# 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

\*\*\*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: May 1 2nd Wednesday hosted by Society of St. Vincent de Paul: May 8 3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: April 17

4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: April 24



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.



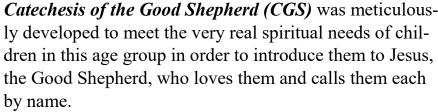
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish ~ A Roman Catholic Christian Community

Sunday April 14, 2024 ~ Third Sunday of Easter We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe 13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, AB T8H 1Y7 780-467-5470 www.olph.ca

# Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada



For the last 3 years, OLPH has been running a Catechesis Program for 3-6 year olds that was initially developed by Maria Montessori and has since grown into an international ministry.





For the adults (catechists), who have had the privilege of working with the children, it has been an incredible privilege to observe how God speaks deep truths to these small ones. This year we had to turn children away because we only had enough trained catechists to work with 20 children per year.

SO, we are looking for parishioners who are interested in learning more about this incredible ministry and potentially receiving the required training. Because of its intentionality, becoming a CGS catechist requires 2 weeks of training, spaced about a year apart. The nearest training happening next will be in Regina from July 2-7.

If you are interested in possibly attending or just learning more, please contact Veronica at 780-467-8410 or lvisinger@gmail.com or Rebecca rebeccagenuis@gmail.com.



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 ETRANSFER to: OLPH.etransfer@caedm.ca



**April 15 - 20** 

**Monday** ~ Brian Corrigan†, Stan Senior & Rose Perka†, Arturo Joel Sr. **†**, Harris Fiddler**†**, Betty-Lou Lawrence**†**, Aleta Hacutina†, Lucienne, Madeline Thommassen

Tuesday ~ Lori Vasquez†, Carmen Prince†, Rita Prince†, James Buscht, Rene DeFrecet, Deborah & Darrel Slugoski, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Rudy & Lory Solleza, Natalie Lavigne Wednesday ~ Josie Kashuba†, Donna Beck†, Marie Shewchak†, Rolando Pabello†, Gerry Novakowski†, Carrie Peterson†, Angela Kryba, Remedios Hernandez, Evergista White

**Thursday** ~ Greg Walter †, Ted Siwak †, Pat Madoche, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & family, Linda & Marcelino de Sousa, Daryl & Terry Boyden, Bernard Draganiuk, Barbara Otway, Ben Isinger

Friday ~ Reiko Hashimoto †, Mary Ann Fowler

**Saturday** ~ Reiko Hashimoto †, Berthe Healey †, Thea Caryl Matias

Our condolences to Raymond & Prayer of Condolence Ana Hashimoto, Ray's mother, Rei-

ko Hashimoto died on March 26 in Revelstoke BC.

To David & Bernie Thomas & family, David's mother Thelma Thomas died on April 2 in Edmonton AB.

To the family of John Koshman, who passed away on April 6. Funeral is April 15 at 10:30 AM at OLPH.

To Sean & Pam Mullane & family, Sean's father Cyril Mullane died on April 7 in Calgary AB.

To Anne Marie Babich and family, her husband Alec Babich died on April 8 in Lamont AB.

To the Peterson, Gramlich & EICS Holy Spirit school families. Nelson's wife, Carrie Peterson, passed away on April 11 in Sherwood Park.

Your OLPH Parish Team

Pastor ~ Fr. Jim Corrigan icorrigan@olph.ca

Associate Pastor Fr. Ben Makkollil, CMI frben@olph.ca

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

### What's Happening at OLPH

7575 Flight to Church Tour up on deck We have another great opportunity to explore a new, sacred church this Friday, April 19, and all ladies of the parish are sincerely invited to join the JETS Women's Group on this adventure! Our destination is St. Sophia Byzantine Catholic Parish and our



boarding time/location is 9:50 am in their front lobby. Fr. Randy Yachimec will share with us St Sophia's rich traditions within the Byzantine Rite and how it has grown from humble beginnings into their very own beautiful church located in Strathcona County.

Set your flight course from OLPH Parish eastward on Baseline Road for 8 minutes, and then turn north into our destination; the address is #25 53012 Range Road 224.

For more information, contact our flight captain of the day, Nancy at (780) 464-5356. Come discover this house of God.



Whether you are just CURIOUS or already feel a deep hunger for communion with our Lord and His church, RCIA is for you! We have started meeting monthly in a relaxed and informal format. All inquirers welcome!

Contact Billy at bspindle@shaw.ca or call/text 780-990-7981.

Weekly sessions in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will officially begin Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

### **OLPH Financial Report**

Week 15 April 7, 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	\$25,074.75	\$3,402.50	\$3,189.25
This week surplus/ shortfall	\$74.75	\$922.50	\$879.25

"OLPH Children's Collection" Monthly Total for March 2024

\$654.00

- 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 5
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul Poor Box Collection Third Weekend of every Month April 20 21

#### **TOFIELD CORNER**

# ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~ Mass every Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Therese of Lisieux believed that her actions were "to let God's love work through her, no matter how big or how small." - from little flower.org Also - quote from St. Francis of Assisi: "If God can work through me, He can work through anyone!"



