

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

Sunday Mass

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

Weekday Mass

Mornings: Monday to Saturday 8:30 am
Evenings: Monday to Friday 6:15 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

Please Note: Daily 5:15 pm Holy Hour will resume after the Nave renovations.

Wednesday Holy Hour at 5:15 pm prior to evening Mass

1st Wednesday hosted by Mary's Servants for Christ: May 6, 2026

2nd Wednesday hosted by Society of St. Vincent de Paul: May 13, 2026

3rd Wednesday hosted by CWL: May 20, 2026

4th Wednesday hosted by K of C: April 22, 2026

5th Wednesday hosted by Clergy: April 29, 2026



ALSO: Friday Holy Hours at 7:30 am and 5:15 pm prior to the daily Masses

AND First Sunday of Every Month FAMILY-FRIENDLY Holy Hour at 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

April 19, 2026 ~ the Third Sunday of Easter

We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

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



Today Everyone Welcome!

**Pancake
Breakfast**

Hosted by the
Knights of
Columbus after
the 8:30 am &
10:30 am Masses

\$9 per person or \$24 per family



**MEETING
NOTICE**

Tuesday April 28

(not April 21)

7:00 pm in the Meeting Room

Hope and Dignity Activation Week | April 18-24



Is Life Always Worth Living?

Tuesday, April 21

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish
13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park**

**6:15 pm Mass celebrated by
Archbishop Hero**

**7:00 pm Presentation by
Amanda Achtman**



An increasing number of people think that there are circumstances under which it is reasonable for someone to ask someone else to end their life. In Canada, almost 100,000 people have died by "MAID" since 2016. Some of the reasons, as listed in government reports, include cancer, chronic illness, or disability. **Does life lose its meaning in the face of suffering? Or, is life always worth living?** Come get inspired to encounter, understand, and overcome the euthanasia temptation. Filled with stories, this talk will equip you to better engage in these conversations and experiences in your own life because it concerns all of us.



**A Catholic Response to
Euthanasia
and Assisted Suicide**

hopeanddignity.caedm.ca



**The Catholic
Archdiocese
of Edmonton**

Monday ~ Roger Amiot†, K.C Thomas†, James Burkinshaw†, Ivy Gracias & Family, Fr. Martin Carroll, Leonardo Sebastian, Osio-MacKay Family, Rita Sandmeier, Mickey Sillers, Bernie Ewasiuk, Lillian Fletcher

Tuesday ~ Mervyn Lynch†, Patrick Perras†, Joe Pasiechnik†, Aila Torres, Fr. Vincent Braganza, Fr. Jake Mullin, Kathy Rouleau, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & Family, Ronnie Tapic, Edidiong Akpan

Wednesday ~ Raymond Cherniak†, Oscar Trinidad†, Dan Bingham†, Chase Evan Gourlay, Jaime Arevalo†, Chris Kavanagh, Fr. Felix Kusamba, Michel Gerow, Dr. Court McAuley, Chelsie Ball

Thursday ~ Dell Peters†, Rev. Vincent Hartman†, George Lucki†, David Nowoselski†, Fr. Chris Rayappan, Marvin & Gail Weleschuk & Family, Leonardo Sebastian, Jeff Newman, Court McAuley, Agnes Sim

Friday ~ Tim Forbes†, Eugenio Topacio Jr.†, Daniel (Dan) Bingham†, Elsie Gustavson†, Yvette Tremblay†, Joan Ole-sky†, Fr. John Vizza, Kathy Rouleau, Regan Pinkoski, Con-nie Hartman, Dominic Silveira

Saturday ~ Scott Shea†, Dan Bingham†, Conrad Girard†, Jose & Ludigaria Alardon†, Terry Dawe Jr, Ma Fe Adriano, Fr. Patrick Baska, Fr. Ron Cairnes, Alma Vallorina

Congratulations Father Michael on passing your Road Test for your Canadian driver's licence! Heartfelt thanks to all the parishioners who have been volunteering to drive him these past weeks



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Catholic Community News

THE ALBERTA MARCH FOR LIFE

MAY 14, 2026

10:00AM
Pro-Life Mass at St. Joseph Basilica, 10044 113 Street, Edmonton

12:00PM
Rally and March at Violet King Henry Plaza, north of the Legislature Grounds

2:30PM
Afternoon sessions at Polish Hall, Pro-Life Apologetics 101 hosted by CCBR.

