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FATHER LEONARD VAN TIGHEM SCHOOL

25 Stoney Cres. W, Lethbridge, AB T1K 6V5

<https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/>

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Administrative Message:

DECEMBER 2025

As we enter the beautiful season of Advent, our school community once again turns its heart toward hope, preparation, and joyful anticipation. Advent calls us to slow down, reflect, and prepare for the coming of Christ. This year, we are also blessed to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Monday, December 8th, 2025. This feast invites us to reflect on Mary's purity—her perfect openness to God's grace—which aligns so closely with the spirit of Advent. As we prepare our hearts, we look to Mary as a model of faithfulness, humility, and trust in God's plan.

Our Advent wreath is a meaningful symbol that helps guide this journey of preparation. Its circular shape represents God's unending love and eternal nature. The four candles mark the four weeks of Advent, each holding deep significance: the first purple candle symbolizes Hope, reminding us of the promise of the Messiah; the second purple candle represents Faith, calling us to trust in God's presence; the third rose-colored candle, lit on Gaudete Sunday, signifies Joy as we draw closer to Christmas; and the fourth purple candle reflects Peace, the peace Christ brings into the world. Lighting the wreath each week helps us remember that Christ, the Light of the World, draws nearer with every passing day.



Each morning, I am truly blessed to walk through the doors of this school. What I witness daily is a reflection of the Gospel values we strive to live: students who are curious, compassionate, and eager to grow; staff who are dedicated, joyful, and deeply committed to creating a safe and welcoming learning environment; and a community rooted in faith, kindness, and mutual respect. These qualities make our school a place where every child is known, supported, and inspired to become the people God calls them to be.

To our parents and guardians, thank you sincerely for sharing your children with us. Your trust and partnership enrich our school and strengthen the spiritual and educational foundation we build together. As we journey through this sacred season, may your homes be filled with hope, faith, joy, and peace.

Wishing you all a blessed Advent and a joyful Christmas season.

Mrs. S. Collier *Miistaki anniski a Kii*

FLVT Principal

PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
As we enter this final month of the year, we
come before You with hearts full of gratitude
and anticipation.

Thank You for carrying us through every
season, every challenge, and every blessing
of this year. We recognize Your hand in our
lives and give You all the glory.

Amen.



Christmas I SPY

FIND AND COLOR THE ITEMS



DATES TO REMEMBER...

December 2025

- 2 Kindergarten Field Trip to the Galt Museum
- 4 Super Silver Day
- 4 Advent Liturgy @ 10:30am
- 8 Choir Gr 1,2,3 Christmas Caroling Tour
- 9 School Council Meeting @7pm
- 10 Advent Liturgy @ 3:10pm
- 10 CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN EVENING AT FLVT, 6:00-8:00pm
- 11 Glittering Gold Day
- 12 Choir Gr 1,2,3 at Southminster @ 7:30pm
- 15 Christmas Hat Day
- 16 Christmas Sock Day
- 16 Advent Liturgy @ 9:50am
- 17 Christmas Red 'n Green Day
- 17 Panago Pizza Fundraiser Night!
- 18 Christmas Sweater Day
- 18 Junior High Snowball Formal Dance
- 19 Christmas Bingo & PJ Day
- 20 Christmas Break Begins
- 25 Merry Christmas to All



- January
- 5 School resumes

Recurring Weekly Events in November

- Tuesday** - JH Drama Club 4-5pm
- Thursday** - JH CommuniTEA - during lunch break
- Friday** - Choir Grades 1, 2, 3 11:30-12:30
 - JH Games Club 11:30-1:00

FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION -
PLEASE USE OUR **ONLINE EVENTS CALENDAR**
<https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/calendar>

Additional Calendars can be found

<https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/view-additional-calendars>

including schedules on our co curricular events...Shrek rehearsal schedule and athletics

NEED TO FIND INFORMATION FOR YEAR...

Please click on the following links for more information.

FLVT website: <https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/>

Bell Times: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/bell_times

Calendar (school based events): <https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/calendar>

Co-curricular Athletics Calendar: [Athletic Calendar](#)

Co-curricular Performing Arts: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/performing_arts

Bussing Information: <https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/transportation>

Fee Payments: <https://holyspirit.schoolcashonline.com/>

School Supplies: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/supply_lists

School Council Meeting Dates & Minutes: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/school_council

Divisional Website: [https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/](https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/flvthawks/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/flvthawks/>

Student Handbook: https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/student_handbook



STAY CONNECTED AND SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW DUE

WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US... stayed informed through our website, newsletters, emails and through our social media channels.