4th Sunday of Easter ~ This Sunday Jesus tells us that He is The Good Shepherd and He lets us know what that means. Now that the apostles see that Jesus died and rose again - for us, they understand what He is asking of them. How do we become like Christ? What part of ourselves are we willing to give up to be good Shepherds ...in our own community?! Our beautiful saints show us how. We can do it too!!

- 1. General Meeting April 21 after Sunday Mass. so much to discuss. There is probably even some little (or big) things you can help with! Please join in. Even ideas are soooo welcome!
- We have good news for our seniors. Fr. Jim has said yes to one Mass a month on Wednesdays at the Tofield Lodge. More info to follow after our Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on April 21st
- 3. We are looking forward to joining in with the Tofield yearly community Garage Sale! We will participate on the Saturday, May 25. Do you have items you would like to donate? Talk to one of the church council members or call Kathy at 780-270-8652.
- Springtime gardeners! Please spare a bit of your time to help our little church look as beautiful on the outside as its members are on the inside!! Sign-up sheet is at the front entrance of the church. We welcome just a couple of hours of your time or even a couple of months. Whatever works for you.
- Bake Sale! Who doesn't like a bake sale. We will have an exact date after the Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on the 21st. Plan to make and donate your favorite treat!



St. Francis of Assisi Parish Financial Report March 2024	2024 Monthly Budget	Donations this Month	Surplus/ Shortfall
	\$2,198.00	\$2,971.52	\$773.52

Good Friday \$647.00 **Easter Giving \$1,305.00** 

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



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

# Seeking Hockey Equipment for Youth in Paulatuk NWT

The remote artic community of Paulatuk has requested hockey skates, equipment and jerseys so that youth ages 6-17 years will be able to enjoy this sport. The equipment will be sent in the Sea-Can when it goes up in May. If you have equipment that you are willing to donate, please contact me and a member of SSVP will pick up or be available if you want to drop off at the SSVP garage.

Sincere thanks. Jo-Anne iibradv@telus.net 780-499-0918



Please Like, Follow and Share our Facebook Page: Society of St Vincent de Paul (Ssvp Sherwood Park)





# **Seniors Residences** & Care Centers This Week

Tuesday April 16 ~ Cloverbar Lodge 10:00 am Wednesday April 17 ~ Summerwood 10:30 am Thursday April 18 ~ Silver Birch 10:30 am Thursday April 18 ~ Emerald Hills 1:00 pm Friday April 19 ~ Capital Care 10:30 am

# SHERWOOD PARK AGAINST HUNGER

# Meal Packaging Event Saturday April 20 at OLPH Parish Hall



180 volunteers (Ages 6 and up) are needed to pack up meals in assembly line fashion, to distribute to Edmonton Inner City Soup Kitchens, Northern Canada remote communities and even International Communities in need. Scan QR code or visit olph.ca to sign up!



# Saturday May 11



# OLPH PARISH POTLUCK & FAMILY DANCE

Starting at 6:15 pm, after the evening Mass

# LIVE MUSIC BY THE BEACH BUOYS!

Free & Fun Community Event For All Ages.

\* Spring Themed Children Activities & Craft \*



Dress up in Bright Spring Colours and bring your favorite food dish to share.





# SUMMIT

Date: Time: Friday, May, 10 2024 8:15 AM - 2:00 PM

**Location: Catholic Parish of Corpus Christi** 

2707 34 St. NW, Edmonton Alberta



TO REGISTER





"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

JOSHUA 1:9



WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION

#### **Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education**

GrACE invites all Parents to join us for the GrACE Summit 2024: Courage to Lead ~ Fostering Unity and Renewed Commitment to Catholic Education. This event offers an excellent chance for parishioners like yourselves to express a deep commitment to the value of Catholic education. Your involvement as members of our faith community is crucial in highlighting the role of Catholic education in our lives and society!







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SYMPOSIUM

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

AT OLPH PARISH

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

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#### SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 20

8:30-9:30 - Mass

9:30-10:00 - Refreshments 10:00-11:00 - Session #1

11:00-12:00 - Session #2

12:00-1:00 - Lunch (provided) 1:00-2:00 - Session #3

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## What's Happening at OLPH



## Save the Date for

Vacation Bible Camp at OLPH!

July 8 -12, 2024

(9:00 am - 12:30 pm daily)

We are still needing VOLUNTEERS to help with camp. Please consider volunteering! For more info contact Sharon at sdarbyshire@olph.ca

Funeral Lunch Ministry Volunteer Opportunities Contact the parish office for more details







Kitchen Prep

Serving

Tables & Chairs Setup

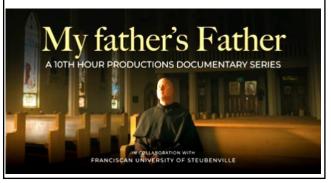
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Altar Server
Training
for current and
new servers.