6:00PM
Rose Dinner at Polish Hall with Keynote Speaker *Melissa Ohden*, an abortion survivor, author of *You Carried Me* and founder of the Abortion Survivors Network.
Cost: \$60 per person - 10960 104 Street NW, Edmonton

TO REGISTER FOR THE APOLOGETICS WORKSHOP AND THE ROSE DINNER PLEASE VISIT ALBERTAMARCHFORLIFE.COM

Join thousands at this peaceful event to show the size, strength and solidarity of the pro-life movement to the public and government.

INVITE OTHERS PLEASE SHARE

He redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion (Psalm 103:4)

JESUS Heals retreat
EDMONTON | 2026

Take some time off to look within yourself and listen to God. Transform your life from the inside out. Come and receive God's grace to be renewed, refreshed, and revitalized!

HOLY MASS | EUCHARISTIC ADORATION | PREACHING | PRAISE & WORSHIP

MAY 08 | 09 | 10
Friday 9:30 - 7:30 | Saturday 9:30 - 7:30 | Sunday 9:30 - 4:30

ST.THERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
7508 29 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB, T6K 3Y8

Register Here conferences.shalomworld.org
REGISTRATION FEES \$100 Food Included

Contact: Office 416-913-8230 | Bibin James 647-394-7520 | Steve Sebastian 780-680-6200
Shalom Media Canada | 475 Burton RD NW, Edmonton, AB T6R2B1

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OLPH Financial Report

Week 15 April 12, 2026	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	\$23,900.10	\$2,169.10	\$11,595.40
This week surplus/shortfall	-\$3,024.90	-\$310.90	\$9,050.40

- 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
- Cost of operating the parish "average weekly amount" is 1/52 of the total annual amount of ordinary receipts projected in the 2026 budget
- Building fund target average weekly amount is based on total donations projected in 2026 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 3, 2026*
- SSVP Poor Box Collection - *Third Sunday of every month - April 19, 2026*



TOFIELD CORNER

~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish ~

5523-50 Street, Tofield AB Mass every Sunday at 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Sunday was a very special day of Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament and reciting of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Thank you Fr. Jim for making it possible.

1. Next **Men's Bible Study** gathering will be on April 21, starting at 6:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi church. This is a great way to get to know the 'other guys' in our parish and learn of the messages we receive in the bible. For more info contact Daniel 780-265-0797 or Paul 780-405-7998.
2. Join us for coffee after the Mass. Edele, from our parish, will be sharing some information about something exciting : **Encounter Ministries**. You don't want to miss this!
3. We will be displaying some **St. Francis of Assisi promotional ideas** on a display table in the dining area. There are t-shirts, coffee mugs, drink holders and more! Have a look, and we look forward to your feedback!
4. Our **Prayer Ministry and Prayer Shawl Ministry** continues. If you know of someone in need of prayers or a comforting, blessed, handmade shawl, or if you would like to join our prayer ministry, contact Kathy for more info at 780-270-8652.
5. May 3 is our next **Potluck Sunday**. Mark it on your calendar, and lets have fun socializing and eating with a great group of people!!
6. Spring is coming! We will be needing some **yard and garden helpers** soon. Keep this in mind, as we will be having a helpers list sign-up sheet soon.
7. The **Tofield Food Bank** continues to be in need of donations. They are also looking for recyclable bags. If you have any to spare please help. Thank you!

To post in the Tofield Corner, please contact Kathy @780-270-8652 or email Kathleen.Anderson.one@gmail.com

Faith. Education. Community. (And a little bit of Golf!)

The REAL Foundation is honored to host our 23rd Annual "Friends of the Foundation Golf Tournament"!

Join us for a day of fellowship and fun as we raise essential funds for our local Catholic Schools. Come for the golf, stay for the joy of serving together! Whether you've been with us for years or are joining for the first time, we can't wait to see you on the green.

Please share with your family and friends!

Register and/or Sponsor today:

<https://www.real-foundation.com>

SPONSOR OR REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY

Register at: <https://www.real-foundation.com/>
(Link in post description)

What's Happening at OLPH

Conversation Cafe!

