

SACRED HEART PARISH

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We are a welcoming community of believers guided by the light of the Holy Spirit to live Christ's love through the sharing of our gifts.

Parish Team

Pastor: Father Jozef Wroblewski

Office Administrator: Angela Morrison

Receptionist/Secretary: Carolyn Brown

Sacramental Coordinator: Maria Valencia

RCIA Coordinator: David Bouchard

Custodian: Brian Yeo

Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am – noon & 1 – 4 pm

Friday: 8:30 am – noon

Office Closed Labour Day - Monday, September 5

Confessions: Saturday – 11:00 am to noon

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday – 7 pm

Sunday – 9 am, 11 am, 7 pm

Spanish Mass – Sunday, September 11 at 1 pm

Sunday, September 4, 2016

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings:

Wisdom 9.13-18

Philemon 9b-10, 12-17

Luke 14.25-33

No Weekday Masses September 5 – 9

Monday, September 5

Is a Special Day of Prayer in Canada

Lord on this Labour Day,
we thank You for the blessing of work.
We ask for strength to complete each day.

We ask for rest when we are weary.

We ask Your guidance for everyone
seeking employment,

and we ask that You be with those
whose faces we might never see

but who work tirelessly each day
for the good of us all.

Amen



Sacred Heart Parish Contact List

Parish Council – Ron 403-343-2996
Liturgy Committee – Tom 403-346-2356
Knights of Columbus – Ariel 403-391-0833
CWL – Margaret 403-340-0605
Legion of Mary – Filomina 403-986-4897
Franciscans catherineofs@gmail.com
St. Vincent de Paul 403-597-3030
Catholic Social Services 403-347-8844

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Wednesday 7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
Baptism Workshop
Legion of Mary

Thursday 7:00 pm Choir Practice (9am group)

Baptism

Please contact Maria at the parish office at 403-346-2618 or vmaria@telus.net to register for Baptism preparation and complete a Baptism Application Form. Bring your child's large Birth Certificate. The Next Baptism.

RCIA

If you want to become a full member of the Catholic Church we invite you to sign up for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. We will begin the process of formation on Sept. 15. Please contact our coordinator, David Bouchard, for registration and initial interview at your earliest convenience. Call parish office at 403 346 2618 or call David at 403 357 9117.

Parishioners are invited to become a sponsor for people wanting to become Catholic by journeying with them in the RCIA. We also need ministers of hospitality to help with set-up and with preparing refreshments and snacks. We pray that you will share your gifts with the RCIA this coming year.

1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist

Registration – Tuesday, September 27 at 7 pm

Marriage Preparation



Couples are asked to meet with Fr. Jozef six months prior to their wedding so that all paperwork can be completed. Please bring an updated copy of your Baptismal Certificates.

Women's Retreat at Mt St. Francis

September 9 – 11

Limited space still available. Please call Audrey at 403-342-2801 or Margo at 403-346-5235.

Blessing of Graves

Sunday, **September 11** at 2:00 pm
Mount Calvary – Deacon Claude Baril
Alto Reste – Deacon Mike Whalen
Red Deer Cemetery – Deacon Rodger Reilander

CWL Annual Women's Retreat at Sunnyside

Wednesday, **September 21** from 9am to 3:30 pm
Our Lady of the Assumption Parish CWL hosting
Theme: *Can you See God's Mercy and His Grace in Your Life*, Retreat Master: Fr. Jozef Wroblewski
Open to all ladies. Cost: \$50 per person.
Registration forms (available on religious articles stand) will be accepted until September 14.

CWL Fall Diocesan Meeting, Saturday, **October 1**, 2016 in Olds from 9:15 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
Registration is \$20.00 (paid by CWL). If interested in going, let Margaret know at 403 340-0605 no later than September 23, 2016

CWL Religious Counter Sales needs someone on the first Saturday of the month, and weekly in December to sell religious articles.
If interested, call Margaret at 403 340-0605.

CWL Central Alberta Zone 7 Day

Saturday, **October 15** 9 am to 3.30 pm
Ecole Our Lady of the Rosary School,
4520 Ryder's Ridge Blvd., Sylvan Lake
Topic: *Every Life Matters - Catholic Considerations for End of Life Care*
Guest Speaker Cheri Purpur, Executive Director,
Red Deer Hospice Society
Hosted by Our Lady of the Assumption CWL,
Cost: \$15

CWL Tea and Bazaar

Saturday, **October 22**
Please consider donating a craft, canning, baking or plants. (No used items, please).

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, **September 13** there will be a supper meeting beginning at 6 pm at the Knights Hall (#4, 5579 – 47 Street). Our Grand Knight and our Chancellor will prepare a Filipino Feast for all. If you are a Knights of Columbus member and have not paid your **2016 dues**, you can place the money (\$40) in an envelope marked *K of C* and put it in the collection basket at Mass.

Parish Council Meeting

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, **September 13** at 7:00 pm in Room 1 (upstairs). All parish members are always welcome to attend.

Choir Practice

The 9 am choir will practice on Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning September 8.

The 11 am choir will practice every other Monday evening at 7 pm beginning August 29.

Religious Articles

The CWL will be selling religious articles after all Masses on the weekend of September 10/11.

Cleaning Crew

Thank you to those who come once a month to tidy the pews and do some light maintenance. If you would like to help in this ministry and enjoy a time of coffee and fellowship after, come on Monday morning (September 19) at 9:30 am.

Rosary Making Group

Last Thursday of each month, 9:45 to 11:45 am beginning Thursday, **September 29** Join us and learn how to make Cord Rosaries! For more info email Ann Harmon at ann.harmon18@gmail.com or Catherine McNiff @ catherineofs@gmail.com.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Central Alberta Council on Aging General Meeting

Tuesday, **September 6** at 9:00 am

Golden Circle Resource Centre

Topic: Home Care Speaker: Bruce Thompson, RN

For information contact Shirley at 403-343-0767

\$4 charge at the door. Everyone is welcome.

