

## Catholicism 101: What Do Catholics Believe?

*"Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you."* 1 Peter 3:15

**Tuesdays, January 7-March 10, 7:00-8:30 pm**

**OR Wednesdays, January 8-March 11, 9:30-11:00 am**

Do you know why Catholics believe and do the things they do? Can you explain your Catholic faith to others? Whether you are a new Catholic, a returning Catholic or you just want to know more about Catholic beliefs and practices – Catholicism 101 is for you!

Some of the topics we will cover include:

- What is "the Church" and why do I need it?
- What every Catholic should know about Church history.
- 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](mailto:alaperle@telus.net)

### Parishioners using contribution envelopes

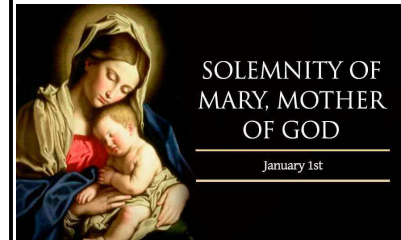
Your 2020 envelopes are available for you to pick up in the foyer of the church.

**Please Note: Starting January 1, 2020  
OLD ENVELOPES MUST NOT BE USED**

### Financial Report

Financial Report December 29, 2019	Ordinary Receipts- Average Weekly Cost of Running the Parish based on 2019 Budget Amount	Building Fund Weekly Target Amount	Together We Serve Weekly Target Amount Based on 2019 Commitment of \$115,000.00
Average weekly cost of running the Parish (based on 2019 budgeted amount)	\$28,999.68	\$2,884.62	\$2,211.54
Total Donations from -Dec. 24, Dec. 25 & Dec. 29, 2019	\$97,725.50	\$4,500.00	\$3,019.25
Week 52	\$68,725.82	\$1,615.38	\$807.71

\*\*For a more complete breakdown of the budget numbers please go to [www.olph.ca](http://www.olph.ca) and read the 2018 Financial Stewardship Report. Copies of this are also available in the foyer and at the Parish Office.\*\*



## 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.*

*January 1, 2020 The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Cycle A*

### A Blessed Merry Christmas and Happy, Healthy, Holy Year of Our Lord, 2020

Dear OLPH brothers and sisters, it takes a lot of moving parts for a Eucharistic Liturgy to occur and most of the moving parts have to synchronize with one another in order that the faithful of God may experience a positive worship experience, particularly at Holy High times in a large parish community like ours. Friends, we celebrated eleven Masses in twenty-eight hours this past Christmas. I can only offer a heart-felt thank you to so many of you who worked so diligently preparing for our celebrations, (sacristans, seasonal decorators, Liturgy committee, parish team, Church cleaners). I offer an additional heart-felt thank you to all of you who made our Liturgies joyful and beautiful, (parking attendants, ushers, proclaimers, Extraordinary ministers of communion, Adult servers, altar servers, AV and Audio techs, Choirs for each Mass, our parish gift givers, clergy). My friends there were indeed a lot of moving parts and they moved in a very beautiful way. I strongly believe that the more engaged our parishioners are in the life of their parish community, the more grace-filled and rewarding are their worship experiences in the parish. My friends, we celebrated the Nativity of our Lord and Savior with many thousand Catholic Christians this past Christmas and it would not surprise me if the number was in the high hundreds of those parishioners who so selflessly gave of their Time and Talent, in order to give God's children a fulfilling, joyful experience. My friends I can only say thank you and God bless you on behalf of our OLPH Team and parish. It was a grace-filled experience for me. My prayer is that it was grace-filled for you and yours as well. May our Loving God bless you and your families with a Happy, Healthy, Holy year of Our Lord, 2020. Fr. Jim Corrigan, Pastor



### Grief As A Journey

When we experience loss of a loved one, we need to grieve. At OLPH church we offer a ten week program called: "Grief As A Journey". It starts on Wednesday, January 08<sup>th</sup> 2020, and ends on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. It is held from 1 to 3 pm in the St. Theresa room on the lower level of the church. This program is open to anyone who feels that they could benefit from such a session. To register please leave a message including phone number and email address for Betty at OLPH Parish. 780-467-5470 or email [bdonovan@olph.ca](mailto:bdonovan@olph.ca)



