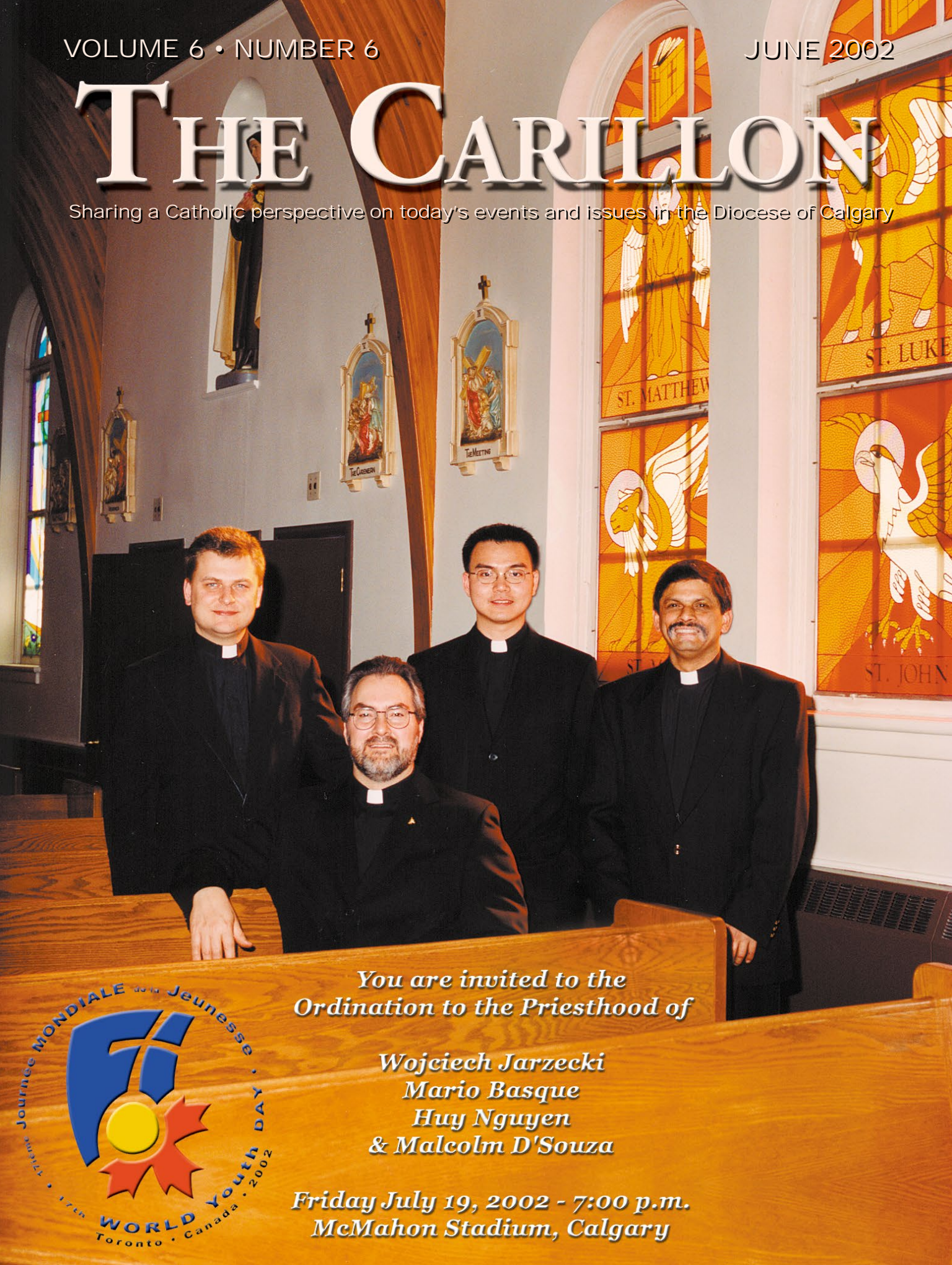


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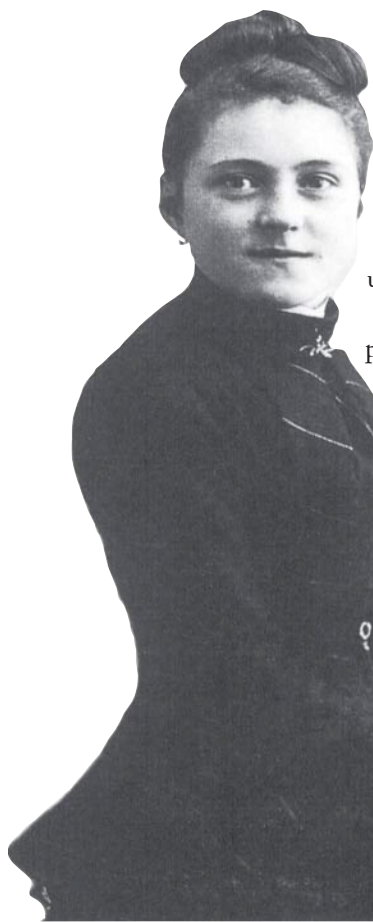
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& Malcolm D'Souza*

*Friday July 19, 2002 - 7:00 p.m.  
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# The St. Therese Society

*"I wish to spend my heaven doing good on earth.... I will help priests, missionaries, the whole Church."*

These words of St. Therese of Lisieux, shortly before her death at the age of 24, express her desire to continue praying for priests and all vocations as she faithfully did while in this world. Such prayer was and remains her response to the invitation of our Lord, who taught us to pray that more labourers be sent into his harvest [Luke 10:2].

As a young nun, St. Therese felt intensely the difficulties which the Church faced and prayed especially for priests. "Though their dignity raises them above the angels," she writes in her widely read autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, "they are nevertheless, weak and fragile men." With the decline of contemplative religious orders, priests today lack the prayerful support they once had, though they often encounter greater challenges. Members of the St. Therese Society appropriately join with the "Little Flower" in praying for all priests that they may flourish and persevere in their vocation.

As we enter the Third Millennium, the Church is experiencing the presence of St. Therese in a striking way. Already referred to as "the greatest Saint of modern times" by St. Pius X, she was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997—a recognition of the extraordinary wisdom of her spiritual doctrine. As the youngest person ever to be given this title, she is a timely guide for young people, who will soon be called to bring the Gospel to future generations.

By joining the St. Therese Society and making a commitment to praying for vocations, persons unite themselves with her work and that of the universal Church in fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life. A monthly Mass is offered for all members of the society, who receive a newsletter updating them on the vocation apostolate in our Diocese.