- Check out our website <https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/> for access to calendars, school fees, newsletters, bell times... you name it, it's there!
- Follow us on Facebook and Instagram
- Download the PowerSchool App or bookmark it on your device for information about your child's progress (Jr High) and attendance.
- Subscribe to our monthly (sometimes twice a month) newsletter.
- Ensure your email information and phone numbers are up-to-date in PowerSchool by letting the office know as there are often call outs and frequent email updates. Please email us a flvtoffice@holyspirit.ab.ca with any changes to phone numbers, addresses, contacts...
- If all else fails, call the school at 403-381-0953 and someone will help you find the information you are searching for.

SchoolCash Online

School Fees are now due – please login to SchoolCash Online

SchoolCash Online and School Fees The Holy Spirit School Division uses School Cash Online which provides you with the convenience of paying online for school items such as school fees, trips, co-curricular fees, etc. Go to <https://holyspirit.schoolcashonline.com/> to register online. Once you have registered your child, you will be able to see all fees owing for your student. All fees are posted on the website, under the "Our School" tab on our main page and attached to this newsletter. Having troubles finding your child's student number for SchoolCash Online – send an email with your child's full name (and grade level) to flvtoffice@holyspirit.ab.ca

Canteen Tab

Parents can purchase \$20 canteen tab for use in the canteen. As your child buys lunch items, the amount of the purchase is deducted from the tab.

Canteen tabs can be purchased ...

1. E-transfer to kkchapman15@gmail.com

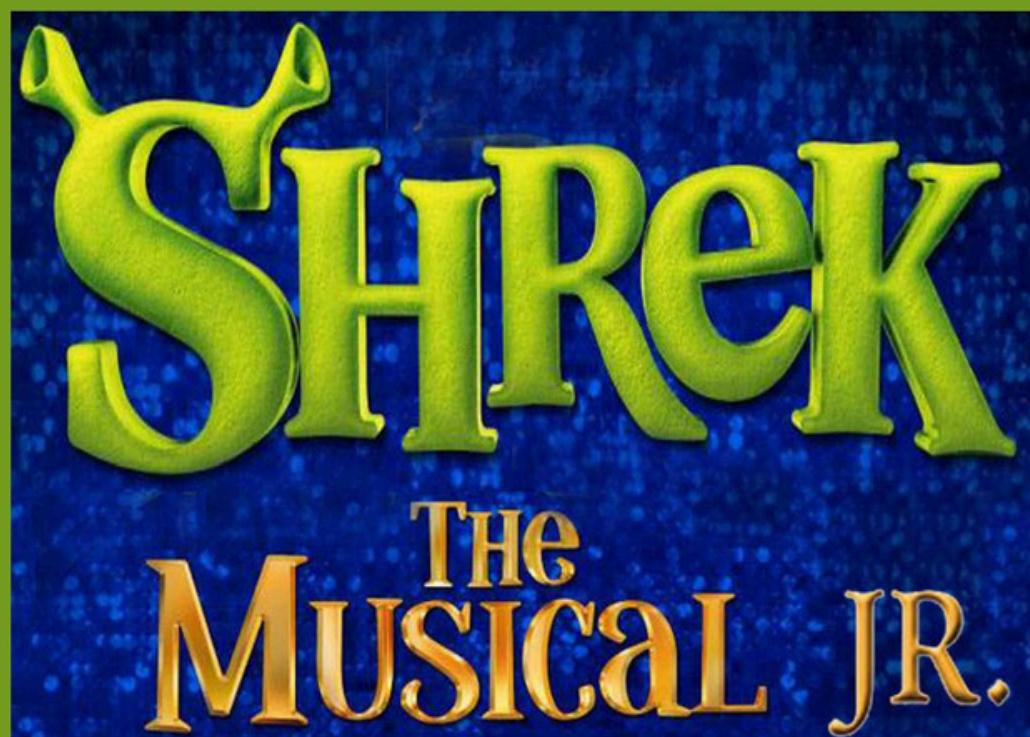
2. Cash/cheque or debit at canteen

3. SchoolCash-on-line (a .50 cent service charge will be added to this transaction)

Please always include your child's first & last name with all e-transfers.

