



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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March 27, 2011 - Third Sunday in Lent

3rd Week of Lent Prayer for God's Care

Lord God,
At the beginning of creation, you planted a garden of surpassing beauty and harmony. Out of love, you created men and women to live in unity with you, with one another, and with all your creatures. Look on us now, for we need your tender care. Water us with your grace; tend us with your love; and in the midst of this Lenten journey, carefully prune our branches, that we might be free from all sin that keeps us away from you. Be for us a burning flame once again to remind us that we are on holy ground and that we long to see your face. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Lenten Penitential Services

If you missed our Parish Penitential last Tuesday, please consider attending at one of the other parishes. All services are at 7 p.m.

St. Theresa's Parish	Tuesday March 29
Assumption Parish	Thursday March 31
Our Lady of Angels	Monday April 4
St. Joseph's College	Thursday April 14



OLPH Business and Facility Manager

This position requires a highly motivated individual who is able to coordinate a variety of tasks related to the business and facility functions of a mega-parish. Candidate must be responsible and possess excellent organizational, verbal and written communication skills. Must have considerable knowledge of practices in general facility maintenance, office administration, computers and applications, bookkeeping and accounting procedures using Simply Accounting. Position would entail working with volunteers as part of a collaborative team environment. Knowledge of the principles and practices governing a Catholic faith community are essential. Please submit resumes to Human Resources, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, AB. T8H 1Y7. Fax: (780) 467-0530. E-mail: info@olph.ca

Part Time Weekend Staff Position

Duties:

Performs a variety of clerical duties.

Hours of Work: Must be flexible. There are four weekend staff who work the following hours on both Saturday and Sunday: 7:30 am – 1:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 7 pm.

Necessary personal qualities are: maturity, hospitality and welcome, an attitude of service, helpfulness and assistance to individuals and groups, honesty, flexibility, a sense of humor and can be trusted with confidential information.

Demonstrated ability to work with a minimum of supervision and to carry out written and verbal instructions. Must be computer competent. Ideal position for high school student, college or university student.

Apply to Dorothy Rudkowski at drudkowski@olph.ca. Please include a resume, covering letter and two references.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Financial Stewardship Report 2010

To all parishioners. The Parish Financial Stewardship report is now available in the foyer of the church or on our web site at www.olph.ca.



Canadian Catholic Organization For Development and Peace.

Pennies..... Do you have pennies you want to get rid of ??

Pennies will be collected until **Saturday, April 9th** in the foyer after every weekend Mass. All monies raised will go to Development and Peace. Our Goal for THINKfast this year is \$4000.



Adult Singles/Divorced/Widowed

Please join us in fellowship and community for various social, cultural and community events. Our next social gathering is on Mon. April 11, at 7:00 pm at OLPH, downstairs in the Meeting Room. For further information contact **Elaine (780)416-6008** or **Jeannine by e-mail jmbb04@shaw.ca**.

Liturgy Schedule
Mon. Mar. 28 - Sun. Apr. 4

Mon. Tue. Thurs.: 9:00 am Morning Prayer
Tue. Thurs.: 6:45 pm Mass
Wed.: 8:40 am Morning Prayer, 9:00 am Mass
Fri.: 8:40 am Morning Prayer, 9:00 am Mass & Exposition & Adoration, 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross, 7:45 pm Reconciliation
Sat.: 10:00 am Reconciliation, 5:00 pm Mass
Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm Mass
***No children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, April 3rd.**

This Week's Mass Intentions

Tue., Mar. 29: Aprille Everette† John Cummins†
Steven James
Wed., Mar. 30: Margaret Harrison, Clementina
Garlejo†
Thurs. Mar. 31: Olivia Bebyck †
Fri., Apr. 1: No intentions.

Vocation Prayer Request

In accordance with the third pastoral priority established by Archbishop Smith to "create a culture of vocation" in the Archdiocese of Edmonton, our parish will begin the Novena to the Holy Spirit for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on Wednesday, March 16th following daily Mass.

To individuals who wish to pray the Novena to the Holy Spirit for vocations at home, the Novena booklets are available in the east transept.

This week please pray for the following seminarians discerning a vocation to the priesthood:

**Ben van den Bosch (25) Luan Dinh Vu (26)
Kelly Wilson (27) Deacon Geoffrey Young (28)
Andrew Young (29) Simon Zak (30) James Zick (31).**

Year of Liturgical Ministries
April is Commentator Month!