With confidence, let us approach the Lord of the Harvest that he will increase the numbers of those who will entrust themselves to his service and strengthen those who already labour for him.

## ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX 1873-1897

Since its inception, more than 500 members of our diocese have joined the St. Therese Society and the Victoria, Nelson, Edmonton, and Halifax dioceses have started the same program. For information regarding the St. Therese Society contact Fr. Myles Gaffney at 245-2753.

### The members of the St. Therese Society in the Diocese of Calgary have pledged to:

- 1) Offer a daily prayer for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
- 2) Offer a daily prayer for the priests ordained in and serving in our Diocese.
- 3) Make a Holy Hour each week (in church or at home) for an increase in vocations in our Diocese, for the perseverance of the seminarians now studying for the priesthood and for an outpouring of grace upon the priests serving our Diocese.
- 4) Attend Mass once a month for these same intentions.
- 5) Offer a share in any sufferings they experience for an increase in vocations in our Diocese and an increase in zeal, fervour, and grace for our priests, deacons and religious serving our Diocese.



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*Heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, we earnestly ask you to bless our diocese and our world with many priests who will love you fervently, and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.*

*We pray that their lives may be always centered on our Eucharistic Lord, that they may be always faithful to the Holy Father, and that they may be devoted Sons of Mary, our mother, in making you known and loved; and that all may attain heaven.*

*Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes those whom you desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name.*

# Prayerfully Supporting Our Deacons as they Make their Final Preparations for Ordination to the Priesthood

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This is a celebration for  
families to attend.



