

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: *Immediately Following Morning and Evening Mass*

Saturday 9:30 am to 11:00 am

Adoration - Everyone Welcome, Always Open to All!

First Friday of Every Month: May 5 from 9:30 am to 6:15 pm

Every Wednesday Holy Hour 5:15 pm prior to Evening Mass:



1st Wednesday hosted by Mary's Servants for Christ: May 3

2nd Wednesday hosted by Society of St. Vincent de Paul: May 10

3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: May 17

4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: May 24

*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 our OLPH website www.olph.ca/video/ or at facebook.com/olphsherwoodpark/videos*



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 April 30, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter

We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8H 1Y7 780-467-5470 www.olph.ca



Saint Vincent de Paul

**REVERSE COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND**

2023 NORTH OF 60 PROJECT



Thank you in advance for your generosity to assist the poor in the small Arctic hamlet of Paulatuk NWT.

With the generous support of our OLPH Parish community, our Saint Vincent de Paul volunteers will once again be filling an 8x8x20 foot SeaCan with needed items to ship to Paulatuk mid-May.

THIS WEEKEND - Take home a paper slip printed with a food item or cash donation (cash will be put towards large items needed like mattresses, bedding, etc.)

NEXT WEEKEND, MAY 6 & 7 - Bring your items back to the church, donations will be collected at all Masses.

VOLUNTEERS are needed next weekend to collect the donations, and throughout the following week to sort them and pack the SeaCan in preparation for shipping.

CAN YOU HELP US? Contact Tom at 780-467-4775

Paulatuk, located in the Inuvik Region of the NWT, has been inhabited since 1000 AD and incorporated as a hamlet in 1987. This community consists of about 350 people of which 90% are indigenous. Hunting, fishing, trapping and recently print-making are their major economic activities. They have an RCMP detachment, a health centre, K-12 school, a community learning center, and an airport. (Paulatuk is not accessible by road). The community is served only by the Catholic Church led by Father Fred from Inuvik.

(Any surplus items collected for Paulatuk will be generously donated to the people of Sacred Heart Parish and St. Alphonse's Parish in Edmonton, and to our indigenous communities of Saddle Lake and Good Fish Lake in Alberta.)

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 ETRANSFER 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.



May 1 - 6

Monday ~ Monikkutty Scaria†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Don Redmond†, Mason Church†, Michelle, Fr Jim & Fr. Vince, Maria Corazon Sebastian, Geanette Carido, Carmen Palahamiuk, Rose Rosychuk

Tuesday ~ Arturo Joel Sr. †, Charlito Garcia†, Jim Mitchell†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Michelle, Debbie Gawing, Chantal Snider, Ben Snider, Rita Deck

Wednesday ~ Erlinda & Susan Baxter†, Carlito Borja Rivera†, Marco & Giuseppina Lucci†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Tom Linaker†, Michelle, Viji & family, Barb Otway, Delainey Lewis, Adam Crawford

Thursday ~ Annette Labbe†, Jim Mitchell†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Marie & Jaml Bitar†, Betty-Lou Lawrence, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Michelle, Robert Fedna, Maria Lourdes Moniz, Charlotte Weber, Arturo Jr. & John Vincent Joel

Friday ~ Bryce Clarke†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Jeanne Zupan†, Rita Deck, Diane Balatcka, Charlee Patrick Joel, Michelle, Imelda & Brett Dykstra, Wilfrid Plamondon, Remedios Hernandez

Saturday ~ Don Redmond†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Geny Groome†, Minteko Family, Michelle, St. Anthony of Padua, Rob & Dana Fisk, Nicole Skiba, Alma Jallorina, Dolly Isinger

Your OLPH Parish Team

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jcorrigan@olph.ca

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Archdiocese of Edmonton
Website: www.caedm.ca

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

Get Involved



Want to Become More Engaged at Mass? This is your invitation to Volunteer! Reach out to the Leader for the specific Ministry that interests you about Training:

Adult Servers: Peter Kamstra (onetoughcatholic@yahoo.ca)

