

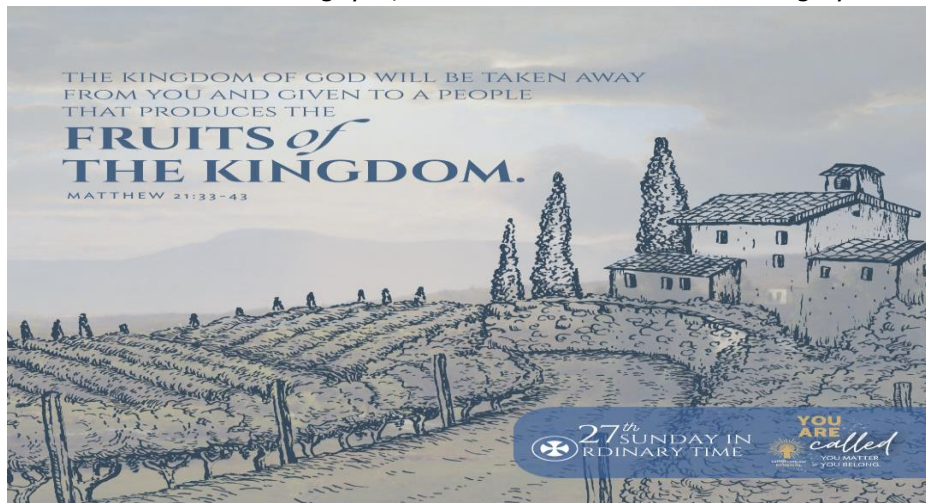


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Entrance Antiphon (*Cf. Esther 4.17*)

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading (*Isaiah 5.1-7*)

Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard:

“My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

“And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

“And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!”

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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 80)

You brought a vine out of Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it. It sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River. **R.**

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit? The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it. **R.**

Turn again, O God of hosts; look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand planted. **R.**

Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name. Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved. **R.**

Second Reading (Philippians 4.6-9)

Brothers and sisters: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Gospel Acclamation (see John 15.16)

Alleluia. Alleluia. I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will last. **Alleluia.**

Gospel (Matthew 21.33-43)

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way.

“Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

“Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: ‘The stone that builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’?”

“Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom.”

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

Sunday Reflection: *(source from Saskatoon Diocese)*

The allegory is in place. God is the owner of the vineyard. Israel, as the bearer of God’s revelation, is the vineyard. The tenants are the religious leaders. The owner is on a journey, and everything is set for productivity. What could go wrong? What goes wrong are the tenants. They refuse to produce wine in accord with the original planting. Finally we discover what their motives are. They want the vineyard for themselves. They want the inheritance.

1. *We do not own the vineyard; we work in it. When we want it all we receive no inheritance. How are we doing as workers in God’s vineyard?*
2. *What produce does God want to collect from us?*
3. *Who for you is someone who produces the fruits of the kingdom? How does this person inspire you?*

Pope’s Prayer Intention for October 2026: *For mental health ministry: Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.*

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: 2nd Saturday of the month-Parent Preparation session require

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

Contact: E-mail: 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 1st Friday.

OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD for the weeks of Sept. 22-27: -Looses: \$ 1,214 - Envelopes: \$ 1,920 - USD \$ 133 <i>THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.</i>		TOGETHER IN ACTION (TIA) Our Parish 2026 Goal: \$13, 861.99 Raised \$13,861.99 Our TIA Goal for 2026 Be Done. Thank You Very Much for your great support and donation for our Church. May God bless your generosity and your family!	
ONLINE GIVING 		SUNDAY OFFERING TO GIVE ONLINE You can donate directly to St Francis of Assisi’s parish by clicking on the website: <i>https://www.catholicyc.ca/donatetoparish.html</i>	

HAPPY FEAST DAY TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS



Although the Liturgy of the Church doesn’t allow us to celebrate the Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi on Sunday, we are also invited to remember and pray to Him. May Saint Francis of Assisi intercede for us and bless us with peace, health and all our needs.
Saint Francis of Assisi, pray for us.

PRIEST STUDY DAYS IN DIOCESE:

From, Monday, October 5 to Thursday, October 8, 2026, all Priests in Diocese will be absent from the Parishes. However, our Parish will have Masses every day. Fr. Joseph Vu will celebrate Masses from Tuesday to Friday. Please help me welcome him. Thank you.

ROSARY IN OCTOBER

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
We are walking in October called The Rosary Month. I would like to invite brothers and sisters to spend time praying with Rosary to offer our lives to our Mother Mary and to pray for our Church, the world, every family and for who are suffering.
May Mother Mary keep us in her lovely arms and bless us.
Thank you.