

**TWINNED PARISHES OF
ASSUMPTION AND RESURRECTION**

ARCHDIOCESE OF EDMONTON

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Sacrament of the Sick

- Available upon request

Pastoral Care

- If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital contact us and also pastoral care at the hospital
- To arrange for pastoral visits for the sick and homebound. This may include prayer and reception of the Eucharist

Marriages

- Schedule an appointment to discuss your forthcoming marriage
- No wedding dates can be scheduled until after a meeting with the Pastor
- An approved pre-marriage course is obligatory

Baptism

- Parents participate in a Baptism Preparation Class

First Reconciliation *postponed*

First Communion *postponed*

Confirmation: *postponed*

- Baptized persons in grade 6 and older who have received the sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults - RCIA

- To learn more about the Catholic Faith or to become a Catholic. Begins each fall.

PENTECOST

The Holy Spirit changes hearts. Jesus had told his disciples: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses” (Acts 1:8). That is exactly what happened. Those disciples, at first fearful, huddled behind closed doors even after the Master’s resurrection, are transformed by the Spirit and...“they bear witness to him” (cf. Jn 15:27). No longer hesitant, they are courageous and starting from Jerusalem, they go forth to the ends of the earth. Timid while Jesus was still among them, they are bold when he is gone, because the Spirit changed their hearts.

The Spirit frees hearts chained by fear. He overcomes all resistance. To those content with half measures he inspires whole-hearted generosity. He opens hearts that are closed. He impels the comfortable to go out and serve. He drives the self-satisfied to set out in new directions. He makes the lukewarm thrill to new dreams. That is what it means to change hearts. Plenty of people promise change, new beginnings, prodigious renewals, but experience teaches us that no earthly attempt to change reality can ever completely satisfy the human heart. Yet the change that the Spirit brings is different. It does not revolutionize life around us, but changes our hearts. It does not free us from the weight of our problems, but liberates us within so that we can face them. It does not give us everything at once, but makes us press on confidently, never growing weary of life. The Spirit keeps our hearts young. Youth, for all our attempts to prolong it, sooner or later fades away; the Spirit, instead, prevents the only kind of aging that is unhealthy: namely, growing old within. How does he do this? By renewing our hearts, by pardoning sinners. Here is the great change: from guilty he makes us righteous and thus changes everything. From slaves of sin we become free, from servants we become beloved children, from worthless worthy, from disillusioned filled with hope. By the working of the Holy Spirit, joy is reborn and peace blossoms in our hearts.

Pope Francis 2018

Pentecost Sunday

May 31st, 2020

REGULAR MASS TIMES

We are anticipating a return to Sunday Masses the weekend of 6/7 June. Please see inside of bulletin for more details

Archbishop Smith livestreams his Sunday Masses each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.:

<https://grandinmedia.ca/>

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Reduced Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

OFFICE CLOSED: MONDAY 18 MAY 2020

RESURRECTION CHURCH IS OPEN for private prayer: Monday—Friday 10 am until 2 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - CONFESSION - continues during the pandemic by appointment: please call the parish offices between 10 am and 2 pm

CHURCH LOCATIONS

Assumption Church is located at 9034 - 95 Avenue, Edmonton

Resurrection Church is located at 10555 - 50A Street, Edmonton

PARISH STAFF

Business Manager/Pastoral Assistant:

Trish Underwood

Pastoral Assistant: Nora Parker

Reception & Admin Assistant:

Maura Usher

Accountant: Janette Kondra

PARISH CONTACTS

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Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your patience as we return to the public celebration of Masses. We will begin the weekend of June 6/7. But it is not yet “back to normal”. There are many restrictions and regulations which must be observed by all, and we cannot open unless these regulations are observed; significant fines are imposed for failure to observe the laws.

I wish to thank the staff and volunteers who have been instrumental in assuring that we are able to celebrate the Eucharist together, even if on a restricted basis. Their generosity is appreciated!

Fr. Philp Creurer

Return to the public celebration of Masses: June 6/7

Dear Parishioners,

We are grateful to be preparing now to begin publicly celebrating Masses. We should be ready to have public Masses again starting with the usual Saturday and Sunday Masses on June 6th & 7th.