**"What does it mean to die with dignity?"
Let's talk about it.**

Sunday, April 19 | 2:00-3:30 pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sherwood Park

Those who promote euthanasia call it "dying with dignity." Does that mean those who die naturally do not die with dignity? What is human dignity, anyway, and where does it come from? Discover how our Catholic faith offers real hope and true dignity to those who are suffering and dying. Join **Amanda Achtman**, founder of Dying to Meet You and Bioethics Director of Canadian Physicians for Life for this important and encouraging discussion.

Co-hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Compassionate Parish and Young Adults.



Learn more about Amanda at dyingtomeetyou.com

No registration required. For more information, email Margo at lberge2@telus.net



TODAY

"North of 60 Project" REVERSE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!

TODAY: Pick up a paper slip at Sunday Mass. It will list a needed food item OR a cash donation that will be put towards the purchase of specific items (ex: mattresses, bedding etc.)



*****IT IS ALSO MONTHLY SSVP POOR BOX COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND*****

NEXT WEEKEND April 25 & 26: Bring the item(s) listed on your slip back to Mass next weekend. Volunteers will be ready in the entrance foyer to receive them from you

Late April/Early May: Volunteers will sort the donations and carefully pack the 8X8X20 ft Sea-Can to ship up to the remote Arctic community of Paulatuk NWT.



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



Seniors Residences & Care Center Masses this Week:

**Tuesday April 21 ~ Cloverbar Lodge 10:00 am
Wednesday April 22 ~ Country Cottage 10:30am**

What's Happening at OLPH

EVENT FOR YOUTH 14+

IT'S GOOD YOU EXIST

PIZZA • TALK • COMMUNITY



OLPH YOUTH

IDENTITY, HUMAN DIGNITY, and the COURAGE TO BE CONFIDENT WITNESSES TO LIFE



OUR SPEAKER:
AMANDA ACHTMAN

WED APR 22
7-9 PM @
OLPH
Sherwood Park

RSVP:



Amanda Achtman is a pro-life advocate who works to prevent euthanasia and encourage hope across Canada and worldwide.

STRAWBERRY TEA & FASHION SHOW

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026
12:30PM - 4:00PM
FASHIONS BY
SUZANNE'S & LAURA'S

ENJOY A COZY AFTERNOON WITH CAKE, TEA, 50/50 & RAFFLE PRIZES!
FASHION SHOW STARTS AT 1:30PM

OLPH Parish Hall
13 Brower Drive,
Sherwood Park

- \$20.00 per ticket
- Tables reserved for groups of 8 only
- Contact Pat at tickets@cwolph.ca 780-218-8009

TICKETS WILL BE FOR SALE IN THE FOYER AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Come walk on Hallowed Ground

This **Friday, April 24**, our JETS Airline is setting our course westward to a 45-acre property that provides a sacred repository in which the living many honor the dead. We will be touring the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton's Holy Cross Mausoleum and Cemetery located at 14611 Mark Messier Trail NW in Edmonton.

Did you know it was established in 1954 by Archbishop MacDonald and has a beautiful lake as the central landscaping feature with shrines dedicated to various saints and heroes of the faith? Did you know many of our clergy have been buried together in this cemetery and the area is marked by a large granite cross? Did you know Holy Cross hosts monthly masses and special events?

Please meet at the cemetery office, which is the smaller building to the north on site, at 10:09 am. The tour will be an hour in length followed by our complimentary in-flight snacks. For those who wish to carpool, meet outside in front of the OLPH Parish Office doors at 9:19 am and we will leave Sherwood Park promptly at 9:29 am. Kindly phone Nancy at 780-464-5356 to be registered for carpooling.

All parishioners are sincerely invited to join us.

JETS



OLPH is Hiring!

OLPH is once again participating in the Canada Summer Jobs Grant Program. We have received funding to hire 4 students to support various summer projects in the Parish: 1 Summer Student Supervisor and 3 Labourer positions are available.

The **Summer Student Supervisor** will be responsible for participating in the hiring process, assessing skills and providing initial site tours and training. The Supervisor will also be responsible for assigning tasks and creating a regular work schedule for the summer students. The Supervisor will communicate to and coordinate the workers with various volunteers. The successful candidate:

- Displays excellent communication, organization and time management skills
- Strong computer skills are required
- Experience in web design and social media an asset
- Has experience hiring, on-boarding and training workers
- Is a confident leader and a team player.

3 Positions are available for LABOURER to perform a variety of tasks including grounds-keeping, cleaning/maintenance and office support work. Candidates for this job:

- Have some basic construction and/or yardwork skills.
- Computer skills and customer service experience would be an asset.
- Work well with minimal supervision and in a team environment.
- Display good job site safety habits.
- Enjoy working outdoors.



