

St. Mary's School

Ecce Ego Sum Mitte Me

April 2024



April 8
Back to School

Green Shirt Day
@ School
Monday, April 8

Help Us Raise Money to Build a School for the Visually Impaired! Deadline is April 15!

We have set the following goals:

Raise \$1000 = We will buy lunch for the entire school

Raise \$1500 = Mr. Van Uden will get pied in the face at one of the liturgies

Raise \$2000 = Mr. Van Uden & Mr. Dejong will get pied in the face at a liturgy!

Scan the QR Code to donate or visit our office

Mon. April 15
Grade 6/CTF
Half Semester
Switch

April 16
Net Retreat
Grades 6 & 7

Take the next step with...

Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

2024/2025 REGISTRATION

Re-Registration Starts January 15, 2024

Families with students currently enrolled in our system should expect an email during the week of January 15-19, 2024 asking that the online "Registration Update Form" be completed for each child attending one of our schools in the 2024/2025 school year.

Parents/guardians who are hoping to register younger siblings new to the division will also have the opportunity to do this at the same time that they re-register older students.

New Student Registration Starts February 1, 2024

All Early Learning to Grade 12 students who are new to the division and wish to enroll for the 2024/2025 school year are invited to register online starting on Thursday, February 1, 2024.

- Through play, our **Early Learning Program** is designed to stimulate the growing curiosity of children 3 and 4 years of age.
- **Kindergarten** is designed for children 5 years of age on, or before, December 31, 2024.
- **Grade 1** registrants must be 6 years of age on, or before, December 31, 2024.
- **French Immersion** is also available. Enrollment starts:
 - in Kindergarten/Grade 1 at École St. Mary in Lethbridge.
 - in Grade 1 at St. Michael's School in Pincher Creek.

For More Information

Contact our Early Learning Supervisor to discuss Early Learning or your child's specialized programming requirements by phone (403-381-8495) or email (earlylearning@holyspirit.ab.ca).

To inquire about Kindergarten, you can contact your local school.

Contact our French Language Consultant to discuss French Immersion programming by phone (403-331-4458) or email (urquhartw@holyspirit.ab.ca).

Contact your child's school, or visit the division's website (holyspirit.ab.ca), if you need assistance with the online registration process or have any questions.



Holy Spirit Catholic School Division
...where children are cherished and achieve their potential.

OFFICE HOURS FOR SMS TEACHERS SEMESTER 2 (2023-2024)

Do you need extra help with any subjects or assignments? Check out this chart for extra time the teachers are putting in for just that reason. Stop in and ask your questions, or get the help you need. Parents are also welcome to make an appointment to stop in for a chat.



Mr. Bergenhenengowen	Mondays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mrs. de Jong	Mondays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mr. Doolittle	Tuesdays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mrs. Lagler	Wednesdays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mr. Makarchuk	Wednesdays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mr. Marchesin	Tuesdays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mrs. Meier	Mondays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Mrs. Siemens	Mondays/Wednesdays	3:15 - 3:30 p.m.
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Mrs. Smith	Tuesdays	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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Ms. Vienneau	Tuesdays/Thursdays	3:15 - 3:30 p.m.
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Mr. Vornbrock	1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesday	3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
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OFF-CAMPUS NEWS



Dual Credit Courses for 2024/2025

Dual Credit is the opportunity for students to take college-level courses while still in high school and earn 5 credits, at a 30 level, towards their high school diploma and 3 credits at the post-secondary level. This is an excellent chance for students to try out a subject, see what college courses are like, and/or get a head start on post-secondary or take a course that just interests them. Holy Spirit School Division pays the tuition cost for the course but students are responsible for purchasing any books or supplies if required. Contact Mr. Boschee or Mrs. Gurr for more information or to receive a Holy Spirit application form for any of the dual credit courses.

Lethbridge College Dual Credit Courses

Over 40 different courses are being offered. These courses are delivered online asynchronous with a few courses having on-campus labs held during the course. **Any of the Trades courses: Intro To The Trades, Transportation Trades, Electrical Trades, Construction Trades, or Culinary Trades are held at the College from 9 am to 4 pm for 7 to 9 Fridays over the Fall or Winter semesters.** For a full list of the courses and descriptions go to <https://lethbridgecollege.ca/programs-and-courses/dual-credit>

