



## Parish Soup & Bread Lenten Series for 2017

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.

**7:15 – 7:45p.m.** (approx) Stations of the Cross led by parish ministries and groups. Reconciliation to follow.

Plans are still being made by our committee. Our tentative schedule is as follow:

### Guest Speaker

**March 24** **Speaker:** Brother Joe Glaab, OFM, Pastoral Assistant at OLPH, will speak on his recent pilgrimage to Assisi, Italy and the life of St. Francis.

**Soup provided by:** People of Thanks/Alpha

**Bread provided by:** People of Thanks/Alpha

**Stations of the Cross:** People of Thanks/Alpha

**March 31** **Speaker:** Father Jim Holland, pastor of Sacred Heart Church of the First People.

**Soup provided by:** Knights of Columbus

**Bread provided by:** Clothing Nook & Trevor Sliwkanich

**Stations of the Cross:** Secular Franciscans

**April 7** **Speaker:** Stef Michniewski, parishioner, former teacher and Executive Director of Alberta Catholic Schools Trustees Association, speaking on his SSVP trips to the Arctic-Gjoa Haven, Taloyoak.

**Soup provided by:** RCIA

**Bread provided by:** Robert Gaudet and Julia Hamlyn

**Stations of the Cross:** Altar Servers

## ALBERTA MARCH FOR LIFE

**10th Annual Alberta March for Life -ALL LIVES MATTER from BEGINNING to END**  
Thursday, May 11, 2017; Churchill Square, 110 St. & 102 Ave., Edmonton at 12:00 pm Noon

### Prayer for the Sanctity of Human Life

God, we thank you for your love which has given us life, a sacred gift from the moment of conception to our natural last breath. Guide us in our journey of life so that all people here and throughout the world will become instruments of your eternal love to reverence the sanctity of all human life.

Amen --Composed by Peter Kruczko, Love Life Ribbon Foundation



## 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.*

*March 19, 2017 Third Sunday of Lent Cycle A*

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY FOR EASTER

Eucharistic Ministers are invited to sign up for the Easter Masses. The signup sheets are now available in the foyer. Thank you for your early commitment.

### Our Hearts Are Ready

God our Father and Creator, of Abraham and Jacob, and all of our ancestors of faith; bless us in our daily lives of work and prayer, as we find you in Word, bread and water; Harden not our hearts when we are confronted with Truth, nor when we are lost in confusion or despair; For we know you are with us, as you were with Moses and the people of Israel, and as you were with the Samaritan woman. May our hearts be open to accept your Word, and our spirits be ready to proclaim your Truth. May our work reflect your grace and the fruits of our work be shared with all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



### Encore Senior's Potluck Lunch

Join us for a potluck lunch on Tuesday, March 28th 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 Seniors welcome!

### Lenten Penitential Services

Our Parish Lenten Penitential Service is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 28th at 7:00 pm**. If you are unable to attend the service at our parish, please consider attending the Penitential Service at one of the other parishes. All services begin at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

#### Assumption/Resurrection Parish

Wednesday, March 22

#### Annunciation Parish

Thursday, March 30 at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm

#### St. Theresa Parish

Thursday, March 30 at 7:00 pm

#### St. Anthony Parish

Thursday, April 6

#### Corpus Christi

Thursday, April 6

### Holy Week 2017 at a Glance (No incense during Holy Week)

**Holy Thursday**, April 13th - 7:00 pm

**Good Friday Liturgy**, April 14th - 10:30 am, 3:00 pm

**Tenebrae**, April 14th - 8:00pm

**Blessing of Easter Food**, April 15th - 12:00 pm

**Easter Vigil**, April 15th - 9:00 pm

**Easter Sunday**, April 16th - 8:30 am Upstairs,  
10:30 am Upstairs and Downstairs

*The water I give shall provide ETERNAL LIFE  
Whoever drinks of this water, shall never thirst.*

*We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe*

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**Liturgy Schedule**  
**Mon. Mar. 20 - Sun. Mar. 26**

**Mon:** 8:45 am Morning Prayer  
**Tues:** 8:45 am Morning Prayer,  
11:00 am Funeral for John Moss, 6:15 pm Mass  
**Wed:** 8:45 am Morning Prayer, 9:00 am Mass  
**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/2nd Scrutiny/Sending Forth,  
10:30 am Mass, 5:00 pm Mass