Thursday April 18, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Contact Amanda <u>amanda.gaudet15@gmail.com</u>
or Christina or <u>christina.stockdale@me.com</u>
for more information

Your OLPH Alpha Team is hosting the new 10<sup>th</sup> Hour Production video series featuring Father Dave Pivonka entitled My father's Father. In this moving and enriching series, Father Pivonka dives deeply into what it means for each of us that God is Father and how our earthly fathers influence our relationship with the Father. Join with the Alpha Team in exploring this six (6) part Thursday series commencing April 18 thru May 23, 7:15 – 8:30 pm, downstairs in the Large Meeting Room.

To register: contact Pat and/or Jerry Heck, phone 780-416-8111 or email ipheck11@gmail.com



# FROM THE DESK OF FR. JIM

#### An Invitation

My friends, I touched on the topic of Pastoral Priorities recently, but I believe this subject bears further shar-

ing. Why? Because the Pastoral Priorities of the Archdiocese of Edmonton evolved and developed from input gleaned from our synod experience. The synod in our Archdiocese discerned and synthesised input from 350 listening sessions, from over four thousand participants throughout the Archdiocese. Further input was gathered from the clergy of the Archdiocese within our Deanery Days and our Mid-Term Assembly last November. My point is that these

pastoral and evangelical priorities are the fruit of the grass roots input of our Archdiocese. They are not coming down to us from the Archbishop's office but in fact have flowed up to the Archbishops office from the pews and the parishes of this Archdiocese. One of the key mandates of the Second Vatican Council was the concept of subsidiarity, meaning that direction flows from the grass roots of an organization. No, the system is not perfect, but we are endeavoring to implement priorities that flow from the voice of the people in the pews, and the priest in the parish.



You may be aware that the Pastoral Priorities for our Archdiocese and therefore our parish communities for the next three-four years are as follows. 1. Formation for Eucharistic Worship. 2. Formation for Confident Witness. 3. Formation for Service to Families and Marriage. These priorities all flow out of the precepts of Worship, Witness and Service, the three pillars articulated in the pastoral letter, "Living in the Word of God" written by Archbishop Smith in 2017. These are broad based priorities and I believe that to be a good thing. We have the autonomy to discern the meaning of these priorities within our own parish communities. Once we have discerned what they mean to us, we are then tasked with how we will implement them in our parish. This, based on how and what we see the needs or of our parish to be.

It is reasonable that the situation of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish will be different than that of St. Theresa's parish in Millwoods, or not. But we have the autonomy to decide this. It should also be noted that these priorities are not listed in an order of priority or an order of accomplishment. We are to address all three of them simultaneously, trusting that the Holy Spirit will guide us in how much energy we will expend on each priority. A broader area of focus flowing out of our discernment is to look at our Deaneries, (geographic groupings of parishes), and see what areas we might collaborate from parish to parish to be more efficacious in addressing our communal discerned needs. An example of this might be marriage preparation

programs for our young couples.

We have a leadership group at the Archdiocese whose mandate is to walk with us as we discern and decide how we might need assistance, what training we might require, to accomplish our priority directions. As we discern how we might implement our priorities at the parish level, we are encouraged to articulate the kind of training, assistance, facilitation we might need to accomplish our task. Our Leaders at the Archdiocese will do their best to make this assistance/training, possible for us. To be clear, these priorities do not trump what we are already doing. Our hope is that in fact they will compliment what we are already doing. If we are already doing faith formation in our parish, we need to ask ourselves how we can do it more effectively. How might we raise the bar for this particular area of our parish ministry. How can we do what we are already doing better?

Our parish is already doing much in many areas. We are embarking soon on the mission of making our parish community a more "Compassionate Parish." It is my view that this endeavor and our priority implementation have a very real opportunity to compliment one another. We need to view what we are already doing, through the lens of our pastoral priorities, all within the realms of worship, witness, and service. Friends, in my view we are already doing many things that address these priorities. This is the opportunity for us to up our game and

raise the ministry bar here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish

We have formed a very capable leadership group for planning and implantation purposes here in the parish. And so, the invitation. As you prayerfully reflect on these priorities, please share with me your thoughts on what you see as worthy efforts on the part of our parish community. For the past three Parish Pastoral Council meetings we have held generative discussions on one priority per month. The brainstorming and input from PPC has been very gratifying.

We will start a Flocknote opportunity for input very soon. In the meantime, please do feel free to send me an email with your thoughts on these areas of focus. Your input will be shared with our Parish Priority Leadership Team. This is our parish, and these are our priorities. How we will discern and implement them is up to all of us. Blessings,