Audio/Visual Soundbooth: Bob Gerow (bgerow@olph.ca)

Ushers: David Schmidt & Don Snider (dcwdetml@gmail.com) & (donretired15@gmail.com)

Altar Servers (Children): Amanda Gaudet & Christina Stockdale (amanda.gaudet15@gmail.com) & (christina.stockdale@me.com)

Proclaimers, Greeters and Cleaners: Michelle Rose (michelle.rose@shaw.ca)

Music Ministry: Sharon Darbyshire (sharon_darbyshire@shaw.ca)

Eucharist Ministers: Sue Szojka (sue.szojka@shaw.ca)

Ministry volunteers please sign up for your Mass IN ADVANCE using the SignUp Genius link at www.olph.ca OR call the Parish Office 780-467-5470

OLPH Financial Report

Week 17 April 23, 2023	Cost of Operating the Parish	Building Fund Target Amount	“Together We Serve” Target Amount
Average weekly amount required (based on 2023 budget)	\$25,000.00	\$2,480.00	\$2,310.00
Donations this week	\$19,978.50	\$3,357.00	\$1,101.25
This week surplus/ shortfall	-\$4,859.50	\$877.00	-\$1,110.75

- Cost of operating the parish “average weekly amount” is 1/52 of the total annual amount of ordinary receipts projected in the 2023 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 which is set by the Archdiocese.
- Together We Serve Collection - *First Sunday of every Month - May 7*
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul Poor Box Collection - *Third Sunday of every Month - May 21*

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



Then the Lord God said:
“it is not good for humanity to be alone,” (Gn. 2, 18).

Put another way, God made humanity to be in relationship with one another. He created us as expressions of the Trinitarian love. And He made us as creatures that need one another in order to live life fully and joyfully. You have heard me say it often enough. We have three important relationships in our lives. Our relationship with God, with one another and with ourselves. Without these relationships, life would have little or no meaning for the majority of humanity. We would have no one to share the high points of life. The day of our marriage, our child being born, that same child graduating from University - Simply a few examples of the high points that are so much more meaningful when we have family and friends to share them with. Our relationships also have a profound value in times that we encounter the cross. The death of our long-time spouse, a serious illness in the family, work issues, family issues; there are many. But in both the joyful and in the painful times, the relationships in our lives often are what buoy us up, or assist us, in getting through the challenges that are part of our human condition.

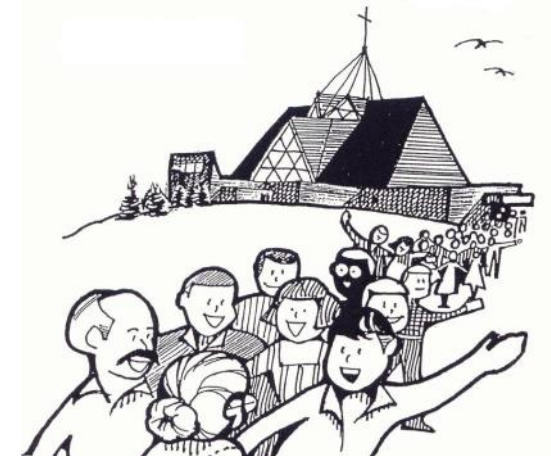
My comments today center around our OLPH faith community. I do not view the world through rose-colored glasses. I do view the world through the lens of gratitude. Gratitude for what God has done for me in my life, and the good that I see surrounds me daily. I encounter so many folks giving of their time and talent and yes their treasure, to make our faith community a center of security, of peace, of community. A place of joyful good works and good words. There is also a distinct outreach component to our parish community with the great works of St. Vincent De Paul, The Nook, Inner City Pastoral Ministry, the food bank contributions as well as the faith formation programs that are offered through OLPH by way of zoom etc. Our Masses can be accessed worldwide daily. These and more are remarkable attributes of a parish that understands and celebrates the importance and the essentiality of **Community**, to do remarkable things. And to do them joyfully, and with love (willing the good of the other) as their motivation.

