Church Open/Office Hours 7:30 am to 7:30 pm 7 days a week Mass, Adoration & Reconciliation at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

Weekday Mass

Mornings: Monday to Saturday 8:30 am

Evenings: Monday to Friday 6:15 pm

Sunday Mass

Saturday vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm

Sunday Mass in Tofield: 11:00 am St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday to Friday: 9:15 am to 9:45 am *after Morning Mass

Monday to Friday: 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm *after Evening Mass

Saturday 9:30 am to 11:00am

Adoration - Everyone Welcome, Always Open to All!

First Friday of Every Month: November 4 from 9:30am to 6:15 pm CWL hosts Holy Hour 3rd Wednesday of Every Month: November 16 at 5:15 pm K of C hosts Holy Hour 4th Wednesday of Every Month: November 23 at 5:15 pm



For the benefit of the faithful whose health or other circumstances prevent them from attending the church in person, all Masses and Adoration will continue to be livestreamed from OLPH website www.olph.ca/video/ or at facebook.com/olphsherwoodpark/videos



- Masks are no longer mandatory, but are welcome if you so choose.
- •Capacity limits have been lifted for houses of Worship in Alberta, so Pre-registration to attend Mass no longer required.



WATCH the 8:30 am Mass, seven days a week, live on Telus Optik TV Channel 877. (Must be a Telus Optik subscriber.)



LISTEN to the 8:30 am Sunday Mass live – or anytime – from your landline or cell phone.

Dial 888-OLPH-808 (888-657-4808) and then follow the simple instructions.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish ~ A Roman Catholic Christian Community Sunday October 30, 2022 ~ Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe 13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8H 1Y7 780-467-5470 www.olph.ca

Fall 2022 Series: The Dignity of Human Life

The Meaning and Value of Suffering

Wednesday, November 2 | 7:15-8:45 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Sherwood Park Live at the parish and livestreamed on olph.ca/video/

By his passion and death on the cross Christ has given a new meaning to suffering: it can henceforth configure us to him and unite us with his redemptive Passion. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1505)

"How can an all-loving God allow so much suffering?" Most of us have heard this cry of the heart from others. We may even have said it ourselves. Christian theologians call it "the problem of suffering," because it challenges our faith and, in a sense, puts God on trial.

In this second session on The Dignity of Human Life, Dr. Ryan Topping will present clear teaching from Holy Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the meaning and value of suffering. He will then engage in a candid discussion with Tony LaGrange, to explore how Church teaching is lived out by Catholics, in their family and community life. Bring your questions and bring a friend!



Host: Dr. Ryan Topping is Vice President of Newman Theological College and Director of the Benedict XVI Institute for New Evangelization. He holds a doctorate in Theology from the University of Oxford and has published several books on education and Catholic Culture including The Gift of the Church.



Guest: Tony LaGrange is a successful businessman whose number one priority is his marriage and family. He is one of 14 siblings and father of seven children, including one with profound autism.



Final topic in the Fall Series: Dying with Dignity Wednesday, December 7 Sherwood Park



The GIFT of CHURCH TEACHING

A humble and heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has continued to support the financial needs of our parish with (PAD) Pre-Authorized Debit or by bringing your Sunday Giving Envelopes to the church. OLPH is also set up to accept donations via INTERAC E-TRANSFER at:

OLPH.etransfer@caedm.ca

Please include your Envelope # OR address and any special instructions in the Message Box for the e-transfer, to ensure your donation is properly recorded for your annual tax receipt.



Monday ~ Cecilia Leung†, Leonard Sebastian†, Basilio Torres†, Una King†, Kevyn Ernest, Family of C. W. Akpan, Elizabeth Sit, Rocque Roleau, Enobong Tompeters Tuesday ~ Aleta Hacutina†, Corazon Torres†, Cecilia Leung†, Leona Kletzel†, August Bowman†, Henry Kaup†, John Prentice†, Living and deceased members of the Jansen & Kenny families, Elizabeth Sit, Rocque Roleau, Helen Meier, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family Wednesday ~ Deceased members of the Velazco & Acosta families†, Cecilia Leung†, Gerald Sheldon McCaughey†, Allen Cox†, Pius John Sauverwold†, Elizabeth McDaid†, Inocencia Gapas†, Family of C. W. Akpan, Elizabeth Sit, Rocque Roleau

Thursday ~ Cecilia Leung †, John & Mary Walker †, Henry Kaup †, John Prentice †, Brian Bennett, Listin Varun, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Ukrainian people, Jissy & family, Robin Regel

