

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

See inside for special HOLY WEEK schedules

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday to Friday: Immediately Following Morning and Evening Mass

Saturday 9:15 am to 11:00 am

Adoration

*****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: April 3

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

3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: March 20

4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: March 27



We have a NEW YouTube Channel! For the benefit of the faithful whose health or other circumstances prevent them from attending the church in person, **all Masses and Adoration will now be livestreamed at:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@olphparishsherwoodparkab/streams>

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 March 17, 2024 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

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



LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSION

Saturday March 23

Drop In 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Multiple priests will be in the church throughout the day to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation.*

The Fifth Sunday of Lent is SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

Help create hope and dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to our parish Share Lent collection this weekend (special envelopes provided) or at devp.org/give. **Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world.**

“Development and Peace - Caritas Canada accompanies, supports and respects our institutional autonomy. It creates a climate of trust. I thank our sisters and brothers in Canada for their solidarity, a solidarity that generates life opportunities, that accompanies the dreams of women and men, of families, of communities and territories. Thank you!”

- Eva Colque, Executive Director, Fundación NUNA, a partner in Bolivia



Thank you for your solidarity!

REAPING OUR RIGHTS

“So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.”
— Galatians 6:9

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY!
devp.org | 1-888-234-8533

Share Lent 2024 Development and Peace CARITAS CANADA CREATE HOPE

A humble and heartfelt **THANK YOU** to everyone who supports the financial needs of our parish home with Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD), by bringing your Sunday Giving Envelopes to the church, or donating via INTERAC E-TRANSFER to: OLPH.etransfer@caedm.ca

***2023 TAX RECEIPTS HAVE BEEN MAILED OUT**



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK March 18 - 23

Monday ~ Jack Santos†, Martha Manning†, Leonardo Sebastian Sr.†, Brian Beaulieu†, Marcelino & Linda De Sousa, Daryll Ammann, Jimmy Arevalo Jr., Avery Draganiuk

Tuesday ~ Ludivine Perreault†, Jim Mitchell†, Stan Lamarre†, Patricia Thomson†, Giuseppe Alampi†, Holy Souls of Purgatory†, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Jose Andres Hurtado, Jeannette Paskevich

Wednesday ~ Joe Dumesnil†, Martin King†, Martha Manning†, Teresita Orfinada†, Ron Delainey†, Emily Bradshaw†, Catholic Women's League, Gerald Draganiuk, Maria Rezo, Jordin Faith

Thursday ~ Jim Mitchell†, Mervyn Lynch†, Loretta Sieben, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Diane & Daryll Ammann, Maria Elena Corazon Sebastian, Michael Fisk, Isabel Weleschuk

Friday ~ James Sharun†, Maynard Dalpe†, Geelyn Agas, Andy & Mauri Sharun, Wilson Miranda, Ekemini Nsien

Saturday ~ Terry Rogucki†, Janet Celestina Willie Akpan



SOCIETY of St. VINCENT de PAUL (SSVP)
OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP CONFERENCE

Reminder:
Monthly Poor Box Collection after all Masses this weekend



Your OLPH Parish Team

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Archdiocese of Edmonton
Website: www.caedm.ca

In event of an emergency, contact Fr. Jim at 780-470-2730


Catholic Community News

UKRAINIAN WAR REQUIEM - CHORAL PRESENTATION

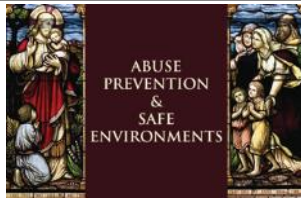
Axios Men's Ensemble is honoured to present the world premiere of 'Ukrainian War Requiem Choral Presentation' by two-time Grammy nominee Benedict Sheehan, **Sunday April 14 at 3:00 pm, at St. Basil's Church (7007 - 109 Street), Edmonton.**

Following the full-scale Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, the Axios Men's Ensemble commissioned composer and two-time Grammy Award nominee, Benedict Sheehan, to compose a Requiem to honour the countless victims who have lost their lives in this tragic war.

The concert will feature this 90 minute composition which will be performed by the Axios Men's Ensemble, Pro Coro Canada, and soloists from across North America and Ukraine. This choral collaboration will be conducted by the internationally recognized Michael Zaugg.