These are all temporary full time positions ranging from 9 - 14 weeks, which may require flexibility for occasional evening or weekend projects. Remuneration will be discussed at the interview. To apply, please send your resume and cover letter to Business Coordinator Bridget Francisco bridget.francisco@olph.ca



Evening/Weekend Office Admin Staff

We are seeking an energetic, outgoing and professional candidate to perform a variety of reception and clerical duties.

Hours of Work: Must be flexible. On weekends, staff rotate to cover the office 7:30 am to 7:30 pm, Saturday & Sunday. Weekday afternoon/evening admin shifts will vary.

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.*

Send your application to OLPH Business Coordinator, Bridget Francisco, by email bridget.francisco@olph.ca with resume, covering letter and two references.

What's Happening at OLPH



SPRINGTIME JOY



Parish Potluck & Family Dance

Saturday April 25 at 6:15 pm
(Starting right after the 5:00 pm Mass)

- ☞ Free & Fun Event for All
- ☞ Live Music by *The Beach Buoys*
- ☞ Children's Activities with a "HE IS RISEN" Craft
- ☞ TEEN ZONE (grade 7 and up)
- ☞ Bring your Favorite Spring/Easter Food Dish to Share
- ☞ Invite family and friends

Sign Up today to VOLUNTEER

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054CAEA62CA2F85-51161444-fall#/>



What's Happening at OLPH

OLPH PARISH SPRING BOOK STUDY



God has been using the **Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality** to transform ordinary people into saints for a long time! It's time to discover why the timeless genius of Catholicism is still relevant in the modern world. Join our clergy and our OLPH Alpha Team, for a 6-week book study, as we explore this latest Dynamic Catholic book by Matthew Kelly.

THURSDAY EVENINGS April 23 - May 28

7:15 pm - 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall

TO REGISTER go to <https://ourladyofperpetualhelpsp.flocknote.com/signup/251549>
 or contact Jerry & Pat Heck (jpheck11@gmail.com or 780-416-8111) or **SCAN QR CODE** :



OLPH Funeral Lunch Ministry Volunteer Opportunities

Serving families with care during life's most tender moments.

Offering families a place to gather, share, and be supported. From kitchen prep to serving and setup, there's a place for everyone.

If you feel called to serve in this meaningful way, please contact the parish office—we would love to have you join us.



CONFIRMATION DAY OF CONFESSION:

Saturday April 18
 9:30 am - 11:00 am



LESSON 5 (of 5) "BE SEALED WITH THE SPIRIT"

RSVP for your Choice of:

- Saturday April 25, 8:30 am - 10:45 am
- Tuesday April 28, 6:15 pm - 8:30 pm
- Wednesday April 29, 6:15 pm - 8:30 pm



CONFIRMATION MASS:

Sunday May 3 at 4:00 pm
 with Archbishop Stephen Hero

Any questions contact Natalie by email sacraments@olph.ca

Are you being called to the Catholic Church?

Whether you are just curious or already feel a deep hunger for communion with our Lord and His Church, RCIA is for you! In this journey of Christian formation, non-baptized people or people baptized in another Christian tradition, will explore the fullness of the Catholic faith while growing ever deeper in love with Jesus Christ.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

For more information contact Billy at bspindle@shaw.ca or 780-990-7981

JUNIOR IGNITE

CATHOLIC SUMMER CAMP

JULY 21 - 23 | GRADES 6-8
 OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

REGISTER HERE



Holy Week 2026

I write this reflection, still basking in the spirit of an incredibly beautiful week of meaningful, reverent, joyful, and diligently executed celebrations in our parish community. It all began with our Day of Confessions on Saturday March 28. Five priests hearing confessions from 9:15 am until almost 5:30 pm. I never cease to be amazed at the beautiful humility of so many people, desiring to be in a state of grace for the Easter celebrations. Next year, I will plan to have more priests on hand, to alleviate some of the long wait times, though I doubt if the extra time in the Church hurt anyone.

Passion Sunday took place with an influx of worshippers. It is incredibly beautiful that so many of the faithful feel called to be in the Church during Holy Week. Thank you dear Jesus. This was Fr. Michael's first Holy Week in Canada, and I believe he was suitably impressed with the preparation and diligence of our Liturgy people, for the many celebrations. Deacon Lynn fulfilled his Diaconal duties by participating in all five Palm Sunday Passion proclamations and all three Good Friday Passion readings. As well, he proclaimed the Easter Exultet very beautifully at the Easter Vigil.

