

Come, Adventure in the Son! At this Years OLPH's Vacation Bible Camp 2017

This year's program is **SonRise** National Park, a week of fun in the Son!
We're excited about OLPH's Vacation Bible Camp to be held:

DATE: July 10th-14th
TIME: 9:00 am - 12:30 p.m.
AT: OLPH Parish
AGE: Children finishing in June 2017, Kindergarten - Grade 5
(watch for the possibility of a preschool group)
COST: \$60.00 per child

As they participate in fun-filled activities, children will be pointed directly to Jesus! We will have a great time with lively songs, hilarious skits, creative crafts, exciting games, Bible stories and tasty snacks—all of the things that make Vacation Bible Camp so much fun for children.

Registration Starts: Monday, May 1st.

Registrations can be picked up at the Parish Office, or on the youth board in the foyer. The form can also be downloaded along with the parent letter on our website at www.olph.ca

Registration deadline is June 5th

Register early to avoid disappointment! There are limited spaces for each group, especially in the kindergarten group.

Looking for Volunteers to help with VBS!

Come join our team of volunteers this summer.

We are looking for help in these areas:

Snack Leaders, Craft Leader/leaders and Decorating Leader (week before camp)

Please note all volunteers need a Police check, Intervention check and Called to Protect.

For more information contact Sharon Darbyshire at sdarbyshire@olph.ca or leave a message with the parish office at 780-467-5470.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

A Roman Catholic Christian Community

We come together at our Lord's invitation to worship God, celebrate the sacraments, and deepen our faith. We strive to be thankful, generous and welcoming, and are sent forth to help advance God's Kingdom on earth by proclaiming the Gospel and serving others

April 23, 2017 Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Cycle Year A

Called To Protect Training

It is a diocesan policy that **ALL** volunteers must attend a 2.5 hour Called To Protect presentation. The parish will host the presentations on **Monday, April 24th, 2017**. All sessions begin at 7:00 pm. Registration is necessary. **Please call the Parish office to register at 780-467-5470**. If you have already attended this presentation, you do not need to attend at this time.



Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel

To celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel, members will attend the 6:15pm Mass for CWL intentions on Tuesday April 25 and plan to go out for supper afterwards. For reservations, please contact **Connie 780-570-1045** or email cwloiph@gmail.com



Encore Senior's Group Lunch at Swiss Chalet

Join us for lunch at Swiss Chalet in Sherwood Park on Tuesday, April 25th at 12 noon. What a great way to spend time with friends. Everyone will be responsible for their lunch. If you need a ride or would like more information contact **John at 780-464-5991**. All are Welcome!

Congratulations!

Lawrence & Margaret Dolynchuk
On your 50th Wedding Anniversary
celebrated on April 15, 2017

RCIA – Easter Vigil Thank You!

Welcome to our family – Bailey Otteson, Katie Nestorowich, Kelci Tookey, Keri Shannon, Heidi Barnes, Joan Randolph, June Mutch, Lea Fortier and Rebekah Solberg-Wells – who were received into the Catholic church at the Easter Vigil this past Saturday. We are blessed by your presence in our family. Thank you to everyone involved in the Easter Vigil: Father Jack, Father Raj, Father Pierre, Brother Joe and all of the others who served in the various ministries, helped with the preparations for the Easter Vigil and the hospitality afterwards. A big thank you to everyone who donated the finger foods enjoyed by many at the hospitality celebration after the Vigil. Please continue to pray for our neophytes as they continue their RCIA journey during the Period of Mystagogy until Pentecost and in the days and months following.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Perhaps you've been attending Mass with your family or friends? Perhaps you would like to be baptized or have been baptized in another Christian tradition and would like to explore full communion with the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a spiritual journey of formation whereby adults are welcomed and received into the Catholic Church. Formation includes several areas: Scripture – the stories of God's people; Teaching – what Catholics believe; Prayer – how we communicate with God; Liturgy – how the community worships; and Mission – how we live out what we believe. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about RCIA, please call Brother Joe or Pat Lemire at the Parish Office @ **780-467-5470** or plemire@olph.ca or jglaab@olph.ca

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Archdiocesan website: <http://www.caedm.ca>

