

SACRED HEART PARISH

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Weekend Mass Times: Saturday – 7 pm
Sunday – 9 am, 11 am, 7 pm

Confessions: Saturday – 11:00 am to noon

Office Hours:

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

Friday: 8:30 am – noon

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

Pastoral Assistant: Lydie Delli Santi

RCIA Coordinator: David Bouchard

Custodian: Brian Yeo

Sunday, January 15, 2017 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: Year A

Isaiah 49.3, 5-6

1 Corinthians 1.1-3

John 1.29-34

Weekday Masses January 16 - 20

Monday	11:00 am Funeral Mass – Leona Gladue
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass at the Pines
Thursday	9:00 am Mass
Friday	9:00 am Mass

FIRST EUCHARIST

If your child has received their First Reconciliation and is preparing to receive their First Eucharist, they should register for two preparation sessions and a retreat. Please contact Lydie at the parish office to choose your sessions.

Session A: Jan 18, 21, Feb 4, 15, 22 or March 4.

Session B: March 8, 15, 25, 29, April 1 or 5.

Choose one date for each session.

The retreat will be on April 8.

First Eucharist Celebrations to follow.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is a time for young adults (grade 6 and up) to say that they want to continue in their journey as Catholics. It is a chance for the candidates to explore their faith and specifically look at the Holy Spirit's influence in their lives and how they can share this with others.

Registration is Wednesday, **January 25** at 7 pm for parents only. Bring your child's Baptism Certificate and a 2" x 3" photo of your child. There are no fees for materials; a donation may be made to cover costs.


THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tuesday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
Wednesday	6:00 pm	1 st Eucharist Session A (1)
	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary
Thursday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (9am group)
	7:30 pm	RCIA (Vocations–Priesthood, Marriage)
Saturday	10:30 am	1 st Eucharist Session A (2)
	5:00 pm	Spanish Group

Baptism

Contact Lydie at the parish office to register for Baptism preparation and pick up a Baptism Application Form and information package. Please to bring your child's Birth Certificate.

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.

Convalidation (Blessing) of Marriages

We are always open to help those who have for one reason or another omitted the Catholic Form of Marriage. If you would like to have your marriage convalidated or have questions, please contact Fr. Jozef Wroblewski at the parish office.


Engaged Encounter

A marriage preparation course is mandatory for all couples getting married within the Catholic Church. For more information about an Engaged Encounter weekend, or to register to attend a weekend see reddeercee@gmail.com or contact Deacon Claude/Margaret Baril at 403-347-2455.

Pastoral Care

Volunteers are needed to bring communion and help with prayer service at the Pines on Wednesdays at 11 am. If you are interested in this ministry, please call Lina at 403-347-5987.

Praying at Home

We are a group of volunteers  who pray for the intentions of others in our homes. If you have a prayer request or would like to join this ministry, please call the parish office.

Holy Childhood Association



The children's contributions to the "pickle jars" during Advent were designated to the Holy Childhood Association, a mission organization for children to help other children. The amount collected at Sacred Heart Parish was \$1525.10. Thank you for your generosity.

CWL Edmonton Diocesan Mid-Winter Meeting

Saturday **January 21** from 8:30 am. to 4 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park

Registration deadline is January 15, 2017.

The CWL will pay the registration fee for the day, mileage for one car, and one hotel room if you go on Friday evening. If you are interested in going call Margaret at 403 340-0605.


Religious Counter Sales

We need someone to sell religious articles on the first Saturday of the month at 7 pm Mass. If interested, call Margaret at 403-340-0605.

Sunday 7 pm Choir

You are invited to join us in song on Sunday evenings. The choir meets at 6:30 pm for practice and leads the singing at 7pm Mass. Contact Colin at 403-872 -4014 or ohmasterg@gmail.com.

Altar Servers

If your child is in grade 3 or older and  has received their First Holy Communion, they may want to become an Altar Server. You may register on the sign-up sheet in the Sacristy or call the parish office. You will be notified when a training session is scheduled.

Padre Night

The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League from St Mary's are hosting a dinner on **January 20** starting at 6 pm with a wine bar, followed by a roast pork dinner at 7 pm, to formally recognize and honor our Priests, Deacons and Religious Sisters in our parishes within the deanery. It is open to all Knights, CWL members and spouses. Tickets are \$15 each.

Call David at 403-357-9117 or Margaret at 403-340-0605 to reserve your tickets by January 16.

Called to Protect Session

Called to Protect is the abuse prevention training program required for all staff, clergy, and volunteers in the Archdiocese of Edmonton. Through videos and group discussion, participants learn tools to identify inappropriate behaviours, methods to report potential abuse, and best practices in ministering safely to the young and vulnerable. If you are or want to be involved in a ministry at Sacred Heart, you must complete a Called to Protect Session. Please attend the next Session: Thursday, **January 26** at 7:00pm at St. Mary's Parish.

"The Euthanasia Deception"

Wednesday **February 8** at 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm
Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 5508 - 48A Avenue
This gripping documentary tells the stories of people with real, direct experience with euthanasia and assisted suicide; these are not the stories we are hearing in the mainstream media.
Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition will be present at the evening screening. Following the 52-minute video, a discussion will be shared with those in attendance. A Free-Will offering will be given to Euthanasia Prevention Coalition.

