

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18, 2018

"Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge."

We approach the end of the Church year. The light is fading as the nights lengthen and there is much suffering in the world: conflict, famine, refugees, fires. We may be tempted to think that these are the end days of which Jesus speaks in today's Gospel. Yet every age experiences times of trial and only God the Father knows when the second coming of Jesus Christ will occur.

We yearn for goodness and light, for comfort and consolation in times of sadness and strife. God has promised that he is with us always, and so we turn to prayer.

Take time this week to reflect on Psalm 16:

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures for ever more.



Parish Announcements

We wish to welcome into our parish family

Luc Joseph Loiseau and Claire Elise Martin

who will be baptized this weekend at Resurrection Church

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Sunday, November 18

This Sunday, the Church recognizes World Day of the Poor, a day first designated by Pope Francis in 2017. In his message, the Holy Father reflects on the words of the Psalmist, "This poor man cried and the Lord heard him." (Ps 34:6) and he challenges us not only to hear the cry, but to act upon it:

"To hear their voice, what we need is the silence of people who are prepared to listen. If we speak too much, ourselves, we will be unable to hear them."

Ordinary Catholics directly serve the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, which operates in our parishes. To learn more about this society and how you can help, contact Hildegard at 780-466-1507.

ADVENT GIVING

FOOD DRIVE FOR SACRED HEART CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES, EDMONTON

This year we are supporting the Annual Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Hamper Program. For those living at or below the poverty line, each month is a struggle to provide for their families and Christmas can be a very stressful time. A reverse collection for food items to go into Christmas Hampers will take place at each Mass this weekend. If you wish to support this program, please take a paper slip home and bring the food item(s) to church November 24/25 or December 1/2.

At Resurrection: place your food donation into the Food Bank boxes which you will find in the foyer.

At Assumption: baskets for food donations will be placed at each entrance.

If you prefer to make a financial donation for the purchase of turkeys for the hampers, envelopes are also available.

Please place envelopes in the collection baskets.

OTHER ADVENT GIVING INITIATIVES WILL BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL URGENT NEED!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul provides clothing, furniture and food for people in need within our community. They are in urgent need of the following items: cutlery, toothpaste, toques, NEW men's and women's underwear and socks. If you have these items to donate please place them in a bag and label SSVp and bring them to Assumption Church or the parish office at Resurrection.

L'ARCHE EDMONTON

L'Arche (The Ark), founded by Jean Vanier, has been providing family-like homes and programs for adults with developmental disabilities for the past 45 years in Edmonton and Sherwood Park. The L'Arche community is active within our parishes and many parishioners are involved in the community. As a charitable, non-profit organization, fundraising and spreading the good news of L'Arche are important components to their continued good work! Contact: Sr. Pat Desnoyers 780-465-0618 ext. 205.

L'ARCHE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

L'Arche Edmonton is holding its heart-warming Annual Christmas pageant on Friday, December 10 at 7 p.m. at St. Thomas d'Aquin Parish, 8410-89 Street, Edmonton. We invite you to bring a non-perishable item for the Edmonton food bank. After the pageant, please join us for refreshments and a craft sale. Donations will be gratefully accepted.



BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE

The most beautiful memorial we can give to those we love is a living memory nourished by prayer, gratitude and ever-deepening affection."

Throughout November we remember family members and friends who have gone before us. A Book of Remembrance is available in both parishes during the month of November. Everyone is welcome to record the names of deceased family and friends in the memorial book. Each week we will pray for the people named in the book.

Mass Intentions - Assumption Parish

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows include Nov 17 (Sabrina Lauman and baby), Nov 18 (All parishioners), Nov 20 (Leroy Warren), Nov 20 (Jean Plouffe), Nov 21 (Teresa Smith Fika), Nov 23 (+ Mickey Niven).

Mass Intentions - Resurrection Parish

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows include Nov 17 (+ Derek Stepaniuk), Nov 18 (All parishioners), Nov 19 (Levine Frank), Nov 21 (+Trudy Phillipchuk), Nov 22 (Ken Swaby), Nov 23 (Kevin McGoey).

