# Church Open/Office Hours 7:30 am to 7:30 pm 7 days a week

**Weekday Mass** 

Mornings: Monday to Saturday 8:30 am

Evenings: Monday to Friday 6:15 pm

\*See Front Page for Scheduling

Changes September 1 - 5, 2025

Mass, Adoration & Reconciliation at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

### **Sunday Mass**

Saturday vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm

# **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Every Saturday 9:15 am to 11:00 am

Monday to Friday: Immediately Following Morning and Evening Mass \*\*\*If you wish to celebrate Reconciliation after a weekday Mass, please ensure you are AT THE CONFESSIONAL BY THE TIME MASS ENDS. The priests will not wait if no one is there after Mass, and will only stay for as long as there are people waiting.

### **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: September 3, 2025 2nd Wednesday hosted by Society of St. Vincent de Paul: September 10, 2025 3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: September 17, 2025 4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: September 24, 2025 5th Wednesday hosted by Clergy: October 29, 2025

\*\*\*FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH Family-Friendly Holy Hour \*\*\* 2:30 pm (children of all ages WELCOME, silence is NOT expected in the Church)



Did you know we have a 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 are 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 August 31, 2025 ~ Twenty-second 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 NOTE:** There will be NO DAILY MASSES, RECONCILIATION or ADORATION

the week of September 1 - 5, 2025 while all the priests of the Archdiocese are together in Jasper for their Annual Retreat.





We are looking for VOLUNTEERS to make coffee/juice and serve the refreshments after Masses NEXT WEEK-END for Pastoral Priorities Sunday.

All food and beverages are provided by the parish and will be ready for you in the foyer kitchenette. A hospitality team of 3-4 people to prep, serve and clean up is ideal. You do not need to be an official parish group to volunteer! Any group of friends or a family with pre-teens/ teens could serve in this ministry together!

# Please call the Parish Office 780-467-5470 or email Ana at t fichtner@hotmail.com to volunteer to help.

\*\*\*Please note, in an effort to be better stewards of the environment going forward, we intend to make the switch from disposable cups and to utilize the dishwashing machine in the kitchenette and use the ceramic mugs and plastic tumblers that are available. The machine is extremely quick and simple to use and instruction will be provided to volunteers!



Whether you are just CURIOUS or already feel a deep hunger for communion with our Lord and His church, RCIA is for you!

VISIT WITH US IN THE FOYER THIS WEEKEND, or contact Billy to learn more: bspindle@shaw.ca or call/text 780-990-7981. WEEKLY SESSIONS in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) will

begin Wednesday, September 3, 2024. All inquirers welcome!



# September 1 - 6

Monday - Friday ~ No Intentions – Priests at Retreat Saturday ~ Katherine Black†, Holy Souls†, Hermann Freinbichler†, Doug Toye†, Cole James, Fr. Rowland Agomuo, The Nook Ladies, Bemvindo Palha, Isadore Genuis, Rachel Starko

### DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO PRAY FOR YOU?



Contact one of our *Prayer Laudators*, Doreen 780-467-0597 or Josie 780-467-0197, with your requests.



# PRAYER FOR THE NEW ARCHBISHOP

O God, eternal shepherd,
who governs your flock
with unfailing care,
grant in your boundless love
a pastor who will shepherd
the church in Edmonton
with integrity and compassion
dedicated to the pastoral
care of your people.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

# Your OLPH Parish Team

Pastor ~ Fr. Jim Corrigan

jcorrigan@olph.ca 780-470-2730

Associate Pastor TBA

Permanent Deacon Deacon Lynn Pion lpion@olph.ca

**Business Coordinator TBA** 

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Natalie Lavigne <u>nlavigne@olph.ca</u>

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**Administrative Assistant** 

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Other Inquiries: info@olph.ca

Parish Office 780-467-5470

OLPH Website: www.olph.ca

Archdiocese of Edmonton

Website: www.caedm.ca

In case of Emergency, call or text Fr. Jim at 780-470-2730

# **TOFIELD CORNER**

~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~
5523-50 Street, Tofield
Mass every Sunday at 11:00 am

Don't forget, next Sunday September 7 is our monthly **Potluck Sunday.** Please come a visit and eat...or...eat and visit.

\*To post in the 'Tofield Corner' contact Kathy by phone 780-270-8652 or email Kathleen.Anderson.one@gmail.com

(New deadline is Monday for the following weekend's bulletin.)









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ies, e-books, and family-friendly kid's programming. All parishioners can log in to create a FREE account on the subscription paid for by OLPH Parish! Go to <a href="https://formed.org/signup">https://formed.org/signup</a> and type in "Sherwood Park" then select Our Lady of Perpetual Help from the list.

