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 - NEW Summer Schedule!

EVERY FRIDAY a Holy Hour prior to each daily Mass

7:30 am prior to Morning Mass and 5:15 pm prior to Evening Mass

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



1st Wednesday hosted by Mary's Servants for Christ: August 2

2nd Wednesday hosted by Society of St. Vincent de Paul: August 9

3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: July 19

4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: July 26

5th Wednesday (when applicable) hosted by Clergy: August 30



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 July 16, 2023 ~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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





Please support our monthly **SSVP POOR BOX** COLLECTION

after all Masses this weekend.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **Hosted by CWL**

Wednesday, July 19 5:15 to 6:15pm **Prior to the Holy Mass**



"Have a Holy Hour every week. Start praying. Pray for guidance and trust in God." - St. John Vianney

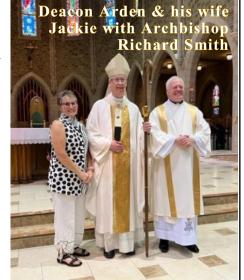
Q&A with Deacon Arden Playford Ordained July 8, 2023

What attracted you to the diaconate and how did vou become involved?

I became aware of the diaconate when I felt a particularly strong draw to the church. I went to a "Come and See" night hosted by Deacon Lynn Pion. At the end of that night, I felt the "call to serve" was something I would continue to discern through entering the application pro-

In your opinion, why should a man consider the permanent diaconate?

I think the need for deacons now is greater than ever. Our primary focus in ministry is to serve the poor, marginalized and downtrodden. The COVID pandemic has just



gone through our society and ravaged those who were close to the poverty line and suddenly many more are living in much reduced conditions. We need more hands to develop programs and services to create an environment where those disadvantaged people can feel wanted, needed, cared for and loved.

In almost the same breath, there is also a need to increase our efforts to evangelize in the schools, care homes, hospitals. The Word of God is not getting to enough people because there is too much white noise from so many sources. Our diaconal community is needed to help proclaim and teach the Word in places where it is not being heard.

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 Interac 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:

July 17 - 22

Monday ~ Dantas Makino ↑, Deannine Dechant ↑, Cathy Kinlin-White†, Denise Deblois†, Glen Fleck†, Leonardo Sebastian, Innocent Simon Elias, Len & Veronica Isinger, Maria Elena Sebastian, Amanda Ouellet, Hugh Kerley Tuesday ~ Jim Mitchell †, Dantas Makino †, Scott Burnard†, Terry Volk†, Caroline Banuag†, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Linda De Sousa, Sebastian family, Dominic Draganiuk, Grace Corrigan

Wednesday ~ Rita Duchesne†, Brian Snider†, Dantas Makino , Raymond Boos , CWL, Louis Kovacs, Sister Bea and kids, Deacon Arden Playford, Jordan Crawford, Kennedy Lewis

Thursday ~ Aspulqueta & Bertha Palha†, Jim Mitchell‡, Dantas Makino†, Caroline Banuag†, Abelina Gomes†, Anthony Fernandes†, Nel Angeles, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Matthew Delainey, Shauna Delainey Friday ~ Bryce Clarke†, Mark Gramlich†, Mervyn Lynch †, John Miranda †, Dantas Makino †, Lorraine McInerney†, Ken Heykants†, John Almeida†, Sohaya Praslin, Bob Gerow

Saturday ~ Luis Alberto Gonzalez†, Ronaldo Bebe†, Eutiquiano Nadela†, Walter Powell†, T.J. John†, Dantas Makino†, Juanita Tan‡, David Kos‡, Elmire Fiddler, Fr. Jim

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

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

TOFIELD CORNER ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~



"Preach the Gospels everyday and only if you have to...use words." **Quote from St. Francis of Assisi**

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Let us sow God's seeds where they may fall. And leave the rest to God - who provides the nourishment, the rain and the snow for the seeds. And with that in mind . . .

