

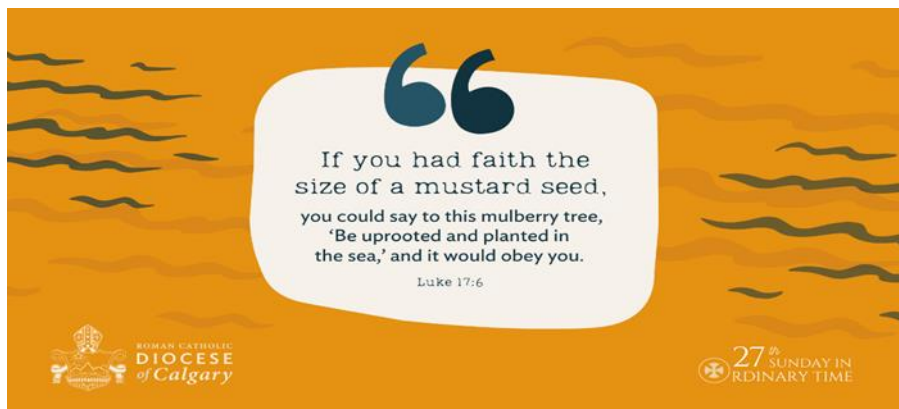


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If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

Luke 17:6



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 (*Habakkuk 1.2-3; 2.2-4*)

“O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you ‘Violence!’ and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.”

Then the Lord answered me and said: “Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud person! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous person lives by their faith.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*Psalm 95*)

R. O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! **R.**

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work. **R.**

Second Reading (*2 Timothy 1.6-8, 13-14*)

Beloved: I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the Gospel, relying on the power of God.

Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*1 Peter 1.25*)

Alleluia. Alleluia. The word of the Lord endures for ever; that word is the good news announced to you. **Alleluia.**

Gospel (*Luke 17.5-10*)

The Apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

SUNDAY'S REFLECTION: Faith is a gift!

Faith is a gift which enables us to say "yes" to truths and mysteries that we cannot fully understand by our own powers. Faith is a gift that enables us to commit our lives in trust and love to the God who is total mystery, the "totally 'other' One."

Dear brothers and sisters, today's gospel reading gives us two important reminders for living our lives as followers of Jesus. The first is about our faith, a very fundamental virtue but one that today's world so often challenges us with its modern discoveries that "explain" more and more the mysteries of our lives. The second reminder is one that may seem to be unconnected with faith but one which is actually related to the first. It is a reminder about humility. We are humble to ask God to increase our faith. As the disciples asked, "O Lord, increase our faith".

Pope's Prayer Intention for October 2025: Lord Jesus, You, who in diversity are one and look lovingly at every person, help us to recognize ourselves as brothers and sisters, called to live, pray, work, and dream.

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 required
- Marriage:** a minimum of six months before the desired date.
- Contact:** E-mail: info@stfranciscalgary.com or Tel: 403-266-2512.
- Confessions:** 20 minutes before all masses or after.
- Rosary:** 30 minutes before Mass.
- Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** after Wednesday Mass.
- Eucharistic Divine Mercy Adoration:** 20 Minutes before Mass, every 1st Friday of the month.

| OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD | TOGETHER IN ACTION (TIA) |
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| for the week of September 22 – 28 | |
| Regular Collection: | Our Parish 2025 Goal: \$ 13,816.00 |
| Loose: \$ 1,087.00 | |
| Envelope: \$ 1,800.00 | Raised to date: \$ 6, 976.00 |
| US: \$ 20.00 | |
| Bishop's Appeal: \$ 1,145.00 | To raise: \$ 6,840.00 |
| Living with Christ: \$ 475.00 | |
| THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH. | Transferred Mass intentions to Diocese of Calgary: \$ 1,215.00 |

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"As we celebrate the feast St. Francis this weekend, I wish to thank you, parishioners and visitors, for your continued commitment to our parish. I pray that our Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of Saint Francis of Assisi will continue to guide you as we walk together in Him, with

Him, for Him and through Him to serve others as He served us. Happy Feast Day!" (message from the pastor).

To the choir members of St. Francis of Assisi (choir of the 5:30pm Saturday Mass), we would like to thank you for your devoted service. May God, through the intercession of your patron saint, help you to be always faithful to the service of God and our community.

Priests Study Days (October 7, 8, 9): Fr. Michael Phi Nguyen will be away on study days. During his absence, our Parish won't have Mass at 12:05pm. Thank you for understanding.

During this month of October, Pope Leo XIV invites everyone to pray the rosary every day for peace - personally, for your families and in your communities.

Many Thanks:

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

On behalf of our Parishioners, I would like to say thank you very much for all the choir members who spent lots of time practicing for the Day of Installation to welcome a New Pastor. Thank you to all the volunteers who will prepare for this Mass and for the refreshment after Mass. Thank you to all the Altar Servers who helped our community during the Mass.

Many sincere thanks to our parishioners for spending their time to join us this weekend to welcome our Grace, Bishop McGrattan and my Dominican Vicariate, Fr. Joseph An Dang, O.P.

May God be with you all through the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi.

God bless,

Fr. Michael Phi Nguyen