# 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 9:15 am to 11:00 am

# Adoration - Everyone Welcome, Always Open to All!

First Friday of Every Month: June 2 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: June 7 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 May 7, 2023 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

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

First Sunday of the Month Special Collection:







# **Next Weekend:**

# 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 or \$22 for a family of 4



# 2023 NORTH OF 60 PROJECT



# REVERSE COLLECTION Part 2 THIS WEEKEND

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP), thanks you for participating in last week's Reverse Collection to meet the needs of the small Arctic community of Paulatuk. Thank you to all who are bringing in items asked for, or have donated a financial offering toward this project. Thank you to all who have volunteered their time in the collection of these items, taking them downstairs in the church, those who have helped with the sorting, the packing and the preparing of items for shipping. (Still want to help? Contact Tom at 780-467-4775.) We hope to have the Sea Can packed by early this week – and plan to ship the Sea Can, mid May. We will provide you with a summary next month of all we as a Parish were able to do. Thank you for your generous contribution to this project in so many ways that you have helped.

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



### 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.



**ETRANSFER at:** 

May 8 - 13

Monday ~ Olga Acosta♥, Bill Gramlich♥, Rosemary McCaughey†, Denise Black†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Betty, Michelle, All Nurses, Betty-Lou Lawrence, Charlotte Var-

Tuesday ~ Rose Lutula♥, Jim Mitchell♥, Maria Ines Vilela†, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Michelle, Listin Varum, Jeannie Jackson, Jeremiah Joseph, Baby Jacob Fisk, Dogel & Cherilyn Arevalo

Wednesday ~ Maurice Prince †, Bernie Toderovich †, Maria Ines Vilela†, Anthony Reghelini†, Remedios de Mesa†, Lewis family, Michelle, Jacob Robert Fisk, Kent & Elaine MacDonald, Anna Varum & family, Barb Otway **Thursday** ~ Mervyn Lynch**†**, Jim Mitchell**†**, Maria Ines Vilela<sup>†</sup>, Michael Webb<sup>†</sup>, Donald Madill<sup>†</sup>, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Michelle, Gordon Roman, Barb Otway, Anice Thomas

Friday ~ Eileen Ilchuk†, Bryce Clarke†, Maria Ines Vilela†, Helga Gatringer†, Michael O'Neill†, Murie Peddle†, Terry & Angela Prenoslo & family, Mary Babu, Michelle, Reghelini family

Saturday ~ Catherine LaPierre†, Joan Ferguson†, Bryce Clarke†, Maria Ines Vilela‡, Cathy & Ryan Clement‡, Chase Evan Gourlay†, Eileen Ilchuk†, Sinners & Seculars, Michelle, Mary Ann Fowler

### Your OLPH Parish Team

Pastor ~ Fr. Jim Corrigan jcorrigan@olph.ca

Associate Pastor Fr. Vince Anthony Samy, SDB frvince@oloh.ca

Permanent Deacon Deacon Lynn Pion lpion@olph.ca

**Business Coordinator** Arden Playford aplayford@olph.ca

**Pastoral Assistant** Natalie Lavigne nlavigne@olph.ca

Administrative Assistant Jenny Velazco ivelazco@olph.ca

**Administrative Assistant** Angie DeWolfe adewolfe@olph.ca

Volunteer Management vmteam@olph.ca

> Other General Inquiries: info@olph.ca

Parish Office 780-467-5470

Website: www.olph.ca

Follow Us on Facebook: facebook.com/ olphsherwoodpark

Archdiocese of Edmonton Website: www.caedm.ca

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

# TOFIELD CORNER ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~

"Do few things but do them well, simple joys are holy." - Quote from St. Francis of Assisi



5th Sunday of Easter, we learn our sense of purpose as Christians — to bear much fruit. Let's not be jaded because of the number of times we have been asked. And with that in mind. . .

- 1. Today is **Potluck Sunday!** Yay! and our **General Meeting**. How can we help? There will be much to talk about and get ideas, opinions and ultimately help in looking after our parish. So much to talk about!
- 2. Victor continues collecting bottles and cans. We will have some ideas for the direction of the funds to talk about at the meeting. And thank you to all those who donate!
- 3. A start date and a book for the **Book club** will be announced soon. If you are interested please call or text Kathy at 780-270-8652.
- 4. For all those Newcomers to our beautiful little parish we have Mass every Sunday at 11:00 am and there is coffee and snacks after every Mass. And on the 1st Sunday of every month we have Potluck lunch. See you there!
- 5. We continue to ask if anyone has a long, low **bookshelf** that they would like to re-home for our little library downstairs, please call or text Kathy at 780-270-8652.