Liturgy Schedule

Mon. Apr. 24- Sun. Apr. 30

Mon. 8:45 am Morning prayer
Tue. 8:45 am Morning prayer, 6:15 pm Mass
Wed. 8:45 am Morning prayer, 9:15 am Mass - Jean Vanier Gr. 2 attending
Thu. 8:45 am Morning prayer, 6:15 pm Mass
Fri. 8:30 am Mass/OLPH Devotion - ABJ Teachers attending.
Sat. 10:00 am Reconciliation, 5:00 pm Mass
Sun. 8:30 am Mass, 10:30 am Mass, 5:00 pm Mass

† 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: Mildred Leslie and Family. Mildred's brother, **Ronald Fleming** died April 18th in Cornwall, Ontario.



This Week's Mass Intentions.....

Tues. Apr. 25: Our Lady of Good Council, Christy Ann MacLennan† Terry Sokoluk† Oleh Sokoluk† Fr. Gerard MacInnis†
Wed. Apr. 26: Linda Batdorf† Elsy Mochnach†
Thurs. Apr. 27: Tiffany Kryzaka & Tyler Baudrey, Ed & Margaret, Carol Draganiuk, Kathleen & Jerry Pawliw† Samara Draganiuk & Taylor Beregan
Fri. Apr. 28: Marc & Alma Bernier, Gerd Nabess†

OLPH Prayer Laudators

We pray for others. Prayers of praise and intercession are offered to God our Father. Confidentiality is respected at all times. Contact: **Doreen** at 467-0597 or **Josie** at 467-0197.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
(780) 416 - 0931 Help Line: ext 1
Donations: ext 2

OLPH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the Parish hours are as follows:
Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 9:00 pm
Friday - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
CLOSED for lunch daily between Noon and 1:00 pm

Serving St. Francis of Assisi Tofield, AB

Mass: Sundays at 11:00 am

Pastor

Msgr. Jack Hamilton - jack.h.vg@gmail.com

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Marian Gift Shop Hours

The Marian Gift Shop will be open following the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am Mass.



From INNER CITY PASTORAL MINISTRY (ICPM) at the BISSELL CENTRE

Our Parish is INCREDIBLE!♥♥♥♥♥ We are thrilled to let you know that almost 300 bulging Easter bags were handed out on Easter morning to appreciative Inner City residents. This Easter project would definitely not be possible without you! THANK YOU to all the kind parishioners who picked up a bag or two and even more and generously filled them to capacity! WOW! Your kind generosity was very much appreciated!

We are so thankful for the Young Disciples that helped hand out the empty bags after the Masses! As well a SPECIAL THANKYOU to the energetic group of Young Disciples who helped us organize the bagsyour enthusiasm and willingness to help was INSPIRING! We hope you realize how much your help meant to us!!!! You guys are GREAT!!! And a SPECIAL BOUQUET to the Jets ladies for all of their tireless time and effort! Your amazing assistance was so MUCH appreciated! We had such fun working with you and we accomplished SO MUCH!!!! You are such a SPECIAL GROUP OF WOMEN!!!! THANKYOU!♥♥♥♥♥

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
Planning Ahead

A Catholic Perspective on Estate Planning, Funerals and Burials. Gain peace of mind for yourself and your loved ones. Plan Ahead! Join Fr. Jack Hamilton along with Carla Smiley and Connie Lunde from The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton for a seminar that will engage and inform you on these important topics.

Date: Tuesday May 30, 2017

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: 13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park

To register contact the Parish office: **(780) 467-5470** or olperpetualhelp.shpk@caedm.ca.

Fr. Jack's trip to Greece in
The Footsteps of St. Paul
September 13-23, 2017

Father Jack's group will follow in the footsteps of St. Paul—visiting those places we hear about in our second readings on Sunday (Corinth, Colossae, Ephesus, Thessalonica, Philippi) where Paul established the first Christian communities. We also sail on the Aegean Sea. September 13-23. There's still space available. Call **Audrey Edwards** at Algonquin In The Park at **780-464-9727**.