Tickets for the concert can be acquired at axioschoir.com.



Called to Protect is a mandatory abuse prevention training program to for all clergy, employees and lay volunteer leaders in the Archdiocese of Edmonton. If you have never taken your *Called to Protect* training and wish to **volunteer at OLPH** in any way, register here for an upcoming session: <https://caedm.ca/calledtoprotect/>

OLPH Financial Report

Week 11 March 10, 2024	Cost of Operating the Parish	Building Fund Target Amount	"Together We Serve" Target Amount
Average weekly amount required	\$25,000.00	\$2,480.00	\$2,310.00
Donations this week	\$21,333.50	\$2,492.00	\$1,669.50
This week surplus/ shortfall	-\$3,666.50	\$12.00	-\$640.50

- 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 - April 7*
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul Poor Box Collection - *Third Weekend of every Month - March 16 - 17*

TOFIELD CORNER ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~

Mass every Sunday at 11:00 am

“Let us be renewed by God’s mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of his love to transform our lives too,”— Quote from St. Francis of Assisi



UPDATED HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE!

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24 ~ Regular Mass at 11:00 am with distribution of palms

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28 ~ Presentation of the Oils, Washing of Feet and Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 6:00 pm followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29 ~ Solemn Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion and Veneration of the Cross at 11:00 am

***** EASTER VIGIL MASS, SATURDAY MARCH 30** ~ Confirmation and First Communion of our Elect at 7:00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31 ~ Regular Sunday Mass - 11am

5th Sunday of Lent ~ In this Sunday’s gospel we learn that Jesus so loved Martha, Mary and their brother Lazarus that Jesus brought Lazarus back from the dead. Wouldn’t that be cool if that could happen to us! *OH! WAIT!! It can and does!* For us who believe - even two thousand years later - Jesus brings us back from the dead through His own death and resurrection and through our baptism and sacraments we are constantly brought back! We believe and we are sooo blessed!

*Every Friday during Lent - **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** - 6:30 pm*

1. We continue to **collect empties** for fund raising. Box at entrance of church.
2. Tofield **Food Bank** continues to need donations. Box at entrance of church.
3. **Social/fundraising committee** needs volunteers. Signup sheet at back of church
4. Calling all **readers**. Signup sheet at back of church.
5. **POTLUCK SUNDAY** - April 7th.
6. We will need **12 volunteers for washing off the feet** for Holy Thursday. Please see Wendy to volunteer or signup on sheet at back of church. Thank you!!



FEED THE HUNGRY



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

Do you need Administrative Support from the Parish Office on the Week-end? (*Ex: photocopying for meetings or supplies for events, etc.*)

Our **weekend office staff** share a central email inbox and are here to help you:

TempReception@olph.ca



(Messages to Jenny, to Info, or other full time staff will be answered **on Monday**)



“Hello Spring”

Parish Potluck & Family Dance
Saturday May 11



Potted Easter Lilies & Hydrangea flowers to decorate the Altar can be dropped off at the Parish Office starting March 26. (*no sooner please*)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday March 15 Mary’s Servants for Christ

Friday March 22 Catholic Women’s League



Mass Schedule

Seniors Residences & Care Centers This Week

Tuesday March 19 - Cloverbar Lodge 10:00 am

Wednesday March 20 - Summerwood 10:30 am

Thursday March 21 - Silver Birch 10:30 am

Thursday March 21 - Emerald Hills 1:00 pm



Deadline to join Spring Sacramental Preparation Session is April 6. Email SACRAMENTS@OLPH.CA to register. (*Children Grade 2 and older*)



Please join us for our

HEALING & HOPE MASS
Monday March 18 at 7:00 pm

For families and friends suffering the loss of loved ones from suicide, assisted suicide, drug overdose and death under traumatic circumstances.