Canteen Cards will be held in the canteen with deductions made each time your child 'purchases' food items.

FLVT brings you...



... May 5 & 6, 2026



FLVT ANNUAL JR HIGH AWARDS 2024-2025

Celebration of Excellence

To all of our award recipients, congratulations! Your commitment to learning and personal growth is truly inspiring. To all of our students, remember that every step you take in your learning journey matters – the effort, curiosity, and resilience you show are achievement in themselves.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

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PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY

What does the principal do all day?

Well they give treats to the students of course!! And Asher stepped right up to the task!!!





FLVT Christmas Family Fun Night
Wednesday, December 10th, 6:00-8:00pm

Door Prizes
Christmas Carols
Music Dance Party
Obstacle Course
Cake Walk
Cartoons & Popcorn
Cookie Decorating

Hot Chocolate & Candy Canes
Christmas Around the World
Crafts, Games, Stories,
Coloring & more
Christmas Around the World
and a special guest...



FLVT Cake Walk
\$2 per Walk
at Family Fun Night, Wed. Dec 10 6:00-8:00pm

CAKE WALK

**Cake Donations Needed
Please click to sign up**



CCH WELDING CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER!

WE HAVE TWO OPTIONS THIS YEAR!!

**OPTION 1: CHRISTMAS TREE
TREE ORNAMENT - PAINTED GREEN
PRICE: \$15 EACH**

**OPTION 2: NATIVITY SCENE ORNAMENT
PAINTED BLUE AND WHITE
PRICE: \$10 EACH**

50% OF THE PROCEEDS
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TOWARDS PURCHASING A VIRTUAL
WELDER FOR THE WELDING PROGRAM

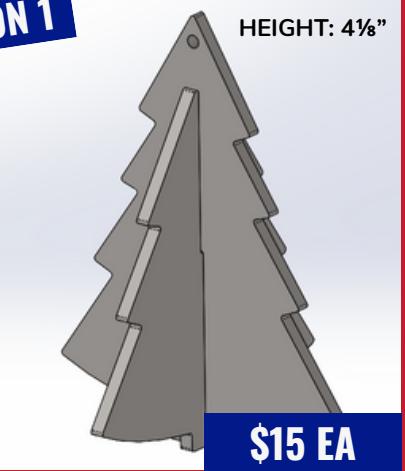
SUBMIT ORDERS BY
DEC 10 TO ENSURE
DELIVERY BY
CHRISTMAS BREAK

[ORDER THROUGH SCHOOL CASH ONLINE](#)



OPTION 1

HEIGHT: 4 1/8"



\$15 EA

OPTION 2

HEIGHT: 4"



\$10 EA



*ACTUAL PRODUCTS ARE SIMILAR TO
THE ONES ABOVE, ALTHOUGH THEY MAY
VARY SLIGHTLY*



PROUDLY SPONSORED BY:



SOCK IT TO 'EM!

This little piggy wore ankle socks
This little piggy wore crew
This little piggy wore bright knee highs
But your neighbour might have very few!
IF YOUR FEET ARE COLD, IT'S HARD TO STAY WARM.
25th ANNUAL OPERATION: SOCK IT TO 'EM

From November 1 to December 3, 2025, Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, and the caretakers, maintenance & support staff in Lethbridge & area schools are collecting NEW SOCKS to be donated to local charities and those less fortunate for Christmas.

STUDENTS! For every pair or package of new socks YOU donate in the office, you can put your name in to win a gift card or holiday candy.

Two draws: ELP-Gr. 6 and Junior High

Draws to be made Dec. 8th, winners announced on morning announcements!



SOCK IT TO 'EM!



Our wonderful neighbour **SAFEWAY WEST** has helped us greatly in so many ways, including the latest tremendous support for gift cards for a draw for our support staff's SOCK IT TO 'EM campaign. **Thank you so much for your generosity!**



Welcome To Our Winter Fundraiser

Order Dates: Oct 30-Nov 17
Tentative Pick up: Dec 3



Watch your
emails for
pick up
times



New Item

Plushies (2) - \$35. Poinsettia - \$15. Indoor Planter - \$35. Wreath - \$35. Hanging Greenery - \$35. Outdoor Arrangement - \$50.

Thank you for supporting FLVT events and celebrations that our School Council provides for us...see link for all the great things School Council provides!

