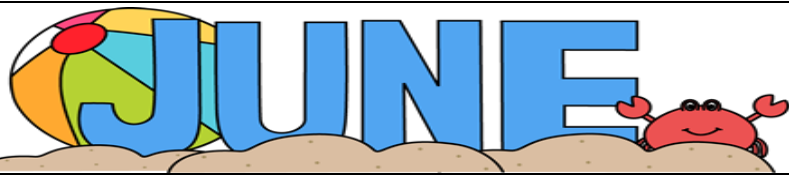



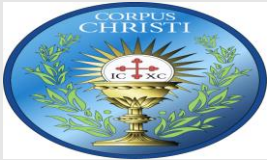






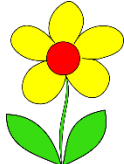


JUNE



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 CWL Windup 6:00 (Didsbury) Saint Justin	2 Holy Mass 9:00 24 Hour Adoration (Olds) Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Adoration (Sundre) 1-6:00 Holy Mass (Sundre) 7:00 Saint Marcellinus Saint Peter	3 Holy Mass 5:00 Reconciliation 11:00 Parish Potluck 6:00 AGM (Olds) 7:00 Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions
4 Holy Mass 11:15 1 st Communion Sunday Holy Mass 7:00 High School Grad Mass	5 PPC Meeting (Didsbury) 7:00  Saint Boniface	6 Holy Mass 6:30 Saint Norbert	7 Holy Mass 9:00 SFO Meeting 7:00 Saint Norbert	8	9 Holy Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Saint Ephrem	10 Holy Mass 5:00 Holy Mass 7:00 (Didsbury) 
11 Holy Mass 9:00 Holy Mass 7:00 	12	13 Holy Mass 6:30  Saint Anthony of Padua	14 Holy Mass 9:15 KC Meeting (Didsbury) 7:30 Saint Norbert	15 Holy Trinity Grade 8 Grad 6:00	16 Holy Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00  Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	17 Holy Mass 5:00 Reconciliation 11:00 The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
18 Holy Mass 11:15 Coffee & Muffins after Mass Holy Mass 7:00 	19 Adoration (Didsbury) 9-2:00  Saint Romuald	20 Morning Prayer 9:00 PPC Meeting (Olds) 7:00 Father Nilo will be away on Pilgrimage June 20 – July 1	21 Morning Prayer 9:00 CWL Windup BBQ (Olds) Summer Begins! National Indigenous People Day Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	22 PPC Meeting (Sundre) 7:00 Saint Paulinus of Nola Saint John Fisher Saint Thomas More	23 Morning Prayer 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00	24 Holy Mass 5:00 The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
25 Holy Mass 9:00 Volunteer Appreciation Brunch following Mass  Holy Mass 7:00	26	27 Morning Prayer 9:00  Saint Cyril of Alexandria Blessed Nykyta Budka & Blessed Vasyl Velychkowsky	28 Morning Prayer 9:00 Saint Irenaeus	29  Saint Peter & Saint Paul	30 No Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 1 st Martyrs of the Church of Rome	

SOME CATHOLIC TRIVIA:

1. The word “Catholic” was first used by Ignatius of Antioch around the year A.D. 110. It is from the Greek word *katholikos*, which means “toward the whole.” Ignatius was suggesting that the Church is a gift offered by Christ to all people.
2. The Catholic Church is the body of churches that are in full communion with the Bishop of Rome, which includes the Roman Catholic Church and 22 Eastern Catholic Churches.
3. The first printed Bible was printed under the supervision of the Catholic Church. It was printed by the Catholic inventor of the printing press: Johannes Gutenberg.
4. It was the Catholic Church that added modern-day chapters and numbered verses to the Bible.
5. The fish, or ICHTHUS, is the symbol used by early Christians to identify themselves in times of persecution. In Greek, ICHTHUS (ΙΧΘΥΣ) is a monogram for the first five letters of the words “Jesus Christ Son of God, Savior.”
6. The Big-Bang theory was proposed by a Catholic priest, Monsignor Georges Lemaitre.
7. In the 17th century, the Roman Catholic Church ruled that beavers were fish and could be eaten on Fridays.
8. The earliest reference to infant baptism was by Irenaeus (130–202) in his work *Against Heresies*.
9. The word “Christian” was initially a derogatory name. The new religion appealed largely to the urban poor, women, non-citizens, social outcasts, and slaves because the essence of the Gospel was that they did not need money or education to belong to the kingdom.
10. Catholics rely more on ritual and ceremony than do most other Christian religions. The intent of the rituals is to create an experience in which faith is felt and religion literally comes to life, with God’s presence in the here-and-now world.
11. Though he never officially took the title during his lifetime, St. Peter, whose original name was Simon, was the first head of the Catholic Church, or the first pope. One of Christ’s 12 apostles, Peter preached throughout Asia Minor (present-day Turkey) before going to Rome, where Emperor Nero crucified him—upside down.
12. The Vatican is the smallest sovereign state in the world.
13. Approximately 3% of Iraq is Catholic. The Catholic Church has been in Iraq for 400 years.
14. “Simon Peter bar Johah,” if taken in its literal meaning would mean that Peter’s name is actually “Rocky Johnson.”
15. The Tridentine rite, also now known as the “traditional Latin mass,” was promulgated in 1570. Contrary to popular belief, this rite was not imposed on the dioceses of the world, but was offered as a “novus ordo” in light of the decrees of the Council of Trent. Pope Pius V allowed the usage of any rites older than 200 years old, but because Rome was now using the Tridentine Rite, and dioceses wanted to be like Rome, they willingly changed over to the new rite. The older rites naturally fell out of usage but were still valid forms of the mass.
16. The oldest prayer for the intercession of the Virgin Mary, the “Sub tuum praesidium (Beneath thy protection),” dates from circa AD 250.
17. Christmas is not the most important feast on the Church calendar. Of course, it’s a joyful time, but were it not for the largely-commercial-driven “holiday spirit,” the feast of the Nativity of the Lord might not be noticed by most people in our society today. Far more important, according to Catholic theology, is the Feast of the Resurrection, commonly known as Easter. It has been called the “Feast of Feasts,” because Christ’s self-sacrifice on the Cross has won salvation for fallen man. It is the reason why we celebrate Christmas: Christ was born in order to suffer, die for our sins and rise from the dead.
18. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of June is set apart for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

