

OLPH Sherwood Park

Online via Zoom

Monday's January 8 – March 11, 2024

6:45-8:30pm

What is the Catholic Church all about? What does it mean to be Catholic? What do Catholics actually believe.

Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the richness of the Catholic Church. Join GIFT —Our Lady of Perpetual Help for this 10 session, video-based course from the creators of *The Bible Timeline*.

The course if FREE. Participants are encouraged to purchase the study set, which includes workbook, book, and online access to the videos.

Cost of study set: - \$35 (more information when you register)

To register, contact Alana at alaperle@telus.net
or 780-446-9099

Lighthouse faith-study sessions

St. Joseph's College invites you to join two new faithstudy programs in the New Year.

The Pivotal Players

Dates: Jan. 15 to Mar. 4, 2024

When: Mondays, 7 to 9 pm via Zoom

Bishop Robert Barron introduces us to six of the

Church's most influential people!

Dying with Christ, Living with Hope

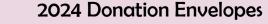
Dates: Apr. 8 to 22, 2024

When: Mondays, 7 to 9 pm via Zoom The Christian view of death and of MAiD, the new and expanding form

of euthanasia.

More information and registration:

http://tinyurl.com/3jsdpmwu



Donation envelopes are now available for pick up at the back of both parishes.

- Do not use your new envelopes until January 1st, 2024.
- Please note that some numbers have changed.
- Please recycle all unused 2023 envelopes.

Regular tax donations

If you wish to receive a tax donation for 2023 the last

date for this year will be December 31st. Any donations received after December 31st, 2023 will be recorded in 2024.

ATTENTION

REGISTER NOW

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS 2024

FIRST COMMUNION—FIRST RECONCILIATION

and

CONFIRMATION

To register for either program go to <u>arparish.ca</u> under Parish info—Sacraments or contact the office at 780-468-4071.



Our campaign this year is in support of A Safe Place. A Safe Place is a residential facility opened in 1984 for those who are escaping intimate or family violence, in Sherwood Park. A recent review of their

facility found major and unexpected issues

with the roof. As they say in the brochure, No Room In the Inn campaign will literally put a roof over their heads.

HOW TO DONATE

Make cheque payable to your church, place in envelope provided at the back of your church and drop in the collection box *or* make cheque payable to Canadian Mental Health Association- Edmonton Region, again enter "No room in the Inn" in the memo line. Mail cheque to CMHA Edmonton, #300, 10010 – 105 St. Edmonton, AB T5J 1C4

Donate online:

https://edmonton.cmha.ca/get-involved/donate

ASSUMPTION PARISH

9034—95 Avenue NW Edmonton, AB T6C 1Z3



RESURRECTION PARISH

10555—50 A Street Edmonton, AB T6A 2C8

Bulletin for December 23, 2023—January 06, 2024

If you wish to receive this bulletin by email, please contact the parish at ar.edm@caedm.ca

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30—4:00pm **The office is closed** Saturday and Sunday and statutory holidays.

REGULAR MASS TIMES Assumption

Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:00am Saturday: 5:30pm Sunday: 9:30am

Resurrection

Thursday & **Friday**: 9:00am **Saturday**: 4:00pm **Sunday**: 11:00am Rosary at Resurrection at 8:30am on Friday mornings before Mass

CHECK MASS INTENTIONS FOR ANY CHANGES TO MASS TIMES

Latin Mass (Assumption Parish)

Sunday: 7:30am (Low Mass) & 12:30pm (High Mass)

 $\textbf{SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - CONFESSION} \ \ \text{by appointment or a half hour before Mass}$

If you are aware of anyone in our parishes who is unable to attend Masses and would like to receive a visit, the Eucharist at home or even a phone call, please call the parish office: 780 468-4071.

PARISH STAFF PARISH CONTACTS

Business Manager/ Parish Council: **Rob Taylor** Pastoral Assistant: Trish Underwood Call office Liturgy: Accountant: Janette Kondra **Knights of Columbus: David Siemens** Admin Assistant: Maura Usher CWL: Lorrie Deutscher Admin Assistant: Josee Marr St. Vincent de Paul: Nora Parker

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

Sacrament of the Sick

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

First Communion

Confirmation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—RCIA

RCIA (adapted for children) 7 years and older

Bulletins are bi-weekly. Deadlines for submissions to the bulletin must be received at ar.edm@caedm.ca by Wednesday at noon on the week a new bulletin will be issued. Thank you.

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24th, 2023

The readings for the 4th Sunday of Advent speak of the original Ark of the Covenant and of the Annunciation of the Angel Gabriel to Mary, the new Ark of the Covenant. In the first reading, David wants to build a home for the Ark of the Covenant, and instead God promises to establish the house of David forever. The psalm reiterates God's promises to David. The second reading praises God. And in the gospel, Gabriel the Archangel appears to the Blessed Virgin Mary and brings her the news that she has been chosen to be the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ. source: youngcatholic.org



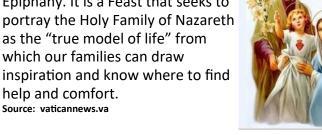
Christmas Day December 25, 2023

Then the angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them. "Do not be afraid: for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and laying in a manger." Luke 1: 9-12

Feast of the Holy Family **December 31, 2023**

The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is normally celebrated on the Sunday after Christmas. This feast developed at the beginning of the 19th century in Canada and then spread to the

entire Church in 1920. At first, it was celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. It is a Feast that seeks to portray the Holy Family of Nazareth as the "true model of life" from which our families can draw inspiration and know where to find help and comfort.





