



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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December 12th, 2010 - Third Sunday of Advent

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mon. Dec.13 -Sun. Dec.19

Morning Prayer:

Mon. & Tues. Thurs: 9:00 am

Wed., Fri.: 8:40 am

Week Day Mass Times:

6:45 pm: Tues.

9:00 am: Wed.

6:45 pm : Thurs

9:00 am Fri.

Reconciliation: Sat. 10:00 am

Weekend Mass Times:

5:00 pm Saturday

8:30 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm: Sunday

Advent Penitential Services

If you were unable to attend the Advent Penitential service at our parish on Dec. 07th, please consider attending one of the other parishes. All services are at 7 p.m.

St. Theresa's Parish - Tues. Dec. 14

St. Thomas More Parish - Wed. Dec.15

Assumption Parish - Thurs. Dec. 16

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues. Dec. 14th—Barb, Warren, Puz & Andre, Ursula, Mathew, Maya Braun, Joe Walsh†, Michael Querengesser.

Wed. Dec. 15th - Andre & Raymond Vanderhaeghe †, Chris Guse, Chantal Stolniuk †, Harry Walters †, Rosalie DeLeon, Lennard Sebastian.

Thurs. Dec.16th –Attwell family, Dolores Germain-Nowak †, Deiter Heindenreich, Alphonse Tetreau †, Vincent Gibson †, Amanda MacDonald, Donna, Alysia & Desiree, Mr. & Mrs. Martin Redl †, St. John of God -Donna, Laurie & Brent.

Fri. Dec. 17th –Andre & Raymond Vanderhaeghe †, Rene Huberdeau †, Al Janzen †, Theresa Stadnyk †, Denise Black †

†In Loving Remembrance

We extend our deepest sympathy and the assurance of the prayers of the OLPH community to the **families** of: Marvin & Harriet Chupka, Crystal & Matt Hoven, **Murray Chupka**, son & brother died on Dec.5.

Michael Healey, Michael's mother **Berthe Healey** died Dec.2 in Montreal

COMMUNITY NEWS



CWL NEWS

Advent Celebration

Mark your calendars! Come and enjoy! Thursday, Dec. 16th at 7:30pm in the St. Joan Room. We will begin with a quiet prayful time (exchange prayer partners). This will be followed by entertainment, warm conversation, laughter and the sharing of your favorite finger food. Bring an unwrapped gift for an unwed mother and/or child from TARA. See you there!



POINSETTIAS

The Seasonal Decorating Committee would be very grateful for donations of poinsettias to help beautify the church and Parish Hall for our Christmas celebrations. If you would like to donate a plant, please bring it to the church office between Dec. 20th and 23rd. Thank you for your generosity and have a blessed Christmas!

BAPTISM PREPARATION DATES 2011

Baptism preparation classes are required prior to your child being Baptized.

Upcoming classes: Jan.12 & 19, Feb.2 & 9, Apr.6 & 13, June 1 & 8.

Baptism Celebration Dates 2011: Jan.2, Feb.20, Mar.6, May1, June26, July17 & Aug.14.

Please phone Sandra or Lucille at the parish office for more information and/or registration

BIRTHRIGHT EDMONTON

Birthright Edmonton is selling a pewter ornament of The Three Wise Men. The price is \$7.50 and goes to support the work of caring for women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. For more information please email us at Birthrightedmonton@gmail.com. Thank you

LAUDATOR PRAYER CHAIN

Confidential prayers of praise and intercession are offered to God our Father. **Contact: Doreen 467-0597 or Josie at 467-0197.**

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor

Msgr. Jack Hamilton

Associate Pastors

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Fr. Dan Gurnick, OFM (**Part Time**)

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(780) 416 - 0931

Help Line: ext 1, Donations: ext 2

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Friday 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
(Closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. weekdays)

Sat. & Sun. 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Saturday 10:00 am
or by appointment

On-going Faith Formation

FAITH THAT LIVES BREATHES AND MOVES

Yes we've come to the final of our three Advent evenings. Fr Wilf will be with us Monday, December 13 to present and lead an experience of Lectio Divina . We'll meet in the church at 7pm. We look forward to seeing you then. By the way, have you thought of inviting someone? Perhaps someone who wonders how we, Catholics, pray....or a young parent wondering how to pray with the family... You know the person. It may be a neighbor who needs a ride.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the Young Disciples group for coming out this past Sunday and preparing a Mexican fiesta.

Thank you for your support in volunteering to prepare a dinner for the youth.

God Bless
Sharon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT CHRISTMASS MASSES

Numerous Eucharistic Ministers will be needed for the upcoming Christmas and New Year Masses. **Please sign up** on the sheets located in the church foyer. Signing up now will ensure that all positions are filled for these important celebrations. If you have any questions please call Jim Retallack at 467-6059.

RCIA

Next Saturday, December 18th, we will celebrate the Rite of Reception with Cara Dagg and Wayne Weum. Please hold them in prayer this week..