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.)

# **OLPH Financial Report**

Week 18 April 30, 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
<b>Donations this week</b>	\$18,102.50	\$3,036.10	\$910.40
This week surplus/ shortfall	-\$6,735.50	\$556.10	-\$1,301.60

- 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
- 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



# PARISH TEAM SPOTLIGHT: Natalie Lavigne

I joined the OLPH team as Pastoral Assistant in the summer of 2019, after 15 years being self-employed at home running a successful kitchen tools business, raising kids and volunteering in their schools.

Here in the parish I coordinate all our Family Faith Formation programs for children's sacramental preparation: first Reconciliation, first Holy Communion

and Confirmation. I also work closely to build and support the close relationship between our parish community and our 10 local Catholic Schools. What a blessing to have this job where I use my education (bachelor of commerce in marketing and organization) and experience (project management, event planning, public speaking, journalism) in service to the Lord and get to meet new people every day! Away from the office I love to cook for my husband Pierre and our 3 awesome kids, hike and do HIIT exercise and see what I can get to grow in my garden. Friendly reminder: I also put together this Bulletin every week! Your deadline to submit announcements is Wednesdays at Noon. Email me at nlavigne@olph.ca.



# Part Time Weekend/ Evening Admin Staff

We are seeking an energetic, outgoing candidate to fill this position in the Parish Office.

**Duties**: Perform a variety of reception and clerical duties.

**Hours of Work**: <u>Must</u> be flexible. Weekend staff members share the following hours: Saturday & Sunday, 7:30 am to 7:30 pm. Weekday evening shifts, will vary 2:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

Applicants must be: Mature, have a welcoming attitude of service and helpfulness towards assisting individuals and groups. Honesty, flexibility, and a good sense of humor are very necessary for this position as it is a vital initial point of contact for the parish. Confidentiality is mandatory. This position requires a demonstrated ability to work with a minimum of supervision and to carry out written and verbal instructions. Computer competency is a must. This is an ideal position for senior high school, college or university student.

Apply to Arden Playford <u>aplayford@olph.ca</u> with resume, covering letter and two references.

# 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 <a href="mailto:sdarbyshire@olph.ca">sdarbyshire@olph.ca</a>





# General Meeting Monday May 8 at 6:30pm in the Meeting Room

# Special Workshop 6:45 - 7:45 pm:

• CWL National's "Unity Outreach" program, facilitated by Jean Ashdown (Diocesan Officer)

All members invited to participate in feedback to National Council.



Raffle Draws 50/50 Tickets Featuring "FUN" Fashions

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

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

# OLPH Church Parish Hall

13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park

Tickets \$15 each, can reserve a table for 8 call Pat 780-218-8009 or Connie at 780-910-9519 to purchase tickets Gluten and dairy free food options available with advance request.





# "WATER COOLER MEETING" leads to BOTTLED WATER DRIVE

Father Jim got a call this week from Father Susai, pastor at Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples, with an urgent plea for help: bottled WATER to pass out to the poor of Edmonton's inner city, who come to their church daily for bag lunches and other help meeting basic needs. OLPH, let's answer this call!

We'll be collecting CASES OF BOTTLED WATER at the parish office this week to deliver downtown to Sacred Heart. Please give as you are able!

"I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink..." Mt.25:35

# Prayer of Condolence

Condolences to Bernadette Bertholet & family, her husband **Andre Bertholet** passed away on May 4 in Edmonton. Funeral will be at Glenwood on Friday May 19 at 10:00 am.

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

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

# What's Happening at OLPH



# July 10 - 14 9:00 am - 12:30 pm daily

Contact Sharon Darbyshire for more info or to volunteer: <a href="mailto:sdarbyshire@olph.ca">sdarbyshire@olph.ca</a>

Summer fun & excitement for children Kindergarten to Grade 5!