Advent Celebrations

Thursday, Dec 4 @ 10:30am

Wednesday, Dec 10 @ 3:10pm

Tuesday, Dec 16 @ 9:50am



Families please join us for our Advent Celebrations

FLVT School Council Meeting

“Many hands building a better world”

**Next Meeting
Date**



2025-2026 Meeting Dates

Tuesday, December 9th , 2025 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 13th , 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 10th , 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10th , 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14th , 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12th , 2026 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 16th , 2026 7:00 p.m.



*Dates subject to change. Please confirm with online FLVT Calendar

Contact your school council representatives at: flvtschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Important December Dates for Choir Grades 1, 2 & 3



FLVT FINE ARTS
ELEMENTARY CHOIR

Monday, Dec 8

All grade 1-3 students in our Lower Elementary Choir will be participating in a Christmas Caroling Tour to two seniors homes in our community (Good Samaritans Society and Seasons Retirement). They will be walking to and from the homes and will be back at school by 12:00.

Friday, Dec 12

All grade 1-3 students in our Lower Elementary Choir will be performing in a Christmas Concert with several other choirs in our communities. Tickets can be purchased online or at the door. All choir students are to arrive by 7:00 pm in their choir uniforms (black bottoms, black shoes and white choir t-shirts) and the performance will begin at 7:30 pm.

Friday, Dec 19

Last day of choir for grades 1, 2 & 3 - Choir Party!





FLVT Christmas Family Fun Night

Wednesday, December 10th, 6:00-8:00pm

Door Prizes

Christmas Carols

Music Dance Party

Obstacle Course

Cake Walk

Cartoons & Popcorn

Cookie Decorating

Hot Chocolate & Candy Canes

Christmas Around the World

Crafts, Games, Stories,

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and a special guest...



FLVT Cake Walk

\$2 per Walk

at Family Fun Night, Wed. Dec 10 6:00-8:00pm



Cake Donations Needed
Please click to sign up





Upcoming West Side Panago Pizza Choir Fundraiser Evenings

December 17th
January 21st
February 25th
March 25th
April 22nd
May 20th
June 17th



**Mark Your
Calendar**

Thank you for supporting the arts in our school.
Money raised will be used for our choirs!





Wanting to donate your time or a gift this Christmas season?
Needed a little extra help this Holiday season?

Lethbridge Family Services Angel Tree Campaign is here for
you...more information can be found.

<https://www.lfsfamily.ca/angeltree>





Friday, December 5, 2025 at 1 PM – 4 PM

WhoVille Dental - Photos with the Grinch!

6 Aquitania Boulevard West #10, Lethbridge, AB, Canada



December Christmas Break



December 20th -
January 4th





Christmas Spirit Week



Monday, Dec 15

Christmas
Hat Day



Tuesday, Dec 16

Christmas
Sock Day



Wednesday, Dec 17

Red 'n Green
Day



Thursday, Dec 18

Christmas
Sweater Day



Friday, Dec 19

Christmas
PJ Day



Coming soon...
Grade 6 Bottle Drive
January 5-15
Save your bottles!!!



University of Lethbridge
Conservatory of Music

Beginner Ukulele

For Ages 8 - 12

Friday, 2:30 - 3:15 p.m. | Location: Casa (230 8 St S)

Come and explore the joyful sounds of the Ukulele
in a fun and supportive small group environment.
We can't wait to make music with you!

WINTER 2026: January 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, March 6,
13, 20, 27 (No Class Feb 27)



University of Lethbridge
Conservatory of Music

Digital Music Production Classes

For Beginners &
Intermediate/Advanced

Section 1: Beginners (Thursday, 5 - 6 p.m.)

Section 2: Intermediate/Advanced (Thursday, 6-8* p.m.)

**WINTER 2026: JANUARY 15, 22, 29, FEB 5, 12, 19, MARCH 5,
12, 19, 26**

NO CLASS: FEB 26

LOCATED AT CASA (230 8 ST S)

*this class will be split into 2, 60-minute classes (i.e. 6 - 7, or 7 - 8).