My motivation for this reflection comes from last weekend when we celebrated Na-

tional Volunteer Appreciation Week here in the parish. It was our parish Team/Staff who said we should do something for our many volunteers. Hence the plethora of cake that appeared at all our Sunday Liturgies, served by our parish Team and their families. What was very striking to me was how many people stayed around and visited, enjoying coffee and cake at all the Masses. I was present for all our Sunday celebrations, and I really sensed an aura of good will and community. People simply sitting at table, or standing, with coffee and cake visiting with their neighbor/fellow parishioner. You know, I do not wish to sound old, but our cake and coffee event reminded me very much of the “Olden Days.” A simpler time, when conversation and visiting was a key part of a community’s mode of communication. I just wanted to say how much I appreciated this little gesture and how our parish community seemed to really appreciate it as well.

The final part of my comments this day is the following. Some folks entered into the cake and coffee with eagerness and joyfulness. Some may have been coerced into it. Some may have walked right out of the Church after the Mass without stopping at all. My friends, God made us for each other, to relate to one another and to enjoy each other’s company. This is how we are created. We, for our part, must cooperate with that God-given grace. We need to step out of our comfort zone and take a chance at saying hello to someone we do not know. I can assure you, that the person you greet or welcome will be grateful. They might not say it, but God has hard-wired us to be social creatures. Because of this, our social interaction - some days more challenging than others - will bring us a sense of fulfillment, a sense of belonging, a sense of community. My friends, once again, God created us in this way, and by engaging with one another we have a far greater potential of being joyful in our daily lives. When we engage in our relationship with God, with others and with ourselves, I guarantee that we will have a greater sense of well-being and fulfillment. This weekend, say hello or good morning to someone you do not know. Invite a friend who has been away to come to Mass with you. It can only have positive results. **“it is not good for humanity to be alone,” (Gn. 2, 18).**

Blessings, *Fr. Jim*



TOFIELD CORNER

~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~

"Let nothing upset you, let nothing startle you. All things pass; God does not change. Patience wins all it seeks. Whoever has God lacks nothing. God alone is enough."

- From the biography of 'St. Theresa Avila'

4th Sunday of Easter - Even as King David says - to be brave, we may not know what lies ahead of us, but if we answer His call and have trust, He will guide us. With this in mind ...

1. Yay! Our **Book Club** is ready for another season of reading and discussing. Once a week we get together to socialize and chat about our perspective of a 'group chosen' book. The book will be religious in nature and help us grow in our faith and build great friendships within our community. ANYONE and EVERYONE is welcome to join in. If you are interested, please call or text Kathy at 780-270-8652. A start date will be decided soon.
2. Victor continues to collect **bottles and cans** for our church projects. So keep those recyclables coming in!
3. **Soup in a Bag** is still available in the foyer. Get them while you can! We will be helping to fund our young pilgrims to attend World Youth Day Celebrations in Portugal this August.
4. Don't forget - May 7th - first Sunday of the month - is **Potluck Sunday** after Mass. Bring a favorite dish or dessert to share and bring your appetite. It's free and there's 'coffee to boot'!
5. Following our Potluck, we will have a **General Meeting** for St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Be brave! Join in and help you Parish flourish.

To post in the 'Tofield Corner' contact Kathy by phone 780-270-8652 or email Kathleen.Anderson.one@gmail.com
(Weekly bulletin deadline is Wednesday.)