Deadline to apply is June 7, 2024

Fall Semester is September 4 to December 6, 2024

Winter Semester is January 27 to May 2, 2025



Olds College Fall Dual Credit Courses

Accounting Principles 1
Intro to Veterinary Profession
Solving Technology Problems
Leisure, Sporting Events & Recreation Operations
Marketing Principles
Introduction to Sports Management
These courses are all offered asynchronous
Deadline to apply is September 11, 2024
Fall Semester is September 25 to December 18, 2024



April Virtual Career Sessions

De-Icing Technician– April 23 at 4:30pm
Economist– April 24 at 4:00pm
Phlebotomist– April 25 at 4:00pm
Roofer– April 30 at 5:00pm
Register for one or all of these sessions, or listen to past sessions, at:
<https://careersteps.ca>



U of L Grade 11 Merit Award

Deadline is **JUNE 30** of your Grade 11 year.
Apply at: <https://www.ulethbridge.ca/future-student/high-school-student-awards>



The Off-Campus Team

Mark Boschee - Off-Campus Coordinator - Cell: 587-220-4258 or Email: hsoffcampus@holyspirit.ab.ca

Wendy Gurr - Career Practitioner - Cell: 403-593-2903 or Email: hsoffcampus@holyspirit.ab.ca

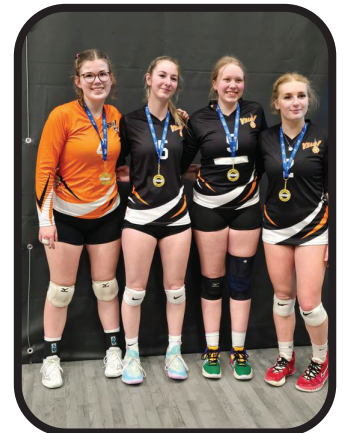
Athlete of the Week



Maddy is our St. Mary's Athlete of the week, sponsored by Harley Phillips. Maddy is recognized for her participation on the Auroras basketball team. Maddy is a quiet go getter, whether she is staying after practice to get extra reps in or working hard during games. She has a can-do attitude and steps up to every challenge that comes her way. Maddy has been an asset to the Auroras successful basketball season. Good luck at Provincials and congratulations on Athlete of the Week!!

