



St. Peter's CWL *April 2026 Newsletter*

Message from Our President

Dear Sisters in Christ,

As we continue through Holy Week and enter into the Easter season, we are invited to reflect on the deep love that Christ showed in his Passion, Death and Resurrection. It is a time to pause, pray and prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter.

Also this month is the feast of our patron, Our Lady of Good Counsel. She reminds us to listen to God's voice and to respond with trust. Through her example, we are encouraged to offer our time and gifts in service to others.

In the spirit of the "suffering servant", I want to highlight a few opportunities where we would especially appreciate support.

First, our CWL ministry mass on April 11 is still in need of volunteers. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, greeters and gift bearers are all important to help make our liturgy welcoming and prayerful.

Secondly, our Cake raffle is also in need of volunteers for April, May and June. This cake raffle helps support our foster children through Chalice.

Finally, the CWL Diocesan Convention is taking place May 1 and 2. We still need ladies willing to help with hospitality to give those who come to the convention a friendly welcome.

Of course, there are many other events and opportunities coming up that are listed in this newsletter as well as on our website. We as an executive are grateful for every way that you are able to support these events, whether it be by volunteering, attending these events or even keeping those who do in your prayers.

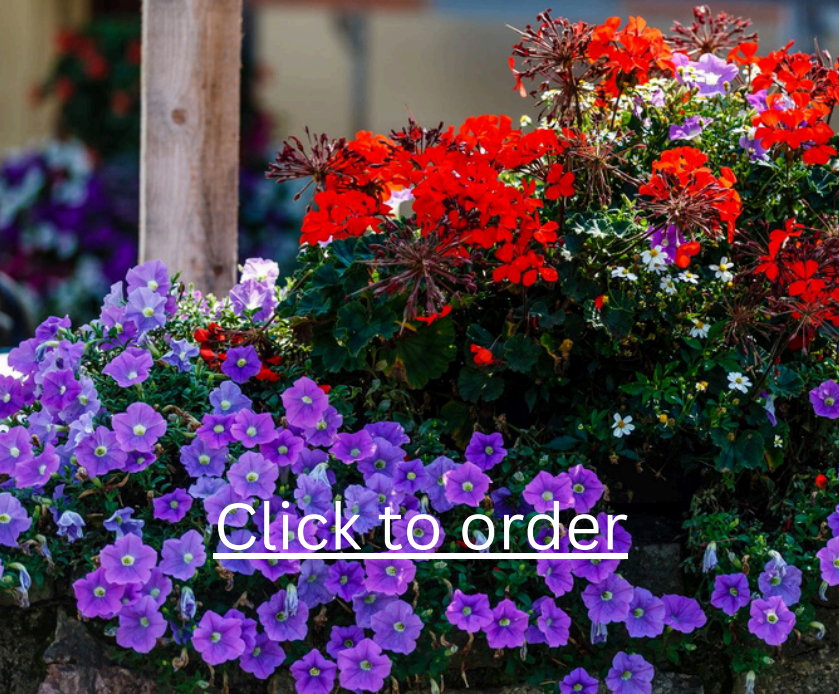
As we continue through this busy season, may Our Lady of Good Counsel guide us in faith, service and social justice.

Wishing you and your families a blessed Holy Week and a joyful Easter.

God bless,
Megan Warawa



Growing Smiles Fundraiser on Now!



[Click to order](#)

This spring, let your garden reflect the beauty of God's creation. The St. Peter's Parish CWL invites parishioners, families, and friends to support our Growing Smiles Fundraiser by purchasing gorgeous spring plants and arrangements that will last and bring enjoyment throughout the season. When you order through Growing Smiles, you are not just buying flowers and plants—you are choosing to support the CWL and keep your dollars working here in our parish community, rather than spending them at Home Depot or Costco. Your purchase helps the CWL continue its good work in faith, fellowship, and service.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR RED SAND CEREMONY ON APRIL 19TH AFTER THE 11:30 MASS. THE RED SAND PRAYER SERVICE HELPS TO BRING AWARENESS TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AND ALL OF THOSE MARGINALIZED IN SOCIETY. THE RED COLOUR ALSO REPRESENTS THE BLOOD OF CHRIST POURED OUT FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A CWL MEMBER TO JOIN.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday • April 2 - 7pm

Good Friday • April 3 - Noon & 3pm*

Easter Vigil • April 4 - 8pm

*Easter Sunday • April 5 - 8am • 9:30am
11:30am • 5pm*

* Indoor Way of the Cross - 8:30am

* Outdoor Way of the Cross - 9am



Diocesan Convention • May 1 & 2

Volunteers needed! St. Peter's parish is responsible for helping with hospitality. We need ladies to help us out on one or both days.

To sign up and see descriptors of the positions, please click here.

Join us for the 104th Diocesan Convention in Calgary, on May 1-2, 2026. Meet our dynamic speaker Leah Perrault, participate in our plan for St. Mary's University going forward, and welcome Bishop William McGrattan.

The Opening Mass will be at St. Mark's Parish (5552 Madigan Dr, NE) at 7pm on Friday, May 1. The Closing Mass will be at Ascension Catholic Parish (1100 Berkshire Blvd, NW) at 5 pm on Saturday, May 2.

Registration is now open – [click here to register](#). Room blocks have been reserved at both the DoubleTree and the Best Western Airport Inn—check the website for rates, reservation links, and hotel cut-off dates.

“Easter reminds us that God's love is stronger than any suffering or darkness we may encounter.”