Friday ~ Carlina Martinez†, Carman Humphrey†, Cecilia Leung†, Bilar Gregana & Family†, Julita & Segundo Isla†, Allyson Cabalo†, Diane Balatcka, Seminarian Jacob Yuson, Bemvindo Palha, Madeline Thommasen Saturday ~ Erin Sullivan†, Anthony Reghelini†, Cecilia Leung†, Carman Humphrey†, Angie DeWolfe

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

Celebrating the Sacraments at OLPH



Baptism Preparation Classes: Second Tuesday of Every Month at 7:00 pm. Next one: November 8, 2022 Baptism Celebrations: 3rd & 4th Sundays of Every Month at 2:30 pm, To register contact Jenny at the Parish office 780-467-5470 or Email info@olph.ca



Preparation offered throughout the school year. If your child is **Grade 2 or older**, Email Natalie <u>sacraments@olph.ca</u> to register. Parents must bring their child to the church for preparation.



For children **Grade 6 or older**, Confirmation preparation is a 6 month program for children and their parents/sponsors (1 class per month). Email Natalie sacraments@olph.ca to register. ABJ students can participate in prep classes at the high school.



Daytime please contact Fr. Jim on his cell phone 780-470-2730. If it is after hours please call the Parish Office at 780-467-5470 and follow the instructions to connect with the priest On Call.



To plan a wedding at OLPH, first <u>contact Fr. Jim</u> to book your Pre-Nuptial Inquiry Interview. See the <u>website</u> for upcoming Marriage Preparation Courses being offered around the Edmonton Archdiocese.

OLPH Financial Report

Week 43 October 23, 2022	Cost of Operat- ing the Parish	Building Fund Target Amount	Together We Serve Target Amount
Average weekly amount required (based on 2021 budget)	\$24,838.00	\$2,480.00	\$2,212.00
Donations this week	\$19,965.25	\$3,372.75	\$1,241.25
This week surplus/shortfall	-\$4,872.75	\$892.75	-\$970.75

- Cost of operating the parish average weekly amount is based on total expenses projected in 2021 budget.
- Building fund target average weekly amount is based on total donations projected in 2021 budget.
- Together We Serve weekly amount is based an annual target of \$115,000 set by the Archdiocese.
- Together We Serve Collection First Sunday of every Month
- Society of St. Vincent DePaul Poor Box Collection Third Sunday of every Month

DEADLINE for Bulletin is Wednesdays at Noon. Email your announcements to Natalie at nlavigne@olph.ca

Walking Together





His Holiness, Pope Francis, completed his apostolic journey to Canada July 24 – 29, 2022. On this "pilgrimage of penance", he made a series of public statements regarding Indigenous reconciliation and healing. Over the next several months we will reflect on the Holy Father's words during his visit to Canada. Links to the full text of each of Pope Francis's speeches and homilies can be found online at:

https://caedm.ca/speeches-delivered-by-pope-francis-during-visit-tocanada/

"So, dear brothers and sisters, let us ask ourselves: are we children and grandchildren capable of safeguarding this treasure that we have inherited? Do we remember the good teachings we have received? Do we talk to our elders, and take time to listen to them? And, in our increasingly well-equipped, modern and functional homes, do we know how to set aside a worthy space for preserving their memory, a special place, a small family memorial which, through precious pictures and objects,

allows us to remember in prayer those who went before us? Have we kept their Bible, their rosary beads? In the fog of forgetfulness that overshadows our turbulent times, it is essential, brothers and sisters, to take care of our roots, to pray for and with our forebears, to dedicate time to remember and guard their legacy. This is how a family tree grows; this is how the future is built.

Let us now think of the second important thing. In addition to being children of a history that needs to be preserved, we are authors of a history yet to be written. Each of us can recognize ourselves for who and what we are, marked by both light and shadows, and by the love that we did or did not receive. This is the mystery of human life: we are all someone's children, begotten and shaped by another, but as we become adults, we too are called to give life, to be a father, mother or grandparent to someone else. Thinking about the people we are today, what do we want to do with ourselves? The grandparents who went before, the elderly who had dreams and hopes for us, and made great sacrifices for us, ask us an essential question: what kind of a society do we want to build? We received so much from the hands of those who preceded us. What do we, in turn, want to bequeath to those who come after us? "Rose water", that is a diluted faith, or a living faith? A society founded on personal profit or on fraternity? A world at war or a world at peace? A devastated creation or a home that continues to be welcoming?"