# **OLPH Financial Report**

Week 35 August 24, 2025	Cost of Operating the Parish	Building Fund Target Amount	"Together We Serve" Target Amount
Average weekly amount required	\$26,925.00	\$2,480.00	\$2,545.00
Donations this week	\$23,663.00	\$2,617.75	\$1,410.50
This week surplus/ shortfall	-\$3,262.00	\$137.75	-\$1,134.50

- 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: <a href="https://ocentro.org/linearing/blanks/base
- Cost of operating the parish "average weekly amount" is 1/52 of the total annual amount of ordinary receipts projected in the 2025 budget
- Building fund target average weekly amount is based on total donations projected in 2025 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 September 7, 2025
- SSVP Poor Box Collection Third Sunday of every month September 21, 2025

### **Catholic Community News**





HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH-ST. JOSEPH'S ROOM

# THURSDAYS AT 7PM SEPT 18 - NOV 27, 2025

God has called & gifted you for a mission. When you were baptized, you were given the presence of the Holy Spirit & "charisms," gifts of the Holy Spirit that enable you to be a channel of God's love, truth, beauty, mercy, healing, & provision for others. The charisms that you have been given are important clues to your God-given mission in life & Holy Spirit empowered tool to enable you to live it!

Join over 100,000 Catholics around the world who have begun to discern their charisms through the Called & Gifted workshop.

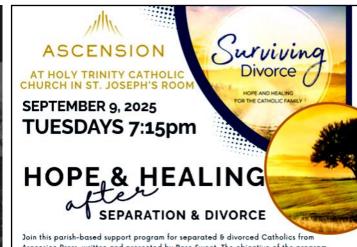
# CALLED & GIFTED™ **DISCERNMENT PROCESS** WORKSHOP



REGISTER NOW

\$50

https://trinitycatholic.net



Ascension Press, written and presented by Rose Sweet. The objective of the program is to assist participants to move through the emotions of their loss to acceptance, healing, 8 forgiveness. Healing takes place in peer support groups guided by a facilitator.

- · A 12-week process of healing and hope.
- · Open to all adults who are divorced or are separated
- · Discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you.
- . Gain wisdom 8 comfort from experts and others who share your experiences.
- · Focusing on all aspects of surviving your divorce: spiritual, financial, & emotional; through a community of support.











# What's Happening at OLPH

Nicholas Russell George

Ainsley Quinn Escoton

Don Joaquin Luzentales

Ivy Christine McGuire

Josiah Azriel Tala

Joaquin Alexander C. Magboo

Myra-Bella Himmayod Habbiling

Sunday August 17, 2025

Sunday August 24, 2025



# Resumes September 9

Every Tuesday Morning at 9:15 am, downstairs in the Saint Joan Room.

Contact Lawrence for more info 780-464-2337 or blbonin@telus.net

# FLOOR CURLING **Resumes September 3**

Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am in the Parish

Hall



# Wedding Anniversary Blessings & Congratulations

Congratulations & Welcome to the children baptized at OLPH



### Ed & Cathy Dechant

Celebrating 60 years of Holy Matrimony on August 24, 2025

### Berman & Agnes Gerow

Celebrating 70 years of Holy Matrimony on September 3, 2025



# MARY'S SERVANTS FOR CHRIST

# Fall Sign-up for Pilgrim Statue This Weekend

Members of Mary's Servants for Christ will be set up at a table in the fover after each Mass this weekend, having a Fall Sign-Up for HOSTING the Pilgrim Statue of Mary.

*Mary is Mother* to us all and she wants to visit your home! (John 19:26-27)



now available for the annual

# CWL Fabulous Fall Market

Saturday November 8, 2025 9:30 am - 3:00 pm in the OLPH Parish Hall

To book your table rental or for more information, contact Sharon Darbyshire at olphfallmarket25@gmail.com.



# THE CLOTHING NOOK

# Requests DONATIONS of the following items:

- winter gear all genders/sizes
- underwear all genders/sizes
- blankets/sheets
- Christmas trees, decorations & lights (indoor/out).
- Men's clothing



# What's Happening at OLPH

# "I Believe"

A seven-part catechesis series on the Nicaean Creed, marking the 1700th Anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea. Presented by the Archdiocese of Edmonton in partnership with Newman Theological College and St. Joseph's College-University of Alberta.



"I believe in the Holy Spirit" | 7:00 pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sherwood Park Presenter: Fr. Matthew Hysell

"I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church" | 7:00 pm St. Thomas More, Edmonton Presenter: Dr. Darren Dahl, Pres. NTC





"I confess one baptism..." | 7:00 pm St. Joseph's Basilica Presenter: Fr. Geoffrey Young

**Everyone is welcome! No cost - no registration required.**Join in person at the host parish or watch the event live on YouTube.

youtube.com/@ArchEdmonton/playlists

If you missed any of the first four sessions, you can watch them anytime on the same YouTube channel.









