

August 28 – Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

“Alms atone for sins” (Sirach 2:29). Alms are mercy translated into hands-on compassion. Jesus confirms Sirach’s wisdom, “Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy” (Matthew 5:7). “Conduct your affairs with humility” (Sirach 3:17). Humility: we’re all alike and special, for we’re children of God. Jesus confirms that wisdom, too: “Do not recline at table in the place of honor. Take the lowest place” (Luke 14:8, 10). In fact, “When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite friends, relatives, wealthy neighbors. Invite the poor, crippled, lame, blind,” physically or figuratively, society’s most vulnerable and marginalized, “who cannot repay you” (see 14:12–14). Jesus seems to be telling us to prepare for eternity with God’s chosen by becoming their friend here and now. Mercy is measured not by our delight in welcoming those we like most or who can repay us best, but by sincerely embracing those we like least, who cannot repay us at all. Utter humility inspires pure mercy; pure mercy leads to eternal joy. *“My friend, move up to a higher position...For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles*

OLPH News



Friendship Circle Adult Singles/Divorced/Widowed 55 Plus

Please join us in fellowship and community for various social, cultural and community events. Our first social gathering is on **Thursday, September 8th** at 7:00 pm at OLPH, downstairs in the St. Joan Rm. For Further information, contact **Lena (780)464-1616** or by email: **patchwork53@hotmail.com**.

JETS' Airline set to resume flights 09-09-16

September 9th at 9:40 am the JETS' women's group is launching a whole new set of scheduled departures for fall 2016. We're thrilled to be able to provide virtual voyages to some very interesting and exotic destinations and invite ALL women of the Parish - *regardless* of age - to join us! Boarding happens in the St. Joan Room at 9:20 am with complimentary in-flight snacks and refreshments offered and childcare if necessary.

Our first trip is to a unique Island known as **Rock of Ages!** That's all we can tell you about this destination but trust us, it will be memorable! Other flights coming up include **Daredevil Cooking, Tennis Anyone, Faith Stories, Service with Terra and Christmas Crafts.** Keep watching the bulletin for a complete list of destinations.

The acronym **JETS** stands for all things we pursue...**J** for java; **E** for exercise/eating; **T** for talk and communication; **S** for service. We are a group of women with all sorts of interesting backgrounds, careers and dreams who meet Fridays (with exceptions of PD days) BUT have kept our group drop-in in nature, so attend when the spirit and flesh is willing. There is absolutely No pressure to attend each and every session!

Further details or questions can be answered by calling one of the Airline's Flight Captains - Aida D. at 780.922.2156 or Nancy F. at 780.464.5356.

Now please ensure your tray tables are in an upright position and your seat belts are fastened and get ready for one of the best rides of your life!

No one is homeless in the city of the living God. Let us rejoice and give thanks for God's infinite generosity. Amen!



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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Help! Help! Help! Volunteers Needed For ICPM Lunch.....

It is that time of year again! Do you have a few hours to spare on Saturday September 3rd to help prepare lunch for over 300 people? We are in need of approximately 18 volunteers to help deliver and serve the lunch on Sunday September 4th. If you are able to help on either of these days or if you would like more information please call **Coby (780-467-0413)**.

We are also in need of baked goods for the luncheon. If you can donate a pan of home baking it would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off your donations at the Church on Saturday September 3rd in **front** of the Parish Office. THANK YOU so much!

Congratulations
To the following young people
who celebrated **Their First Communion**
and now join the **OLPH Community**
at the table of the Lord on:

August 21, 2016



Kiera Coles Ethan Barich



Wedding Congratulations

Our congratulatory prayers and best wishes go out to:
Daniel D'Lima & Jeanine David
who were married here at
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on
August 6, 2016

Clothing Nook News

A reminder that the Clothing Nook re-opens to shoppers on Sept. 6th from 1:30-3:00 pm. This service is open to parishioners, and to residents of Strathcona County. We do ask for proof of residency-driver's license or current bill.