What's Happening at OLPH

"SHERWOOD PARK AGAINST HUNGER" MEAL PACKAGING EVENT

Sponsored by our OLPH Knights of Columbus and Society of St. Vincent de Paul (with other local service organizations)

Saturday May 27, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
in the OLPH Parish Hall

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS (ages 6 and up) to help package the meals in an assembly line fashion. A fun way to spend time with friends and family for a wonderful cause! Recipients from last year's event were the Edmonton Inner City Soup Kitchens, Northern Canada remote communities as well as International Communities in need.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER online at
[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ca5a92ba0f9c07-sherwood#/#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ca5a92ba0f9c07-sherwood#/)
or scan the QR code:



Called to Protect, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on **Thursday May 4, 2023, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm**. The two and half hour session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. This will be an in-person session to be conducted here at OLPH. To register, use this link : <https://forms.gle/iydsKfPR7T2Xchfj7>

First Reconciliation Parent/Child Retreat

(for families that have completed their Home Study Workbook)

Saturday May 6
at 10:00 am



BAPTISM

*Congratulations & Welcome
to the children who were
Baptized on Sunday April 23*

Mylah Marie Edhart

Parker Joseph Lafortune-Downey

Eloise Elizabeth Lillijord

Emmett Reid Lillijord

Antonio Montano-Garcia

Santiago Montano-Garcia

Prayer of Condolence

Funeral for **Greg Walter** on Friday May 12 at 11:30 am.

Funeral for **Ralph Oliver** on Saturday May 13 at 10:00 am.



Register today for OLPH Vacation Bible School!

July 10 - 14, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm daily
For children Kindergarten to Grade 5

***Register in person at Parish Office**

(Can print registration forms off at home <https://www.olph.ca/child-youth-ministry/vacation-bible-camp/> but you must still bring to the office IN PERSON with payment.)

Contact Sharon Darbyshire for more info or to volunteer: sdarbyshire@olph.ca

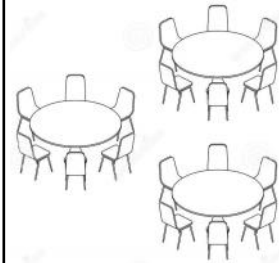
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ATTENTION: COUPLES OF OLPH

Are you looking for an opportunity to contribute to the OLPH community as a couple?!
Husband-Wife...Sisters...Brothers...BFFs – you are all welcome!

We are in need of able-bodies to join our Funeral Luncheon Ministry.
If you have an eye for finishing touches or are able to setup tables/chairs, we have a spot for you!

Times vary (but will not require more than an hour TWICE a month).



Call the parish office
780-467-5470 to
inquire how you can
share your TIME and
TALENT with this
rewarding ministry.

First Sunday of the Month
COLLECTION
NEXT WEEK!

Clothing Nook OPEN for Shopping

Tuesday May 2, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Saturday May 6, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm



All clothing is FREE thanks to the generous donations from our community. Donations ALWAYS welcome! DROP OFF BIN located by the Parish Office elevator.



NEWS

Executive Elections will be held during the May meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday May 2. All Brother Knights are encouraged to attend and help the council prepare for the upcoming year!

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED GRADES 6-12



Seeking Youth Volunteers to help with **SonSpark Labs Vacation Bible School** this summer!

Must be available July 4 -7 to help set up and July 10-14 for the camp.

***Sign up soon, there is limited number of spaces for youth to volunteer.**

For more info contact Sharon Darbyshire at sdarbyshire@olph.ca

Sacraments



Engaged? Congratulations!

Contact Angie at ADeWolfe@olph.ca to schedule your **Pre-Nuptial Meet & Greet** with Father Jim and find a Marriage Preparation Course.

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.

Sacramental Preparation for Children in Grade 2 and older.



You can pre-register now for next session starting up in September.

Email: sacraments@olph.ca

Please keep in your prayers the 74 boys and girls preparing for their first sacraments in our parish this spring.



**The Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated at OLPH:
Sunday June 4 at 2:30 pm and
Sunday June 11 at 2:30 pm**

The next preparation session for children in Grade 6 and older will start in September. Contact Natalie at the parish office to pre-register: sacraments@olph.ca



**PRO-LIFE MASS 10:00 am St. Joseph's Basilica
RALLY AND MARCH 12:00 - 2:00 pm Alberta Legisla-
tive Grounds (Parking on east side of Legislature)**
For details visit:
<https://albertamarchforlife.com/2023-events>

GrACE SUMMIT 2023

Friday, May 12 | 9:45am-3:45pm

Lumen Christi Catholic Education Centre, Edmonton

GrACE Summit 2023 is just around the corner. Advocacy for Catholic Education is essential. The GrACE Summit promises to inspire, invigorate and embolden you to be a voice for Catholic education as we head into this election and the years to come. Registration closes MAY 1, so don't delay!

