



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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March 6, 2011 - Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Mon. Mar. 7- Sun. Mar. 13

Mon., Tue., Thurs.: 9:00 am Morning Prayer

Tues.: 6:45 pm Mass

Ash Wednesday: 8:40 am Morning Prayer,
9:15 am Mass at ABJ High School, 12:00 pm
Mass with EICS, 7:00 pm Mass

Thurs.: 6:45 pm Mass - for the Bereaved

Fri.: 8:40 am Morning Prayer, 9:00 am Mass,
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.

Note: No Children's Liturgy for Mar.6, 20, 27
and April 3rd.

Pastoral Team

Pastor

Msgr. Jack Hamilton

Associate Pastors

Fr. Wilf Murchland, CSC

Fr. Dan Gurnick, OFM

dgurnick@olph.ca

Office Staff - See website for Pastoral

Assistants and Administrative Assistance.

at www.olph.ca.



Parish Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! Sponsored By PPC

**Tuesday March 8th Parish Hall at
5:30 - 7:00 pm, Adults \$4, Aged 5-12: \$2,
Under 4 Free, Family \$12.
Tickets at the door.**

This Week's Mass Intentions

Tue., Mar. 8: Brian Spilak† Vera Tymko, Marie
St. Jacques† Rosemarie Shivak, Brenda Winnicki,
Anne Czeslik, Connor Charlton†

Wed., Mar. 9: Noela Shaub† Marcel Magnan†
Rose Vallee† Brian Spilak†

Thurs., Mar. 10: Eugene Magnon† Vallee family

Fri. Mar. 11: Michil Berube† Emile Vallee†
Ruth Spilak, Ben Rompre

Society of St. Vincent de Paul (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.

† In Loving Remembrance....

We extend our deepest sympathy and the
assurance of the prayers of God's people here at
Our Lady of Perpetual Help to the families of:
Patricia, Janette & (Alex), Noreen, Tony &
(Debbie), Maura, Loretta & (Dan). Their mother
Jeanette (Netta) Hagan died Feb. 26th.

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

"Year for Liturgical Ministries"

**All twelve ministries have been involved in
"greeting ministry" during February and we
invite you to keep up with this mission
during March. Beginning in April, if you
wish to do so, you may join each month's
ministry as they greet parishioners in the
gathering space at each Mass.**

**To date, these are the months chosen by
each ministry for "Celebration and
Renewal":**

April - Commentators

**May - Adult Servers, Music Ministry,
Sacristans, and Altar Servers**

June - Seasonal Decorating (tentative)

September - Ushers (tentative)

October - Proclaimers

November - Eucharistic Ministers

**Please continue to pray for the success of this
endeavor.**

Parish and Community News



CWL NEWS

On Thurs. Mar. 17th at 5 pm the CWL will be serving dinner for the special people of the L'Arche Community here in the parish hall. Ladies, donations of salad or dessert would be greatly appreciated. Please deliver them to the parish kitchen before 5 pm on Thurs. Mar. 17.



JETS' FLIGHTS LIMITED IN MARCH

We have just 2 sessions running this month so plan to getaway:

March 11 - Brother Andre (Part II) with Fr. Wilf

March 18 - Bible verses & study, fun and frivolity!

Meet at 9:40 am in the St. Joan Room; in-flight snacks will be served.



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. March 14 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.

“**Volunteers**” are needed to help in the Marion Gift Shop Sundays after the 8:30am Mass. For more information, call Theresa at (780)416-6354

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.

Youth Track

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 6th LIFEteen dinner and LIFE Nite

This meal is sponsored by RCIA
no cost for the meal
Social Night – theme
“Mardi Gras unmasked”

March 11th Gym Night – LIFEteen

Meet at Holy Spirit for a open gym
night 7-9p.m

March 18th Gym Night for Junior Youth

7-9p.m.

April 9th/10th THINKfast

An over night event for all youth grades 5-12
Registrations are now available. Start collecting
your pledges now.

Registration forms need to be returned by March
25th

Check the youth board for more details

For more info contact:

Sharon Darbyshire

Pastoral Assistant for Youth and Children

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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(780) 467-5470

Inner City Pastoral Ministry (ICPM) Annual General Meeting

Thursday March 17, 2011 at Robertson
Wesley United Church (10209-123 Street)

6:00pm meal

6:30pm speaker: Archbishop Richard Smith,
Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton, "*Ending
Homelessness: Engaging the Faith Communities*"

7:00-8:00pm AGM

RSVP: Pastor Rick at 780-424-7652

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

Marriage Saving Program the Weekend Phase

During the weekend phase of the Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) program a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a Catholic priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 11-13, 2011, email retrouvaille@shaw.ca

OR call 780-577-1474 OR visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

CONFIRMATION

Session #5

Sun – March 6th – 1:00-2:30 pm
(Please note the time change for Sunday)
In the Sanctuary



This will be the last Parent-child meeting **before** Confirmation.

Super Saturday Confirmation Retreat - March 19th

9:30 – 12:00 pm or 1:00-3:30 pm
What is a retreat? This is a time for sharing, friendship, fun, prayer and reflection.

The retreat will be held in the Parish Hall for the confirmation candidates only. Please sign your child up for either the morning or afternoon time at Session 5. Parents please drop your child/teen off 10 mins prior to the start time of the retreat so we can have them in and start the retreat on time. We will be needing a few parents to volunteer to help with sign in and serving snacks. If you would be able to assist us please talk to Sharon at the next session.

