

St. Michael Catholic Community: 800 – 85 Street SW, Calgary, AB

Friday, March 3, 2023

For those who are interested in joining us in our celebration of daily Catholic Mass and Adoration of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, we would love to have you with us.
Mass begins at 9:00am followed by Adoration from 9:30–10:30

World Day of Prayer Service at 11:00 am

~ light luncheon to follow ~

For more information about our community's service or to RSVP for the luncheon, please contact
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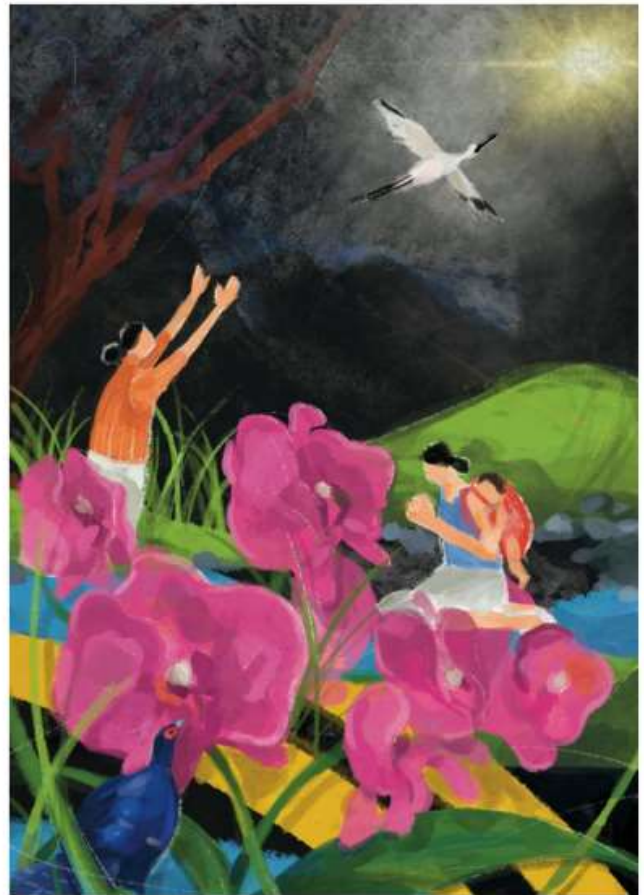


The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the
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I Have Heard About Your Faith

Please join us for the World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. The service was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Taiwan.



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MEDIA RELEASE – World Day of Prayer 2023

I Have Heard About Your Faith

The invitation is out for everyone - men, women, and children of all ages - to join the **2023 World Day of Prayer** as we celebrate the theme “I have heard about your faith” based on Ephesians 1: 15-19. The **women of Taiwan** have prepared the service this year. We are encouraged to reflect on the changes and challenges faced by this country as the citizens evolve amidst struggles for independence internationally as well as the obstacles that women, in particular, face at home. Regardless of changes, women in Taiwan remain somewhat oppressed and encounter many challenges in gender equality both politically and in the labour market.

World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church event that began around 100 years ago bridging social, geographic, and political barriers in over 170 countries. Together we pursue justice, peace, and reconciliation by standing together in prayer and action.

Preparation for the day is vast. An international committee is based in New York and there are national committees and organizations in each participating country. In Canada, the World Day of Prayer (WDP) is coordinated by the **Women’s Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC)**, one of the original founders of this prayer movement.

Offerings received through the World Day of Prayer transform our prayers into action in the form of **project grants** empowering women and children in our own country and throughout the world. All regions share in the grants, with consideration given to greatest need. Through WDP offerings, WICC has distributed around 3 million dollars for small projects in the past 40 years. The vision is to restore hope to women and children touched by injustice.

The Women’s Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) invites you, your friends and family to join a service in over 1000 Canadian communities on or near Friday March 3, 2023. These may take place via Zoom or in-person. As well, individuals and families are welcome to watch a fifty-five-minute WDP service video prepared by WICC that features participants from across Canada. This video will be available on wicc.org as of February 1, 2023.

A local World Day of Prayer service will be hosted/organized by **St. Michael’s Catholic Community 800 – 85 Street, SW, Calgary on Friday March 3, 2023.**

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