# What's Happening at OLPH

Therese Spindler at mtspindler@shaw.ca



There is a need for VOLUNTEERS to support PRAYER CLUBS at four of our Catholic elementary schools in Sherwood Park: EPK, Madonna, St. Nicholas and Holy Spirit. (we would love to have enough OLPH Parish volunteers to support Prayer Clubs in even more of our Catholic Schools!) At these Prayer Clubs, students are invited to pray at their school chapel for 15 minutes at a specified recess. They recite a decade of the rosary, meditating on a mystery. If you are interested, please contact Marie-

# Welcome to JETS Flight 090525

The JETS Women's Airline is so excited to be taking to the blue skies once again this autumn and our first destination is going to be wonderful! If you've always wanted to orbit with us, then why not plan to attend our beginning session this Friday September 5, at 10:00 am in the Large Meeting Room. Our theme is *Thanksgiving & Gratitude* and will include an inspirational and fun morning that includes some neato games too.



No need to reserve your first-class seat. Simply arrive by 9:45 am to settle in and obtain your complimentary in-flight beverages and snacks, then we'll be taking off shortly. We would kindly ask you to pack your gratitude attitude and your favourite harvest dish for our Harvest Potluck.

### For further details, please contact our Flight Captains of the Day:

Paola at paolinaz.alampi@shaw.ca or Aida at issaaida33@yahoo.com.

\*\*\*For a complete list of our destinations for the next 5 months, visit <a href="https://www.olph.ca/">https://www.olph.ca/</a> parishlife/parish-groups-2/j-e-t-s/

Cabin crew, prepare for take-off.

# Grief as a Journey

When we experience loss of a loved one, we need to grieve. OLPH offers a ten-week program called "Grief as a Journey", open to anyone who feels they may benefit from it.



Fall Session will run Monday Evenings 6:30 - 8:30 pm
September 8 - November 17 (Excluding Thanksgiving Day October 13)

To register for the upcoming session, please call the Parish Office 780-467-5470 or email <a href="mailto:info@olph.ca">info@olph.ca</a>.

# What's Happening at OLPH



### HELP LINE 780-416-0931

Press 1 to Request HELP Press 2 to DONATE

# "Whom Shall I Send?" Will YOU share your gifts?

- 1. Those who have talents with bookkeeping/accounting, or just love numbers and working with a great group of supportive individuals - please consider the position of "Treasurer" with SSVP. You are needed and will be greatly supported. Please contact Ken Bagnal at kwbagnal@telusplanet.ca
- 2. Come join in our mission as our "Secretary". This can be a shared role, taking minutes at our monthly meeting. Contact Mary Ann at <a href="mplatz@telus.net">mplatz@telus.net</a>
- 3. Looking for joyful work and camaraderie? Consider joining our "Donations Team" group as we sort through clothing and household items to distribute needed items to the poor. Contact Carol at <a href="mailto:cmbrassard@shaw.ca">cmbrassard@shaw.ca</a> or 780-236-3221. NEEDED!

Thank you for prayerful consideration of service to assist us in helping those in need.

# Experience the Power of Consecration and Discover what God Can Do In 33 Days

Based on the personal spiritual outcomes from the spring program, OLPH will offer a second session of this "Spiritual Pilgrimage" beginning on Thursday September 11, 2025. Join members of our parish pastoral and ALPHA teams this fall to explore the astonishing history of the Eucharist, meet saints who lived in Eucharistic Glory and experience communion with God, all in an easy-to-follow daily format.



thew Kelly and supported by short daily video emails featuring Fr. Jonathan Meyer, experience the beauty of Eucharistic Glory in a way that will take your consecration experience to a whole new level!

What's Happening at OLPH

Every Thursday evening, September 11 through October 16 at 7:00 pm, there will also be a group gathering in the Parish Hall. One of our local priests or deacons will give a short talk on the readings/themes for the week, with an opportunity for your questions.

Extra books are available in the Parish Office should you require a book for a family member or friend to join with you in this session. Registration forms will be available in the parish foyer.

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

Jerry 780-446-8196 or Pat 780-913-4109 or email jpheck11@gmail.com

Trust. Surrender. Believe. Receive.

# COME AND SEE THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

A Vocation for Catholic Men and Women (Married or Single), Youth and Diocesan Clergy

Are you being called to a life of peace and simplicity?

Do you want to draw closer to God?

Do you strive daily to live a Gospel life in a secular world?