- 1. We are looking for volunteers to 'man' a Food Bank booth during Western Days at the Promenade - August 11 from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm. The more the merrier and we can share the rotations. 'Don your cowboy hats and boots and let's put of faith into action! There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church.
- 2. Wow! What a **huge success!** Our Bake Sale to raise funds for the youth traveling to Portugal the summer for the World Youth Day Celebrations brought in a whopping \$350! Thanks to all who donated their yummies and who purchased them! What an amazing parish community we belong to!
- 3. Our next General Meeting for our parish is scheduled for July 30 after Sunday Mass. Come check out what's happening. Have a voice in your own parish.
- 4. Minutes of last month's meeting can be found at the back of the church.
- 5. Snacks and coffee continue after every 11:00 am Sunday Mass. See you there!

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

OLPH Financial Report Week 28 **Building Fund** "Together We Serve" **Cost of Operating** July 9, 2023 the Parish **Target Amount Target Amount** Average weekly \$2,310.00 \$25,000.00 \$2,480.00 amount required (based on 2023 budget) **Donations this week** \$21,625.00 \$3,020.00 \$2,925.00 This week surplus/ -\$3,375.00 \$540.00 \$615.00 shortfall

- 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 August 6
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul Poor Box Collection Third Sunday of every Month July 16

Parish & Community News



This pilgrimage, which began over a hundred years ago, has become the largest annual Catholic gathering in Western Canada. First called Wakamne or God's Lake by the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation who live on the west end of the Lake, and Manito Sahkahigan or Spirit Lake by the Cree, Lac Ste Anne, about 75 km northwest of Edmonton, is the site of the annual pilgrimage, one of the most unique and memorable spiritual gatherings in North America.





What's Happening at OLPH

PARISH TEAM SPOTLIGHT: Farewell Fr. Vince! Welcome Fr. Ben!

A warm OLPH welcome to our new Associate Pastor, Father Benoi Makkollil, CMI (Carmelite of Mary Immaculate). Fr. Ben studied theology in Ghana, one of the West African Countries, and was ordained on October 15, 2002. After three years of pastoral ministry in the northern part of India, he arrived back in Ghana in 2005.

Fr. Ben was an Associate Pastor at St. Michael's Parish, at Ahodwo, Archdiocese of Kumasi, Ghana for two years; then he served the same parish as the Pastor until 2019, when he was entrusted with a new school project by his provincial superior. With some external help, he built the necessary school structure facility and began the school in 2021. CMI Marriet School, at Kwamang, Ghana, is slowly growing.



Fr. Ben arrived in Edmonton on the 22nd of June. He expects from OLPH a fruitful pastoral ministry, through commitment and friendship.

Welcome to Canada Fr. Ben, and HAPPY 55TH BIRTHDAY on Friday July 14.

July 29 - 30 will be Fr. Vince's last weekend here at OLPH. Refreshments will be served after every Mass that weekend, and everyone is invited to stay for a time of fellowship with Fr. Vince and wish him well.

WITH A THANKFUL HEART

Dear and Dearest Fr. Jim, Parishioners & office staff, Loving greetings and Prayerful wishes from Fr. Vince SDB.

It is with a heavy heart that I say farewell to you. I cannot thanks you enough for the love & care that I have experienced, the values you've taught me, and the friendship you've so freely given. I will miss working with you and wish you all great things. Please keep in touch. My door will always be open to God's will. It was very hard to make the decision to go back, yet happy to take care of my dad who need especially my assistance.

The most cherished moments are hearing confession, celebrating Mass and sharing my experi-

ence at the sermon, celebrating Mass at care homes, meeting students at the school for class visits and wishing Happy Morning and Happy Evening with a sincere smile.

Special thanks to my mentor Fr. Jim and thank you for being such a great role model.

As much as I've cherished my time at OLPH - a Parish that Loves & Cares - it's time for me to start my next journey. I look forward to work with a heart full of joy in the future too. Ave Maria.

> I thank God every time I remember you, Constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you. - Phil 1:4



Condolences to Carlene Bourassa & family. Her husband Ron Prayer of Condolence Bourassa passed away on July 10 in Sherwood Park.



"Therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest (Mt. 9, 38)"

It has been an interesting week. On Saturday July 8, Archbishop Smith ordained three men to the Permanent Deaconate. One of whom, Deacon Arden Playford, is employed here at OLPH as our

Business Coordinator. Please feel free to stop by any time and quiz Deacon Arden on whatever you want to ask him. It is a terrific way to build community and relationships. We will see Deacon Arden doing some ministry here in the parish on occasion, but Archbishop Smith has assigned Arden to fulfill his ministry at Corpus Christi parish, where the Playford family have been members since the time we were celebrating Masses in the schools prior to the construction of Corpus Christi.

