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## **Notices March 15th, 2026 - Lent 4**

Readings for this Sunday: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Readings for next Sunday: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

**Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am**

## **Holy Week at Christ Church**

### **Palm Sunday - March 29**

Eucharist & Procession - 8am & 10.30am

Tenebrae - 7.30pm

### **Maundy Thursday - April 2**

Eucharist & Foot Washing - 7.30pm

### **Good Friday - April 3**

Family Service - 9.30am

Meditation on the Cross - 12pm

### **Holy Saturday - April 4**

Easter Vigil - 7.30pm

### **Resurrection Sunday - April 5**

Eucharist - 8am & 10.30am

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## **Weekly Events at Christ Church**

Wednesdays 11am - **Lectio Divina & Holy Eucharist** in the Chapel

Wednesdays 5pm - **Meditation** in the Sitting Room

Wednesdays 1pm - **Seniors Bridge** - All are welcome

Thursdays 10.30am - **Bible Study** in the Crump Room

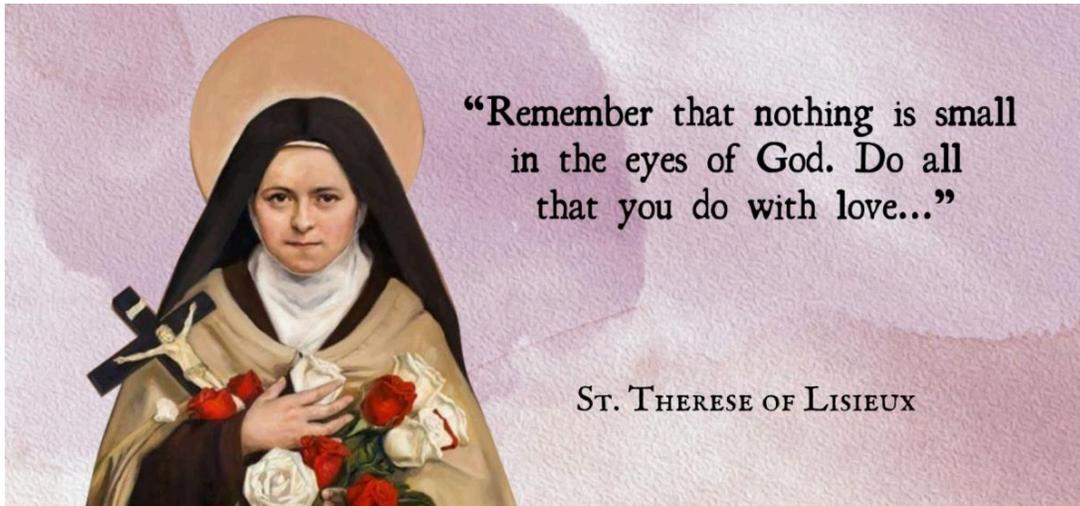
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## Archbishop Kerr-Wilson

As many of you are aware Archbishop Kerr-Wilson is presently on a Sabbatical until mid-April. However, this weekend Archbishop Greg will be in Calgary and would like to worship/visit with us on Sunday (15 Mar 26). So this Sunday Christ Church will be hosting the Archbishop where he will be the Celebrant and homilist at both the 0800 and 1030 services. Following both services there will be the opportunity to chat with the Archbishop.

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### Feasting with the Saints | March 27, 7 pm



Join us in the Crump Room for great food, drink, and company as we study the life of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, who Pope Pius X called "the greatest saint of modern times." No registration is required. Speak to Adam for more information.

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### Palm Crosses



We invite you to help make our palm crosses on Saturday March 28th beginning at 9:30 AM. Christ Church is one of the few churches left in the city to physically make their own palm crosses. This is an intergenerational event , children, teens, seniors and anyone in between. We make 300 crosses for the two services, and many families display them in their houses for the year and return them to the church for burning before Ash Wednesday. Never fear if you feel you cannot make a Palm Cross ( we do provide step by step instructions) we also decorate the church, strip palms for waving and count the crosses. Lots of activities for all to participate! Please enter the church via the loggia or bang on the Crump Room garden doors!