Merry Christmas from Archbishop Smith

Merry Christmas! From Archbishop Smith - YouTube

Mary, Holy Mother of God **January 1, 2024**

The Octave of Christmas falls on New Year's Day. Given the fact that the pagans used to celebrate this day through dissolute activities and superstition, the ancient Church helped believers begin the new year with a "new spirit" through the practice of days of fasting and penance. In 431, during the Council of Ephesus that concluded on 22 June, the dogma of faith regarding "Mary's divine maternity" was declared. Thus, in 1931, on the Council's 15th centenary, Pope Pius XI established the liturgical feast that we already find celebrated in the 7th century. It is a day laden with meaning and contains many messages: the Octave of Christmas recalls the day Jesus was circumcised and given His name, it is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, and it is also the day on which the World Day of Peace is celebrated (established by Pope Saint Paul VI in 1968).

There truly are many messages to be received on this first day of the year. We are invited to learn from the Virgin Mary to "keep" the Word in our hearts, and to ask ourselves what the Lord Jesus wants to say to us as the days go by, knowing that God's blessing always accompanies us, as the First Reading from Numbers reminds us. Source: vaticannews.va

Mass Intentions—Assumption Parish

Sat	Dec 23	5:30pm	Ray Pinkoski+
Sun	Dec 24	9:30am	All Parishioners
Sun	Dec 24	8:00pm	Christmas Eve (vigil)
Mon	Dec 25	9:30am	Christmas Day
Tue	Dec 26	9:00am	No Mass
Wed	Dec 27	9:00am	No Mass
Sat	Dec 30	5:30 pm	Ray Pinkoski+
Sun	Dec 31	9:30 am	All Parishioners
Tue	Jan 02	9:00 am	
Wed	1an 03	9:00 am	Mark Razniak

There will be no Masses on December 26 and 27th at Assumption Parish.

Christmas and New Year Masses

Just as little reminder to all parishioners.

Holy Days of Obligation are days Catholics should attend Mass and do their best to avoid unnecessary work. All Sundays and other important feast days, like Christmas, are Holy Days of Obligation. To fulfill this requirement Catholics can attend a vigil on the evening before or Mass on the day of obligation.

Christmas falls on a Monday in 2023. This means that a vigil Mass on Saturday, December 23 or a morning Mass on Sunday, December 24 fulfills the Fourth Sunday of Advent obligation. A vigil Mass on Sunday, December 24 or Mass on Christmas Day fulfills the Holy Day obligation.

Resurrection Masses

(Sun) Dec 24—Christmas Day Vigil 6:00pm

(Sun) Dec 24— Midnight Mass 11:55pm

(Mon) Dec 25—Christmas Day 11:00am

Assumption Masses

(Sun) Dec 24—Christmas Day Vigil 8:00pm (Mon) Dec 25—Christmas Day 9:30am

New Years Day

(Holy Mother of God. Holy Day of Obligation) There is only one Mass at Resurrection on this day for both parishes

(Mon) Jan 1—New Years Day 11:00am

Mass Intentions Resurrection Parish

	Sat	Dec 23	4:00pm	Georgina Macallan
	Sun	Dec 24	11:00am	All Parishioners
	Sun	Dec 24	6:00pm	Christmas Eve (vigil
	Mon	Dec 25	11:00am	Christmas Day
	Thu	Dec 28	9:00am	Fr. Mitch Fidyka+
	Fri	Dec 29	9:00am	
	Sat	Dec 30	4:00pm	Janette Kondra
	Sun	Dec 31	11:00am	New Years Eve
	Mon	Jan 01	11:00am	New Years Day
	Thu	Jan 04	9:00am	Jeanette Burzminski
	Fri	Jan 05	9:00am	
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There is one Mass only at Resurrection Parish on New Years Day for both parishes.

Christmas office hours

The parish office will be closed from 1:00pm on Friday, December 22nd until 9:30am on Tuesday, January 2nd 2024.

Have a blessed Christmas and a peaceful New Year From Father Roger and the staff of **Assumption and Resurrection Parishes**

Thank you so much

Thank you to all for purchasing soup/baking or donating at our Oct/Nov/Dec soup and bake sales. With your generosity we raised a total of \$2,543.00 at both parishes. We have donated \$345 to Coats for Kids, \$500 to the Lurana Shelter, \$500 to the Marian Centre, \$500 to Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples - Christmas Programs and \$500 to St. Vincent de Paul Society - Assumption Conference. The remaining \$198 will be combined with the Jan/ Mar 2024 soup sales towards our annual donation to IWIN - backpacks for victims of human trafficking in Edmonton as well as other charities.

Again, thank you for your continued support and Merry Christmas from the CWL Assumption/ Resurrection.

Please note a price change

Beginning January 1st, 2024, the Living with Christ Daily Missals will now cost \$3.00 per month.

