

## A Prayer For Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord



**Jesus, Lord of Life, show us how to live.  
When we are afraid, angry, sad or rejected,  
teach us to live deeply into difficult experiences,  
that we might find meaning and purpose  
even in the moments which requiring dying.  
May our deaths be just another step in our living.  
Amen**

Prayer From [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca)

### OLPH Financial Report

Financial Report April 1, 2020	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
PAD Pre-authorize Debit/ Credit - April 1	\$9,043.40	\$1,298.60	\$739.40
Week 14	-\$19,956.28	-\$1,586.02	-\$1,472.14



## 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.*

*April 5, 2020 Passion Sunday Cycle A*

**In Event of an Emergency, Contact Fr. Jim at 780-470-2730 (call or text)**



During this most Holy Week, may the time you spend reflecting on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus bring you a greater awareness of GOD's love for you!

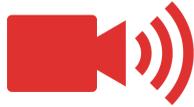
Today we begin Holy Week, the most solemn week in the church calendar. We reflect upon the events that brought about our salvation. Jesus triumphantly enters into Jerusalem, the City of Peace, in order to announce the Good News, not just with His words but by His act of loving sacrifice for all people. We journey along with Him as He celebrates the great feast of Passover and becomes the New Paschal Lamb Whose blood is poured out so that we, the New Israel, might experience the liberation from sin and the new life of grace. We look on as Jesus suffers His passion and crucifixion. And ultimately, we will experience His glorification from the cross and at the tomb.

Even though we may not be able to be in church to celebrate this special day, let us spend time reflecting on the Word of GOD. Let us slowly and carefully read the readings, even the long Gospel of the Passion. May we let the message, the Good News, of these events become real in our lives as we participate with the crowds in Jerusalem that Holy Week of the Lord's Passion.

*We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe*

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## HOLY WEEK

VIRTUAL CELEBRATIONS AT OLPH

Join us online at [www.olph.ca](http://www.olph.ca)  
or at [facebook.com/olphsherwoodpark](https://facebook.com/olphsherwoodpark)

April 5 Passion Sunday 7:00pm Adoration, 8:00pm Mass  
April 9 Holy Thursday 5:15pm Adoration,  
6:15pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
April 10 Good Friday 11:00am The Lord's Passion,  
6:00pm Stations of the Cross  
April 11 Holy Saturday 7:00pm Vigil Mass  
April 12 Easter Sunday 8:00am-8:00pm Adoration, 8:00pm Mass

\*We are very sorry, All Masses Private at this time, Priest Only\*

TEMPORARY PARISH SCHEDULE – NO PUBLIC MASS  
OFFICE HOURS 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM DAILY

### RECONCILIATION AT REGULAR TIMES

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM,

SATURDAY: 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

TUESDAY & THURSDAY EVENINGS: 5:45 PM – 6:15 PM

### IN PLACE OF MASS WE WILL HAVE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM - Mass live streamed at 6:15pm at  
[www.olph.ca](http://www.olph.ca)

SATURDAY: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM, 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM,

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM - Mass live streamed at 8:00 pm at  
[www.olph.ca](http://www.olph.ca)

### DISTANCE IN EFFECT (2 Meters or 6 Ft. Apart)

**PLEASE BE AWARE: No more than 15 people permitted at one time in the Nave.**

**Thank you for your cooperation**

MASS INTENTIONS - Will be celebrated daily as usual in private by the priests.

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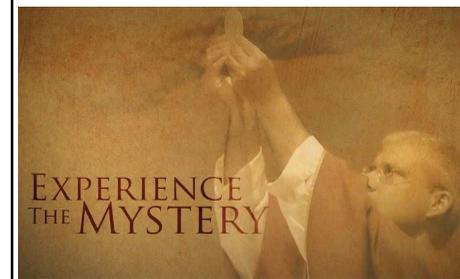
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## FORMED - Pick of the Week!

Looking for a deeper understanding of the  
Mystery of the Eucharist?  
Get prepared to make this the most  
meaningful Lent ever!

If you are already registered on FORMED just sign on and search for:  
"symbolon paschal" or use the following link

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-paschal-mystery-the-mystery-of-jesus-s-death-resurrection>

Not Yet Registered? Its easy to sign up and its FREE:

- go to <https://olphsherwoodpark.formed.org/>

- Confirm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish - and click "NEXT"

- Enter your name and email address and click "Sign Up"

- FORMED will send you a confirmation email. Follow the instructions and then start watching! Your FORMED subscription is paid for by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. If you need assistance with registering or with using FORMED, please contact Billy Spindler via email: [bspindle@shaw.ca](mailto:bspindle@shaw.ca)

# RCIA Update

At OLPH we are blessed to have both Elect and Candidates who have been preparing since September to be received into our Catholic faith community at Easter Vigil. What a beautiful witness they have been to God's love and presence to each of us.

Our Elect, Rene, has been preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Our Candidates – Kendra, Logan and Maddy – have also been preparing to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

Even though we are not able to celebrate Easter Vigil as a community this year, and thus they are not able to be received into our faith community at this time, they have continued on their RCIA and faith formation journey along with the RCIA team of catechists and sponsors. We have continued to meet from our homes on our computers, laptops, iPads, tablets and/or phones on Thursday nights for our weekly meetings. We have also continued to meet remotely on Sunday mornings, after watching the live stream Mass celebrated by Archbishop Smith at St. Joseph's Basilica, to discuss the readings and to share how God's word is relevant in each of our lives today.

When the COVID Pandemic is over and it is safe to do so, they will be received into our faith community at OLPH. Stay tuned.

