



The Catholic
Archdiocese
of Edmonton

To be read at all Masses on Sunday, October 26th, 2025

Catholic Social Services Sunday – October 26th

Dear Sisters & Brothers in Christ,

Today, we cheerfully celebrate the 5th annual *Catholic Social Services Sunday*, and recognize this agency's profound impact within our Archdiocese.

This Sunday, we are reminded by Psalm 34 of God's unwavering presence and care: that the Lord is near the broken-hearted, and hears the cry of the poor.

These words echo through the work of Catholic Social Services, which so often becomes the very hands and heart of Christ to those who suffer. Whether it's a woman fleeing domestic violence, a man with a developmental disability looking for acceptance, a refugee seeking safety, or an expectant mother facing pregnancy alone and seeking support - CSS is always there: present, compassionate, helping.

Your gift to Together We Serve helps Catholic Social Services in its mission to care for and bring hope to people in need.

Since 1961, Catholic Social Services has been a cherished part of the Archdiocese of Edmonton family of faith, offering comfort, dignity, and hope to more than 20,000 Albertans each year. Their mission of mercy is an outreach not based on merit, but on the inherent dignity of every person and the boundless love of God.

Much of the grace-filled work of CSS is made possible by the generosity of our Catholic community, whose faithful support helps sustain this vital mission. As we mark this special Sunday, let us offer joyful thanks for the gift of Catholic Social Services and all who make its life-changing mission possible.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Paul Kavanagh
Archdiocesan Administrator