On Wednesday of this week, we welcomed Fr. Benoj Makkollil CMI (Carmelite of Mary Immaculate) to our parish community as our Associate Pastor. Fr. Benoj is fine with being called Fr. Ben, as it saves wear and tear on folks mispronouncing his full name. He says all this with a smile. Fr. Benoj is a priest who was born and raised in the Province of Kerala in India. He was ordained in the country of Ghana, where he spent most of his twenty-one years of his priesthood. The national language in Ghana is English, and you will note this when you hear Fr. Ben speak very clearly and articulately. He was in the process of building (literally) a school in Ghana when his community asked him to come to the Archdiocese of Edmonton. He has told me they will have forty ordinations to the priesthood within their Carmelite order this year. Indeed, there are vocations out there. Please welcome Fr. Ben, as you so joyfully welcome all our priests that come through the doors of our wonderful parish community.

In the same breath we prepare to say farewell to Fr. Vincent Samy SDB as he returns to India for ministry and to assist his family. Fr. Vince has been a joyful presence in our community this past year. He has embraced the ministry workload, and our parishioners, with a joyful and willing heart. We wish Fr. Vince well, and I know he will do well wherever his community asks him to serve. Thank you Fr. Vince for your service, your smile, and your generous heart. (And for incorporating "Happy morning, Happy Sunday or Happy evening" into our repertoires of greetings.)

On a final personnel note, our dear Fr. Mario, of recent fond memory, will be rejoining our parish community at the beginning of September. He is presently attending to some personal business in the Philippines, but we expect him to be ready to go when he arrives back home.

It has been our goal since the end of covid to move back to a roster of three priests here at OLPH. We accomplished this for about a month last year, however other needs in the Archdiocese altered our plans. With God's good grace and blessings, this coming year will be a full roster; including our very faithful Deacon Lynn, who is always ready to step up, whether it be schools, seniors' homes or wherever he is needed.

I have the tendency to think that the summer months will be a time of slow down in the life of the parish, and in some ways it is. However, summer is a time of weddings, about a dozen or so here in the parish this year. Funerals do not take the summer off, and we still celebrate our twice daily Masses, and hold to the regular Sunday Mass schedule. That said, there are very few evening meetings in the summer and that in itself is a godsend.

My friends, one of the things that we can always depend on as a constant, is change. Fr. Vince leaving, Fr. Ben coming and Fr. Mario coming back. We need to see these movements as opportunities for us to grow in our faith, and in our trust that our Lord is in charge, and not us. So, we come together as a community of faith, where change is constant. Our one stable, immutable, ever-consistent foundation is Christ crucified, Christ risen. This is the Good News that we need to be sharing, with all who have ears to listen. Many things will change in our lives. Christ crucified, Christ risen: this is our identity, and this is the unchanging immutable centrality of our faith. This is what we need to proclaim to all, but in a particular way to our families and loved ones. Our battle cry will never change. Christ conquered sin by his death, and he conquered death in his resurrection. Alleluia.

"Therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest (Mt. 9, 38)"

Thank you to Sharon Darbyshire & the Vacation Bible Camp Volunteer Team for an AMAZING week of faith & fun for the children of OLPH!





Engaged? Congratulations!

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

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.



Having Your Child BAPTIZED

Baptism opens the door to ALL the sacraments! 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.

Baptism Preparation Classes are held the 2nd Tuesday evening of every month at 6:15 pm (starting with Mass)

Baptism Celebrations are held at OLPH the 3rd and 4th Sundays every month at 2:30 pm

To register for Preparation Class OR to schedule your child's Baptism please email Jenny at info@olph.ca





ATTENTION PARENTS:

Preparation Classes for your Children's Sacraments will start up again in September. Contact Natalie at the OLPH Parish Office to register now.

GRADE 2 AND UP ~ First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

GRADE 6 AND UP ~ Confirmation

Email: sacraments@olph.ca