Register <u>in person</u> at the parish office. Scan for more details:



# **HELP WANTED**

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.



The JETS are off to another Service Island this Friday, May 12, on a direct flight across Brower Drive to CapitalCare Strathcona to do some general spring yard clean-up for the residents in preparation for their planting season. Please meet by 9:30 am in the Large Meeting Room downstairs in the church and we will head over as a group. Bring any gardening tools you think would be helpful and dress for the weather. After an hour of loving labour we will head back to OLPH Parish to organize our new JETS calendar for Fall of 2023. In-flight snacks and beverages will be served.

For more information kindly contact one of our Captains of the day: Theresa at <a href="mts11@telus.net">mts11@telus.net</a> or Gloria at <a href="mtsloop">gloriaschlack@gmail.com</a>.

Any interested parishioner is invited to join us to

help beautify our nursing home neighbours!





### **Sacraments**



Sacramental Preparation for Children in Grade 2 and older

### **Upcoming Activities:**

First Reconciliation Celebration - Saturday May 13 at 11:30 am
First Communion Intro Session - RSVP

First Communion Intro Session - RSVP for your choice of Monday May 15 or Thursday May 18 at 6:15 pm.

\*You can also pre-register your child for next session starting up in September.



# **Engaged? Congratulations!**

Contact Angie at <u>ADeWolfe@olph.ca</u> 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.



Congratulations on the birth of your child! Baptism Preparation Class can be taken before or after the birth of your baby. Both Mother and Father must attend, and Godparents are also encouraged to attend. Classes are held the 2nd Tuesday every month at 7:00 pm. Next Class: May 9. \* Additional Catechesis provided for children 7 and older to be Baptized.

**Baptism Celebrations** are held at OLPH the 3rd and 4th Sundays every month at 2:30 pm. (except during Lent)

To register for Preparation Class OR to schedule your child's Baptism celebration please email Jenny at <a href="mailto:info@olph.ca">info@olph.ca</a>



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: <a href="mailto:sacraments@olph.ca">sacraments@olph.ca</a>

# **Catholic Community News**



# The Alberta MARCH FOR LIFE Thursday May 11

Pro-Life Mass - 10:00 am St. Joseph's Basilica

Rally & March - 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Rally, Prayers, and Speeches at the Alberta Legislative Grounds (parking on East side of Legislature)

For details visit: https://albertamarchforlife.com/2023-events

THE 19TH ANNUAL

# **REAL FOUNDATION**

MAY 24, 2023 **BROADMOOR GOLF COURSE** WWW.REAL-FOUNDATION.COM TO REGISTER

THIS TOURNAMENT RAISES FUND TO SUPPORT CATHOLIC **EDUCATION ACTIVITES IN ELK ISLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** 

### LAS VEGAS VACATION RAFFLE

7 Night Stay at Cancun Resort: Nov. 4 - Nov. 11, 2023 and \$500 spending cash.

\$1,000 Travel Voucher, (Courtesy of Midas Auto Service, Camrose)

\$50 / TICKET, ONLY 200 AVAILABLE

Contact: donmarceau75@gmail.com

to purchase raffle tickets.



# "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/10c0d4ca5a92ba0f9c07sherwood#/

or scan the QR code:



### **Our Catholic Schools**



# St. Nicholas Kindergarten/Pre-K Registration

Children who are five years old on or before December

ST. NICHOLAS 31, 2023, can be registered

CATHOLIC SCHOOL for Kindergarten. For the

2023-2024 school year, Ukrainian Kindergarten will be offered on Mondays/Wednesdays (and alternating Fridays) and English Kindergarten will be offered on Tuesdays/Thursdays (and alternating Fridays). To register please go to: https://www.eics.ab.ca/programs/kindergarten/ kindergarten.

We are also excited to announce that we will be offering a Pre-Kindergarten program for 4 year olds next year. There is no requirement to be of Ukrainian descent, all are welcome! For more information email:

little.orchard.sadochok@gmail.com



# Calling all ABJ Grad '83 Alumni

Plans are in the works for a class reunion! Please send an email with your contact information to abjgrad1983@gmail.com and we can put you on the list to receive updates.

Looking forward to seeing you all!