*Reminder: First Friday of the Month - January 3, 2020  
Mass at 8:30 am with Adoration/Exposition all day until 6:15 pm Mass*

**Liturgy Schedule**  
**Tues. Dec. 31 - Sun. Jan. 5**  
**Weekday Mass 7 days a week at 8:30 am**

**Tuesday: New Year's Eve Mass 5:00 pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:00 pm until 8:00 am on January 01, 2020**

**Wednesday: New Year's Day - 8:30 am Mass, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm, 7:00 pm**

**Thursday: 8:30 am Mass, 6:15 pm Mass**

**Friday: 8:30 am Mass, 9:15am Adoration & Exposition until 6:15pm Mass/Benediction**

**Saturday: 8:30 am Mass**

**Weekend Mass Times:**

**Saturday: 5:00 pm**

**Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm, 7:00 pm Mass**

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

**Mass: Sundays 11:00 am**

**New Year's Day Mass: 11:00 am**

**RECONCILIATION**

**Reconciliation 1/2 hour prior to all weekday Masses and from 9:15 am to 11:00 am on Saturday or by appointment.**

**OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Sunday 7:30 am - 8:30 pm (Open during Lunch Hour)**

**Office will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2020**

**† 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: Marie Gill and Family. Marie's sister, **Audrey Pecora** died December 26th in Ottawa, Ont. Ken & Charlene Fisher and Sheila Fisher. Ken & Sheila's brother, **Kevin Fisher** died December 23rd in Vegreville, AB.



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**Mass Intentions For The Week.....**

**Wed Jan. 1:** No intentions

**Thurs. Jan. 2:** Sara Katska†, Celine Regheline, Cecilia Martins†, Ken Hummel, Ruby Fiorini, Fr. Jim, Mary Cusack, Bob Gerow, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk, Annie Lysak†

**Fri. Jan. 3:** Baby Isaac Montes†, Phil Byrne†, Jenny Velazco, Alexander Klassen, Fr. Jim, Jan Garcia, Montes Family, Jason Newly, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk, Josh Marple

**Sat. Jan. 4:** Jenny Marchack, Fr. Sathia, Marie & Hugh McLaughlin, Lorraine Dotto, Tim Murphy†, Aida Damouni & Family, Mary Jamieson

**Parish News**



**Walking the Labyrinth to Prayer with the JETS Airline**

A new year and a new mode of meditative prayer is being happily offered by the JETS Women's group this Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Journey with us as we walk a 22 foot X 22 foot canvas labyrinth winding our way through the unicursal path and praying in a reflective manner. This ancient practise uses geometrically designed pathways that take you into the center of the labyrinth and back out again, to help focus our thoughts and prayers, always with the intention of spiritual orientation. Slippers will be provided and participants are asked to simply bring an open heart. Facilitated by Carol Sebastian from Providence Renewal Centre, we will meet in the St. Joan Room first to learn about the labyrinth and create exercises and reflections to work with before entering another room with the labyrinth (in small groups of 6-8) for prayer time in silence. Finally, we will gather again to share our experiences and in-flight snacks and beverages. More information is available by phoning/texting our captain of the day, Gloria S., at 587.590.7460 If you need childcare, please book your spot at [issaaida33@yahoo.com](mailto:issaaida33@yahoo.com).

*Prayer does not fit us for the great work; prayer is the greater work.*

**Growing In Faith Together**

**Rediscover the Saint by Matthew Kelly**

**Small Group Book Study and Sharing**

**Thursdays, January 9-30 @ 7:15 - 8:45pm**

This is not just another book about the saints. Both personal and practical, this book proves the saints are not long gone, but alive and well--and ready to join you on your journey! Discover how inviting the saints into your everyday life will open your eyes to the amazing possibilities God has in store for you! This program is open to everyone. For more information or to register contact **Jerry & Pat 780-416-8111** or [jpheck11@gmail.com](mailto:jpheck11@gmail.com)



**Knights of Columbus Council 6083**  
**St Valentines Dinner Dance and Auction**

**Friday, February 14th, 2020**

**Tickets are \$55.00 each or a table of 8 for \$400.00**

**Music by Mike and the Relics**

For tickets or information, contact Larry Hycha at 780-464-2869 or [lehycha@telus.net](mailto:lehycha@telus.net)

*We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe*

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