Congratulations...  
Ordinands to the Priesthood  
and to the Permanent Diaconate

FCJ Sisters and FCJ Centre wish each  
of you joy, peace and a fruitful ministry



May God bless our new priests on the  
day of their ordination, July 19, 2002

a grassroots Catholic organization in Alberta  
advocating  
and mobilizing on issues that impact faith and life.



Deacons Malcolm D'Souza, Mario  
Basque, Wojciech Jarzecki, and  
Huy Nguyen

May you be blessed in your  
Ministry to the Faithful of our  
Diocese and beyond.

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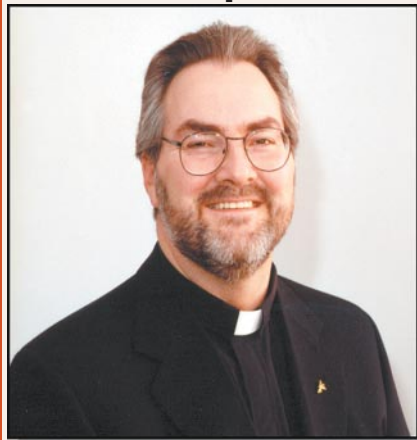


Congratulations and Best Wishes  
to our four Deacons on their  
Ordination to Priesthood.

We, too, salute the participants of  
World Youth Day 2002 on their  
journey of faith.

Leo R. Klein, State Deputy

## Mario Basque



I am originally from Caraquet, New Brunswick, a small French Acadian town of 4000 people. I am number 13 from a family of 15 children. I moved to Calgary in 1982 to enroll in the Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic Program at S.A.I.T., after which I worked as a medic.

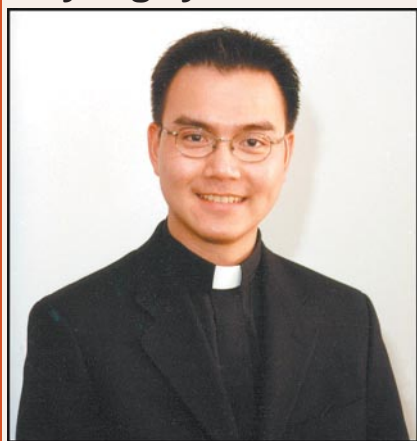
Concerning my faith life, I had a powerful conversion experience at the age of 21. I spent two years (1983-1985) with the St. Mary's Young Adult Ministry Group at St. Mary's Cathedral under the guidance of Fr. Bill Stephenson and Sr. Ernestine. In September of 1985, I joined the University of Calgary Catholic Community (UCCC) led by Fr. Dave Armstrong. The UCCC Prayer Group deepened my faith and commitment as a Catholic. Another prominent group that had a deep influence on my faith life was the Calgary Live-In Retreat Movement.

Between 1982 and 1988, the thought of becoming a priest did not cross my mind, even though there several people approached me on the subject. I was in Caraquet caring for my father and one Sunday, during Mass I saw the priest hold the Eucharist up and I heard a voice say to me, "You can do that!" I was quite

shaken by the experience. I told God that I did not want to be a priest; that I wanted to get married, have a good paying job and do what I wanted. For the next five years, I had a high paying management job, a wonderful girlfriend and did what I wanted to do and after a while it was not enough. I had a sense of being without direction and purpose.

I went to a spiritual director for a year to discern which direction to take in my life and I remembered the call from God of five years ago. My spiritual director helped me to realize that I could no longer run away from the call to the priesthood and the next step in the process was to go to the seminary. I entered Mount Angel Seminary at Mount Angel, Oregon, in August of 1994 and stayed until 1997 and went to St. Joseph Seminary in Edmonton for five years. I will be ordained to the Ministerial Priesthood on July 19, 2002.

## Huy Nguyen



God's plan has manifested itself in ways that I often do not understand.

I came from a "fairly large" family of 13 children, 10 girls and three boys. My oldest brother passed away two years ago from cancer; my other brother is Fr. Dominic Hung Nguyen, the Catholic chaplain at Foothills Hospital.

