



St Stephen Parish ~



2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Holy Mass 9:00 SFO Meeting 7:30 Saint Justin	2 CWL Year End Meeting 6:30 (Didsbury) Saint Marcellinus & Saint Peter	3 Holy Mass 9:00 24 Hour Adoration Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Adoration (Sundre) 1-6:00 Holy Mass (Sundre) 7:00 Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions	4 Holy Mass 5:00
5 Holy Mass 11:15 CWL Investment of Officers Holy Mass 7:00 CELEBRATING  Pentecost	6 PPC Meeting (Didsbury) 7:00 CWL Exec Meeting 7:00 Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church	7 Holy Mass 6:30 Liturgy Meeting 7:00	8 Holy Mass 9:00 KC Meeting 7:30 (Didsbury)	9  Saint Ephrem	10 Holy Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00	11 Holy Mass 5:00 Holy Mass 7:00 (Didsbury) Reconciliation 11:00
12 Holy Mass 9:00 Holy Mass 7:00  Trinity Sunday	13  Saint Anthony of Padua	14 Holy Mass 6:30 Holy Trinity School - Grade 8 Graduation Mass	15 Holy Mass 9:00 	16	17 Holy Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00	18 Holy Mass 5:00 Reconciliation 11:00 Corpus Christi Procession after Mass
19 Holy Mass 11:15 1st Communion Sunday HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! Corpus Christi	20 Adoration (Didsbury) 9-2:00 	21 Holy Mass 6:30 PPC Meeting (Olds) 7:00 National Indigenous Peoples Day Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	22 Holy Mass 9:00 Saint Thomas More Saint John Fisher Saint Paulinus of Nola	23 Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	24 Holy Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 The Most Sacred Heart	25 Holy Mass 5:00 Reconciliation 11:00 Following Mass – Fundraiser for the Ukrainian Refugees in Poland (Father Adam's Parish) Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
26 Holy Mass 9:00 Volunteer Appreciation Tea – Following Mass 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	27 Saint Cyril of Alexandria Bl. Nykyta Budka & Bl. Vasyly Velychkowsky	28 Holy Mass 6:30  Last Day of School Saint Irenaeus	29 Holy Mass 9:00  Saint Peter & Saint Paul	30 1st Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church		

The Story of the Infant Jesus of Prague ~ “The more you honour Me, the more I will bless you.”

Special devotion to the Divine Child originated with the Carmelites in the city of Prague, Bohemia, in the beginning of the 17th century. Princess Polyxenia of Lobkowitz had received as a wedding gift from her mother a statue of the Divine Child, previously brought from Spain.

It was a small statue, just 19” tall, made of wood, wax, and cloth. It represented the infant Jesus dressed in royal robes and wearing a king’s crown.

After the death of her husband, the princess devoted herself to works of charity and was particularly helpful to the Carmelites in Prague. In 1628, when the Carmelite Monastery had been reduced to poverty, owing to the ravages of war, the princess gave her precious statue to the Carmelites, saying, “I give you what I prize most highly in the world; honour and respect the Child Jesus and you shall never be in want.”

Her gift was placed in the Carmelite oratory. The words of the princess proved prophetic, for as long as the Carmelites kept up their devotion to the Divine Infant of Prague, everything prospered with them.

The Carmelites were later forced to flee from the city, and in the confusion of the war, they were unable to take with them their miraculous statue. The invaders seized it and threw it into a pile of rubbish.

In 1635, peace came to Prague and the Carmelites returned. One of them, Father Cyril, who had previously received great spiritual help through his devotion to the Infant of Prague, sought the statue and found it amidst the rubbish.

Overjoyed, he again placed the statue in the oratory. Father Cyril knelt in prayer before the small statue. Gazing upon the simple statue of the Child Jesus, he contemplated the most marvelous mystery in the history of the world, the Incarnation. He was filled with awe and wonder as he prayed to the God who became a child because of his love for us.

Suddenly, the statue spoke to him. Father Cyril was stunned as he heard these words of promise.:

“HAVE MERCY ON ME AND I WILL HAVE MERCY ON YOU. GIVE ME HANDS AND I WILL GIVE YOU PEACE. THE MORE YOU HONOUR ME, THE MORE I WILL BLESS YOU.”

Startled by these words, Father Cyril examined the statue, and upon drawing aside the mantle covering it, he found that both hands were broken off. The hands were later restored through the generosity of a devotee of the Divine Child.

St. Therese, the Little Flower, was also a most fervent venerator. For more that 3 centuries, this promise has inspired a worldwide devotion to the Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague. The original statue is still preserved in the church of St. Mary of Victory in Prague.

Today, replicas and models of the small statue are honoured in every part of the world. The list of blessings attributed by devotees of the Infant Jesus is endless: health restored, financial problems solved, gifts of peace of mind and soul, and innumerable healings, both physical and spiritual. God has been astonishingly generous in blessing those who have been devoted to his Infant Son.



NOVENA

O Jesus, who has said, “Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock, and it shall be opened,” through the intercession of Mary, Your Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted. *(Make your request)*

O Jesus, who has said, “All that you ask of the Father is My Name, He will grant you,” through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask your Father in your name that my prayer will be granted. *(Make your request)*

O Jesus, who has said, “Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass away,” through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy, Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted. *(Make your request)*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Divine Infant Jesus, I know you love me and would never leave me. I thank you for your close presence in my life.

Miraculous Infant, I believe in your promise of peace, blessings, and freedom from want. I place every need and care in your hands.

Lord Jesus, may I always trust in your generous mercy and love. I want to honour and praise you, now and forever. Amen.

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