### DID YOU KNOW?

- Catholic education affirms parents as their children's primary educators and respects the rights of parents to choose the school that meets their needs.
- 1 In Catholic schools, it is our deepest desire to ensure that every child knows and experiences the love of God through the witness of their community.
- Principles of diversity and inclusion are central in the teachings of the Catholic Church and permeate all aspects and curriculum in a Catholic school.
- 180,000 students currently attend Catholic schools in Alberta.
- 🙏 Alberta is one of three provinces in Canada with publicly funded Catholic education. Ontario and Saskatchewan are the other two.
- Catholic education in Alberta is 158 years old.
- An organized effort of public school lobbyists are attempting to disrupt Catholic education in our province. Your engagement; your advocacy; your voice is vital.





Father Jim's Message



# A reminder to slow down.

From my experience, it seems that it does not matter whether folks are retired or in Middle School, they are often just plain BUSY. I believe that being busy is a good and healthy thing. I also think that sometimes we place some of our self-perception on what we are doing and how much of it we are doing. The weather this past week has been remarkable and really has allowed us to enter a "thank you Dear Jesus, winter is finally done, and summer is here" mode. It also may cause one to think we need to escalate our activity level and get outside and do all those things that we do when the weather is warm. We may want to accomplish all those things, but we do not have to get them all done today. The sun and the heat are wonderful, and so is simply taking the time to enjoy them. That can be done by finding a shady spot in the yard and reading the book you have been planning to read. It could also be doing a pilgrimage around a holy site, such as a golf course. (Not sure if a golf course qualifies as a holy site but it certainly qualifies to give me the doses of humility that I need, on my own journey to become holy.) Let us be grateful for the blessings of these wonderful summer days. Let us slow down enough to truly enjoy God's creative genius of our

dear mother earth.

On another note, I usually pick my mail up from my community mailbox about every two weeks. Recently upon picking it up, I received mail that included two separate pictures of the rear end of my truck. Of course, these pictures focused on my licence plate. I find that pictures of my licence plate are inordinately expensive. Not once photogenic but twice. That is what I get for driving such a pretty truck, I suppose. When I went online (you might say I have seasons tickets) to pay these two fines, lo and behold the trinitarian blessing came into its fullness. There was another ticket waiting for me that had not yet made it to my mailbox. A pretty good sign, in triplicate, that I should practice what I preach, and slow down as well. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

# Father Jim's Message

One final note with the *slow down* theme in mind. Many of you are aware that to the best of my ability I endeavor to be the smile and door man for 20-30 minutes prior to our weekday and week-end Masses. It is my most important extracurricular ministry. As you can imagine this gives me a great panorama of the parking lot and the vehicles entering and leaving it. When one enters the south driveway, or the north entrance for that matter, there is a long stretch of parking lot that has the tendency to lull some folks into thinking they have pulled onto a major roadway. The sign that says speed limit 20 km/hr does not seem to have any practical meaning to some drivers. The problem, and my concern is this: We have several of our neighbors/parishioners, who traverse the parking lot from Aster Gardens on foot to attend Mass, weekdays and weekends. If there are any vehicles parked at the walkway where Aster enters OLPH property, pedestrians can be very difficult to see. Particularly if one is traveling at 50 km/hr rather than 20 km/hr, winter and summer! The other pinch point is when people walk between the two major planters that are just south of the front doors of the Church. Yes this is a drop off zone for folks, but my request is that we remember this whole parking lot is a 20 km/hr zone. You might think I am overreacting, but I am not. I have seen folks have to hit their breaks as they cruise past the front doors because they did not anticipate pedestrian traffic. My fear, my friends, is that one day someone will get hurt on their way to church, by someone else who is on their way to church.

For those of you who run a tight schedule, I give you full amnesty and permission to be late for Mass, provided you drive only the speed limit in the parking lot. I guarantee speeding the last five hundred meters will not get you to Mass much sooner than the slow, but steady, that wins the race. A simple trinitarian message to us all, as we enjoy this wonderful summer weather.

A reminder to slow down, in our vehicles, and our lives.



<u>Want to Become More Engaged at Mass?</u> 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 (<u>michelle.rose@shaw.ca</u>)

Music Ministry: Sharon Darbyshire (<a href="mailto:sharon\_darbyshire@shaw.ca">sharon\_darbyshire@shaw.ca</a>)

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.