Please join the Commentators Ministry in celebrating our Ministry for the Month of April. We are kicking off our month with hospitality after Masses on the weekend of March 26th and 27th. Please say hello to our members while you enter the church before Mass on the weekend and join us in fellowship after Mass by having coffee or juice. Share with us the "joy of life." We look forward to sharing our Ministry with all of you for the entire month of April. We have several activities we will be hosting throughout the month. Join us in making our Ministry a true service to God and to our parish community.

God Bless!

Phil Rivard

Commentators Coordinator

Pastoral Team

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Msgr. Jack Hamilton

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Fr. Wilf Murchland, CSC

Fr. Dan Gurnick, OFM

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Pastoral Assistants

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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 - Sat. 10:00 am or by
appointment.



**"Special" Thank You
to CWL**

For providing the snacks for the
Confirmation Retreat last weekend!



CWL NEWS

A great big Thank You to everyone who participated in the L'Arche Community dinner. Under the direction of Barb Owens, your efforts were greatly appreciated by our special guests. Many hands can make good things happen!

**OLPH Prayer Chain
Laudators**

We pray for others. Prayers of praise and intercession are offered to God our Father. Confidentiality is respected at all times.

Contact: Doreen 467-0597 or Josie 467-0197.



Parish Soup & Bread Lenten Series for 2011



Once again during Lent, the Parish is hosting the Lenten Series in support of Development and Peace.

Format of the evening held in the Parish Hall:

5:45 – 6:30p.m. Grace begins our delicious, but simple supper of homemade soup and fresh bread, which also supports our Lenten fasting. A suggested donation of what it costs for your own supper goes to the Share Lent program of the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. (Highchairs are available for the younger ones.)

6:30 – 7:00p.m. Each week features a guest speaker on a variety of topics concerning Social Justice in our community and our world. Children are invited to watch a 30 minute video. Supervision will be provided by the World Youth Day Pilgrims. Preschoolers will be supervised in the nursery while they play.

7:15 – 7:45p.m. (approx) Stations of the Cross led by parish ministries and groups.

7:45p.m. Reconciliation.

Guest Speakers

April 1 Rev. Dan Gurnick , OFM, will address the topic of “Restorative Justice” a subject he witnesses first hand, in his ministry to those in the Edmonton’s Institution for Women.
Taize Prayer by World Youth Day Pilgrims.

April 8 Louise Lee will explore the question “The Poor and Me ~ What does God want of me beyond financial donations?” Louise is married, with four adult children. She and her husband have taught in Kuwait and Pakistan, and last year lived in the inner city area of Edmonton. Her vision of the Gospel call has been deeply affected by these experiences. Instead of Stations, Youth will be showing the film titled ‘Most’. See Youth Track below for more info.

April 15 Gordon Self, Vice President, Mission, Ethics and Spirituality will focus in his half hour presentation on the application of ethics to daily life, at home, work and in the parish community.
Stations of the Cross led by Commentators.

OLPH Parish Youth Track

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 3rd—Youth Dinner

This night is cancelled due to spring break

April 9/10th—THINKfast

April 8th—MOST

After Soup and Bread we will be showing the film titled ‘MOST’ , which is Czech for ‘The Bridge’ upstairs in the church in place of Stations of the Cross. This film is a beautiful Oscar - nominated movie and winner of many prestigious film festivals. MOST is both a heart wrenching and glorious story that portrays the greatest measure of love, sacrifice, hope and forgiveness known to man. It’s inspirational story has touched millions.

What will it take to change a life?

PLEASE NOTE: This film is not appropriate for younger children.

April 17th—Youth Dinner

Come out for dinner after Mass and a LIFE Nite . Senior youth join us for dinner after Mass

THINKfast—April 9th/10th

Come to an overnight event for all youth grades 5-12.

This is an evening of fun activities, games, prayer, reflection, fasting, Mass, sleepover and more.

Through pledges and fasting, participating youth show their support for Development and Peace partners in the Global South. Leading up to THINKfast, youth collect pledges from neighbors, family, friends who promise a donation of a specific amount for completing the fast. These donations are sent to Development and Peace.

Pledge sheets are available at the office.

You must have a minimum pledge of \$25.00 to attend.

Registration forms only need to be returned by April 14th. Pledge forms and money collected can be brought on the day of THINKfast

Prizes for the largest amounts collected.