Donations of seasonal, **Clean**, gently used Clothing and household linens in good condition can be dropped off at the church during regular office hours. Please ensure that items dropped off are wearable-no stains, tears, zippers working, and are washed-we do not have facilities to clean and repair clothes and those items not suitable are garbaged. At this time we do not need any hangers or grocery size plastic bags. We would really appreciate donations of children's clothing-from baby, toddlers and up to age 12. Our supply of these items is currently low. Due to safety regulations we cannot accept electrical items, baby furniture, car seats, nor do we have space for large furniture. To donate furniture please phone the St. Vincent de Paul Society at 780-416-0931.

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Liturgy Schedule

Monday Aug. 29 - Sunday, Sept. 4

Mon: 8:45 am Mass – Opening EICS Schools
Tues: 8:15 am Morning Prayer, 8:30 am Mass
Wed: 8:15 am Morning Prayer, 8:30 am Mass
Thurs: 8:15 am Morning Prayer, 8:30 am Mass
Fri: 8:15 am Morning Prayer, 8:30 am Mass, 9:00 am Adoration & Exposition until 3:00 pm
Sat: 10:00 am Reconciliation, 5:00 pm Mass
Sun: 8:30 am Mass, 10:30 am Mass, 5:00 pm Mass

This Week's Mass Intentions

Tues. August 30: No intentions
Wed. August 31: Samara Draganiuk, Dale & Michele Sieben, Caroline Gauthier † Ramon (Monche) Acosta †
Thurs. Sept. 1: No intentions
Fri. Sept. 2: David Varga † Lorna Villeneuve, Hugh McManus †

† 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:
 Belle Ann Patterson and Family. Belle Ann's husband, **Terry Patterson** died August 22nd in Sherwood Park.
 Muriel Berg and Family. Muriel's mother **Lucienne Boisvert** died on August 23rd in Edmonton.



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 780-467-0597** or **Josie 780-467-0197.**



Marian Gift Shop Summer Hours

The Marian Gift Shop will only be open on Sundays after the 8:30 am Mass and 10:30 am Mass. Closed on long weekends.



OLPH PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Please note that the Parish hours are as follows:
Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm (Open during lunch hour)
 Saturday & Sunday - Closed
 Reconciliation on Saturday, 10:00 am - 11:00 am or by appointment.

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(780) 416 - 0931
 Help Line: ext 1
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Poor Box Collection:
 3rd weekend of the month

Parish Events



Apple Pie Making this Monday! Apples Needed and Volunteers

The CWL along with the help of volunteers will be making apple pies this Monday, August 29th starting at 9:00 am in the Parish hall kitchen. Anyone wishing to donate apples, please drop them off the morning of apple pie making only. Apple pies will be available for purchase between 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Any questions? Contact **Patti Heck** at **780-417-3856**. Thank you for your donation and remember many hands make light work.

The Children's Liturgy program will run every Sunday at the 10:30 am Mass from September 11th until the end of June 2017. Lessons are for children ages 4-6 years old. In order for the program to run this year, we need several volunteers to help lead. All lesson plans and materials are provided. This a great way to be involved in the Parish, especially if you enjoy working with young children. You can commit to leading once in a while or every Sunday. We are grateful for any involvement. Please contact Heidi Nelsen (bhnelson@shaw.ca) if you would like to help out with this special liturgy program.

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 12th and running through to December 12th, 2016, 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 at **780-467-5470**.



Alpha: What do all Christians Believe?
 Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm
 September 22 – November 24

Your Greatest Adventure starts here! Find out what famous survivalist Bear Grylls and over 20 million people worldwide have already discovered: Alpha is the start of a great adventure! This fall we are excited to debut the updated series of talks by Alpha pioneer Nicky Gumbel. Nicky brings the Christian faith alive with humorous anecdotes, personal experiences and the power of Holy Scripture.

Every Alpha session includes fellowship, 30-minute video talk and small group discussions facilitated by trained hosts. Alpha is absolutely FREE and all are welcome. But it is only offered once a year at OLPH Parish, so don't wait another year to start your journey!

To register or for more information, contact: Alana at alaperle@telus.net or call/text 780-446-9009.