L'Arche Edmonton Fondue Dinner

Join L'Arche Edmonton for a fabulous four-course dinner at the Melting Pot restaurant on Thursday, May 11! This is a terrific fundraiser offering great company, a fantastic fondue dinner and an opportunity to bid on some amazing Silent Auction items. Tickets are \$100 each and include two cheese fondues, house salad, a medley of premium beef, poultry, seafood and pasta items and a lovely chocolate fondue. Wine is included with meals. Dinner is at 6 p.m. and we are limiting seating to 40 guests. Please contact **Maria Mastrih** at mmastrih@larcheedmonton.org, 780-465-0618, ext. 206 or **Debbie Weismiller** at dweismiller@larcheedmonton.org, 780-465-0618, ext. 213.

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Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told, Episode 4: Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy
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Featured (or Audio>Talks>Adult Faith Formation)
7 Secrets of Divine Mercy by Vinny Flynn
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Recently Added: Abba or Allah? In this informative talk, Dr. Scott Hahn explores some of the most important beliefs that distinguish Christianity from Islam.
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ARIOSE WOMEN'S CHOIR PRESENTS

An International Spring Opus

Saturday, April 29th at 7:30 pm (Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 10037 - 84 Ave., Edmonton, AB)
Tickets: \$20 (adult) \$18 (student & seniors) available at the door.

Join Ariose as we present a program of music by composers from around the world.
Featuring music by Poulenc, Rautavaara, Connie Kaldar, Stephen Hatfield, Kathleen Allen,
Marc Sirett and Healy Willan.

Jolaine Kerley Artistic Director, Megan Rayment, Assistant Conductor; Helen Stuart, Accompanist
(www.ariose.org)

Children Sacraments & Events



Confirmation 2017 (Grade 6 and older)

Confirmation Celebrations will be held on:

Monday, May 8th at 7:00 pm – for the following schools: St. Luke, St. Theresa, Home Schooled

Sunday, May 14th at 2:00 pm – for the following schools: Holy Redeemer, Holy Spirit, OLPH, Public Schools.

Attention all Parents of children making their First Communion this year.

To book your child's First Communion please contact **Raylene** at the Parish Office at 780-467-5470 or email ryzyk@olph.ca



Children's Easter Party

The **Young Disciples Group** would like to invite all the families of OLPH parish to join us for our annual Spring/Easter Party on Wednesday, April 26th, 2017 from 6:15 pm to 8:15 pm in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for games, crafts, cookie decorating, an "Eggstra special" egg hunt, snacks, AND a bouncy castle. Please bring a pot luck snack to share. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. There will be activities appropriate for all ages. This is a free event, but we are taking a free will offering. This is another party you won't want to miss! For more information you can contact **Marla W.** at **780-464-1256**.

A Day Away with Sandy Prather

Maturing into Life: A Day Away with Sandy Prather Thursday, May 11th (at OLPH Parish) 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Human and Christian Maturity, Father Ron Rolheiser's timely book, explores a spirituality for the second half of life. Certain deep questions belong to one's youth; others arise in one's maturity. Discipleship necessarily looks different at each stage. Through presentations, reflection and sharing, we will delve into the wisdom of *Sacred Fire* and ask what mature discipleship looks like. This is a day for anyone looking to embrace the challenges and gifts of one's, 'blessed age,' whatever that age is! (Note: There is no need to bring or have read the book.)

Sandra Prather is a teacher and facilitator in the areas of faith and spirituality. She draws upon her theological training and faith perspective to "break open the ordinary" so that we might know God "amidst the pots and pans." Sandra was the Executive Director at Star of the North Retreat Centre in St. Albert for 21 years and is a long-time member of OLPH parish.

The registration fee of \$20 includes a delicious lunch!

Pre-registration is required.



To register:

Members of the GiFT committee will be in the foyer after all Masses, April 29/30 and May 6/7 to take registrations or contact **Len Stang** at 780-467-8412 or lstang@shaw.ca.

Reflection & Readings

April 23 - Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Believing was a challenge in the early church, just as it is now. The first Christians struggled with how to understand the ongoing presence of Jesus. They came to know that they needed to be signs to others-to witness to and demonstrate peace, forgiveness and mercy. We have not seen him, but we have seen signs of his presence in others. Perhaps more importantly, others must see signs of his presence in us. Presence is mysterious and profound. When we experience it, we are called to pay it forward as we have received it.

"Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." John 20:29

Weekly Readings For: April 24 - April 30

- April 24** - First Reading: Acts 4.23-31; Gospel: John 3.1-8
- April 25** - First Reading: 1 Peter 5.5b-14; Gospel: Mark 16.15-20
- April 26** - First Reading: Acts 5.1-26; Gospel: John 3.16-21
- April 27** - First Reading: Acts 5.27-33; Gospel: John 3.31-36
- April 28** - First Reading: Acts 5.34-42; Gospel: John 6.1-15
- April 29** - First Reading: Acts 6.1-7; Gospel: John 6.16-21
- April 30** - First Reading: Acts 2.14, 22b-28; Gospel: Luke 24.13-35



12th Annual Faith, Fitness & Fun Walk/Run



12th Annual Faith, Fitness & Fun 3K Walk, 5K/10K Run Saturday, May 27, 2017

**10:00 am St. Joseph Seminary & Newman Theological College
Where: 10012 - 84 Street, Edmonton**

Our Parish Office has 2 teams entered in the St. Joseph's/Newman College;
Both Teams will be doing the 3km Walk and we have two 5 km Runners. Please stop by the Parish office and pledge your support for this great cause. **Charitable tax receipts issued for donations of \$20 or more.** Thanks so much!



Team 1

Fr. Jack →→→→
Fr. Raj
Monna Senez
Jenny Velazco



Team 2

Fr. Pierre -5km
Betty Donovan
Lorraine Dotto -5km
Pat Lemire

If you are interested in registering for this event, you can pick up a registration form in the foyer of the church or at the Parish office or any Running Room location. For more information please contact Joan at **780-469-1010 ext. 2136** or e-mail **FunRun@caedm.ca** or visit **www.runningroom.com** (Discount for early registration).

Parish News



New Spring Flights announced!

We are excited to release a fresh new JETS flight schedule for spring 2017. Drop in and sample a JETS session if you've ever wondered who or what we are. We usually meet in the St. Joan Room at 9:25 am and begin our sessions at 9:40 am. Complimentary in-flight refreshments and snacks are always offered and babysitting is available for a nominal fee. ALL are most welcome

And here are the new flights ...

- May 05 - **Our Friends the Saints & Rosary**
 - May 12 - **Faith Prayer Walk @ Glory Lutheran**
 - May 26 - **Bowling in the Park**
 - June 02 - **South Cooking Lake Greenhouse tour/planting**
 - June 09 - **Barr Estate Winery tour**
 - June 16 - **Walk & Picnic at Broadmoor Park**
- Please keep your bags packed!

Strawberry Tea and Fashion Show sponsored by CWL.

Wednesday, May 10, 2017
Tickets \$10 each, will be sold
after all Masses Apr. 22/23,
29/30 & May 6/7.
More info coming soon.



Carmelite Nuns Spring Sale

Come and support the Carmelite Nuns on the weekend of May 20th and 21st in the foyer after all Masses.



LIVING ROSARY

Tuesday, May 16th at 7:00 pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish
Starting with Mass at 6:15 - 6:45 pm

May is the month of Mary. Come pray the rosary, bring your children and grandchildren.

All are invited to pray.

If you speak a language other than English you are encouraged to participate too.

Refreshments to follow.

Please bring a plate of goodies to share.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul North of 60 Project - 2017

Over the last three years our OLPH Parish has generously helped the poor in **Gjoa Haven and Taloyoak**, two Northern Hamlets in Nunavut, NWT. Last year SSVP's National Council moved to have all Regions (in Canada) support the peoples of the Arctic and the North of 60 Project became a National initiative. This year, SSVP is helping 14 different Northern Communities and our Parish will be serving the community of **Paulatuk**. Presently we are in the process of determining how we can, **with your help**, best serve these people. Our plan is to fill a seacan with the needed items and ship these to them by barge in June. Details as to what is planned and how you can be involved will be outlined in a future bulletin. Google **SSVP North of 60 Video** for more information.