St. Padre Pio



Cake Raffle
April 11 – 12

We are still in need of bakers for May and June as well as volunteers for the Narthex table.

Cake Raffle April 11-12, 2026
www.volunteersignup.org/PMKW9

Cake Raffle May 9-10, 2026
www.volunteersignup.org/RPB4L

Cake Raffle June 13-14, 2026
www.volunteersignup.org/C9D7X

Thank you for volunteering!
CWL Cake Raffle Coordinator - Catherine Jeffery
cmj75@shaw.ca



Lunch & Letters

Our next Lunch & Letter session will be on Thursday, April 16, in support of Bill C-218 This private members bill seeks to prevent persons whose sole medical condition is mental illness, from accessing euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide (“MAiD”).

Contact Denise (403 608-1809) or email justice.cwl.stpeters@gmail.com to RSVP the lunch; Catherine Jeffery has kindly agreed to host. Food will be potluck, details to follow.

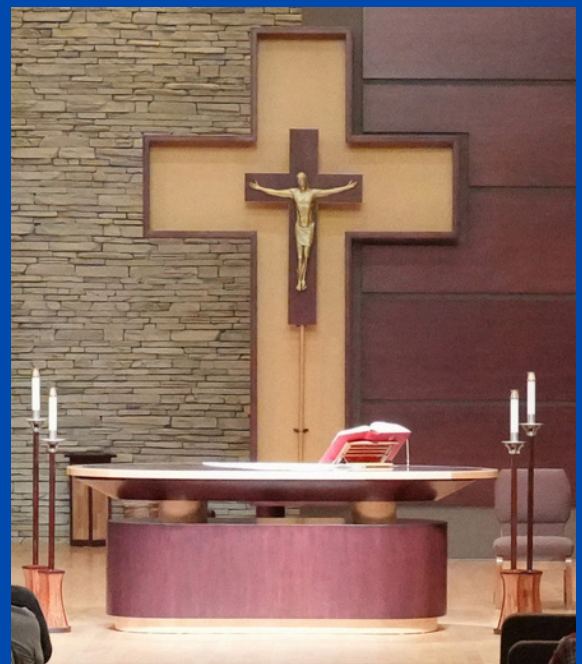
A letter writing package is available here and on our website for those who cannot attend the lunch. For more information on Bill C-218, see the [CCCB press release](#).



Prayer Shawl Ministry: Thank you to Ann and her whole team for all of the amazing prayer shawls they make. After 7 years of leading the ministry, Ann has decided to step down at the end of December. If you, or someone you know might be interested in taking on this position, please let Ann know by contacting her at:
ann.dowling2410@gmail.com.

April Regional Meeting:

All members are invited to attend the Calgary Regional Meeting at **St. Michael Catholic Community** on **April 11** from **9:30-11:30 am**. We will be discussing the purpose and content of regional meetings going forward as well as how often these meetings should occur. Discussions will take place at round tables to help shape what these meetings will look like going forward.



April General Meeting

Wednesday
April 15
7pm
Room C



Next Ministry Mass

Saturday, Apr. 11
5PM

[SIGN UP HERE](#)



Beloved Daughter's 4th Annual Woman's Conference

Join the Beloved Daughters at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Calgary, from May 22-23, 2026 with guest speakers Sr. Hope, SV and Sr. Fidelity Grace, SV from the Sisters of Life, as well as Fr. Cristino Bouvette, This conference will equip you on how to differentiate the many voices in your life that are not from God, so as to discern how God speaks uniquely to you.

There will be time for fellowship, prayer, praise & worship, Mass, Confession, as well as a guided meditation with scripture led by the Seeds of the Word Community.

For Tickets:

whoyousayiam.eventbrite.ca

Beloved Daughters
"I have called you by name; you are mine"
Isaiah 43:1

4TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Who You Say I Am

MAY 22-23 2026

FRIDAY 6:00 PM - 9:45 PM

SATURDAY 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH
CALGARY, AB

FOR TICKETS:

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www.beloveddaughtersyyc.com



SR. MARY
MARGARET HOPE (SV)



FR. CRISTINO
BOUVETTE



SR. FIDELITY
GRACE (SV)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Called and Gifted Workshop

The Called & Gifted Discernment Process is an opportunity designed to help you discover and activate your spiritual gifts. Through expert-led workshops, a one-on-one gifts interview, and hands-on discernment, you will gain deeper clarity on how to use your charisms to help transform your parish and community.

- When: **Wednesdays 6:30 – 9 pm, April 15 – July 8, 2026**
- Where: **Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary**
- Fee: **\$60** (to cover resources, online materials, refreshments, etc.)

Spots are extremely limited, and priority is given to Parish and Ministry Leaders as well as members of Lay Associations.

[Click here for the schedule and to register.](#)



“Introduction to Natural Family Planning” Workshop

Here is a special invitation to engaged & married couples in the Diocese of Calgary, to explore Natural Family Planning (NFP) as a practical and ethical aid in conceiving or avoiding pregnancy based on natural signs of fertility.

This two-hour complementary workshop is being offered in two dates. Interested participants are encouraged to choose from one of the following dates:

Thursday, April 16, 2026 from 7 pm to 9 pm

Thursday, May 28, 2026 from 7 pm to 9 pm

The workshop will be held at the **Catholic Pastoral Centre**, 120 17th Ave SW, Calgary.

Interested participants are asked to come with their spouse or fiancé. **Please register online**

Seats are limited. For assistance with registration, please call **403-218-5521**.