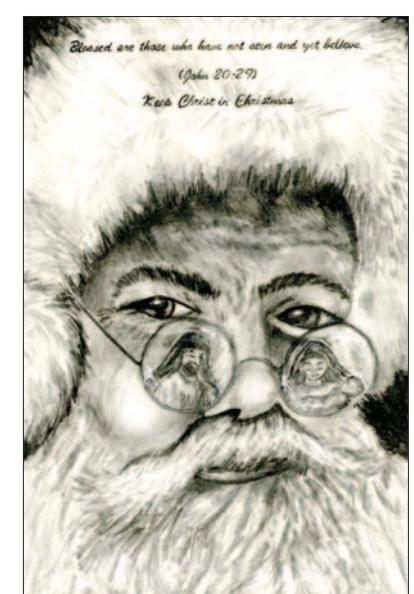


Knights of Columbus
**Keep Christ
in Christmas**
Poster Contest

Due: _____

Sponsor: _____

Contact: _____



Isabella S.



Keep Christ in Christmas

Poster Contest

ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST in the Grade division checked below. I realize that my entry becomes property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office.

GRADE K

GRADE 1-2

GRADE 3-4

GRADE 5-6

GRADE 7-8

COUNCIL NUMBER _____

Name of Entrant _____

Grade _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State/Province _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone (Circle one: Home Cell)

Email _____

Signature of Entrant _____

This Section To Be Completed By Parent/Guardian:

The undersigned hereby request and approve the Entrant's registration and participation in the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" POSTER CONTEST. In consideration of such registration and participation, the undersigned hereby agree to hold the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and any of its subordinate units and their officers, members, agents and employees, blameless and without liability, and hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless all of the above mentioned from any and all claims and expenses resulting from or relating to Entrant's said participation. The Entrant may compete in only one council-level contest. **Entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council which retains exclusive rights to use said entries in future promotional materials, with creative credit given to the artist.**

Parent/Guardian

Date signed

This Section To Be Completed Knights of Columbus Officials:

Score Sheet

SCORING INSTRUCTIONS: A 100-point scoring system is used to determine winners.

Information on Rules and Judging are on other side of this form.

Competition Level	Slogan – 30 points	Artistic Merit – 30 points	Overall Impact – 40 points
Council Total: _____			
District/Regional Total: _____			
Jurisdictional Total: _____			
International Level Total: _____			



Keep Christ in Christmas

Poster Judging Fact Sheet

RULES

Poster must reflect the theme of *Keep Christ in Christmas*.

Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.

Poster should be approximately 11x17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic. Posters may be in color or black and white.

Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest entry form.

The name and grade of the person entering the poster should be included on the back of the poster.

All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. **Posters will not be returned.**

JUDGING

Judging should be done by teams composed of students, Knights, teachers, administrators, Chaplin, Pastor, etc. In keeping with the theme of giving young people the opportunity to develop their own feeling towards Christmas and our savior Jesus Christ, young people should be included in all phases of the judging process.

A **100 point scoring system** will be used to determine the winner.

30 Points: Slogan — How clearly is the theme presented?

30 Points: Visuals — How well do the visuals convey the message?

40 Points: Overall impact — How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic?

Council's Contact Information



Snowflakes & Fractals

A fun math afternoon

*Math activities for
students' grade K-12*

- *winter math activities*
- *math games*
- *Try math contest
problems*

*What
time?:
noon-
3pm*

*When?: Sunday,
December 7th
Where?: Markin
Hall Atrium U of L*

*Free snacks
and drinks!*

*Please drop in
and have fun.
Everyone is
welcome!!
Free parking in
lot F*





COACH TYRA

\$190
+GST



Cubs to Kodiaks

"Intro to Volleyball"

9U (Grades 1-3) & 12U (Grades 4-6)

Starting January 16th

REGISTER TODAY AT STARSVBALL.CA





LETHBRIDGE FAMILY LIFE CHRISTmas -KINDNESS DINNER -

- Assumption Hall -

2405 12 Ave S, Lethbridge

DEC.25, 2024

JOIN US AS WE PREPARE AND DELIVER HOT CHRISTMAS DINNERS TO THOSE IN NEED, FOLLOWED BY A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS MEAL TOGETHER.

