

Development of Faith



Alpha: What do all Christians Believe?

Thursdays, 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.



Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

Perhaps you've been attending Mass with your family or friends and are thinking about becoming a member of OLPH or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. 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 ext. 228 or email them at jglaab@olph.ca or plemire@olph.ca.

The first meeting for RCIA is Thursday, Sept. 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Saint Maria Meeting Room downstairs.

Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

500 Years of Reformation: From Conflict to Communion

In 2017, Christians will commemorate the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. This significant anniversary challenges all Christians to discuss in dialogue the issues and consequences of the Reformation and to develop perspectives for the remembrance and appropriation of the Reformation today.

We invite you to four sessions exploring these themes with Sister Donna Geernaert (former Ecumenical Officer of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops) and Rev. Dr. Kayko Driedger Hesslein (Pastor, St. John's Lutheran Church, Calgary) Join us at Trinity Lutheran Church, 10014 - 81 Avenue, Edmonton, on **Thursday, November 3**, at 7: p.m. and **Friday November 4**, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more details or to purchase tickets, please visit: <https://reformation500.eventbrite.com>.



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.

September 18, 2015 The Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time B



Please note the following **daily Mass time** changes:

Wed. Sept. 21..... 9:30 am Mass and Fri. Sept. 30..... 9:30 am Mass



The Feast of St. Francis and the Blessing of Animals

Join us with your pet for a special ceremony called the Blessing of Pets in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals on **Sunday, October 2nd** by our Franciscans, Fr. Pierre and Brother Joe Glaab. Pets and pet owners will gather at 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall for the blessing. Refreshments for pets and people will be served afterwards. A reminder that all pets are to be under control at all times.

Pray for everyone for this is good and pleasing to GOD who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.

Come Join Us : Have Fun : Help the Poor

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**, OLPH Conference, is in need of the following:

Poor-Box Co-ordinator to look after the volunteer schedule for the Poor Box which is taken on the third Week-end of each month.

Drivers or Helpers to pick up the donated items and bring to the Church.

Home Visitors to help us visit those in need and to assist in getting what they require organized.

Training will be provided for all of the above and any amount of time committed would be appreciated. For more information or to volunteer please contact: **Tom (780-467-4775) or Betty-Ann (780-464-2871)**



Mother's Morning Out Program "Volunteers Needed"

Mother's Morning Out pre-school program is in need of volunteers to assist with caring, playing and supporting children from 13 mos. to 5 years old on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 am—12:00 noon. We'd love to have "Grandmas, Grandpas, Aunts and Uncles" offer to come and share their love of children and give some busy parents a few child free hours. Please email mother-mout@yahoo.ca or call **Michelle 780-719-8791** for more information. Thank You!

We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

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**Liturgy Schedule and Mass Times for
Monday Sept. 19 - Sunday, Sept. 25**

Mon: 8:45 am Morning Prayer
Tues: 8:45 am Morning Prayer, 6:15 pm Mass
Wed: 8:45 am Morning Prayer, 9:30 am Mass - Holy Spirit School attending
Thurs: 8:45 am Morning Prayer, 6:15 pm Mass
Fri: 8:45 am Morning Prayer, 9:00 am Mass
Sat: 10:00 am Reconciliation, 5:00 pm Mass
Sun: 8:30 am Mass, 10:30 am Mass,
12:30 pm Baptism
5:00 pm Mass

 **Mass Intentions**

Tues. Sept. 20: Tony & Debbie Sykora, Marie Wysocki
Wed. Sept. 21: No intention
Thurs. Sept. 22: Alban Clairmont & Family
Fri. Sept. 23: Norbert Kloster† Bernie Papp†
David Varga† Denise Black†

† 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 Zulyniak Family, **Sr. Martha Zulyniak** died September 13th in Mundare, AB.



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 467-0197.



Marian Gift Shop Hours

The Marian Gift Shop will be opened on Saturday after 5:00 pm Mass, Sunday after 8:30 am & 10:30 am Mass only.

Office Hours

Weekdays

Mon-Thurs

8:30 a.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Office is closed from

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. weekdays

***Please note that the Parish Office is closed on Weekends.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. or by appointment.

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Help Line: ext 1

Donations: ext 2

Parish News



**Friendship Circle
Adult Singles/Divorced/Widowed
55 Plus
Friends, Fun and Fellowship...**

“Therefore, encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.”

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Please join us every Thursday at 7:00pm at OLPH Parish in the St. Joan Room. Meet new friends, socialize with old friends and enjoy the gift of companionship. Help us plan our adventures for the year. For more information, please contact **Lena** at **780-464-1616** or by email at **patchwork53@hotmail.com**



2016 FALL MARKET

The Fall Market will be held on Saturday, November 5th at OLPH Parish Hall. Vendors and crafters who wish to reserve a table or tables call **Pat Keith** at **780-218-8009** or email **patkeith7@gmail.com**. This is a CWL sponsored event.