RCIA PARTNERING WITH THE MUSTARD SEED

RCIA (inquirers, candidates, catechumens, alumni, team) invites you to join them in an evening of outreach ministry and fellowship on Tuesday, December 14th. Drop by between 5 and 8:30. Bring your favorite recipe and the needed ingredients and join us as we bake for the Mustard Seed. The goodies will be delivered the next day. We are also collecting items on the **Mustard Seed Wish list** (copies are available in the foyer and are posted with the bulletin on the web www.olph.ca) You can drop off warm hats, gloves, scarves, socks, basic hygiene items, unwrapped toys up to a \$7 value, filled travel mugs and items for their coffee bar until Tuesday, Dec 14th. Please contact Bonnie at the parish office bkirk@olph.ca (780-467-5470) if you have any questions or to let us know you're coming to bake.

Reminder: Children Liturgy of the Word. Weekly pamphlets available on the brochure spinner in the foyer. Please pick up a copy. Mom & Dad will help you find them and read them.

ATTENTION: MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK

2011 Sunday Missals are available for pick up in the Sacristy. Thank you for your Ministry of Care to our seniors and homebound.

Prison Calendars Etc.

Edmonton Institution for Women (E.I.F.W.) creativeworks 2011 Calendars. The calendar sales support the Kid's Kottage Foundation, stocking stuffers for young offenders and the art program at E.I.F.W. Cost - \$12.00 See Fr. Dan after Mass or contact him at dgurnick@olph.ca to purchase a calendar. Fr. Dan is also seeking volunteers to celebrate the Mass at E.I.F.W. (11151 - 178St. Edmonton) The Mass is on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month @ 5:15pm. The institution is also in need of women mentoring volunteers.



CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS



First Communion

Registration & Orientation Mtg.
Wed. Jan. 5, 7:00 pm - Parish Hall.
Registration fee is \$15. Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

Confirmation.

Session #3

Thurs. Jan. 13, 6:30 pm
Sun. Jan. 16, 1:30 pm.

If you have missed Session # 1 or 2, please contact Sharon Darbyshire for a make-up session.

Candidates are asked to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation prior to the reception of Confirmation.

PARENTS IN PRAYER

The Parents in Prayer group will be meeting for the last time this year, on Monday, Dec. 13th at 10 AM at FKK School. We will lift up the needs of all of our schools' children, staff and families in prayer. All are welcome to join us for this special time of prayer and reflection. Bring a friend! For more information please call Sharon Wanke at 780-922-3012.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMS

The WYD pilgrims will provide for all your last minute Christmas needs. On Saturday, December 18 child care will be provided at the parish from 9 am - 2 pm and gift wrapping will be available from noon to 4 pm. Snacks for children and wrapping paper will be provided. To register and for more details Brielle at 780-464-1256 or email her at olph2011@gmail.com and include any special considerations for your child. After every mass next weekend the pilgrims will be having a candle and bake sale. Please stop by for some wonderful Christmas treats. All donations to the pilgrimage fund are greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEER PHONERS

Our Catering Project has an excellent reputation. To continue to provide first rate service we need to ensure there are always enough volunteers. Phoners make calls to parishioners in the evenings. This is a great opportunity to volunteer without having to leave home. We **URGENTLY** need more people to phone for volunteers and let them know of upcoming catering dates. If you are interested, please contact the parish office. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



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Once again, many thanks for your response to our **REVERSE COLLECTION**. We are still in need of small boxes to prepare our hampers. The ideal size are the boxes from the liquor stores or U-Haul book size. Help is needed in many ways.

Monday morning, Dec 13th beginning at 9 to assemble the hampers with non-perishables

Monday afternoon beginning at 1 to help wrap gifts (depending on number of wrappers and gifts to be wrapped, this may continue throughout the week). Saturday morning Dec. 18th beginning at 10m to help with the deliveries.

ASSISTING THE BISELLE CENTRE

MMmmm! The lovely aroma of Christmas baking is in the air! Do you have a dozen cookies or squares that you would be willing to share with inner city residents this Christmas? Due to an urgent request our Parish has generously agreed to assist in providing an Inner City Pastoral Ministry (ICPM) lunch at the Bissell Centre on Dec. 26. If you are able to donate some home baking, please drop off at the Parish Office Dec. 23rd by 7pm. Thank you very much for your generosity.



Repentance, conversion, return, new life in Christ. This is the perpetual dynamic in the Christian life, one that requires a great deal of effort and perseverance to master. It requires the ability to learn from others, to listen to others, to realize one's own lack, and to strive for a better way, in Christ. Above all, however, it requires prayer and the ability to submit to the Holy Spirit who is the true agent drawing all of us into the oneness of the Church, into the loving unity of the Holy Trinity.

PARKING REMINDER

HANDICAPPED PARKING

is reserved for those displaying an official Handicapped designation placard.

Parishioners with limited mobility are experiencing difficulty accessing parking close to the doors during Sunday Mass times.

There is **NO PARKING IN THE FIRELANES** at the entrance of the church. That area must remain clear for access by emergency vehicles and fire trucks.