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### **Chapel Flowers**

There is an open slot for Chapel flowers on May 3rd. If you would like to purchase flowers for this date, please contact Cynthia in the office

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### **Spring Flowers**



The Altar Guild will be decorating the church with spring flowers in celebration of Easter . Please consider purchasing flowers in memory of a loved one , in Thanksgiving or to the Glory of God . These dedications will appear in the Easter bulletin and can be purchased for \$25.00

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## Christ Church Family Ministries Updates!

### Upcoming Plan to Protect Session

We will be hosting another Plan to Protect session on **Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1pm** in the Crump room. If you would like to attend, please let me know so that I can make sure we have enough materials.

**Interested in Volunteering with Our Youth and Children?**

We need more hands to help us keep up with our incredible growth! We need people to help with greeting children, holding babies, crafts, games and so much more. You don't have to lead the lesson if you are not comfortable and everything is provided for you. We would love to have you. Please speak to Laurel if you are interested!

### **Vacation Bible School – This Summer**

We are planning to host a vacation bible school this summer in the lower hall. We are still working on firming up the dates. If you would like to assist, please let me know.

### **Upcoming Youth Group Events**

Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm: High Energy Games and Snacks (at the church!)

Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm: Arcadia Escape Room

### **Reminder - Youth Sunday Morning Lessons**

Just a reminder that we now offer Sunday morning lessons for our youth at 1030am! We hope to see your youth there! We are thrilled to welcome Kyle Antoni Agbing as our Youth Lesson facilitator for the next nine weeks. Kyle has taught several of our lessons before and he is an important part of our volunteer team. This coming Sunday he will be talking about Jesus: The Promise Fulfilled.

### **Family Ministries Instagram**

Just a friendly reminder that I have created an Instagram account to document our adventures in Family Ministries! Please follow us @christchurchfamilyministries

Warmly,  
Laurel Hatch

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**Outreach Update**

**Bottoms Up**

# DO YOUR DUTY!



## DONATE DIAPERS

This Lenten season, please consider supporting young mothers and their babies with Diapers and baby care items for the Highbanks Society's Sharing Closet!! Highbanks supports vulnerable pregnant or parenting women between 16-24 years old who are fleeing situations of incredible adversity. Highbanks offers these young moms and their children hope by eliminating barriers to growth which allow them to break free from the cycle of trauma and build a future of resilience, joy, and contribution. The Sharing Closet is for their moms to access items for baby and themselves whenever they are needed!

Diapers of all sizes, especially 5/6!

But also:

Aveeno oatmeal bath

Diaper rash cream

Baby Wipes

Hand soap

Laundry detergent

All purpose cleaner

Dish soap

Bleach

Body wash

Shampoo/conditioner

Toilet paper  
Paper towels  
Garbage bags - large black and small kitchen sized white ones  
Tylenol and Aspirin - adult, infant, toddler, child

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## *March 15th, 2026 Flower Memorials*

*The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Pat Burns' birthday, with love from all your family*

*The flowers at the Font are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Donald MacDougall, given by Barbara*

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### **The Power of Prayer**

#### **Forward Day by Day**

Prayer books for February - April are available in the Narthex  
Additional prayer resources can be found on Forward Movement's website: [https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward\\_day\\_by\\_day.php?d=29&m=4&y=2020](https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward_day_by_day.php?d=29&m=4&y=2020)

#### **Prayer Shawls - "Tangible Evidence of Prayer" (ref: "The Prayer Shawl Ministry")**

Each of our shawls, handmade by the members of this ministry includes the prayers of the shawl maker as it is made, receives a special blessing, then is available to be given to offer peace, and comfort to someone in need. Shawls are always available

here. Please contact Cynthia at the office: 403-243-4680, or Barbara Robinson: [barbcrobinson@gmail.com](mailto:barbcrobinson@gmail.com) if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.

### **The Parish Prayer Chain**

Have a friend who needs someone to pray for them? Our prayer chain does this daily, and welcomes requests for confidential prayer. Contact Alicia Hampshire, Adam Bedford.

### **Praying with Alongside Hope**

On the second Thursday of each month praying with Alongside Hope takes place over zoom at 11am (Calgary time). On the fourth Thursday of each month the Alongside Hope team in Toronto plans an educational webinar in the same time slot. Please contact Kim Umbach at [kumbach@pwrdf.org](mailto:kumbach@pwrdf.org) for the zoom link to be included and for further details.



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