September Festival – Huge Community Yard Sale

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Sylvan Lake

September 9, 10, 11

Donated items are graciously accepted. Please bring any yard sale items NOW to 25 Falcon Cres., Sylvan Lake. Contact Frank at 403-887-4331. (Sacred Heart's Garage sale has been cancelled so any saved items can be donated to Sylvan Lake.)

We Care, We Ride

Saturday, **September 10**

Raise funds for the Pregnancy Care Centre and ride together from Red Deer to Rocky Mt. House.

\$50/rider, \$35/passenger

To register, donate or download a pledge form, see www.pregnancycares.ca/events/ or call 403-343-1611. See poster on bulletin board.

Magdalene House is entering a team in the *Ride for Refuge* on **October 1**. Call David at 403-357-9117 if you want to join our team and cycle 10 or 25 km. to help people exploited by human trafficking.

Pilgrimage

You are invited to join a group on pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes and other Catholic sites from Oct. 11-22, 2017. Call Ann Harmon at 403-348-1508 or Lina Soluri at 403-358-9499 if you are interested. An introductory session will take place at Sacred Heart on Tuesday, **October 4** at 7:00 pm.

IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

New Laudato Si Website

Marking the first anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace launched a new website dedicated to the document and efforts around the world to put its teaching into practice. The site, www.laudatosi.va "witnesses not only to the impact of the encyclical, but also the creativity and generosity of the people of God everywhere in the world," said Cardinal Peter Turkson, council president.



CCCB Publications has just released *On care for our common home: A dialogue guide for Laudato Si'*.

This publication was elaborated by the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. It includes key quotations

from the encyclical, examines its content and offers questions for group discussions in order to foster a deeper commitment to the care of creation as well as to the environment and ecology. To order call 1-800-769-1147 or email publi@cccb.ca, or [order from the CCCB Publications Website](#).

Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia - Think About It

All persons deserve protection against discrimination, but especially those who are vulnerable and may not have a voice, including those living with disabilities, mental illness, or dementia. Allowing assisted suicide and euthanasia entrenches the idea that some lives are not worth living.

Vulnerable, The Euthanasia Deception

This is a documentary and educational outreach initiative that exposes what euthanasia laws can do to a country's culture in a mere 15 years. The case study is Belgium: euthanasia's 'ground zero'. Based on a series of heart-wrenching personal testimonies along with medical, legal and expert analysis, producers reveal how all of us become vulnerable when life and death matters are handed over to lawmakers and doctors. The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition is selling DVD copies of the documentary for \$30, 4 for \$100, or 10 for \$200. Order at info@epcc.ca or call 1-877-439-3348. For more information, go to VulnerableFilm.com.

Online Faith Formation

Registration is now open for the next cycle of classes in the Certificate in Catholic Studies (CCS), offered by the Benedict XVI Institute for New Evangelization through Newman Theological College. Fifteen different courses will begin on **Monday, September 26**. All are offered online, so you can study from the comfort of home and work around your personal schedule. Each course runs five weeks and costs just \$85. This program is open to adults and youth of all backgrounds and education levels. Register online at www.newman.edu/CCS. For more information, contact Sandra Talarico at 780-392-2455 or sandra.talarico@newman.edu.

Wild West Catholic Youth Conference

The Wild West Catholic Youth Conference is coming up **September 30th-October 2nd** right here in Red Deer at the Sheraton Hotel!

Featuring special guests- Father Tony Ricard from New Orleans, Panic Squad-a YC favorite improv group, and Saskatoon's very own Face2Face ministries.



This conference is for Grade 9-12! It's great for religion hours! If you need more information, you can check out the website at www.wwcyc.ca or contact Jeannette Manser at (403) 872-5191. Registration forms are available at each Red Deer Catholic Middle school office and Notre Dame High School, or you can register with Our Lady of Victory Camp at olvc.ab.ca.

Invitation to Mercy

The Door of Mercy is a special Holy Door which Pope Francis has asked to be opened in every diocese during the Extraordinary Holy Year in order to allow the faithful in every part of the world to experience the Mercy of the Father in its fullness. Archbishop Richard Smith invites you to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door at St. Josephs Basilica in Edmonton. The Holy Door will close on Sunday, November 13.

For more information about the significance of the Holy Door or to view a video visit: <http://caedm.ca/DoorofMercy>.

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"If anyone comes to me without hating...father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his (or her) own life" (Luke 14:26).

Hating? Can anyone imagine a less appropriate Gospel for the Jubilee Year of Mercy? But scholars call this Semitic hyperbole. Jesus exaggerates to jolt us into confronting life-changing challenges. Faced with conflicting loyalties, disciples must reorder priorities, even relationships, to give Jesus and the gospel's demands first place. Today's second reading presents a real-life example. Paul challenges his wealthy convert, Philemon, to welcome back Philemon's runaway slave, Onesimus, whom Paul has baptized in prison. Not only with unconditional forgiveness but with a counter-cultural, world-shattering change of status—as an equal. No, even more—a beloved brother in Christ. What in my life does the Jubilee Year of Mercy challenge me to "hate"—meaning reform, redo, even utterly revamp—so I can give everyone, no conditions, no exceptions, shockingly Christ-like love?

New in the Parish or Moved?

Please update your records with the Parish Office at 403-346-2618 or fill out a form available at each entrance and put in weekend collection.

Welcome to Sacred Heart if you are new to the parish. You are welcome to drop in to the parish office during office hours and introduce yourself.