

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

November 25, 2018

**"I am the Alpha and the Omega,' says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."**

We are the children of God, made in his image and likeness. Only in him will the deepest longings of our souls be satisfied. Only in him will we find rest. The whole Bible boils down to a choice: to which king will you pledge allegiance (an earthly king or Christ)? Give your life to Christ the King, who lives and reigns now and forever.

*Reflection from Living With Christ, written by Connor Brownrigg*



**AN ENDING AND A BEGINNING**

This weekend we conclude the current Liturgical Year with the Solemnity of Christ the King. The new Liturgical Year (Year "C" ) begins next weekend (December 1, 2) with the First Sunday of Advent. The Season of Advent has a twofold nature: it prepares us for Christmas when we recall Christ's first coming among us as a baby – the Word made flesh, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of time. Advent is a season of joyful expectation. During Advent we encourage prayer and reflection. Next weekend **Advent Resources** (booklets for daily reflection) will be available. Small donations to cover the costs of printed materials are appreciated.

**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.

**ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE Wednesday, December 12**

The Advent Penitential Service for Assumption and Resurrection Parishes will be held on **Wednesday, December 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Resurrection Church.** We will have a short service followed by opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Philip and several visiting priests will hear confessions.



**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK LUNCH**

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish CWL invites all ladies to our Annual Christmas Potluck Lunch, Sunday, December 9. We will gather at 12:30 pm followed by lunch at 1 pm in the Assumption Parish Hall. Bring a friend and your favourite casserole, salad or dessert to share. Ham will be provided. Please bring a food item for our St. Vincent de Paul Pantry. There will be a 50/50 draw and membership renewals (\$30).

**ADULT AND JUNIOR ALTAR SERVERS' LITURGICAL WORKSHOP**

Father Philip asks all experienced and new Adult and Junior altar servers to attend a special workshop to review and practice liturgical procedures.

**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 )

**ADVENT GIVING**

**Annual Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Hamper Program.**

Our parishes are gathering food items to make Christmas hampers for Edmonton families in need. If you wish to support this program, please take a paper slip home and bring the food item(s) to church by 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 donation envelopes in the collection baskets.

NOTE: all food and financial donations are due next weekend! The food donations and the money will be forwarded to Sacred Heart Parish by Monday, December 3.

**The Marian Centre and Society of St. Vincent de Paul** are in need of the following clothing that may be new, or clean and gently used. Only new underwear please. Jackets and jeans must have working zippers.

Marian Centre Edmonton operates a **MEN'S Clothing** room. They need men's thermal underwear (M, L), underwear (M, L), hoodies, winter jackets, winter boots, toques and gloves. Items for Christmas: men's deodorant, small toothpaste, soap and shampoo, \$15 gift cards for Tim Horton's or McDonald's.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of clothing for men and teen-aged boys: winter jackets, winter boots, sneakers, gloves, socks, long underwear, men's underwear (S, M), jeans, sweat pants, t-shirts and hoodies, toques, scarves, gloves and mittens. They also need tooth brushes and toothpaste.

**STARTING NEXT WEEKEND ...**

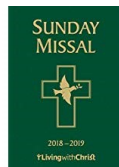
**AT RESURRECTION:** A Giving Tree will be set up in the foyer.

**AT ASSUMPTION:** Please place donations in the wicker baskets on either side of the sanctuary.

*Donations may be brought to church throughout Advent.*

**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.



Mass Intentions - Assumption Parish

Sat.	Nov 24	5:30 pm	Logan Liersch
Sun.	Nov 25	9:30 am	+ Mary & Gordon Massel
Tues.	Nov 27	9:00 am	+ Mel Brooks
Wed.	Nov 28	9:00 am	Argan Family
Fri.	Nov 30	7:00 pm	+ Sterr Family

Mass Intentions - Resurrection Parish

Sat.	Nov 24	4:00pm	+ Antonio & Carmen Penilla
Sun.	Nov 25	11:00am	All parishioners
Mon.	Nov 26	9:00am	Carole Argan
Tues.	Nov 27	Hardisty 10am	+ Souls in Purgatory
Thurs.	Nov 29	9:00am	Lee Holmes
Fri.	Nov 30	9:00am	+ Sheila Lalonde

**L'ARCHE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT MONDAY, DECEMBER 10**

L'Arche Edmonton is holding its heart-warming Annual



Christmas pageant on Monday, 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.

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. 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.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

A National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples has been celebrated by the Catholic Church in Canada since 2002 on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – the Patroness of the Americas. You are invited to join Archbishop Smith and members of the First Nations, Metis and Inuit communities in celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Wednesday, December 12**, at St. Joseph's Basilica. The Rosary will be prayed in five languages beginning at 6 p.m., followed by a procession of Chiefs and Elders at 6:45 p.m. and Mass at 7. All are welcome.

**HARVESTFEST UPDATE AND THANK YOU**

Over 200 people attended the Harvestfest dinner and dance last Saturday. We thank everyone who attended, prepared the food and helped in all areas of set-up and clean-up. A very special thank you is extended to Nora Spennath, who has been the heart and soul of this annual function. Her desire was to bring our two parish communities together with good food and fellowship. Congratulations, Nora, on a job well done!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY**

The K of C invite all parishioners for a tasty breakfast and fellowship in the hall after the Sunday Mass at Assumption, November 25.

**HELPERS NEEDED FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY COFFEE SUNDAY**

Ashley and Wes welcomed their third son, Nohl Glenn, Nov 15. Please give this busy young mom a hand with set up, baking and clean up. Sign-up sheets are by the library or contact Ashley: [asheygrace3@gmail.com](mailto:asheygrace3@gmail.com)



**FIRST COMMUNION/RECONCILIATION AND CONFIRMATION**

**Pick up a Registration package today.**

**Sunday, December 2:** Confirmation Orientation and Registration 7:00 – 8:00 pm at Assumption Hall (baptized youth grade 6+, who have received First Communion and Reconciliation).

**Monday, December 3:** First Eucharist and Reconciliation Orientation and Registration 6:45 – 7:45 pm at Assumption Hall (baptized children 7+).

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



**TOGETHER WE SERVE CATHOLICS MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Archbishop Smith reminds us that donating to "Together We Serve" is one way we can collectively live the Word of God. **Together** we can bring the Gospel message to people in need through our gifts to Catholic Social Services, Development and Peace, Evangelization of the Nations, Needs of the Holy Land, our northern twin diocese Mackenzie-Fort Smith, and the Pope's Pastoral Works.

**Together** we can also help serve those who answer the call to ministry, those who are the voice of the Church in our Canadian society, and those who have dedicated their lives to the service of others, through our support of Newman Theological College, St. Joseph Seminary, St. Joseph's College, the Needs of the Canadian Church and St. Joseph's Priest's Foundation of Edmonton.

In this week's bulletin please read the insert on Newman Theological College and St. Joseph's Seminary that describes how your financial support makes a difference to them!

REMINDER: next weekend will be our December collection for "Together We Serve". Together ... let's make a difference! The Together We Serve donations received for 2018 will be published next week.

**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.



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