- excerpt from Homily of the Holy Father at Commonwealth Stadium in Edmonton (26 July 2022)

What's Happening at OLPH

During the month of November, you are invited to write the names of loved ones who have died in the BOOK of REMEMBRANCE

They will be prayerfully remembered during the month.



All members are invited to the regular business meeting:

Tuesday November 1 7:00 pm in the OLPH Meeting Room



NEXT Saturday November 5 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

OLPH Parish Hall ~ Free Admission 45 + vendors for your Shopping Pleasure, PLUS Bake Sale, Pyrogies & Concession

Ladies of OLPH Parish



Come and join a vibrant, busy, social, and spiritual council - The Catholic Women's League.

2023 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

For information about the CWL, to join or renew your membership, please call Arlene at 587-982-1433 or Margaret at 780-467-0443 OR visit our table at the Fall Market.

Altar Server
Training
for current and
new servers.



Thursday November 3, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm (After Evening Mass)

Contact: Amanda Gaudet & Christina Stockdale
amanda.gaudet15@gmail.com & christina.stockdale@me.com

More Altar Server Volunteers Needed!

Especially for Mass on Saturdays at 5:00 pm and Sundays at 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm.

Children can become Altar Servers once they have received their First Holy Communion.
Share your time and talents in the service of God and the Church! Learn more about your Catholic Faith. Meet new friends and become a great Leader!

What's Happening at OLPH

CHRISTMAS IN THE NOOK – 2022

In keeping with the spirit of Christmas, the volunteers in the Nook will once again set up the basement cloakroom with FREE gifts, toys and decorations.

This joy-filled environment will offer those in need the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts to assist them in experiencing the joy of giving during this Christmas season. A joy best expressed as "love bubbling over into life". The toys, gifts and decorations are many, thanks to the generosity of our parish and surrounding community. For this we say a heartfelt *Thank You*!

*Special "Christmas Shopping" days and times are as follows:

Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12 noon November 12, 19, and 26

December 3, 10 and 17

Tuesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm November 15, 22 and 29 December 6 and 13

*Our regular Clothing Nook will continue to be open on the following days:

Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12 noon

November 5 and 19 December 3 and 17 Tuesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

November 1, 15 and 29 December 13

We encourage you to share this information with those in need. Help us to bring joy into the hearts of these individuals and families. With our deepest appreciation.

WANT TO LEARN ABOUT NEXT STEPS WITH THE SYNOD?

REGISTER FOR A SYNOD: NOW WHAT? WORKSHOP!

Synod 2021 2023

communion | participation | mission

This November, the Archdiocese is hosting a series of short workshops that will help us all move forward with all the data we received in the local Synod Listening sessions! Dr. Eugenia Pagnotta-Kowalczyk, the general coordinator of the Edmonton Synod, will be hosting these workshops, both in person and on Zoom, to share what we heard at the Archdiocese level and to begin discussions of next steps. **Register now for a Synod:** Now What? Workshop where, together, we can discern the next steps that the Holy Spirit is calling us to take. All are welcome! Register for a session at: https://caedm.ca/synod

Still confused about what the Synod on Synodality is all about? On this week's podcast, Archbishop Richard Smith is joined by Dr. Pagnotta-Kowalczyk and they examine the initial recommendations from the diocesan Synthesis Report, which drew from all the local listening sessions and survey submissions. Listen here: https://caedm.ca/upfront



INFANT MEMORIAL MASS

Monday November 21 at 6:15 pm

To honour and remember children who have died due to miscarriage, abortion, stillbirth, infant or childhood death.

We welcome anyone who has suffered the loss of a child to join us. You are invited to write your child's name on one of the provided cards and place it



on the *Remembrance Tree* in the church foyer (or email <u>info@olph.ca</u> and we will write the name of your loved one for you).

The Beauty of Catholic Education



Catholic education matters. It is vital and beautiful for the formation of our children and society and provides a solid means of navigating chaos in a culture of constant change. We are so blessed to have publicly-funded Catholic education in our province, that we may even take it for granted. The JETS women's group is thrilled to welcome guest speaker Dean Sarnecki on our flight path this Friday November 4, to speak of the beauty, uniqueness and distinctness of Catholic education to help form young people. Dean's whole life has been dedicated to Catholic education; as a teacher, chaplain and administrator for EICS, visiting professor of religious education at St. Joseph's College, University of Alberta, former executive director of Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association, and now a Trustee for Elk Island Catholic Schools here in the county.

Please join us by 9:45 am in the Large Meeting Room for this very interesting presentation and opportunity to ask questions about Catholic education. In-flight complimentary snacks and beverages will be served ... what airline carrier does that anymore on a short haul?