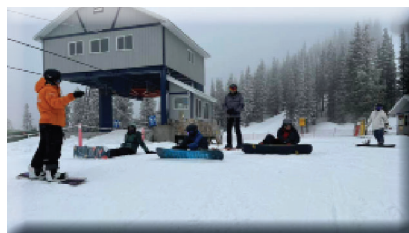
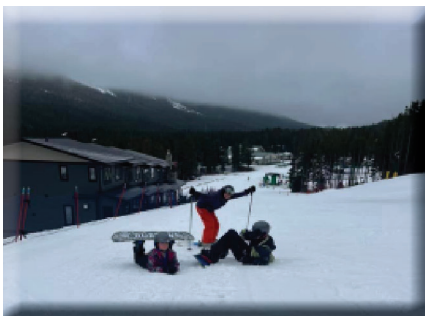
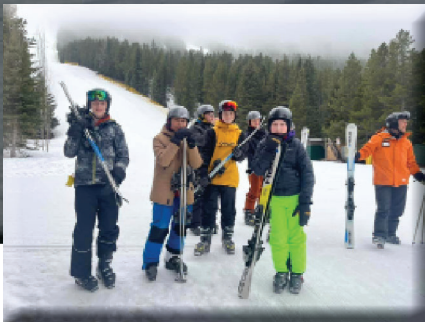
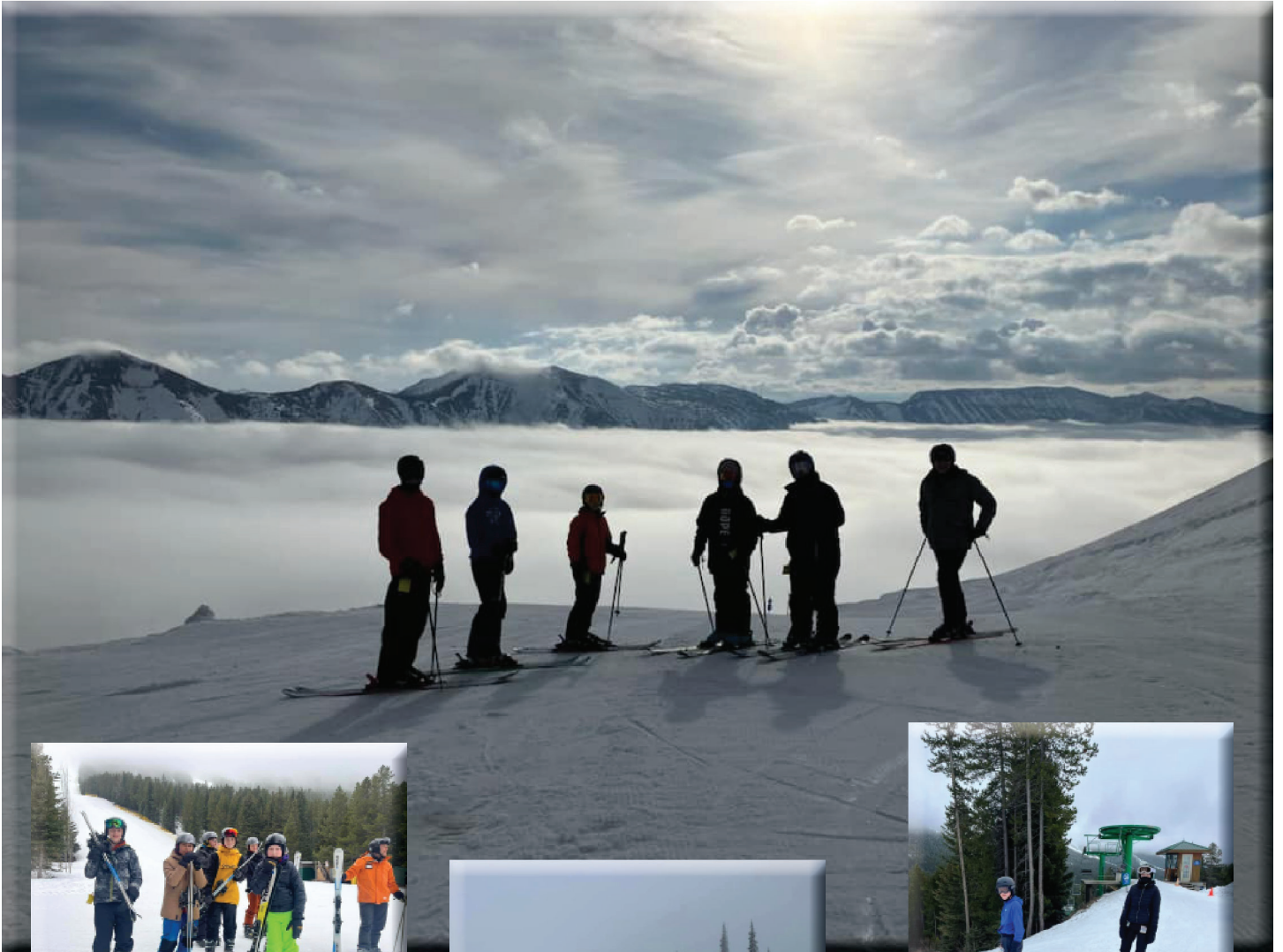


SMS Sports!



These girls won gold at the Alberta U18 Premier in Calgary. Congratulations ladies!

SMS Ski Trip



DID YOU MISS ORDERING YOUR GRAD JEWELRY & GEAR @ SCHOOL?

Design & Order Your Jewelry @ www.jostens.com

Or



Contact Your Jostens Representative @
403.252.1774 – sean.kelly@jostens.com

Interested in other 2024 Grad Products? – www.jostenscanada.com/classof2024



SarahChloe | Jostens



Grade 8s
attended Friday
morning Mass
with our parish



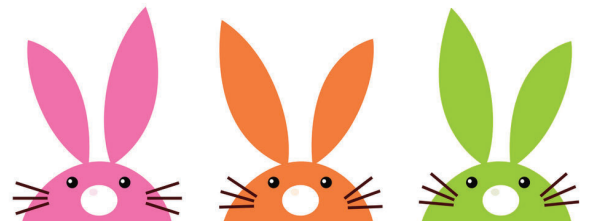
Interchurch: 2024 Youth Event

Fellowship | Activities | Worship | Food

Grades 7 - 12 | \$5/person
April 13, 2024, 1 - 7 pm
Taber CRC
3902 Heritage Dr



Scan to register



Advertise your student summer positions with us!

Call 403-223-3165 for details!

EXPLORE

Skilled Trades & Career Fair



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE
SKILLED TRADES & CAREER FAIR

April 24, 2024
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Fort Macleod, AB

TRADES - SUMMER EMPLOYERS - WORK EXPERIENCE
COME PREPARED TO ASK QUESTIONS & WIN COOL SWAG!

TABS FOR TOTS

PULL.COLLECT.DONATE

HELP US TURN



Into this



Together We Can



**Helping
Regional
Hospitals
Since 2000**

WHAT IS TABS FOR TOTS?

