

August 6 - The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Throughout history, people have needed new insights, messages and affirmation regarding who God is and the reality of God's presence in their lives. How do we know who or what we can trust, especially in troubling times? Jesus' followers grew in their understanding of who was sometimes gradually, sometimes suddenly, as in today's story of the Transfiguration. We are no different. The important thing is to keep growing in our understanding and our commitment.

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Matthew 17:5

Weekly Readings For: August 7 - August 13

Aug. 7 - First Reading: Numbers 11.4b-15; Gospel: Matthew 14.22-36

Aug. 8 - First Reading: Numbers 12.1-13; Gospel: Matthew 15.1-2, 10-14

Aug. 9 - First Reading: Numbers 13.1-2, 25-33; 14.1-2b, 26-29, 34-35+;;
Gospel: Matthew 15.21-28

Aug. 10 - First Reading: 2 Corinthians 9.6-10; Gospel: Matthew 12.24-26

Aug. 11 - First Reading: Deuteronomy 4.32-40; Gospel: Matthew 16.24-28

Aug. 12 - First Reading: Deuteronomy 6.4-13; Gospel: Matthew 17.14-20

Aug. 13 - First Reading: 1 Kings 19.9, 11-13; Gospel: Matthew 14.22-33



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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Opening the Word

Celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration!

Journey with Peter, James, and John on one of the most pivotal moments of Jesus' public ministry! Opening the Word is a dynamic journey into the Sunday readings that will help you apply the Word of God more deeply to your daily life.

[Watch on formed.org](http://www.formed.org)

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.



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

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Fr. Jack's Retirement Dinner

Please plan on joining us Saturday, September 9th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall for Father Jack's retirement dinner. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses starting next weekend August 12/13. More information to follow next week.



St. Margaret's Church

A special invitation is extended for all to celebrate Mass at the historic St. Margaret's Church located on the North shore of Hastings Lake, 51442 Rge Rd 203. Mass will be at 1:00 pm, August 27th with Father Jim Corrigan officiating. As in the "olden days" there will be light refreshments served after Mass, a time to visit with friends, neighbors and view some of the historical photos and documents. Driving directions are available at the Parish office.

A Retirement Gift for Msgr. Jack

The Parish Family is undertaking a special fundraiser for a retirement gift for Msgr. Jack Hamilton. We wish to express our gratitude and support for his loving service and ministry to the parishioners of OLPH Parish for the past 17 years. We ask your consideration for this special occasion. Please bring your gift in a sealed clearly marked envelope to the Parish Office. If you choose to use a cheque for your gift please make it out to Msgr. Jack Hamilton. One of our collection counters has generously volunteered to deposit all cheques to ensure confidentiality. Thank you for your support.

*The heavens proclaim his justice,
and all peoples see his glory*

Catholicism 101: What Do Catholics Believe?

Tuesdays, Sep 12 – Nov 21, 7:00-8:30 pm

Do you want to grow in your knowledge and practice of the Catholic faith? This 10-week program uses video talks and group discussion to explain Catholic beliefs in a way that is clear and engaging. Some of the topics we will cover include:

- What every Catholic should know about Church history.
- What is "the Church" and why do I need it?
- What makes a Catholic "Catholic"?
- What do Catholics believe about the Eucharist?
- Where am I going (death, judgment, heaven, hell)?
- How can I live a Catholic life?

Catholicism 101 is absolutely FREE but pre-registration is required, as space is limited!

For more information and to register, contact Alana LaPerle at 780-446-9009 or alaperle@telus.net

Parish & Community News

Liturgy Schedule
Mon. Aug. 7 - Sun. Aug. 13

Mon. Closed (Civic Holiday)
Tues. 8:30 am Mass
Wed. 8:30 am Mass
Thurs. 8:30 am Mass
Fri. 8:30 am Mass
Sat. 10:00 am Reconciliation,
 3:00 pm Wedding - O'Neil/Barnes
 5:00 pm Mass
Sun. 8:30 am Mass, 10:30 am Mass,
 5:00 pm Mass

This Week's Mass Intentions.....

Tues. Aug. 8: Gerry, Lorraine & Family,
 CWL, Theresa Lema
Wed. Aug. 9: William Kit† Alfred Sieben†
 Sr. Ida Toner†
Thurs. Aug. 10: Lisa Favro, Marc Dotto
Fri. Aug. 11: Charles & Lucille Dufault,
 Agnes McLennan† William Kit†

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

Grief Share:

A 13 week program that is offered at the parish for those suffering bereavement through the death of a loved one. At each session a DVD featuring personal stories and expert insights on topics important to grief recovery is viewed, followed by group discussion. The fall program will be held on Monday evenings, beginning on Monday September 11th and running through to December 11, 2017, 7:00 – 9:00 pm. The cost to cover materials will be \$25.00. For more information or to register contact Sue Boyne or Betty Donovan at the parish office 780-467-5470.

Parish Office Summer Hours

The Parish office will be closed at 3:00 pm Monday to Friday from July 3 - September 1 inclusive.

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.
 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(Open during Lunch hour on weekdays)

Please note the Office and Parish Facility will be closed on Monday, August 7, 2017

Reconciliation Saturday at 10:00 am
 Or by appointment.

**Serving St. Francis of Assisi
 Tofield, AB**

Mass: Sundays at 11:00 am

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Scrapbook For Fr. Jack

Do you have any photos or stories of Fr. Jack that you would like to share? We are putting together a Scrapbook of memories for him. Notes of congratulations are welcome.
 Please forward contributions to: info@olph.ca Attn: Scrapbook

Introduction to Scripture – Live and in Person!
 Mondays, Sep 25 – Oct 30, 7:00-8:00 pm
 Facilitator: Dr. Stéphane Saulnier
 Cost: \$85 plus text

If you want to learn more about the Bible but don't know where to start, this course is for you! Learn the basics for reading and interpreting Sacred Scripture, including:

- History of the Bible
- The Catholic approach to Scripture
- Key themes in the Old and New Testament

This is the first course in the six-course Certificate in Scripture offered by the Benedict XVI Institute at Newman Theological College, as part of its online Certificate in Catholic Studies Program. You get to experience it live and in person, through weekly group discussions at OLPH parish with a NTC Scripture Scholar. **Pre-registration is required. For more information, contact** Alana at alaperle@telus.net or 780-446-9009.
 For more information on the Certificate in Catholic Studies Program, visit: www.newman.edu/ccs

Alpha: What do all Christians Believe?
 Thursdays, Sep 21 – Nov 23, 7:00-8:30 pm

"I learned so much and looked forward to Alpha every week. I feel like I have new knowledge and appreciation for my faith and I want to continue growing." – Alpha guest

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question, designed to create conversation, including:

- Who is Jesus?
- Why did Jesus have to die?
- How should I pray?
- How does God guide us?

There's no pressure, no follow-up and no charge. It's just open, informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. Every Alpha session includes fellowship, 30-minute video talk and small group discussions facilitated by trained hosts.
 Please pre-register to help us plan. Contact: Alana at alaperle@telus.net or call/text 780-446-9009.

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