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Christ Church Elbow Park, Calgary
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Today – Christ Church Café: Thank you to James McAra, President and CEO of the Calgary Food Bank. James McAra is known for his long-standing passion to make Calgary an amazing place for everyone. As a community leader, builder, and advocate, James and his team work to create a hunger free Calgary. Food does have a role in addressing poverty and the root causes. By actively collaborating with many other community agencies, James' view is to build and sustain a healthy community.

Worship & Prayer

Prayer Booklets & Readings for the Epiphany season are available in the Loggia and Narthex. These include Sunday's readings, as well as concurrent daily office readings.

Wednesdays at 11:00am - Mid-Week Eucharist - You are welcome weekly in the Lady Chapel for Holy Eucharist, followed by fellowship in the Crump Room. Bring your lunch and stay for bridge!

January 28 – Evensong at 4:30pm with music, hymns and readings for the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.

Palms from last year may be deposited in the basket in the Narthex in preparation for Ash Wednesday on February 14.

February 14, Ash Wednesday and Lent begins with services of Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes at 11am and 7:30pm.

Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 4:30pm at the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer – Brandon's Ordination! The Reverend Deacon Brandon Witwer will be one of the candidates for ordination to the priesthood at our Cathedral. Your presence, prayers and encouragement for all the candidates is most appreciated.

Outreach

February 24 is the Coldest Night of the Year – Walk in solidarity with our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness. Funds raised support Karios Calgary's fundraising effort to pay down the mortgage on the Bankview apartments, an affordable housing apartment building. Proceeds also support the ongoing needs of the Feed the Hungry program. For more information go to www.coldestnightoftheyear.org.

Are you Downsizing or Spring Cleaning? The Calgary Immigrant Support Society (formerly the Syrian Refugee Support Group of Calgary) is in constant need of used furniture, clean mattresses and bed frames, appliances, kitchen items, baby items (cribs, high

chairs, car seats, strollers) and bicycles for new immigrants. Very often, pickup from your home can be arranged very quickly. Not all immigrants are fortunate enough to have sponsors and so some families arrive to an apartment in Calgary that is empty. Please email Joni Mallabone for more information at jonimallabone@shaw.ca.

Pastoral Care

January 28, 9:15am, the Prayer Shawl Group meets in the Sitting Room. We welcome all who would be interested in this ministry, whether young, no longer young, men, women, boys, girls, new or experienced knitters, crocheters. Our members are very happy to help anyone who feels they need it. If you would like more information about this ministry, there are pamphlets on the shelf in the loggia explaining the history and background of Prayer Shawls, with contact information. Please feel free to take a copy.

Education & Community

Photo Directory: We thank the following members for their assistance during the photo sessions. Shirley Adams, Ann Evans, Lucille Gishler, Shirley Slater and Christine Stuart-Smith who made the reminder telephone calls. Maureen Bell, Gwyn Langemann, Jocelyn Peeling and Nancy Stapley who carried out receptionist duties. Finally, Blane Hogue who returned the chairs and tables to their usual places. Your help was appreciated. April, Dorothy and Effie.

Lectionary Logic – our weekly study of the coming Sunday’s readings is on Thursdays at 10:30 in the morning. Meanwhile, for your own study next week’s Sunday readings (January 28) are: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28. .

February 8 & 10 at St. Laurence: The Gospels of Mark & John, a dramatic interpretation by Angus Stuart. Presented by the Wisdom Centre, tickets are \$15 for each or \$25 for both before February 1, \$20 each at the door. For more information and tickets go to www.wisdomcentre.ca/events

Lenten Study “Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John” – Daily prayer and online reflections for the season of Lent, and sharing a Lenten journey through the Gospel of John with the monks of The Society of St. John the Evangelist (SSJE) in Cambridge, MA. Reflections begin Ash Wednesday, and our first meeting together will be **February 21st**. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex and the Church Office. A limited number of the journals are available, but you can also download them - cost for materials is \$15.

The Christ Church Website is completely revised, and a good place to learn more about Christ Church, at www.christchurchcalgary.org.

Secretary on Vacation

Suzan Pedersen, Parish Secretary, is taking a short vacation and will be out of the office this week, returning on January 29. In her absence, a group of volunteers will be assisting in the office between 9:00am and 3:30pm.