**Mass Intentions.....**

**Tues. Mar. 21:** Gladys Rodriguez† Lacerda Palha†  
Avery Draganiuk, Gerald Draganiuk  
**Wed. Mar. 22:** Lacardo, Frederick Turbide†  
**Thurs. Mar. 23:** Nancy Korchinski†  
Emil Wysocki†  
**Fri. Mar. 24:** Jojo

**† 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:  
- Rose Moss & Lorna Jacek. Rose's husband & Lorna's father, **John Moss** died March 8th in Sherwood Park.  
- Flora & Al Hoffman and Karen & Richard Boutin and Family. Fora's sister, Karen's aunt, **Mary McCullough** died March 12th in Olds, AB.  
- Brad Batdorf and Family. Brad's wife, **Linda Batdorf** died March 13th 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 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



**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 Office is closed on Weekends.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 10:00 am-11:00 am  
Or by appointment.

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

**Mass: Sundays at 11:00 am**

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**Help Line: ext 1, Donations: ext 2**

**Parish News**

**RENEWAL THROUGH RCIA**

Presented by: Bishop Emeritus Gerry Wiesner, OMI

A Workshop for RCIA Team Members

...and those in other parish ministries who would like to know more about RCIA.

Saturday, April 1, 2017

9:30 am – 3:30 pm

OLPH Parish, Sherwood Park

**Cost:** \$25 per person (includes lunch) by cash or cheque payable to "OLPH Parish."

**Pre-registration is REQUIRED. Please register by March 24, 2017.**

**To register,** contact Lorraine at the parish office at 780-467-5470 or [ldotto@olph.ca](mailto:ldotto@olph.ca) and provide your name and parish name.

**2016 Tax Receipts Ready for pick up!**

The 2016 income tax receipts for donations to the parish are available for pick up in the hallway outside of the Parish office. Please stop by and pick yours up as you leave today. If you do not reside in Sherwood Park and your tax receipt is not in the box, it has been mailed out.

**Parish & Community News**

**Chalice Gift Catalogue**

The Chalice Gift Catalogue brochure will be available for pickup in the church foyer during lent. Chalice invites us to use it as a means of sharing our blessings with children and families in the developing world. The items in the catalogue are carefully selected based on the needs of the families being served . Donors will also receive an official tax receipt.



**40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** From **March 1 to April 9**, our community in Edmonton will take part in the 40 Days for Life. Join us by signing up for an hour (or more) to pray, fast and witness for life across from the Morgentaler Clinic of Edmonton. For more information, please contact the Edmonton Coordinator for 40 Days for Life, Melody Berscheid at 780-710-5188. Please join us with your Lenten prayers so that with God's help we can save lives by ending abortion.

**Fun Run 2017**

It's not too early to start dreaming about a spring run along the river valley! The 12th Annual Faith, Fitness & Fun Run/Walk takes place **Saturday, May 27**, starting on the grounds of St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College, at 10012 - 84 Street, Edmonton. To register, please visit [www.events.runningroom.com](http://www.events.runningroom.com). Registration fee includes T-shirt, hospitality, prizes & fun, and there's a discount for registering early. For more information, email [www.caedm.ca](http://www.caedm.ca) or call Joan at 780-469-1010 ext. 2136.



*If today you hear his voice harden not your hearts.*

## Vacation Bible Camp

### Looking for Volunteers to help with VBS 2017

Come join our team of volunteers share stories, crafts, food, share our faith and loads of fun with the children at Vacation Bible Camp this summer.

#### Dates of Camp

July 10th - 14th

9:30 am - 12:30 p.m.

We are looking for help in these areas:

#### Craft Leader

- Choose Crafts or work with co-ordinator on choosing crafts.
- Organize materials during set-up-week.
- Explain and supervise crafts as each group of children visit through the Craft centre. Supervise youth volunteers in craft centre.

#### Snack Leader

- Plan, Gather and purchase snacks for the week.
- Supervise youth volunteers for snack centre.
- Prepare daily morning snacks with youth volunteers.

NOTE: We have a list of snacks suggestions and amounts needed in our records.

#### Decorating Leader

- Plan and supervise youth volunteers with VBS coordinator.
- Guide youth volunteers in decorating VBS rooms and space for camp set up week is July 4th, 5th and 6th.

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

Please contact **Sharon Darbyshire** at this temporary email [ryuzyk@olph.ca](mailto:ryuzyk@olph.ca)

## SSVP Charity Sale

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul  
Charity Sale

March 30, 31 & April 1st, 2017

St. Andrew Centre Auditorium  
12720 - 111 Ave

Thursday & Friday Noon - 7pm

Saturday 10am - 4pm

Antiques - Collectables - Housewares - Furniture

Proceeds to support the Society's work with those living in poverty.