JETS' Airline Resume Flights

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! Complimentary In-flight snacks and refreshments offered and childcare if necessary.

Our next exotic flight takes place this coming **Friday, September 23rd, to the fragrant and mouth-watering locale known as DAREDEVIL COOKING Island!** What exactly is Daredevil Cooking and do you have to have a heat-resistant shield and special powers to participate? **ABSOLUTELY NOT!** Consider this upcoming session your opportunity to be brave and bold around measuring spoons, glamorous groceries and open flame.

For this week only, our boarding gate will be at **09:20** in the Commercial Kitchen, located lower level and adjacent to the Parish Hall. **Please bring** an open mind and **1 or 2 of your most daring recipes from your food arsenal** - at the end of the session, each lady will then go home with a brilliant array of instructions to prepare great Super Hero dishes to battle our archenemy, also known as the empty stomach. 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!



**Encore Senior's Group
Potluck Lunch**

Join us for a potluck lunch on Thursday, September 29th at 12 noon downstairs in the St. Joan Rm. Bring your favorite fingerfood. It's a great way to meet new friends. If you need a ride or would like more information contact **John** at **780-464-5991**. All are Welcome!



**SENIORS' CURLING
Starts Sept. 14th!**

Seniors' "drop-in" floor curling every Wednesday at 9:20 am in the Parish Hall downstairs. **New members are very welcome!** For more information call **Theresa** at **780-478-5438**.



CWL News - Grey Cup Tickets

Grey Cup Pool Tickets will be distributed after all Masses on October 1st & 2nd in the foyer of the church. Your help is greatly appreciated! Contact **Jeanne** at **780-467-9810**.

Copies Of The Journey Series

If you have any copies of "The Journey Series" that you no longer require, the Tuesday Morning Bible Study would be more than happy to receive them. Copies can be dropped off at the Parish office Attention Larry Bonin. Thank You.

Young Disciples - Registration Night - September 28th



Young Disciples is a children's program that teaches about Jesus and the Catholic Church, while encouraging the development of long-lasting friendships. The JD Youth Group is a recent addition to the program and provides young teens with continued Spiritual growth through various acts of service, activities and fun times. In the 17 years since the group first began the children have prayed, sang songs, performed plays, had countless visits from priests and other guest speakers, watched movies about the saints, participated as a group in the Mass, played games, washed each others' feet, re-enacted the Last Supper and celebrated Seder meals, read the bible and memorized scripture, hosted concerts, drew giant rosaries in the parking lot, gone on field trips, participated in Pro-Life walks, baked cookies, enjoyed All Saints' Day costume parties, eaten snacks, and colored, pasted, painted, cut and hammered their way through hundreds of crafts. The children (AND adults) have learned much, laughed lots, made lasting friendships, gotten dirty, sticky, wet and unmistakably holy!

Young Disciples is an interactive faith program for children and teens that meets each Wednesday night from 6:30 to 8 PM in the church basement. The cost for a whole year of faith, fun and snacks is only \$40 per child, or \$100 for a family with 3 or more children. Mark your calendars; we will be holding a registration night on **Wednesday, Sept 28 at 7:00** in the basement of the church. Classes will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 12. Please watch the bulletin for more information email olph.youngdisciples@gmail.com to learn how you can be involved. Your help is always appreciated and very much needed!

TGIF at OLPH - Potluck Fridays starts September 23rd

Please mark your calendars for the following dates for our OLPH Potlucks on Fridays starting at 6:30 PM :
September 23, October 21, November 18, December 16, January 27, February 17, May 19, June 16.

In March and April, we will have our Lenten Soup and Bread Series instead of our TGIF Potlucks.

We meet downstairs in the parish hall at 6:30 PM as a parish family. Bring your whole family as well as friends and neighbours – open to anyone! We will begin with grace followed by our potluck, and we will end with fellowship and visiting. Please bring one dish to share with others – either appetizer, main course, casserole, dessert, etc. - no restrictions. If you are able to volunteer for making coffee, setting tables and chairs, or for cleanup, thank you so much and please leave your name and number with the OLPH parish office staff. We thank you for helping us with our Potluck Fridays – TGIF at OLPH Parish. We hope you will be able to join us!



Wedding Congratulations!



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Our congratulatory prayers and best wishes go out to:
Dylan Bremner & Justine Wanke
who were married here at
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
September 10, 2016



Children's Choir

OLPH Children's Choir

OLPH Children's Choir is beginning again this fall and welcoming children Grade 1 and up! If you have a love of singing and would like to take part we will be practicing on Monday evenings from 6:15-7pm and we begin September 26th. For more information, email **Elizabeth Driedger** at olphchildrenschoir@gmail.com



Religious Education - Home Program



Religion Home Program

Catechetics (Religious Education) Home Program:
At the beginning of the school year parents decide what activities their children will be involved in during the year. Among those activities it is important to think of the spiritual dimension of the child's life. In OLPH parish we have many families whose children are not in our Catholic Schools. For those families, we invite you to journey with your child at home. There is a "Home program" to help you. Beginning with Kindergarten, parents work with their children at home each week, at a time that is convenient for them. There will be someone available to help throughout the year. Materials for the program are available through the Parish. For more information, and to get the materials you need, please contact Sr. Gertrude, 780-417-3526 or Val Becher at 780-416-7122 .