Although we are now permitted to celebrate Masses publicly, things are not back to how they were. There are significant restrictions and conditions that must be met for each Mass that is celebrated during this initial “relaunch”.

The Archbishop of Edmonton has extended the dispensation from the Sunday obligation, and this continues in effect at this time; Masses will continue to be live-streamed as well from the Basilica and some of the parish churches. Please feel free to continue with these. There is no obligation to attend Sunday Mass at this time.

If you are uncomfortable returning to church, please know that you may stay away at this time. Your safety is our primary concern.

Maximum 50 persons per Mass

Only a maximum of 50 persons are permitted in the church building at any time, and so we are requiring prior registration in order to attend a weekend Mass (details below). Since only 50 may be admitted, we ask you to kindly consider: i) not registering for every weekend Mass, but perhaps only once per month; and ii) please do not try to register with other parishes, who are also struggling to serve their own parishioners under the same restrictions.

Registration:

Sunday Masses: At this time, we are ONLY accepting registrations by telephone (no voicemail requests) or by walking into the parish offices at Resurrection church. Registrations by telephone/walk-in will only be accepted Wednesdays to Fridays, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and only for the upcoming weekend Masses (no advance registration for later weekends).

This will allow equity for all our parishioners, many of whom do not have access to internet or email. It will also allow our reduced staff and our volunteers to handle the requests in the best way possible.

Weekday Masses: will begin as usual on Tuesday, June 9th, and there will be no registration required, but they will be on a “first come – first served

basis”; once 50 persons are present in the church, others will have to be turned away.

Restrictions and Protocols:

NOTE: Alberta Health Services is encouraging those with chronic medical conditions, and those 65 and over to seriously think about other ways to practice than physically attending Mass.

- When you arrive at the church you will have to undergo medical screening (a series of questions) before you can be admitted; if you fail the testing, by law, you may not enter the church even if you have registered.
- When you arrive you will be asked to provide your name and telephone number for the purposes of contact tracing. The information is held by the parish for two weeks, and it will be available to Alberta Health Services and the Government of Alberta if they request it.
- You will be required to wear a face mask when approaching to receive Holy Communion; please try to provide your own mask.
- Your hands will be sanitized upon entering the church; please ensure that you have properly washed your hands prior to arriving at church (washing with warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds).
- Families may sit together, but otherwise persons must maintain a physical distance of 2 meters (6 ft) at all times.
 - ◆ Pews and floors will have designated markers to help maintain physical distancing.
 - ◆ Ushers will assist with seating.
 - ◆ There can be no socializing before or after Masses in the church building.
 - ◆ Children must always remain with their parents.
 - ◆ Washrooms are available, but their use is restricted.
- There will be only one door permitted for entry to the church, and a second for exiting the church.
- The church will be opened only 15 minutes prior to Masses and will be locked during Masses.

Mass Intentions

Sun. May 31 All Parishioners—Pentecost
Tues. June 2 Anthony McElhatton
Wed. June 3 Turner family
Thurs June 4
Fri. June 5
Sat. June 6

SOCIETY of ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Needs your help

SSVP is urgently in need of the following items for their help with persons in need: Toilette tissue, shampoo, toothbrushes, peanut butter, crackers, jam, small bags of rice, pork & beans, canned meats, Salsa sauce, Sidekicks (prepared side dishes), Kraft Dinner.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Due to the current restrictions for gatherings, First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation have been postponed. Details will be provided as we receive them.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

When unable to receive Holy Communion, one can make a Spiritual Communion. This is an act expressing what was described by St. Thomas Aquinas as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and in lovingly embracing Him." In a Spiritual Communion we ask our Lord to come to us in the same way He would if we were able to receive the Sacrament:

*My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Holy Eucharist.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You were already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.*

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



CANCELLED SUMMER Pilgrimages & Conferences

Due to restrictions on public gatherings as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic, the following summer events have been cancelled:

- **Lac-Ste-Anne Pilgrimage**
[See Archbishop Smith's video](#)
- **Family Life Conference**
- **Skaro Pilgrimage**
[See Archbishop Smith's video](#)