## Children Sacraments/Programs

### First Reconciliation and First Communion 2017



You may book your child's First Communion for any Mass following Easter Sunday.  
If you have any questions please contact Raylene at the Parish Office 780-467-5470 or [ryuzyk@olph.ca](mailto:ryuzyk@olph.ca)

### 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.

### OLPH WEBSITE

Check out our new website at [www.olph.ca](http://www.olph.ca) and subscribe to receive your Electronic bulletin.

## Lenten Journey

### “A Lenten Journey Celebrating God’s Mercy”

Presenter: Bishop Emeritus Gerry Wiesner, OMI

Monday, April 3 – Thursday, April 6, 7:00-9:00 pm

**Monday, April 3:** “God’s Definition of Mercy”

Liturgy of the Word and Talk – Parish Hall

**Tuesday, April 4:** “Jesus, the Face of the Father’s Mercy”

Liturgy of the Word and Talk – Parish Hall

**Wednesday, April 5:** “Mary, Mother of Mercy”

Liturgy of the Word and Talk – Parish Hall

**Thursday, April 6:** “Called to be Merciful”

Mass and Talk - Sanctuary

**Bishop Gerry Wiesner** has been a longstanding supporter of adult faith education and has offered numerous opportunities for the faithful to grow in their knowledge of theology, liturgy and practice of the faith. Bishop Wiesner retired in January 2013 and continues to teach and give retreats across Canada.

**There is no charge for the Lenten Mission  
but a free will offering will be taken.**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

For more information, contact the parish office at 780-467-5470 or the GiFT team at [gift@olph.ca](mailto:gift@olph.ca)

## Reflections & Readings

### Stewardship Reflections: March 19 – Third Sunday of Lent

As we enter into the Third Sunday of Lent today's readings focus on water and on God's self-revelation to seemingly unworthy people. Those who are in most need of help, who appear to be unworthy, are those to whom life is given: the doubtful, the sinners, the impatient grumblers, the wanderers. We recognize our need for God's grace and humbly open our hearts toward this transforming love.

*"How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" John 4:9*

### Weekly Readings For: March 20 - March 26

**March 20** - First Reading: 2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Gospel: Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a

**March 21** - First Reading: Daniel 3.25, 34-43; Gospel: Matthew 18.21-35

**March 22** - First Reading: Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9; Gospel: Matthew 5.17-19

**March 23** - First Reading: Jeremiah 7.23-28; Gospel: Luke 11.14-23

**March 24** - First Reading: Hosea 14.1-9; Gospel: Matthew 12.28b-34

**March 25** - First Reading: Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d; Gospel: Luke 1.26-38

**March 26** - First Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13; Gospel: John 9.1-41



## A Day Away with Sandy Prather

### Maturing into Life: A Day Away with Sandy Prather

Thursday, May 11

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, Mar 25/26, April 29/30 and May 6/7 to take registrations.

Or contact **Len Stang** at 780-467-8412 or [lstang@shaw.ca](mailto:lstang@shaw.ca).

## Parish News



### New Spring Flights announced!

We are excited to release a fresh new JETS flight schedule for spring 2017. Take a peek below at some of the sessions our women are visiting soon, touching on those important elements of our group such as exercise, talk, service and who can forget, java! Why not 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. Our ages range from the late 20's to early 80's so ALL are most welcome :)

**And here are the new flights ...**

April 07 **Easter Bags for inner city**

April 21 **Basketball at MP!**

May 05 **Our Friends the Saints & Rosary**

May 12 **Faith Prayer Walk @ Glory Lutheran**

May 26 **Bowling in the Park**

June flights will be released next month. Keep your bags packed!

### Help Needed

The Liturgy Council here at OLPH is looking for a volunteer Recording Secretary for their meetings. The Liturgy Council meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (September to June, incl.) from 7:00pm to 9:00 pm. If you're interested, please contact the Parish office at 780-467-6470. (This position will be open in September of 2017).

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### Here are some great ways to use FORMED this week:

Monday, March 20  
Solemnity of St. Joseph

*Movie:* Joseph of Nazareth  
*Program:* YDisciple: Important Message for Dads  
*Book:* The Father of the Family

Saturday, March 25  
The Annunciation of the Lord

*Movie:* Mary of Nazareth  
*Program:* The Bible and the Virgin Mary, Lesson 1: A Biblical Introduction to Mary  
*Program:* Catholicism, Session 4: Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast

Every Sunday

*Video:* Opening the Word - a short video to help you prepare for Sunday Mass



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