Are you called to follow Christ in the footsteps of St. Francis?

Perhaps you have a vocation to the Secular Franciscan Order!

# COME AND SEE... Monday September 8 at 7:00 pm (Downstairs in the Saint Joan Room)

The Secular Franciscan Order is a well-established Religious Order within the Catholic Church, for men and women who seek to fully live their baptismal call, in following a "Rule" of Life, that was originally written by St. Francis of Assisi and adapted over time.

As a Lay Order we are called to live in the world and to transform it! Our vocation is to follow Jesus as did St. Francis, in living the Gospel as a way of life. Going from the Gospel to Life and Life to the Gospel

We invite you to meet us and explore whether you are called by the Spirit of God to become an expression of the Gospel in the manner of St. Francis and St Clare. You don't have to have the answers now. Just come and see!



# **REGISTER NOW FOR** SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES WITH YOUR CHILDREN

Registrations forms and class schedules are available in the fover, at the Parish Office or online at https://www.olph.ca/sacraments/

Contact Natalie 780-467-5470 or by email:

sacraments@olph.ca

**GRADE 2 AND UP:** 

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

**GRADE 6 AND UP: Confirmation** 





# What Gives You JOY?

I have asked this question before. An unexpected tax refund will no doubt provide us with happiness, but JOY can only be had from a Christian perspective, when we are engaged in a meaningful relationship with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. When we know we are doing what brings us communion with our Lord Jesus, this is when we can experience real and true joy. I am not insinuating that every day, all day will be joy-filled, no matter how intimate and grace-filled our relationship with the Lord is. However, when we endeavor to live our lives in the light of Christ and know full well that He walks with us, life can be a pretty joyful experience on a daily basis. This week has been somewhat like that for me.

As I am sure you are aware, we are a little short-handed in the clergy department presently, with no relief in sight. Deacon Lynn is stepping away for a well-deserved break as of this week. Proud as I am of the service we provide, I will need to pull in my horns and do what is possible with one priest in a three-priest parish. So, I am taking care of business and taking care of me; doing my best to eat well and to ensure 7-8 hours of sleep daily. This has been working well for the three weeks I have been back from vacation. The other part is that I refuse to get an ulcer worrying about when the troops will arrive. It is our Lord's Church, and I know He will look after things. So back to what gives me joy.

I experience joy when I celebrate Mass in a Church full of Catholic educators, as we did on Wednesday morning. The excitement and enthusiasm was palpable. We had Bishop David Motiuk and six of my brother priests present for the celebration; from all four quadrants of the Elk Island Catholic Schools geographic region. And we got to celebrate for the first time on our newly finished sanctuary flooring project! What a lovely way to begin the school year. Fun fact: before the Mass I did a gentle "shhooosh" into the microphone a few times, the teachers automatically became quiet and attentive. I love those teacher tricks, even the teachers fall for them. Tee hee.

What gives me joy? On Tuesday evening, I attended Madonna elementary's "Meet the Staff" Open House, and on Wednesday, I attended a similar event at Holy Spirit elementary. When I walked among the many families attending these two events, there is nothing much more life-giving than seeing the little ones' eyes light up in recognition, and then them greeting me with a fist bump (I know fist bumps are corny, but they are an effective way to create relationships; in a non-threatening, non-invasive, fun kind of way). When the kids recognize me from last year and are excited to tell me what grade they are going into, it brings new definition to the term "Proud Father" (yes that would be me for sure). Joyful

moments that are the result of time spent in His vineyard. When a grade 2 or 3 child smiles at you and yells "Fr. Jim!!!" because they know me from past years in their classroom, that brings me immense joy. Why? Because I am blessed to see some of the fruit that has resulted from my labors in His vineyard.

We do not always get to see the fruit of our labors, do we? With our children, our work, our relationships. It is the same way in our walk with the Lord. It would be nice if every day could be a mountain-top day, but that is not what the Lord promised us. <u>He did promise that He would walk with us every step of the way in our daily lives.</u> We, for our part, need to engage and do what we are called to, in virtue of our baptism. Then, we need to trust. When the sun shines and we see the fruit of our labors, we need to respond with the joy that our Lord desires for all of us.

On Thursday morning, the staff and students of Chesterton Academy, Classical Catholic education which is part of the St. Isidore Learning Center, joined us for Mass in the parish hall. The faculty of Chesterton publicly stated their oath of fidelity to the magisteri-

um and teachings of the Holy Catholic Church. What a beautiful public witness of fidelity to their students and our parishioners.

The priest, (singular that is, me) will be away on our annual retreat next week. So, from September 1 - 5 there will be no Masses in the parish or at the care centers. Mass should be available at Providence center and at the Basilica.

Blessings all,

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