

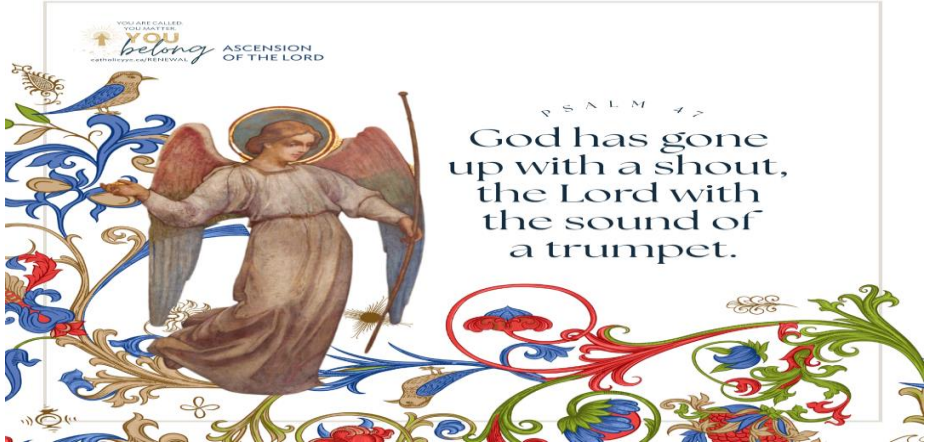


# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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## **Entrance Antiphon** (*Acts 1.11*)

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus who you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

## **First Reading** (*Acts 1.1-11*)

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward

heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm** (*Psalm 47*)

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth. **R.**

**R. God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.**

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. **R.** For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a Psalm. God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. **R.**

**Second Reading** (Ephesians 1.17-23)

Brothers and sisters: I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at this right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.

And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the Church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** (*Matthew 28.19-20*)

**Alleluia. Alleluia.** Go make disciples of all nations; I am with you always, to the end of the age. **Alleluia.**

**Gospel** (*Matthew 28.16-20*)

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted.

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have

commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sunday Reflection** (*source from Diocese of Saskatoon*)

For Matthew, and for John, ascension coincided with the resurrection, thus completing Christ’s glory in heaven. The end of Matthew’s Gospel has Jesus declaring his authority and commissioning the apostles to carry on his work of spreading the Good News of God’s reign of peace, justice and love.

1. This scene takes place on a mountain – what other scenes with Jesus take place on a mountain? What, in your opinion, is the importance of the mountain?
2. How do you express the Great Commission to “make disciples, baptize and teach?”

**Pope’s Prayer Intention for May 2026:** *That everyone might have food: Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.*

***Our Parish Life of Service***

**Mass Times**

**WEEKDAYS:** Tuesday-Friday: 12:05 PM.

**WEEKENDS:** Saturday: 5:30 PM. Sunday: 9 AM. • 11 AM. • 4:30 PM.

**Baptism:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month-Parent Preparation session require

**Marriage:** a minimum of six months before the desired dates.

**Contact:** E-mail: [info@stfranciscalgary.com](mailto:info@stfranciscalgary.com) or Tel: 403-266-2512.

**Confessions:** 20’ before all masses or after.

**Rosary:** 30 minutes before Mass.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** after Wednesday Mass.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 20 Minutes before Mass, every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday.

**OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD**  
for the weeks of May 5-10:

**-Looses: \$1,002**  
**- Envelopes: \$2,050**  
**- Living W. Christ \$ 140**  
**- Donation for flowers: \$100**

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY AND CONTINUED  
SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.*

**TOGETHER IN ACTION (TIA)**

Our Parish 2026 Goal: **\$13, 861.99**

Raised to date **\$12,062.00**

To raised: **\$ 1,799.99**

**Please help our church get a goal  
for TIA in 2026 starting from  
January by online or contribution  
by envelopes. Thank You. May  
God bless for your generosity and  
support!**

ONLINE GIVING



## SUNDAY OFFERING TO GIVE ONLINE

You can donate directly to St Francis of Assisi's parish by clicking on the website: <https://www.catholiccyyc.ca/donatetoparish.html>

### Together in Action 2026

The 2026 Together in Action campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026. The theme for this year's TIA is inspired by the Jubilee Year of St. Francis. *"But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith without works, and I by my works will show you my faith."* (James 2:18) Learn more about TIA 2026 at [catholiccyyc.ca/tia](http://catholiccyyc.ca/tia)

### Pope's Pastoral Work

A special collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works will be taken up this Sunday. This annual collection supports the Holy Father's charitable assistance to people in need around the world, especially in times of disaster, conflict, and suffering. Donate online at [catholiccyyc.ca/popepastoralworks](http://catholiccyyc.ca/popepastoralworks)

### Natural Family Planning

Engaged and married couples are invited to an introductory workshop on Natural Family Planning that explores NFP as a practical and ethical aid in married life. When: **Thu, May 28, from 7 pm to 9 pm**, online via Zoom. Presented by Jenny Nguyen, RN, Natural Family Planning Instructor. Registration closes one day before the event. To register, call 403-218-5521.

### Oblates of Mary Immaculate

Bicentennial Celebration Celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate on the Feast of St. Eugene de Mazenod. When: **Thu, May 21, doors open at 5:30 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm at the Italian Cultural Centre, Edmonton**. The evening will gather the Catholic community and Christian ecumenical friends in gratitude for the Oblates' long history of mission and service. Featuring keynote speaker Fr. Ken Forster, OMI. Call for tickets: (780) 459-5511.

### Anointing of the Sick

If you are hospitalized in Calgary and want the Sacrament of the Sick, **please call 403-231-9505.**