I grew up in Vietnam. What distinguished me from my Buddhist friends in the neighbourhood was that my fam-

ily prayed every night after supper and we went to church daily. After receiving my first Communion, I was an altar server for eight years, until I was 15.

Serving at the altar as well as being nurtured in a loving and faith-filled environment might have something to do with the subtle call to the priesthood I experienced. I remember playing "Mass" while my sisters pretended to be the congregation and, of course, the best choir. Over the years, I got to know many good priests. However, my only wish when I came to Calgary 11 years ago was to obtain a university degree, get a job, a nice sporty car, and live my life happily ever after.

Despite times of indifference when it came to faith, I came to realize that no matter what I did, God must always be the center of my life. This conviction brought me back to my childhood interest in the priesthood. With my brother's encouragement, I decided to consider my religious vocation.

The discernment process took me on a journey to Mount Angel Seminary in

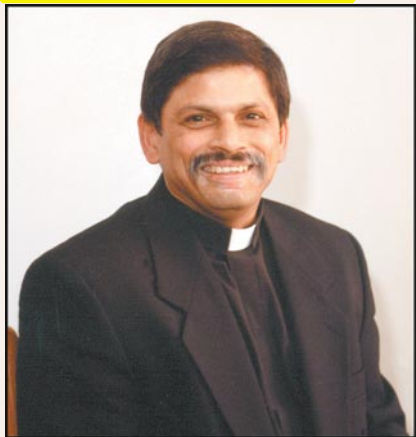
Oregon. After four years of philosophical studies and formation, I moved to St. Joseph's Seminary in Edmonton where I continued to deepen my understanding of faith, and God's call for me.

I believe that God calls us through other people and I have been blessed with my parents and family, parish priests, teachers and the people at St. Mary's, Medicine Hat where I did my internship, all who have helped to convey God's call to me.

"You are the salt of the earth ... you are the light of the world" [Mt 5:13-14] is the World Youth Day theme. I don't know if I have ever been "salt" and "light" for others, but I do know that my vocation to the priesthood is a testimony of God's loving presence in the little elements of "salt" and "light" that many people have become in my life. Preparing for ordination to the presbyterate this summer, I pray that my future ministry will be an encounter of love and hope, where every little episode of life becomes an opportunity to carry out God's divine plan.



## Malcolm D'Souza



Growing up in Bombay, India, the priesthood was not something that I had considered. The youngest of five children, I have three brothers and a sister. I studied at an English medium school run by the Jesuit priests. After high school I worked for my father. Life was wonderful as all my needs were met. I played soccer, badminton, cricket, and read books. I loved playing Scrabble,

solving crossword puzzles and enjoyed looking up obscure words to use on my friends! Yet there was an emptiness in my life that I could not understand.

Fr. Ronald Braganza used to play soccer with the youth of the parish. In 1985, I mentioned my feelings of emptiness to him and explained that the notion of priesthood had entered my mind. After some discussion he asked a question that I then ignored, "Is God calling you?"

In 1986, I accepted the opportunity to work in the Middle East as a service technician. It was here that I experienced the lack of the Eucharist and my prayer life reached the bottom of the barrel. In 1990 I came to Canada, after my parents. I worked at different jobs and my plans were to save some money, to get married, and to raise a family.

One evening while I was driving along Crowchild Trail, Fr. Braganza's words came to me loud and clear as though he was sitting in the passenger seat. He had told me that God would take me to the

Middle East, then to Canada, and then call me. Was God calling me? Was this my call? My parents and family were very supportive and encouraged me to pursue this call to the priesthood.

After meetings, discussions and psychological evaluations I was sent to the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, B.C. to study Philosophy and then to study Theology at St. Joseph Seminary in Edmonton. As I was driving up the road toward the abbey in Mission, I felt I was finally coming home after a long journey. It was in Mission that I began to write poetry on religious themes.