On Monday evening of Holy Week, Archbishop Hero celebrated his first Chrism Mass very beautifully, in his new role as Archbishop of Edmonton. I understand that he also celebrated the Chrism Mass for the priests and faithful of the Diocese of Prince Albert on Wednesday of Holy Week. The Chrism Mass is where the priests of the archdiocese reaffirm their unity with the Archbishop and renew the priestly vows they made on the day they were ordained. It is at the Chrism Mass where the Archbishop blesses, and consecrates the holy oils, (Oil of the Infirm, Oil of the Catechumens, and the Sacred Chrism) that will be used in the sacraments of all the parishes throughout the coming year. Representatives of each parish receive the oils on behalf of their own community, then present them to the parish at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. An exceptionally beautiful tradition, appreciated by many.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper was well attended and well celebrated. We have such a wonderful Audio-Visual system (thank you Bob) that no matter where folks are seated, they are able to have an up close and personal viewing of the washing of the feet, which is the key element of the Holy Thursday celebration. St. Francis parish in Tofield also celebrated this Mass complete with the washing of the feet. We hosted Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the Mass until midnight. I am always gratified by the coming and going of the faithful, simply to see Jesus, prior to celebrating His passion and death.

We hosted three Good Friday liturgies at OLPH, and one in Tofield. The proclamation of the Passion followed by the veneration of the cross by the faithful was beautiful and reverent. It is captivating to witness the reverence and prayerfulness so many people exhibit when venerat-

ing; particularly when parents bring the little ones to experience the veneration. God's grace abounds during these moments for sure. Tenebrae was hosted very beautifully on Good Friday evening, and I would say there was a record turnout of the faithful for this unique celebration.

Holy Saturday morning began with the Preparation rites for the thirty men and women who were to be welcomed into the Church at the Easter Vigil. The final preps and planning for the grand finale of their prolonged period of preparation to receive the sacraments.

The blessing of the Easter Food happened at noon on Holy Saturday. This most beautiful event, with perhaps 150 baskets beautifully adorned and prepared, continues to grow on a yearly basis. There may have been four hundred people present for the short liturgy and blessing of the baskets. What occurs to me, is that this event brings together faith, family, and culture in one beautiful ambience within the Church. It is an exceptionally beautiful tradition celebrating the end of the Lenten fast, and first foods of the Easter celebration. All done with family and in the presence of the Lord.

The Easter Vigil, or as Mother Church refers to it, "The Mother of all Vigils" was celebrated with great solemnity, immense joy, and great participation. The music was profoundly beautiful. The nine readings were proclaimed reverently and joyful at various stages of darkness as we anticipated the coming of the Light; culminating with the Glory to God, and the flurry of activity to reset, what was previously a sanctuary stripped bare. A joyful excitement was the aura that surrounded us as the evening progressed. We baptised eleven adults and confirmed a total of thirty men and women. It was fun, it was joy-filled, and it was beautiful. One could see the joy in the faces of those who were witnessing their family members being fully initiated into the Church. And yes, only three hours. Everything flowed effectively, efficiently, and efficaciously (grace filled). Thank you dear Jesus.

Easter Sunday filled (and I mean filled) the Church four times. Amazing. I must say, you will never meet more smiling folks walking into the Church, than on Easter Sunday morning. The Easter joy fills the homes of the faithful and it is like pilgrims finishing their journey when they walk into the parish. Beautiful, Beautiful, Beautiful.

I know I did quite a lead up to Holy Week in this space earlier in Lent; but I really feel the need to relive these events, as it brings a smile to my face. I want to thank the several hundred good-hearted faithful, who worked so diligently to prepare for these celebrations. My friends, believe me, there was a lot of planning (and re-planning) which went into these celebrations. In my view, it was worth every moment spent. The organization and beautiful execution of the many distinct roles, came together in as fine a way as I have experienced in my priesthood. Thank you to all, who take this most important part of our Church's Liturgy, so much into your hearts. Your efforts bring others to a deeper, more meaningful encounter with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. This is first, and foremost, the primary purpose of the Church's Liturgy.

Blessings and thank you, *Fr. Jim*