"Tabs for Tots" is a program of the Alberta Elks Foundation. It provides funds for Pediatric Care & Equipment for regional hospitals and health care units. The items are typically intended for delivery rooms, nurseries or pediatric wards.

Applications to the Tabs for Tots program can be made by any Elks or Royal Purple Elks Lodge through one of its members.

Projects can receive up to \$5,000 from the Tabs for Tots Program.

HOW CAN I HELP

Tabs for tots collects the "tab off beverage cans as well as other recyclable metals. The collection is sold for scrap and the funds collected are allocated for helping local hospitals.

THE POWER OF TOGETHER

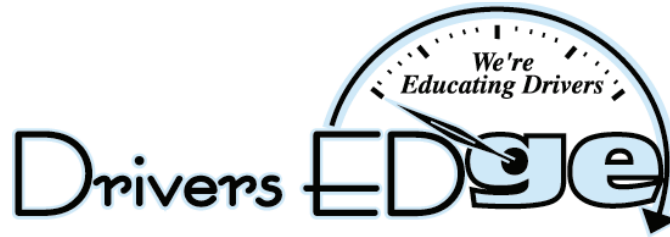
Collecting 58,246lbs of tabs is not easy task. Together its is possible. Together we can supply much need medical equipment to local hospitals all over Alberta. Together we can make a difference. You don't have to be a member to help.

Did you know?

Tabs are being collected in communities in a number of different ways involving schools, day cares and by local trades donating materials after a job has been completed

We are still collecting pop tabs!

**The class that collects the most, gets served first
on FOOD TRUCK DAY - MONDAY, JUNE 10
(All new food trucks coming this year!)**



#113 1201 Kingsway Avenue SE,
Medicine Hat, AB, T1A 2Y2
(403) 526-9505 / 1-866-999-9505

Driver EDge will be in Taber April 2024 to offer our program!

Classroom session will run April 15 - 18, 2024, Monday – Thursday 3:45 – 5:45 & 6:15 – 8:30 PM at W.R. Myers High School. In-Vehicle Drive times will be scheduled prior and during the classroom session.

Course consists of **18 hours of classroom instruction** and **10 hours of in-vehicle instruction**. The driving portion of the course will be broken down into five 2-hour lessons. Four of the 2-hour lessons will be in Taber and then one 2-hour lesson will be in Lethbridge to do some highway and city driving. More lessons can be scheduled in Lethbridge if you wish to have more city driving (students will have to provide their own transportation to Lethbridge). Please indicate if you are wanting more city driving.

Registration is now open until March 13, 2024 @ 12:00 PM. To register in the program, you will need to go to our website www.DriversEDgeInc.com Hit the register button on the of the page. Choose the Registration Form - Classroom and select the Taber April 15 – 18, 2024 class after your email is verified. Parents will need to do this with the student, as you will each get a verification code you will need to enter. If you have any issues or questions, please call the Drivers EDge office, Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm at **587-813-5050**. Payment can be made by credit card or e-Transfer. Cost of our program is **\$839 + GST** and we will call for payment once we have enough students registered.

Hope to see you in class!

In case of a request for refund, there is a \$200 non-refundable administrative fee

Holy Spirit Catholic School Division
International Homestay Program



Become a

HOMESTAY FAMILY

The BEST thing about memories...
is making them!

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO

Donna Faulkner
Homestay Coordinator
Holy Spirit Catholic School Division
620 12B St. N.
Lethbridge, AB, T1H 2L7
Phone: (403) 330-7382
homestay@holyspirit.ab.ca

HOST FAMILIES PROVIDE...

- Private bedroom
- 3 wholesome meals/day +snacks
- Quiet, bright study space
- Access to common areas
- Laundry
- Emotional/Academic support
- Interaction with family members
- Participation in family activities
- Internet connection

HOST FAMILY BENEFITS...

- Learn another culture's traditions and customs
- Share Canadian culture with your student
- Create lasting memories and experiences
- Spend more family time together
- Develop a new friendship with your student
- Receive \$900 monthly to cover the expenses of hosting your student
- Build an interest in culture, language and future travel opportunities for your family

PURSUE YOUR PASSION



JOHN HASSELFIELD ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION STUDENT GRANTS

Grants available for:

- Education
- Athletics
- The Arts

Past recipients have earned scholarships for:
Flight school, art camp, basketball training, writing camps and more!

More information and application form available at:
www.johnhasselfield.com
www.facebook.com/johnhasselfieldendowment

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED YEAR-ROUND



Scholarship Program

You could win one of 40 cash scholarships of \$1,000 each.