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes

This nine-day pilgrimage will start at Lisbon on **October 11** and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Marian Apparitions at Fatima. We will visit Avila, Loyola and Lourdes. Flights, accommodation and two meals per day will cost \$3500. Each pilgrim is responsible for travel insurance. A deposit of \$500 is due now. Our next gathering for our group is **January 29** at Sacred Heart parish at 2 pm.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Reconciliation - The Love of Christ Compels Us



(2 Corinthians 5:14-20).

January 18-25

We join with people around the world to pray for Christian unity – in worship, reflection, study, and fellowship. Resources for the 2017 Week of Prayer are now available for download from the website of the Canadian Council of Churches (CCC) and print materials may be ordered as well.

Prayer Service for Christian Unity

Gaetz United Church

Monday, **January 23** at 7:00 pm

All are invited!

"May they all be one... so the world
knows You sent me"

The 54th Annual Inter-Church Curling Bonspiel



Saturday, February 25

Red Deer Curling Centre

The cost for this fun and fellowship event, which includes three games, the banquet and some great prizes is just \$200.00 per team. Space is limited to 24 teams. Don't be disappointed – Register today!

For more information or to register a team please contact: Darren/Adriana LaGrange 403-347-0225 or lagrang@telus.net or Dale/Jenny Watson at 403-346-0697 or Steve/Lynette Watson 403-346-7682.

Do you LOVE BABIES?! The Central Alberta **Pregnancy Care Centre** needs volunteers to provide childcare for their parenting programs! Keys to Young Parenting runs 3 times/year for 10 weeks, on Wednesdays from 1pm-3:30pm. Step Up happens the third Tuesday of each month (Sept-June) from 1pm-2:30pm. These programs play a vital role in developing confident young parents raising healthy families and most of the moms are not able to attend if there is no childcare! If you can commit some time to either of these programs, please contact Marsha at the Centre for application information. Thank you!

Custom Pilgrimage & Cultural Tour of France

May 21 – June 7, 2017

You are invited to join Fr. David Wathen OFM and experience the spirituality of: Lisieux, Lourdes, Ars (St. John Vianner), Paray-le-Monial, Nevers, Chartres, St. Catherine Labouré (The Miraculous Medal), and much more. We will also visit Paris, the Beaches of Normandy, the Loire Valley, the French Riviera, Avignon, and Versailles. This 18 days, flights included pilgrimage for the very special price of \$5,448 CDN promises to be an unforgettable journey. For more information or a brochure, call Liz Shachtay at 1-888-565-9922.

"What Happened to the Arab Spring?"

Wednesday, **January 25** at 7:30 pm

A Herr Lecture Series presentation by

Dr. Mojtaba Mahdavi at McKibbin Centre at
Burman University, Lacombe.

For more information visit

<http://www.burmanu.ca/herrlectures>.

Theology on Tap

The Troubled Monk, #1, 5551 – 45 Street

Monday, **January 23**, 8 – 10 pm

*A Person First – the Gospel's response to our modern
pornography crisis.*

Guest Speaker: Mike Landry

Faith, Fellowship and Brewery Tour

RSVP: 403-598-2239

IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

Every Life Matters

A dying person's request for death by assisted suicide or euthanasia is a signal to review their pain and symptom control and their spiritual and emotional support. Sometimes the request is prompted by fear of the unknown, or of being a burden, or of pain and suffering. Assisted suicide and euthanasia are a medicalization of death and human suffering – the false belief that somehow all human pain and suffering can be cured by a medical intervention.

Vocations Come and See

Interested single women aged 20 – 39 are invited to join us to explore Religious Vocation as a Sister Faithful Companion of Jesus through prayer, input, reflection, faith sharing and lunch. This event will take place on Saturday, **February 4** from 10 am to 2 pm in Edmonton.

Please contact Sister Michelle by February 2 at 780-439-1667 or mlanglois0501@gmail.com.

Retrouvaille - A lifeline for troubled marriages!

Is your marriage in crisis?

Communication problems?

helpourmarriage.ca, 587-598-4357,

info@helpourmarriage.ca

Next Edmonton Retrouvaille Program **March 17-19**

Scholarships for Women

The Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception, committed to women's empowerment and vital lay leadership for ministry, invite applications for two scholarships: the Honoria Conway Scholarship for Women, and the Jean Keenan Lay Ministry Scholarship for Adult Lay Persons in the Ministry of the Church. Brochures and application forms available on request. Contact Scholarship Committee, Box 2266, Saint John, NB E2L 3V1, or email cpssc@sistersofcharityic.com.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

If you would like to spend some quiet time with Jesus, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open during office hours. It is located just inside the south entrance to the church.



2017 Donation Envelopes

If you haven't yet picked up your 2017 envelopes, please check the boxes in the foyer.

We encourage you to sign up for Automatic Debit.

If you wish to do so, forms are available in the foyer and the parish office.

Income Tax Receipts will be going out soon.

If you have moved in the last year, please call the office to update your information so we can send your tax receipt to the correct address.

Sacred Heart Parish Contact List

Parish Council – Ron403-343-2996
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CWL – Margaret403-340-0605
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St. Vincent de Paul403-597-3030
Catholic Social Services403-347-8844

**Blessed are those who can give without remembering
and take without forgetting.**