St Frances Xavier Cabrini



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Gospel Readings

November 12, 2023

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." — Matthew 25:13

If you were going to run a marathon, what are some things you would have to do ahead of time? Do you think you would be prepared to run such a long distance if each day for a week before the race you only ran around the block and then took a nap? Do you think your feet would be able to carry you the whole distance if you only had flip flops to wear?

In the Gospel today, Jesus uses a story to help us understand how important it is to be ready to meet God. We need to prepare in advance. If each day we try a little harder to follow Jesus' example of love, we will grow in holiness and look forward to seeing God face to face one day.

What is one thing you can do today to become more like Jesus?



Prayer:

Lord, help me to prepare my heart to become more like yours – filled with love.

November 19, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:14-30

"Well done, my good and faithful servant." — Matthew 25:23

If you won \$100 in a contest, what would you do with it? Would you spend it on something you want, save it, or give it away? Each of these options can be good. You could spend it on something that would help you with your school work (like a calculator), put it in the bank to earn interest (increasing its value), or donate the money to someone in need. In each case, your money would be well spent. But what if you decide instead to dig a hole in your backyard and bury your \$100? That would be totally useless!

In our Gospel today, Jesus tells a story to help us understand that he has given each person a winning prize—talents that we can use to help the world know God's love. If we choose not to use these talents, it would be like burying a \$100 bill!

What special talent has God given each member of your family?



Prayer:

Lord, help me to give you honor and glory by using the talents you have given me.

November 26, 2023

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." — Matthew 25:40

Most people have never seen Christ in a physical way, where they could talk to him and hear him talk back to them. In today's scripture, however, Jesus tells us that he is present in the people who may be the hardest to look at. Who are the "least" of our brother and sisters? He might be the person at school who isn't very popular. She might be the person at work to whom no one reaches out. He may even be the person who lives next door to you. Jesus wants us to find ways to love him through those who may not be easy to love, just as he did.

Is there someone at school or work who people shun? What can you do to be the face of Jesus for that person?



Prayer:

Dear Lord, sometimes I judge people by what they look like or by their possessions. Please give me the grace to love all people as you taught us through your example.

Sources:

[Practical Suggestions for Practicing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy](#)

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Division Parishes

"...not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:25

 <p>Assumption Church Lethbridge Father Kevin Tumback Father Santiago Torres</p> <p>Mass (Saturday): 5:00 pm Mass (Sunday): 9:00 am (Live-streamed) 6:00 pm</p> <p>2405-12th Avenue S. Lethbridge, AB T1K 0P4 Tel: 403-327-8931</p>	 <p>St. Basil's Church Lethbridge Father Kevin Tumback Father Santiago Torres</p> <p>Mass (Saturday): 7:00 pm Mass (Sunday): 7:30 am 11:00 am</p> <p>604 13 Street N. Lethbridge, AB T1H 2S7 Tel: 403-327-8931</p>	 <p>St. Martha's Parish Lethbridge Father William Monis</p> <p>Mass (Saturday): 5:00 pm Mass (Sunday): 9:00 am 11:00 am</p> <p>355 Columbia Blvd. W. Lethbridge, AB T1K 5Y8 Tel: 403-381-8891</p>
 <p>Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Lethbridge Father Gary Sedgwick</p> <p>Mass (Saturday): 8:30 am Mass (Sunday): 10:00 am</p> <p>643 12B Street N. Lethbridge, AB T1H 2L6 Tel: 403-328-4753</p>	 <p>St. Ambrose Parish Coaldale Father Ian Gagne</p> <p>Mass (Sunday): 9:00 am 4:00 pm</p> <p>1523-23rd Avenue Coaldale, AB T1M 1E2 Tel: 403-345-3400</p>	 <p>St. Catherine Parish Picture Butte Father Ian Gagne</p> <p>Mass (Sunday): 11:00 am</p> <p>762 Crescent Avenue Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0 Tel: 403-732-4433</p>
 <p>St. Augustine Parish Taber Father Philip Van Tinh Le</p> <p>Mass (Saturday): 5:00 pm Mass (Sunday): 9:00 am</p> <p>5009-48th Avenue Taber, AB T1G 1T4 Tel: 403-223-2226</p>	 <p>St. Michael's Parish Bow Island Father Wojciech Jarzecki</p> <p>Mass: 9:00 am</p> <p>1101-1st Street E. Blow Island, AB T0K 0G0 Tel: 403-545-2023</p>	 <p>St. Michael's Parish Pincher Creek Father Myles Gaffney</p> <p>Mass: 10:00 am</p> <p>958 Christie Avenue; Box 339 Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0 Tel: 403-627-3071</p>



The Catholic Bishops
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October 5, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

Our theme for Catholic Education Sunday this year is: "Courage to Lead". Parents, educators, administrators, trustees, and clergy are all invited to engage their responsibility of leadership to strengthen and promote Catholic education, through which we lead the children entrusted to our care to know, love, and follow Jesus Christ.