Catechists for the Home Program

Would you consider being a catechist for the Home Program? This means connecting with one or more families to support them and help them when needed. Formation and support will be given to these catechists. Please contact Sr. Gertrude at 780-417-3526 or the Parish office at 780-467-5470.

Children's Sacraments

Confirmation

The first parent registration meeting for Confirmation will be held on Monday, October 17th at 7:00pm at OLPH Parish. Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate and \$20 cash to cover the cost of books and materials. If you have any questions please contact: Raylene at 780-467-5470 or ryuzyk@olph.ca



First Reconciliation and First Communion



The Parent registration meeting will be held on Monday, September 26th at 7:00pm here at OLPH Parish. Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate and \$40 cash to cover the cost of books and materials. If you have any questions please contact: Raylene at 780-467-5470 or ryuzyk@olph.ca

Reflections & Readings

Stewardship Reflections - September 18 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mercy is one thing, malpractice quite another. Why, then, does the defrauded master in Jesus' parable praise the devious steward? Jesus shows by example how to sanctify material goods: by placing all our resources, indeed our very selves, at the service of others. No matter how costly such service, or how minimal the return, such charity is the wisest investment, yielding a reward that is literally out of this world. For Amos and Jesus, authentic worship of God demands practical charity toward our neighbour. Paul, too, declares that the only worship acceptable to God is offered by a community rich in charity. Liturgy must be matched to life, "lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument" (1 Timothy 2:8). This Jubilee Year of Mercy challenges us to live as "children of light," as devoted to self-sacrificing service as "the children of this world" (Luke 16:8) are to serving themselves, as enthusiastic for God's kingdom of justice as we are about less-enduring treasures.

"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones." Luke 16:10

Weekly Readings For: September 19 - September 24

September 19 - First Reading: Proverbs 3.27-34; Gospel: Luke 8.16-18

September 20 - First Reading: Proverbs 21.1-6, 10-13; Gospel: Luke 8.19-21

September 21 - First Reading: Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9.9-13

September 22 - First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1.2-11; Gospel: Luke 9.7-9

September 23 - First Reading: Ecclesiastes 3.1-11; Gospel: Luke 9.18-22

September 24 - First Reading: Ecclesiastes 11.9-12.8; Gospel: Luke 9.43b-45



Vocations

Pray For Our Seminarians - Daily Calendar 2016

This week please pray for the following seminarians discerning a vocation to the priesthood:
(September 11 - September 17)

(18) Michael N., Michael Y. **(19)** Parker L. **(20)** Peter A., Quinn G. **(21)** Reed M., Robert L.
(22) Roger N., Ross C. **(23)** Salomon B. **(24)** Sedney P., Serge B.

Heavenly Father, bless your Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians.

Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the Special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, With Him, and through Him we may love

You more deeply And serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With the virgin mother Mary we ask this through Christ your Son. Amen



Children's Liturgy - Sunday at 10:30 am Mass

Children's Liturgy

The 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 (bhnelsen@shaw.ca) if you would like to help out with this special liturgy program.



Community News

L'Arche Heritage Day

Enjoy spirited dance and music, colourful costumes and delicious ethnic cuisine at L'Arche Edmonton's annual Heritage Day on **Friday, September 23!** This popular event is a solidarity fundraiser that celebrates the cultural diversity of L'Arche Edmonton, a non-profit, faith-based organization that for the past 43 years has been providing family-style homes and programs to adults with developmental disabilities in Edmonton and Sherwood Park. Heritage Day will be held at St. Thomas d'Aquin Church, 8410 - 89 Street at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$12 each; \$6 for children 5-10 years, and children under 5 free. For tickets, call **Maria** at **780-465-0618, ext. 206** or e-mail mmastrih@larcheedmonton.org.

40 Days For Life.....

From September 28 through November 6, you're invited to join others for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Women's Health Options 12409—109A Avenue, Edmonton, AB and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information—and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: **Melody M. Berscheid** at **780-710-5188** or email mbersch16@gmail.com or website: <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/edmonton>.



Marriage Enrichment . . . for all our Years!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is the largest pro-marriage organization in the world. Through a weekend experience, couples learn how to make their good marriage even better. They learn practical communication techniques and have an opportunity to rediscover their hopes and dreams for their marriage. Weekends are for Catholic priests and religious too -- your commitment to serve your people is similar to the commitment of a husband and wife in marriage. Weekend tools can help you see your ministry in a whole new light and connect more meaningfully

with those you serve. The next Edmonton weekend is **November 18-20**.

Register early – space is limited. For more information, visit www.wvme.org or contact **Gavin & Nicole** at **780-464-2874** or gvankup@telus.net.