*“With a profound sigh... Jesus wept.”
... and the Jews said, “See how much he loved him.”*

(John 11:34-37)

Holy Week Schedule



**Please Note Changes to Regular Mass Times on Some Days!*

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 24

Regular Sunday
Mass times 8:30 am,
10:30 am, 12:30 pm
& 7:00 pm

MONDAY MARCH 25

Regular 8:30 am
Mass, **Evening
Mass moved to 5:00
pm* (instead of usual
6:15 pm time)

CHRISM MASS
*7:00 pm at St. Jo-
seph's Basilica in
Edmonton*

TUESDAY MARCH 26 and WEDNES- DAY MARCH 27

Regular Weekday
Mass Times 8:30 am
& 6:15 pm

HOLY THURSDAY MARCH 28

7:00 pm ~ Mass of
the Lord's Supper
with Presentation of
the Oils and Wash-
ing of Feet, followed
by Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
until Midnight

(No other Masses today)
***Bring BELLS to ring
at the Gloria!***

GOOD FRIDAY MARCH 29

10:00 am, 1:00 pm
and 4:00 pm ~ Sol-
emn Liturgy of the
Lord's Passion and
Veneration of the
Cross

8:00 pm ~ Tenebrae
*(No regular Masses or
Adoration today)*

HOLY SATURDAY MARCH 30

**No Masses at usual
8:30 am and 5:00 pm
times*

12 noon ~ Blessing
of Easter Foods

**EASTER
VIGIL MASS**
Saturday Night
at 8:00 pm

***Bring BELLS to ring
at the Gloria!***

EASTER SUNDAY MARCH 31

Regular Sunday
Mass times 8:30 am,
10:30 am, 12:30 pm
& 7:00 pm

***Bring BELLS to
ring at the Gloria!***



REGISTER AT
ALBERTAMARCHFORLIFE.COM
BY APRIL 6, 2024

\$25.00 / TICKET
FREE FOR CHILDREN UNDER 12

**CELEBRATE
LIFE!**



The Alberta March for
Life is an annual event
that takes place at the
Legislature on the second
Thursday of May to make
visible the size, strength
and solidarity of the
pro-life movement.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 | 6:15PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
13 Brower Dr. Sherwood Park



Live Music by the BEACH BUOYS!
A great evening for all ages!

SEE MORE EVENT DETAILS ON THE WEBSITE
ALBERTAMARCHFORLIFE.COM

What's Happening at OLPH

All Are Welcome!



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COMMUNITY

Monday March 18

5:00 - 7:30 pm

in the Parish Hall

Main Course, Buns & Beverages Supplied. Please bring a SALAD to share if you are able.



AN EVENING OF DIVINE MERCY

Tuesday, March 19
6:45-8:30 pm

Online via Zoom

Do you want to learn more about Divine Mercy and how to prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday? Join us for this inspiring educational session.

Through a video presentation by Fr. Chris Alar, instruction, and group discussion you will learn how to: trust in the power of God's mercy, prepare for the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday, and incorporate the devotion of Divine Mercy into your life.

No materials are required for this workshop.

To register, contact:

Michelle at michellefoisy@shaw.ca or 780-886-1338

Presence

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday, March 23

12:30 - 4:00

Live online via Zoom

...with our Rite of Christian Initiation candidates!

What is so special about the Eucharist? Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. In this half-day workshop, we will explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members.



To register, contact Billy at bspindle@shaw.ca or 780-990-7981

What's Happening at OLPH



TOGETHER
we serve
CALLED TO SERVE

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION Called to Serve the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land



In Canada, the Good Friday collection is designated for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land. Your gift to *Together We Serve* on Good Friday and all year-long helps to guard over 50 shrines in the Holy Land and support 180,000 Christians who bear witness to the **Resurrection of Christ.**

SCAN HERE TO DONATE

or ask about Together We Serve at the parish office



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Join us for...

The Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayer
and Adoration Hour
3:00 pm, April 7, 2024

Our Lord revealed to St. Faustina His desire to literally flood us with his graces on that day. He told her: On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. The soul that will go to Confession [beforehand] and receive Holy Communion [on that day] shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (Diary 699).

To learn more, visit thedivinemercy.org

To join by livestream, go to youtube.com/@olphparishsherwoodparkab/streams

Please note: The Holy Eucharistic will not be distributed during this prayer hour. To receive the graces of Divine Mercy Sunday, please attend Mass and receive the Eucharist that day also.



Grief as a Journey

April 11 - June 13

Group will meet

Thursday Afternoons

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

To register please call the Parish Office 780-467-5470 or email info@olph.ca.