Please continue to keep Rene, Kendra, Logan and Maddy, their sponsors, the inquirers and the catechists journeying with them in your prayers.

## Prayer for RCIA

O God, we thank You for implanting the gift of faith in human hearts.  
We thank You for sending Jesus, Your Son as the fulness of Your love.

May His life and mission lead us to share in Your divine life.

Today, we ask You to bless in a special way all inquirers, Elect and Candidates who have generously responded to the invitation of Jesus: "Come follow me."

Help them to persevere in their journey of faith despite any difficulties.

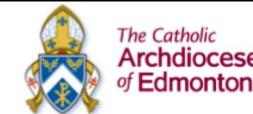
Bless all those who minister to them through the RCIA process, under the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, that they may lead others to a life of faith in Jesus Christ.

Call us to a renewal of our faith and inspire us all to be Your light in the world.

Amen

## Office of Divine Worship

March 31, 2020



### Holy Week Observances – The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

This year, our celebrations of the Liturgies of Holy Week and the Sacred Paschal Triduum will be like no others. In accordance with the requirements set out by the Chief Medical Officer for Alberta and the directives of Archbishop Smith, priests will celebrate the liturgies privately, with no congregation present. In the case of concelebration, each priest will abide by physical distancing requirements and infection prevention protocols. We invite the faithful to join these celebrations 'virtually,' through video livestreaming from their own parish or from St. Joseph's Basilica with Archbishop Smith. Visit your parish website or caedm.ca to find links to the livestream events.

#### Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Palm Sunday) April 5 Livestreamed from St. Joseph's Basilica at 10:30 a.m.

This liturgy commemorates the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem. It may include the blessing of palms, but the palms would be stored for distribution at a later date.

#### Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday) April 9

Chrism Mass: Future Date and Time to be determined.

#### Mass of the Lord's Supper Livestreamed from St. Joseph's Basilica at 7 p.m.

The Mass will not include the usual ritual of the washing of feet or the procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose. The Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the Tabernacle.

#### Good Friday April 10 Livestreamed from St. Joseph's Basilica at 3 p.m.

The Passion of the Lord will be celebrated on this day, and the liturgy will include special prayers for those in distress, the sick, and the dead.

#### Holy Saturday April 11 Livestreamed from St. Joseph's Basilica at 8 p.m.

The blessing of the fire does not take place, but the Easter Candle will be lit. This liturgy includes the renewal of Baptismal Promises. The Sacraments of Initiation are postponed until medical directives relative to the pandemic indicate it would be safe to celebrate them.

#### Easter Sunday April 11 Livestreamed from St. Joseph's Basilica at 10:30 a.m.

We celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. Special prayers will be said for those affected by the current pandemic, for our religious and government leaders, and for the dead.

**Resources** Visit [caedm.ca/covid](http://caedm.ca/covid) for resources to help prepare for Holy Week, including:

- An Act of Spiritual Communion
- Archbishop Smith's teaching on Indulgences (video and print)
- Links to prayer resources and Mass texts
- Links to Archbishop Smith's homily texts
- Link to Holy Week at Home, a family prayer resource from Liturgical Press

**Parish Lenten Mission – Wednesday, March 11 and Thursday, March 12**  
**“What Happens When We Pray?”**  
**with David Wells**

**Parish Lenten Mission Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parish Lenten Mission “What Happens When We Pray?” with David Wells. A special thank you to those who assisted with the Masses as Proclaimers, Adult Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Ministers, Ushers and Audio Visual Technicians. Thank you to our Priests, Fr. Jim and Fr. Balraj. Thank you to the GiFT Committee and other volunteers who helped with hospitality on the Thursday evening at the conclusion of the Mission. Thank you to Curtis Stang of Universal Church Supplies for giving us the opportunity to purchase not only David Wells’ books but others as well.

**Parish Lenten Mission Summary**

We at OLPH were privileged to hear David Wells speak at our Parish Lenten Mission.

David encouraged us and inspired us in our prayer lives and in our encounter and loving relationship with our Triune God – God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

He shared with us that Pope Francis asks us to not be a *sourpuss* but to pray, delight, rejoice and be glad in a “renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ.” (EG 3) Christians who lose the gift of prayer may also lose the gift of joy. “Cheer up and tell your face.”



He assured us that there are no wrong ways to pray. We can use inherited words, rooted in scripture, such as the Lord’s Prayer. Or we can simply have a conversation, an encounter even in silence and contemplation with our God. Surrender our words and relax. Either way, God hears our prayers and more importantly He knows what we need before we even ask....



David also told us that if we don’t pray, we can become consumed by worry. Without a life of prayer, our lives can be consumed by ourselves.

When we worry, “God’s voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt, and the desire to do good fades. This is a very real danger for believers too. Many fall prey to it, and end up resentful, angry and listless.” Pope Francis. EG2

**Do not worry  
About anything;  
Instead PRAY  
About everything**  
**Philippines 4:6**

Pope Francis said:

“To be friends with God means to pray with simplicity, like children talking to their parents” Pontifex. 28 June 2014

David encouraged us to find a sacred space, a quiet space to pray; to take off our shoes and experience the Holy ground as Jesus will be there with us, right beside us.

Pope Francis says “Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realise that he is already there, waiting for us with open arms.” EG3

“Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you; and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you.” Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium 164

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)

Thank you David Wells for the laughter, the tears, the joy that we experienced with you these 2 evenings. May God bless you always. We hope that you will come back to be with us again! David Wells can be reached at [contact@davidwellslive.com](mailto:contact@davidwellslive.com)