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witness." Acts 1:8



1st Communion

Is your child making their first communion this year?
Our upcoming first communion retreats are: Sunday March 20 at 1:00pm
or
Saturday April 16th at 1:00pm
If you have missed registration, please call Monna at the parish office, 780-467-5470.



RCIA ADAPTED FOR CHILDREN

You are reminded that there is a **VERY IMPORTANT** meeting of all parents and godparents Monday, March 7 at 7:00 pm.

ON-GOING FAITH FORMATION

TEAM will meet Tuesday, March 8 at 7:30. All are welcome.

RCIA

With the beginning of Lent we move into a very busy time within the RCIA process. This period which coincides with the season of Lent is termed Purification and Enlightenment and will be marked with seven special rites. The first 2 occur next weekend. Saturday, we will celebrate the rite of sending for election with our catechumens. This is the community's opportunity to affirm, witness and support the work of grace in their lives. The next afternoon, the rite of election occurs at the basilica. At that time the Archbishop declares these candidates elect, that is chosen and called by God for baptism at Easter. This is a celebration for the whole church but because most of our parish cannot be there the rite of sending is held locally before. But **YOU** are invited. A bus will leave here at 1:00 on Sunday. Let Bonnie know how many places to reserve for you. (bkirk@olph.ca 780-467-5470)

Mark the Date

Covenant Health presents Great Expectations?, a conference of ethical decision-making in health care, on Thursday, June 16, at the Delta Edmonton South. Plenary speakers include Sister Nuala Kenny, ethics and policy adviser for the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada. Conference details are available at www.mayorsprayerbreakfast.ca or call 780-436-2489.

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.

Lenten Programs at Providence Renewal Centre

Living the Mystery of Our Faith: Lent and Easter Triduum is a day-long prayerful and reflective workshop that will use the Scriptures, prayers, rites and symbols of Lent and the Easter Triduum to help us explore the mystery of Christ. This workshop is particularly of interest to anyone involved in the liturgy in any way or anyone who wants to understand the liturgy better. Join **Bernadette Gasslein** on **Saturday, March 5** from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Providence Renewal Centre. Registration is \$43 (includes buffet lunch) or \$30 (bring your own lunch). Call 780-701-1854 or email retreats@providencerenewal.ca.

Nancy Reeves will lead a Lenten day on **Growing and Nurturing Adult Spirituality** at Providence Renewal Centre on **Saturday, March 12**, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. This day will offer personal exploration on how we can partner with God to fully live our potential. Dr. Reeves will share spiritual and psychological wisdom from our time as well as times gone by to help us become more fully who we are meant to be. Registration is \$50 (includes lunch) or \$37 (bring your own). Contact 780-701-1854 or retreats@providencerenewal.ca.



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.

Guest Speakers

- March 11** **Bob McKeon** from the Edmonton Archdiocese will speak about Social Justice.
Stations of the Cross led by RCIA.
- March 18** **Frank Bessai** from the Canadian based organization Children for Change will speak about the organization, and his experiences from his recent trip to Bosawas in Nicaragua.
Stations of the Cross led by People of Thanks.
- March 25** **Amanda Gaudet, Executive Director of the Back Porch and Alberta Life Issues Education Society.**
Amanda will talk about the importance of respect for life, in all its stages, and the need to support those faced with difficult situations.
Stations of the Cross led by Franciscans.
- 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.
Stations of the Cross led by Youth.
- 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.

Did you know our Parish has a Mission Statement?

As Catholics, we share the mission of the Universal Church that was given to us by Christ: “Go into the world and proclaim the good news to the whole of creation” *Mark 16:15* (*see also* Matthew 28:19-20).

As a parish, we have a mission to bring about the Church’s mission in our little corner of the world. To express this mission, our parish has a Mission Statement. A mission statement simply says who we are, why we exist, what we do and where we want to go as a parish family. Here is our current Mission Statement:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help is a Roman Catholic Parish, founded in 1958 in Strathcona County, Alberta. We come together at the Lord’s invitation to worship, and to form and deepen our faith. We are sent forth to realize God’s Kingdom on earth by proclaiming the Gospel and serving the world. We strive to be a thankful, generous and welcoming Christian community, committed to stewardship and evangelization.

Our mission statement should guide all that we do as a faith community. For that reason, we all need to understand what it means.

Parish Pastoral Council wants to know what you think!

Please take a few minutes to tell us what you think.

Go to www.olph.ca and click on “**Mission Statement Survey**”

OR

Answer the questions below and drop your completed questionnaire at the Parish Office or in the collection basket.

We will use your input to confirm the Mission Statement and then create a “mini-mission” or tagline of 3-5 words to communicate our mission to the world.

Feedback Questionnaire

Are there any words or ideas in this Mission Statement that are especially meaningful to you?

Are there any words or ideas in this Mission Statement that you don’t understand?

Is there anything you would take out of this Mission Statement?

Is there anything you would add to this Mission Statement?

Do you have a suggestion for a “mini-mission” or tagline for our parish? Here are some examples: “Seeing Christ in everyone” (Elk Island Catholic Schools); “Journeying together” (Holy Family Parish); “To reflect the Kingdom of God in our midst” (St. Charles).

Any other comments you would like to make about our Mission Statement?

Thank you for your input!