Through many ups and downs, and through the affirmations of the people of God, I do feel that I have been called to the priesthood in the service of his people. The experiences during my internship at St. Bonaventure Parish will always be a cherished memory. To the many people who have assisted me in my formation toward the priesthood I offer my sincere and heartfelt thanks.

## Wojciech Jarzecki



I was born 30 years ago in a mid-size town close to Krakow, Poland.

Both of my parents are Catholic, which is not unusual, as 95-98% of the population of Poland is Catholic. I have two sisters – one younger and one who is older than me.

There was nothing out of the ordinary about my upbringing. In grade eight I joined a Catholic youth group, with which I was involved in for several

years. I think that this was my first step toward my religious vocation. Before grade nine I had to decide what kind of high school I would attend, and decided to go to one where I could learn to be an electronics technician. If I did not have a vocation to the priesthood that would have been my second choice, as I am very interested in computers.

I think my vocation started to become clear to me when I was in a grade 11. I started to look more seriously into the possibility of entering the seminary. I spoke to few priests and took a closer look at the life of a parish priest. A year before I finished high school I decided that after graduating I would go to the seminary. I have to admit that at the time I did not know much about the life of a seminarian or a priest. At the same time, I started to develop and appreciate the importance of prayer.

When I entered the seminary I did not have any idea where I would end up. After my third year in the seminary in Krakow I received an invitation from

Archbishop Hucault of St. Boniface to come to Canada. That was the first big decision I made completely on faith. I had never been outside of Poland, and did not know English or French.

It has been over five years since I arrived in Winnipeg. The next two years were spent learning the new language and getting accustomed to Canada. After that I spent the next two years in Edmonton finishing my studies. I have been in Calgary for almost two years doing pastoral work at St. Gerard's Parish. On January 2 this year I was ordained deacon.

I have learned much about the importance of prayer and trust in our Lord. There were a few decisions that I was scared to make, but I did make them because of that trust. At times God is demanding, but he also knows how to give rewards I could never think of. Right now I am at the point of closure of the last decade and am beginning of a new period of vocation with new demands and new rewards.

# Diocesan Dates

## Pope John Paul II's Intentions for June 2002

**General:** That the leaders and members of different religions may cooperate in their search for world peace, based on conversion of heart and fraternal dialogue;

**Mission:** That the lay faithful, in virtue of their Baptism, may strive with all their strength to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world in their own environments.

### June 3 - 6 • Summer Ecumenical Institute

Principal Speaker: Rev. Herbert O'Driscoll

Place: FCJ Centre, 219 - 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW

Contact: Anna Tremblay, 218-5521

### June 7 - 8 • Become the Beloved

Retreat based on Henri Nouwen's book, *Life of the Beloved*

Facilitator: Rev. Dr. John Henry Weinlick

Location: #150, 1402 - 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW

Cost: \$50.00

Contact: *Spiritual Directions*, 210-2802

### June 8 • Catholic Charismatic Prayer Breakfast

Guest Speaker: Suresh Dominic

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Summer dates: July 13 and August 10

Location: La Joie de Vivre, 1008 - 14<sup>th</sup> Street SE

Contact: Frank, 276-1577

### June 9 • Informal Coffee Get Together

Invited: Parish Ecumenical Reps from the Diocese

RSVP: Anna Tremblay, 218-5521

June 11 Taizé Prayer

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: St. Gerard's Church, 8944 Elbow Drive SW

Contact: Anna, 218-5521 or Peggy, 571-0155

### June 14 • Fr. Stan Henke's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

Time: Cocktails, 6:00 p.m.; Dinner, 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Stephen's Ukrainian Church Hall

4903 - 45<sup>th</sup> Street SW

Tickets: \$15.00/person

Contact: Holy Name Parish, 249-7764

### June 16 • Fr. Stan Henke's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Holy Name Church, 2223 - 34<sup>th</sup> Street SW

Contact: Holy Name Parish Office, 249-7764

### June 16 • Canonization of "Padre Pio"

Time: 11:00 a.m. Concelebrated Mass; Lunch

Place: Our Lady of Grace Church, 1714 - 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE

Contact: Parish Office, 276-1689

### June 20 • Father Lacombe Nursing Home 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

Time: 7:45 a.m. Shotgun Start

Place: Calgary Elks Lodge and Golf

Registration Fee: \$200.00

Proceeds will be used to purchase special equipment

Contact: Bernie McKenzie-Brown at 254-6280

### June 23 • Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 - 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW

### June 24 • Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 - 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW

### July 14 - 20 • Retreat Week with Fr. Tom Ryan CSP

Theme: Towards Life to the Full: Living and Praying with Body, Mind, and Spirit

Cost: \$350.00 (live-in)

Location: FCJ Christian Life Centre, 228-4215

### July 18 - 21 • WYD 2002 – Days in the Diocese

Please see back cover for full itinerary and details

### July 18 • WYD 2002 – Days in the Diocese

Event: Canadian Badlands Passion Play

Time: 6:30 p.m.

(1.5 hours from Calgary, allow time to park)

Tickets: \$20.00/adults; \$10.00/children

Location: Drumheller, Alberta

Contact: WYD Office, 218-5512

### July 19 • WYD 2002 – Ordination of Four Priests

Ordinandi: Mario Basque, Malcolm D'Souza, Huy Nguyen, and Wojciech Jarzecki

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: McMahon Stadium, NW, Calgary

Contact: Fr. Myles Gaffney, 245-2753

### July 22 • WYD 2002 – with POPE JOHN PAUL II

Location: Toronto, Ontario

### August 11 - 16 • North American Forum on the Catechumenate

Theme: The Initiation Experience – Beginnings & Beyond

Register: as soon as possible

Contact: Diocesan Liturgy Commission, 218-5511

### Cemetery Memorial Masses • 7:00 p.m. (rain or shine)

June 25 • St. Mary's Cemetery

June 26 • Holy Family Cemetery

August 6 • Good Shepherd Cemetery

August 7 • St. Joseph Cemetery



# 17th World Youth Day Canada

*Anticipation mounts as dozens of youth assemble and form the letters WYD, counting the days to WYD 2002!*



## DAYS IN THE DIOCESE JULY 18-21

The Days in the Diocese allows youth in Canada to welcome their peers from other countries into their homes, parishes and communities. The program of Days in the Diocese includes spiritual, social, and cultural activities that complement, but do not duplicate the activities scheduled to take place in Toronto. It will be an occasion for more personal contact and small-scale events, whereas the Toronto portion of WYD will feature much larger gatherings. Although WYD is designed for an audience of youth aged 16 - 35, the Days in the Diocese offers an opportunity to involve people of all ages in WYD.

The logistics of hosting visitors in a diocese is substantial. Everyone can participate in the spiritual preparation of the youth that will represent them in Toronto.

### Calgary's Involvement in Days in the Diocese

As a gesture of hospitality, host families in Calgary will billet pilgrims during Days in the Diocese from our diocese and from around the world! Presently, our diocese is hosting pilgrims from as far away as Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and Poland. All are invited to take part in the Days in the Diocese.

### Schedule of Events for Days in the Diocese in Calgary

#### July 18<sup>th</sup> • Passion Play in Drumheller, 6:30 p.m.

*The Canadian Badlands Passion Play is a dramatic production portraying the life and Passion of Jesus Christ. Set in the Canadian Badlands, in an outdoor amphitheatre, the production recreates the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

#### July 19<sup>th</sup> • Morning Prayer

- Barbecue Brunch provided by the Knight of Columbus at hub parishes
- Ordination Mass at McMahon Stadium, 7:00 p.m.

#### July 20<sup>th</sup> • Morning Prayer

- Choice of 3 main activities for WYD Pilgrims

- 1) Hike in Banff beginning with a Spiritual Activity at St. Mary's Church in Banff
- 2) Visit to Frank Slide beginning with a Spiritual Activity at Standoff
- 3) Outing at Big Hill Springs Park beginning with a Spiritual Activity at Mount St. Francis

- BREATHE - Ecumenical rally at U of C, 7:00 p.m.

#### July 21<sup>st</sup>

- Morning Mass with Bishop Henry