Publicly funded Catholic education in Alberta is a unique and cherished historical gift, for which we are grateful. It is an invaluable offering to both the Catholic community and wider society, carrying growing responsibility in an increasingly secular world. In the face of many societal changes and challenges, we share the responsibility of ensuring that our faith-based education remains steadfast in its fidelity to the teachings of the Church. We are all called to lead with courage, secure in God's love.

Leadership within Catholic Education involves guidance with a sense of purpose, driven by the mission to nurture in our young people a joyful reliance upon the Holy Spirit, unwavering trust in the words of the Lord Jesus, and abiding confidence in the providence of our Heavenly Father. Beyond academic excellence, dedicated educators will permeate all aspects of school life with the Catholic faith. Parents and clergy have their role to play by strengthening the relationship of our schools with both home and parish. In addition, all Catholics exercise their responsibility by offering the support of their prayers and advocating strongly for our schools. Every effort counts in the promotion of our Catholic education system.

For our part, we Bishops pledge our leadership and support in the service of our schools. We look forward to our continuing engagement with parents, trustees, administrators, teachers, and clergy to ensure that our schools are places of authentic Catholic community, in which our beloved students come to know the joy of friendship with Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

May God bless our Catholic schools.

Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT



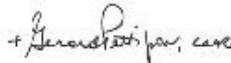
Most Reverend Richard W. Smith
Archbishop of Edmonton



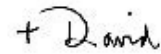
Most Reverend William McGrattan
Bishop of Calgary



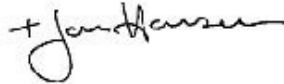
Most Reverend Gary Franken
Bishop of St. Paul



Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR
Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan



Most Reverend David Motiuk
Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of
Edmonton



Most Reverend Jon Hansen, CSsR
Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith



Courage to Lead

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CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 5,
2023



CELEBRATING IN
PARISHES WITH
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
AND ADVOCATES

GRATEFULLY
ADVOCATING FOR
CATHOLIC
EDUCATION

THE MISSION OF
GRACE IS TO
INSPIRE,
INVIGORATE AND
EMBOLDEN THE
SPIRIT OF CATHOLIC
EDUCATION IN
ORDER TO UNITE,
ENGAGE, EDUCATE
AND ADVOCATE
WITH ONE VOICE ON
ITS BEHALF

FOLLOW GRACE ON
SOCIAL MEDIA

[GRACE WEBSITE](#)

FREE FAMILY EVENT

**FREE play activities, dancers,
games, prizes, community
agencies, and more!**



NATIONAL CHILD DAY

**NOVEMBER 18, 9:30 - 12:00
at Lethbridge College**

Questions? lethbridgeplays@gmail.com





(I)SWAG PRESENTS:

HOW DO WE SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN WHEN THEY MIGHT NOT BE OKAY?

Join us as we enjoy learning from Kim Clark as she presents while having a courtesy meal

**NOV
16**

5:30 - 8:00pm

CEDAR ROOM

Sandman Signature
320 Scenic Drive S,
Lethbridge AB

PLEASE RSVP AT

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7R9L8CC>





Holy Spirit Catholic School Division
(I) SWAG
(Indigenous) Student Wellness Access Guide
#STRONGERTOGETHER

KIM CLARK

Kim Clark has been a social worker for 30+ years with a specific focus on Mental Health and Leadership Training. Kim has worked with a variety of clientele, such as adults with disabilities, seniors, and youth at risk. She applies evidence based training into a group environment to create a comfortable and enjoyable learning experience for everyone.

This event is **FREE** and is open to all parents, guardians, and caregivers.

PLEASE RSVP AT

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7R9L8CC>



1J PRESENTS...

***Everything but the Kitchen
Sink Cookie Fundraiser!***

Ms. Johnson's Grade 1 class has collaborated with the Coaldale Bakery to create an amazing and delicious cookie!

All proceeds will be donated to the Alberta Birds of Prey Foundation!

Sales will be open from October 16th to November 3rd. Cookies will be distributed on November 9th, 2023.

Order yours today using School Cash Online!