YOU ARE INVITED to gather with advocates from across Alberta to unite, engage, educate and communicate around Catholic education in our province. Meet advocates from across the province. Be prepared for an exciting and rewarding day!

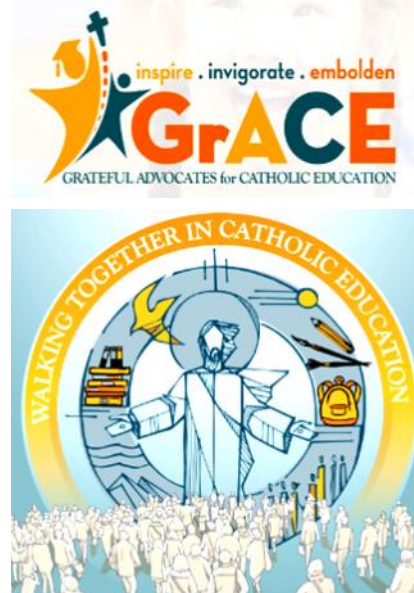
† **Sessions on Engagement, Unity, Education and Communication**

† **Conversations with other Catholic education stakeholders**

† **Closing mass with Bishop McGrattan**

Register online at: <https://www.studentquickpay.com/ecsd/MyAccount/Main.aspx>

OR contact Natalie at the Parish Office 780-467-5470 or email nlavigne@olph.ca.



The Catholic Women's
League of Canada



**National
Bursary Fund**



The bursary provides financial assistance to Catholic Women's League members after two years of membership. Members can apply when pursuing studies, courses, seminars, conferences, workshops, and diploma degree programs in the area of:

- Adult faith formation
- Literacy tutoring
- Spiritual growth
- Nursing
- Parliamentary procedure
- Ministry in palliative care
- Ministry to shut-ins
- Youth ministry

Deadline for applications is May 15 annually. The bursary awards up to \$1,000 per year and up to \$4,000 in a lifetime. Details and Form #552 at

www.cwl.ca For more information, contact:
educationhealth@cwloolph.ca or president@cwloolph.ca



PARISH TEAM SPOTLIGHT: Jenny Velazco

Jenny's been a smiling face at the Church front office for the last 14 years, working as our Administrative Assistant and Baptism Coordinator. She was born and raised in a small town in Venezuela surrounded by the sea, she has a bachelor's degree in social communications and worked as a TV reporter until she moved to Canada in October 2006.

Jenny & her husband Stuart met in school, but love and dancing brought them finally together in 1996. They have two daughters, Sofia & Lucia, who are the light of Jenny's life, along with her extended family.

Jenny is a soccer fan and an animal lover; she thinks nothing compares to sunsets by the beach in her hometown or camping in the Canadian Rockies where she spends most weekends during the Summer. She is especially grateful for all the friends she has met at church; her goal is to maintain a unique and intimate environment of connection with the OLPH community.

Sunday May 14 ~ Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

after the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses

\$7 per person, \$22 for a family of 4



Raffle Draws 50/50 Tickets Featuring "FUN" Fashions

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Doors open at 5:30pm Fashion Show starts at 7:00pm

Tickets are \$15 each (Tables can be reserved for groups of 8) Available after Mass or by calling Pat Keith at 780-218-8009 or Connie Asp 780-570-1045

We are asking for DONATIONS (new items, cash or gift cards) for our **Themed Raffle Baskets:** Garden, Wine, Coffee/Tea, Kitchen, Spa and Movie Night. Donation bin in front of the parish office. Please hand in cash & gift cards to the office for the CWL mail folder. Please drop off all donations by May 1.

We also need VOLUNTEERS to serve the cake and strawberries. If you are able to assist please contact Connie or Pat at the numbers above.