Our Goal is to raise \$4000 this year.

Our faith calls us to work for justice; to serve those in need; to pursue peace; and to defend the life, dignity, and rights of all our sisters and brothers. This is the call of Jesus, the challenge of the prophets, and the living tradition of our Church.” (United)

Please contact Sharon Darbyshire, OLPH Youth Coordinator for any information or registrations.

I can be reached at OLPH Parish, 467-5470 Or e-mail me at sdarbyshire@olph.ca

OUR JOURNEY TO THE EASTER WATERS OF BAPTISM

Yes, with our Elect but also for ourselves. Everything we hear, everything we see, everything we celebrate as a Christian community this time of year is an invitation to cross the Lenten desert to the Easter waters of baptism. We journey with the elect through the final days of preparation, but we, the "already-initiated" Catholic, must make this journey our own if we are to find the Vigil's renewal of baptism significant, life-giving and truly a deepening commitment to the person of Jesus.

Lent is a busy time. We will have information available next week that will break open the various rites. Today we ask you to date note of these dates, mark your calendars and plan to participate.

THURSDAY, March 31st at 7:30 pm; evening of prayer and reflection with the RCIA folk to prepare the scrutinies.

SUNDAYS, March 27th at the 5:00 pm Mass First Scrutiny
April 3rd at the 8:30 am Mass Second Scrutiny
April 10 at the 10:30 am Mass Third Scrutiny

THURSDAYS, March 31 at 6:45 pm Mass Presentation of the Creed
April 14 at 6:45 pm Mass Presentation of the Our Father

SUNDAY, April 17 from noon to 4:30 pm - A Walk Through Holy Week
(afternoon of renewal and exploration of the various rites, and rituals of Holy Week).

HOLY SATURDAY, April 23rd at 8 AM (BEFORE OUR WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY BEGINS THE DAUNTING TASK OF PREPARING OUR CHURCH FOR THE VIGIL CELEBRATION) Morning prayer and preparation rites of the Vigil.

The community is the primary minister for the RCIA process. So we encourage all to participate in these special stops along the way to baptism...baptism renewal and deeper appropriation at Easter.

Lenten Retreat with Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI

LENTEN PUBLIC LECTURE: 'Jesus Agony In the Garden' Fri. April 8 at 7:30 pm. Cost: \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Call 780-459-5511 to register. Lecture taken place at St. Albert Parish Church (7 St. Vital Ave, St. Albert).

LENTEN MISSION

Led by Father Don Lukie, Redemptorist Father from St. Joseph parish in Winnipeg. Join us for fellowship, reflection and a journey of faith at this time of repentance. At Park Place Funeral Chapel (51 Broadway Blvd, Sherwood Park on April 3, 4, & 5, at 7:00pm. For more information please call Fr. Rendy at 780-464-4177.

Good marriages deserve to be great marriages!

Attention Married Couples:

Worldwide Marriage Encounters invites you to attend the next Edmonton Marriage Encounter weekend. It starts Friday April 15 at 7PM and runs through to Sunday April 17, at 5PM.

To Register contact Jim and Mary Ganton by e-mail at jimaganton@yahoo.ca or phone 780-418-4051. For inspiration and information visit www.wvme.org. Register by April 2nd deadline to ensure your spot!

Edmonton Pro-Life

40 Days for Life

Want to try something different for Lent this year? Take part in 40 Days for Life by praying and fasting for an end to abortion in solidarity with Christians from over 200 communities around North America from March 9 – April 17. For more info. go to: 40daysforlife.com/edmonton or e-mail 40daysforlife@edmontonprolife.com.

THE SEARCH FOR MEANING IN SUFFERING: A Christian Perspective sponsored by the Knights of Columbus - Presented by Mark & LaRee Pickup at St. Vital Church, 4905 -50 St. Beaumont Saturday, April 2, 2011, 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

Join us for an interactive seminar about finding meaning in the midst of suffering from a Christian perspective. It is a 3-part presentation with audio-visuals, question and answer periods facilitated by Mark and LaRee, as well as prayer and reflection time. In 1984, Mark was diagnosed with aggressive and degenerative multiple sclerosis. He is now confined to an electric wheelchair. LaRee and Mark have journeyed as a couple through the terror of serious neurological disease and have faced profound trials, grief and sorrow yet placed their fate into God's care.