Further info is available by contacting Nancy at 780-464-5356. All are most welcome!



"An education in the fullness of humanity should be the defining feature of Catholic schools." Pope Francis



So, you want to become a Saint?

It just so happens, we are hiring! Next week we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**. This is a moment in time where we have occasion to reflect on the nature of sainthood. We are also able to celebrate the exemplary faithfulness of holy men and women from every time and place.

All Saints was originally a feast day to honor the martyrs of the Church, then beginning in the 9th century it also included non-martyrs. It was given to being celebrated on November 1 to counter a pagan feast that fell on the same day. "In England it was called All Hallows. (Hallow is from the Old English word for holy.) Thus Halloween, a vestige of this pagan celebration, is from 'All Hallows eve' or the eve of All Saints." It is interesting/ironic/providential, that Halloween, all hallowed eve, is rooted in a Christian celebration of the holy men and women of the Church.

What does it take to become a saint? Well, I am glad that you asked that. St. Paul states that we are saints already. In virtue of our Baptism, we have joined the Christian community where we are called to be holy; therefore we are destined to be full-fledged saints. St. Paul knows we all have some work to do in that department. "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect (CCC 1030-1031)."

So, we go through this world, striving to live in a state of holiness, understanding that perfection will be in heaven; hence the reason for a stop off in purgatory to attain that purity required for total holiness. When we arrive in heaven, we believe we will become part of the communion of saints. The ninth statement of faith in the Apostles Creed states; "I believe in the

Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, forgiveness of sins and life everlasting, Amen."

"What is the church if not the Assembly of all the saints? The communion of saints is the Church, (CCC 946)." My friends, we are all saints in the Church, who are at different points on the journey to attaining perfect spiritual union with Christ; culminating in our perfect communion with Him and all the saints in the Heavenly Kingdom.

Why do we have saints? Here's a couple of reasons that make very good sense to me. First, the Church has named men and women saints to provide models for us of heroic virtue, lived out by people just like you and me. We expect Jesus to be holy, we expect Mary to be holy; these men and women throughout our history have shown that it is possible for us to be holy as well. This means that to become a saint is possible for us. The question is, how badly do we want to become saints?

Secondly, the lives of these holy men and women, whom the Church has chosen as models for holiness, show you and I how it is we are to live our lives. The Church gives us examples, and then gives us step by step instructions (lives of the saints), for how we too can become holy. When you make a special dessert you follow your mom's recipe of many years, right? The Church, through the documented lives of the holy women and men, gives us "recipes" for attaining holiness, with the goal of becoming a saint.

What we as Catholics believe is that someday we will be perfectly in communion with our Lord Jesus in heaven within the grand multitude of the community of saints from all times and places. Our time here in this world is the opportunity to strive for the required holiness that we desire to enjoy forever in the heavenly realm; it is but a foretaste of the heavenly kingdom in the here and now, but not yet that perfect communion with Jesus.

Blessings all you saints in the making! Jesus is now taking new applications for this extremely rewarding and eternal goal.



Celebrations

CONGRATULATIONS to the Families whose Children were WELCOMED IN BAPTISM on Sunday October 23

Monroe Elizabeth Dejong Kehler

Yuliana Luann Ostafie

Emily Anne Lysak

Mateo Stephen John Silveira

Emilia Blake Minarchi

Elliot Jude Tracey





Congratulations to all the children who celebrated their

FIRST RECONCILIATION

at OLPH last week, and <u>thank you</u> to the EICS teachers and other Volunteer Catechists from our parish who supported them in preparing for the Sacrament.

Zeke B.	Judah G.	Austin L.	Landon S.
NyleB.	Vinicio G.	Colton M.	Liam S.
Nathan B.	Lucas G.	Olive M.	Stella S.
Maya C.	Albert James G.	Brynlee M.	James S.
Remi C.	Carter H.	Luca M.	Zoey S.
Karla C.	Blakely J.	Mark M.	Maxwell T.
Locklin C.	James K.	Hailey M.	Myles T.
Matteo D.	Nate K.	Luke N.	Thomas T.
Lennon D.	Nicholas K.	Rylee N.	Evan V.
Ethan D.	Isaac L.	Austin N.	Taylor W.
Axel R.	Charles L.	Chloe-Nicole P.	Cade W.
Oliver D.	John L.	Janine S.	Lincoln W.
Kentyn D.	Paige L.	Kasey S.	Simon Z.