About the Scholarship

Are you active in your community or do you have ideas on how to make it a better place to call home? Submit an essay of up to 1250 words answering one of the questions below and you could win \$1000!

1. What does a "bright future" look like for you?
2. How have you demonstrated leadership or charity within your community to make it a better place?
3. How can we ensure fair and affordable housing for all Canadians?



Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, entrants must be a Grade 12 student attending high school in Canada* in the September 2023 - June 2024 academic year. Entrants must not have previously participated in a commencement ceremony.

How to Apply

Submit an essay online between September 12, 2023 and March 13, 2024.

Go to <https://blog.remax.ca/quest-for-excellence/>

For inquiries email questforexcellence@remax.ca

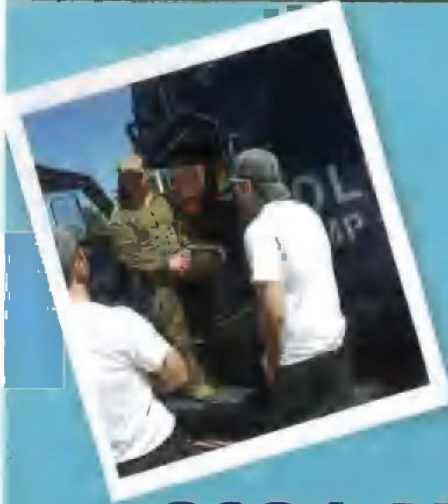
RE/MAX CANADA

*Except Quebec . **All essay entries become the property of RE/MAX Canada. Photos and names of winners may be used in print publications and media.
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RCMP



ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE



2024 ALBERTA RCMP YOUTH CAMPS

FOR AGES 16-18

WE ARE ACCEPTING PRE-APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2024 SESSIONS!

RCMP Youth Camps provide the exclusive opportunity to experience the behind-the-curtain of policing in one of the most highly recognized police forces in the world.

- Learn from Indigenous Police, Emergency Response Teams, Police Dog Services and more.
- Learn investigative skills, partake in drills, engage with active members, play games, and more.
- Bond with like-minded peers and be presented with the opportunity to develop lifelong friendships.
- Receive an official certification of completion during a formal RCMP graduation ceremony.

FREE FOR ALL SELECTED APPLICANTS
TRANSPORTATION MAY BE AVAILABLE

2024 CAMP DATES

July 22-26 & August 5-9

INDIGENOUS YOUTH CAMP

August 12-16



SCAN HERE ^

Apply before April 30, 2024

> OR EMAIL KYOUTHCAMPS-KCAMPSDEJEUNES@RCMP-GRC.GC.CA TO APPLY!

2024 Alberta RCMP Youth Camp Application



APPLICATION CUTOFF DATE: APRIL 30th, 2024

Applicants must be within the ages of 16 – 18 years old as of July 2024.
(Exceptions can be made for younger applicants who fit the required criteria)

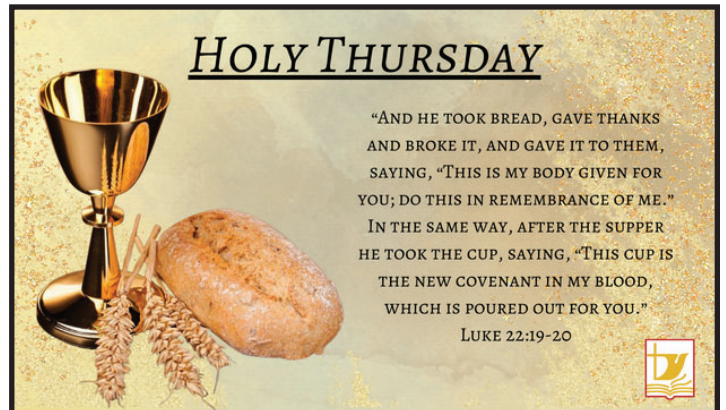
ALL COSTS COVERED!



Welcome to the New Waterford Coal Bowl Classic!

Good luck to the Celtics who will be travelling to Cape Breton over the Easter Break to participate in the New Waterford Coal Bowl Classic (www.coalbowl.ca)

Important Notice: There will be no cafeteria service on Monday, April 8th.





Did you know the St. Mary's Travel Club is going to Portugal on Friday??? Play along on the SMS IG stories, "Where is the world is SMS travel club, for your chance to win an EF backpack. You will have a chance to win each day, your answer must be more specific than the country!!!

