



This Week In Our Parish LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 8 5:00 pm mass:	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time †Lillian Congo / Fraser Family
Sunday, September 9 9:00 am mass: 11:00 am mass:	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Cecile Housey / Jim and Jenny †Ugo Gatto / Family
Monday, September 10 9:00 am mass: 10:30 am mass:	Ferial Georgina Valdecanas / Cely M. Guinto Southwood Care Centre: John Dyck / K of C
Tuesday, September 11 9:00 am mass: 7:00 pm mass:	Ferial †Tyrone Deane / Family Eva Marie and Kumar and Family / Trudy CWL Mass: †Marie Eli / CWL
Wednesday, September 12 7:00 am mass: 9:00 am mass: 6:30 pm:	Ferial / Holy Name of Mary †Jerry Palko / Paul and Evelyn †Amanda Obispo Prayers for the Sick
Thursday, September 13 7:00 am mass: 9:00 am mass	Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom Second Intention: Eva Marie and Kumar and Family / Trudy †Sister Rita Doyle / Kathleen and family
Friday, September 14 7:00 am mass: 9:00 am mass:	Feast of the Triumph of the Cross Eva Marie / Trudy †Tekla Sowinski / Steve and Rosemarie
Saturday, September 15 9:00 am mass:	Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows †Vernon Joseph Grady / K of C 4878
Saturday, September 15 5:00 pm mass:	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time †Father Josef Schmelz / Fraser Family
Sunday, September 16 9:00 am mass: 11:00 am mass:	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time †Esmeraldo Dayrit / Alfonso family †Vern McLeod / Ross and Elaine

Dear Parishioners,

By now, many of you know that St. Cecilia has a new Associate Pastor. My name is M. Leo Felix Monroe, SAC, and I was born on January 22nd, 1953. I come from the southern part of India from the province of Tamilnadu, a land full of temples dedicated to numerous Hindu gods. Brought up in a religious family (my sister Betsy Clara is a nun belonging to an Italian congregation known as Guanellian Sisters), I studied in a Jesuit school. Finally destined to be a Pallottine, I was ordained as a priest in 1978, after serving in many parishes and Pallottine institutions in India. I'm happy to be appointed to the parish of St. Cecilia. Thank you for welcoming me in your midst as your associate pastor.

Being in Canada for a year from last September 2006, residing at Fort Saskatchewan, was a big challenge. The weather, food, life style and the culture were totally alien to me. Yet, I made it after initial difficulties. The Word of God - "Man shall not live by bread alone but by every Word that comes from God" is so real to me.

For all of us, Jesus' call to discipleship and to take up the cross is going to involve a major change in our life style. But honestly, we do not know whether we possess the courage and strength to imitate Christ and carry the cross. We know our many faults and weaknesses.

A life of faith and challenge is one of sacrifice, and we are called to cast aside anything that would get in the way of God's will. We should pray about this and seek God's help in his presence in the Eucharist and his Word that is proclaimed. We should be open to the "Holy Spirit from on high." Where there is love and willingness and a thirst for the living God, all things are possible with God's grace.

God bless you all.

Fr. M. Leo Felix Monroe

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Our team meets once a week with anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. Meetings each week provide opportunities for all of us to share our faith and to learn. It is our hope that you will encourage and refer any one you know who is interested or has questions. Please contact Mary at 249-9377 for further information. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, September 11th, at 7:00 p.m.