*My friends, I would like to invite you to an “interactive one week watch party.” The party I am speaking of is **HOLY WEEK**; beginning with the **Passion Sunday Masses**, and culminating in celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus at the Vigil and on Easter Sunday.*

Looking forward to...



As I write this, I can safely expect that if you are reading this, you are planning already to participate at some level for sure. My thinking and my experience is this: Holy Week is the most profound time of year to connect with our faith and to enter more fully into the mystery of the love of God for you and for me. **We practice and we celebrate our faith in order**

to grow in our relationship with the Lord. The season of Lent is comparable to the regular hockey season. We do what we do - *around prayer, fasting, and almsgiving* - to get primed and ready for the playoffs.

The excitement really heats up when we begin the first round of the playoffs: **Palm/Passion Sunday**. We as a community of faith gather and we reenact the event of the triumphal arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem! A moment in time when it seemed the people had accepted Jesus for whom He was; their King, their Messiah, their Savior. The waving of the palms in the aisle of the Church, the palm blessing, and sprinkling with Holy Water, the joyful uplifting procession; all assist us in celebrating the messianic entrance of our Lord!

Round two of the playoffs begins on **Holy Thursday**, when the only Mass that can be celebrated that day is the **Mass of the Lord's Supper**. The institution of the Holy Eucharist by Jesus, to be celebrated *in perpetuity* by the disciples of our Lord. The washing of the feet of His disciples is a clear directive and call to discipleship and witness to the apostles and to us. *“Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me teacher, and master, and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do.”* It is a humbling experience for me to get on my knees and prayerfully wash the feet of a diverse group of our parishioners representing the Apostles. I suggest it is even more humbling to allow your feet to be washed in front of the entire parish community. During the celebration of this Holy Mass, we consecrate enough Body of Christ for the three Good Friday Services. Upon the completion of the Holy Mass, we then place the consecrated Body of Christ on the altar of repose and in procession, we transition to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight, culminating with Benedic-

tion. It is from the end of the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, until we sing the Glory to God at the Vigil on Holy Saturday, that we wait with prayerful anticipation, for the return of our Lord and Saviour back into our parish community. Jesus is gone, He is in the tomb.

The playoff semi-final begins on **Good Friday**. Once again, we relive the passion and death of our Lord and Saviour. This is done in silence for the most part, as it is a solemn and somber time in the Church. We are invited to reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord, solely out of love for us, His children. The veneration of the cross brings into focus for us the absolute brutality of the death of our Lord on our behalf. It is a moment where we focus our attention on the ugliness and pain of the cross. Yet, it is through this instrument, used to torture and kill common criminals, that Jesus brought to fruition His saving plan. **Salvation through the cross.** Good Friday is a time of somber silence, as we reflect on the absence of Jesus, and on all that He endured on behalf of humanity.

The Stanley Cup final occurs on Saturday evening at the **Easter Vigil**. Through the reading of seven specific Scriptures and the lighting of the Easter fire, we pray/journey, in a very tangible way, through salvation history. The Scripture presented show that the hand of God has been present throughout the history of humanity, right from the Creation event to the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. The gradual coming to light of the Church during the readings adds a tangible feeling to the coming of the light. We witness the Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist of those who have been searching. The welcome of these searchers into the Christian community, moves us from a time of looking back and being conscious of God's saving plan, to a very real response to God's invitation to relationship that speaks to all of us. We witness the experience of a desire to know the Lord, coupled with the experience of finding and coming into full relationship with the Lord.

The Easter vigil is the culmination of Holy Week, it is the high point of anything we celebrate within the Catholic Church. If you have not experienced this monumental celebration, have a nap on Saturday afternoon, and come to the Church on Saturday evening. It is long and it is beautiful. Our **Easter Sunday Masses** continue the much-anticipated celebration of the resurrection of our Lord in a very beautiful and joyful ambience.

My friends, I have used the analogy of Holy Week as a journey through the NHL playoffs, but only because the more we enter into the celebrations, the more the excitement and anticipation builds. My encouragement to you this year, is to make the decision to participate fully in this remarkable liturgical journey, which is really the story of salvation history. It can be a truly rich and rewarding faith experience, when we open our hearts, and enter into the journey as fully as we are able.

Blessings, Fr. Jim