FOR ADULT AND JUNIOR SERVERS LITURGICAL WORKSHOP

Father Philip invites all Adult and Junior Servers to attend a special workshop. Father Philip will lead this session and all liturgical procedures will be reviewed and practiced to ensure a "worthy and dignified celebration of the Mass". We ask that ALL experienced and new Adult and Junior Servers attend the respective workshops:

For Assumption: Sunday, November 25 (following the pancake breakfast) approximately 11:30 to 12:30

For Resurrection: Sunday, December 2 (following the 11:00 am Mass - a light snack will be provided)

CALLED TO PROTECT UPCOMING SESSION Saturday, November 24

A 2 1/2 hour video and discussion program, "Called to Protect for Ministries" is required by clergy, employees and ALL those who volunteer in any form of parish ministry. This is intended to raise the awareness of each person's role in preventing abuse in our parish communities.

If you are an active volunteer in any form of ministry please join Father Philip and our parish staff at ONE of the following sessions:

Saturday, November 24 from 9:30 am - noon at Assumption Hall OR Wednesday, February 27 from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm at Resurrection Hall

Volunteers who have already participated in this program are not required to repeat it, but you are very welcome to join us for a refresher! There is NO need to pre-register - just come! We will have a sign-in sheet at the door.

JUST ONE WORLD, NOVEMBER 24, 25 An Ethical Global Marketplace

Featuring quality arts, handmade crafts and other goods from around the world.

St. Basil's Cultural Centre (10819 71 Ave NW) Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-3

2018-19 SUNDAY MISSALS NOW AVAILABLE

The new liturgical year begins December 1, 2, with the First Sunday of Advent. Green Sunday Missals are available at our church entrances for \$5/copy. A limited number of missals for Children and Youth are also available.

FREE 2019 CALENDARS ARE NOW AVAILABLE COURTESY OF CONNELLY-McKINLEY FUNERAL HOMES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

All are invited to the pancake breakfast after Mass on Sunday, November 25 at Assumption Hall.



ADVENT MEDITATION ON THE INCARNATION Through Scripture and Music

Thursday, December 6 at 7:00 pm at Resurrection

Come and enjoy an evening of scriptural readings and hymns as part of your Advent preparation for Christmas. Follow the readings using a beautiful take-home meditation booklet prepared by Fr. Philip, and listen to sacred hymns sung by the Resurrection Senior Choir. Everyone is invited to attend.

DISCUSSION OF SEXUAL ABUSE CRISIS IN THE CHURCH

St. Joseph's College will host a panel discussion on the sex abuse crisis in the Catholic Church on Monday, Nov. 26, 4-5 pm in the SJC Boardroom. Our intent is to facilitate an honest and difficult conversation about this ongoing issue. All are welcome. Our three panel members will be Fr. Marc Cramer, Tracey Bailey and Gordon Self. For more info, please contact sjcdev@ualberta.ca or 780-482-7681.

STAR OF THE NORTH: Starlight Shine-On Campaign Event

When: Friday, November 30, 2018, Where: St. Albert Parish Hall, 7 St. Vital Ave., St. Albert, AB Doors open at 5:30 pm (no assigned seating) 6:00 pm Social + Hot and Cold Hors D'Oeuvres + Cash Bar 7:00 pm Program + M.C. Tim Spelliscy 7:30 pm Special Guest Speaker Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI Topic: "Having a reconciling heart in a bitter time: the invitation to graciousness."

8:30 pm Dessert & Social, Cost: \$75 per person. Register at www.starofthenorth.ca or 780-459-5511

FLU SEASON

Once again, flu season is upon us. We ask that you respect those who do not wish to shake hands during the Sign of Peace. A simple bow is appropriate and helps prevent the spread of infections. Hand sanitizer stations are available at our church entrances.



PICK UP YOUR REGISTRATION PACKAGES TODAY FOR FIRST COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION AND CONFIRMATION

Orientation and Registration session will be held Sunday, December 2 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm at Assumption Hall for the Sacrament of Confirmation (baptized youth grade 6+, who have received First Communion and Reconciliation).

Orientation and Registration will be held Monday, December 3 from 6:45 - 7:45 pm at Assumption Hall for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation (baptized children 7+).

Registration packages are available in the main entrance of our churches or on our parish website: https://arparish.ca.