- 12pm - 3pm COOKING DINNERS
- 3pm - 4pm DELIVERING DINNERS
- 5pm COMMUNITY DINNER

For More Information, or to RSVP, Call/Text

Shelley Thom 403-308-5925





Klaus

Family Movie Night

December 20th 2025

At 6:15 PM

Assumption Hall

2405 12 Ave S Lethbridge

COME FOR POPCORN, COOKIES AND MORE



LET'S **TACO** ABOUT
St. Nicholas
LUNCH AND MOVIE
December 6th

Lunch 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Movie 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Hosted at:
Assumption Hall



All Saints
Roman Catholic Parish



Advent Fridays

ADORATION &
SOUP SUPPERS



DECEMBER

5TH 12TH 19TH

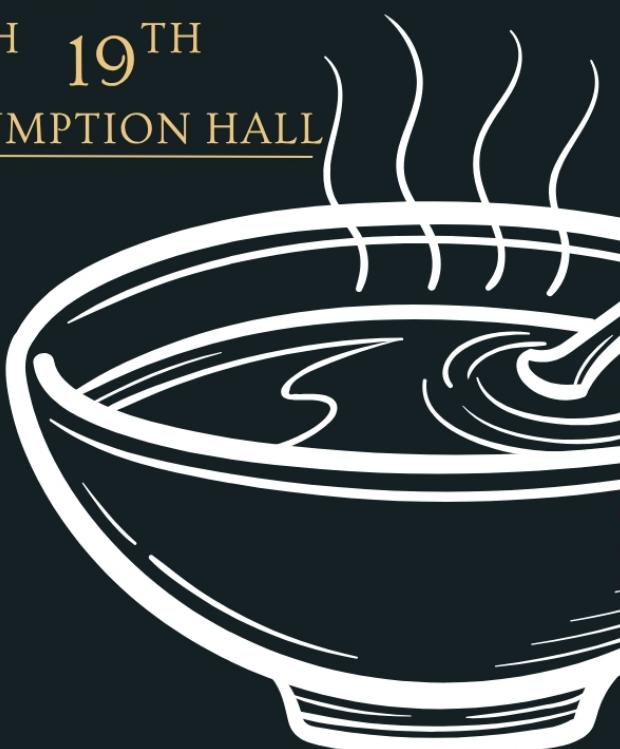
HOSTED AT ASSUMPTION HALL

Schedule:

 Mass & Adoration
9:00AM - 8:00PM

 Soup Supper
6:00PM - 7:00PM

 Teaching
7:15PM - 7:45PM



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



DECEMBER 24

ST. MARTHA'S PARISH
5:00PM 8:00PM 11:00PM

ST. BASIL'S CHURCH
6:00 PM 9:00PM

**OUR LADY OF THE
ASSUMPTION CHURCH**
6:00 PM 9:00PM 12:00AM

DECEMBER 25

ST. MARTHA'S PARISH
10:00AM

ST. BASIL'S CHURCH
7:30AM 11:00AM

**OUR LADY OF THE
ASSUMPTION CHURCH**
9:00AM

*Do not be afraid, for see I am bringing
you good news of great joy for all the people:
to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
who is the Christ, the Lord.*

LUKE 2:10-11

Advent

PENITENTIAL SERVICES

St. Catherine's, Picture Butte

Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00 PM

St. Augustine's, Taber

Thursday, December 4 at 7:00 PM

St. Peter's, Milk River

Wednesday, December 10 at 7:00 PM

St. Martha's

Thursday, December 11 at 7:00 PM

All Saints (Assumption Church)

Saturday, December 13 at 10:00 AM

St. Joseph's, Vauxhall

Wednesday, December 17 at 7:00 PM

St. Ambrose, Coaldale

Thursday, December 18 at 7:00 PM



Dear Saint Monica,
I ask you to pray for
all those sons and daughters
That have walked away from God,
And add to your prayers
all those mothers
Who are worried
for their children.
Amen.

St. Monica - Pray for us!



Open Wide the Doors!

Sent To Share Christ's Love

St. Monica

Feast Day: August 27

Dear Saint Monica,
I ask you to pray for
all those sons and daughters
That have walked away from God,
And add to your prayers
all those mothers
Who are worried
for their children.
Amen.

St. Monica — Pray for us!



December

HONEST
ACCEPTING
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SPIRITUAL

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
	1 Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$5	2 JH Drama Club 4-5pm 	3 Kinders to Galt Museum Mac and Cheese \$3 & Pulled Pork \$3	4 Super Silver Day Advent Liturgy 10:30am JH Baking Booster JH CommuniTEA Chicken Burger \$5 	5 Choir Gr 1,2,3 11:30-12:30 Jr High Games Club 11:30-1:00 	6
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21 Winter Solstice	22 	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 	26 Boxing Day	27
Wishing our FLVT family a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!			31 	The most up to date events calendar can be found on our website https://flvt.holyspirit.ab.ca/ The most up to date co curricular calendar can be found on our website Co-curricular Calendar		