



OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

11 February 2017

Message for World Day of the Sick

I have often considered time to be one of my greatest teachers. It has afforded me the opportunity to see clearly the action of God in my life. Over time I also perceive, with gratitude, the great things God has accomplished in and through persons around me. My friend and brother, Bishop Fred Henry, recently published his resignation letter to Pope Francis. It is a beautiful personal witness to his life as an Apostle - and patient. As he put it, “pain is my best friend, we are always together.”

For many amongst us pain and suffering are very much like the “friend” we wish we had never met. Twenty-five years ago, Saint John Paul II named February 11th the World Day of the Sick. It is a feast that calls us to seek out with love and mercy all those on the margins of our society: the homeless, the imprisoned, the sick, and the dying. They are not simply patients to be treated; they are our brothers and sisters. I pray that all who suffer pain, abandonment, loneliness, neglect, abuse, or poverty experience through the ministry of the Church the healing that only Jesus Christ can give.

The World Day for the Sick is also an opportunity to give thanks for those who serve humankind’s struggle with disease, poverty, and death. Acting as a sign of God's healing love are those who work tirelessly as physicians, nurses, and other healthcare and emergency services workers; persons who serve generously as pastoral ministers and volunteers; friends and family members who care for their ill, disabled, or elderly loved ones. Their efforts are often heroic. We give thanks to God for their service and witness.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

✠Richard W.
Smith Archbishop
of Edmonton

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday	7:00 pm	Franciscans General Meeting
Tuesday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary
	6:00 pm	1 st Eucharist Session
Thursday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
	1:10 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (9am group)
	7:30 pm	RCIA (Pastor's Hot Seat)
Saturday	10:00 am	Confirmation Session 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 bring your child's Birth Certificate. The next baptism workshop will be held on March 11.

First Eucharist

Please contact Lydie at the parish office or at lydie.dellisanti@rdcrs.ca to register your child for preparation sessions for 1st Eucharist and if your child has missed a session.

Session A: February 15, 22 or March 4 (choose 1).

Session B: March 8, 15, 25, 29, April 1 or 5 (choose 1). The retreat is on April 8.

Sacred Heart can offer preparation for the First Eucharist in French. If interested send an email to Lydie or contact the parish. The classes will only run depending on the number of participants.

Confirmation

There is still time to register for Confirmation at the parish, even if your child missed the first session. Please contact Lydie at the parish office or at lydie.dellisanti@rdcrs.ca.

Session 2 – *Anointed with Oil* will be on Saturday, February 18 at 10:00 am. All candidates to attend.

Marriage Preparation

 Couples are asked to meet with Fr. Jozef six months prior to their wedding so that all paperwork can be completed.

Engaged Encounter

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

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul needs furniture; in particular, loveseats, easy chairs, coffee tables, end tables, kitchen tables, chairs, mattresses (must be clean), box springs, dressers, clean bedding and blankets. If you can donate items, please call 403-597-3030. Thank you!

Called to Protect Workshop

Monday, **February 13** from 7 to 9:30 pm

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Sylvan Lake
Called to Protect is the abuse prevention training program required for all staff, clergy, and volunteers 18 years and over in the Archdiocese of Edmonton. Participants will learn best practices for protecting those we serve and care for in Christ's name, particularly children and vulnerable adults such as the sick, elderly or disabled. Register at OurLoa.Sylvan@caedm or call 403-887-2398.

On Care for Our Common Home

You are invited to join Sacred Heart Social Justice Committee in a dialogue on the encyclical, *Laudato Si*, during Lent. It will begin **March 6** at 7 pm and continue each Monday during Lent. There is a workbook that you will need to purchase for \$10. Please call the parish office at 403-346-2618 to sign up.

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.

Sacred Heart Book Sale



Cleaning house? Downsizing?

consider donating your unwanted books, DVDs, DCs, videos and puzzles.

No encyclopedias please.

Sale Date: Saturday, **February 25**

Volunteers needed Friday (set up), Saturday (sales), Sunday (cleanup) & Monday or Tuesday (to transport left over books). **Call Wally at 403-346-9013 or Valerie at 403-346-3085.**

Needed: plastic bags (Please put in food boxes at either end of the foyer.)

Proceeds will go to the Parish Library.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Perogie Supper

Thursday, **February 23**, 5 – 7 pm
St. Vladimir Parish Hall, 3932 - 46th St
Adults and Teens-\$14.00, 10 yrs and under-\$7.00
Frozen Perogies and Borscht for sale at the Door.
For more information call 403-782-5828.



“Painting the Stars – Science, Religion and an Evolving Faith”

Thursdays, **March 2 to April 13**, 7-9 pm,
Sunnybrook United Church
Preregistration is appreciated since materials will be made available for participants. Transportation is available upon request.
Come and join us for this 7-session spiritual development event as we explore how science and a spiritual life are not incompatible with each other.

St. Francis of Assisi Middle School proudly presents **The Lion King** at the Red Deer Memorial Centre. Evening performances will take place Friday **March 3rd** and Saturday **March 4th**. Show time at 7:15 with doors open at 6:45. Tickets can be purchased at the school for \$10 per person or \$25 per family.

GrammaLink-Africa Fabric Sale

Wanted: Fabric donations, yarn and notions for sale April 22 at Gaetz United Church. Call Gloria 403-342-6482 or Jane 403-343-1073 not later than April 11 for pick up of donations or further information. All proceeds from the fabric sale are donated to the Grandmother Campaign, Stephen Lewis Foundation.

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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. Thirteen different courses will begin on **Monday, February 20** running for 5 weeks at a cost of \$85 ea. Register online www.newman.edu/CCS.

For more information, contact Sandra at 780-392-2450 ext. 2214 or sandra.talarico@newman.edu.

Retreat for Young Adults

Saturday, February 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m
Providence Centre, 3005 - 119 Street, Edmonton
Come Sit With Me: Getting to Know God with Sister Joan Wigbers and Father Jhack Diaz.
A retreat day for single women and men aged 18-40. This is the first of a series of 6 retreats to be held throughout the year. To register contact: Sister Mae Valdez SP at 587-432-2088.
Donations are welcome.

Lost Apostle

March 3 to March 5 at Arden Theatre, St. Albert
This musical production begins in the time of Christ and details the hopes, passions and struggles of four of His followers; Peter, Judas, Mary Magdalene, and Mary of Bethany. The second act is set in the present day and introduces three new characters, who also struggle to find meaning, acceptance and hope, in light of Christ's sacrifice for us. It will be performed by St. Peters Choir. For information, performance times, and ticket sales, call 780-458-0908 or visit <http://www.sandrabrenneis.com>.

Western Canadian Catholic Home School Conference

March 9 – 11

Providence Renewal Centre, Edmonton.
The conference features keynote speaker Holly Pierlot, Father Stefano Penna, John Carpay, Karen Hanlon, and a panel of seminarians and religious. All parents and young adults are welcome to attend. For information, visit www.wcchsc.net or contact Veronica at 780-467-8410, or wcchscreg@shaw.ca.

Poster/Poem/Story/Essay Contest 2017

Offered by Our Lady of the Angels Regional Council Secular Franciscan Fraternities of Western Canada
Theme: Who Is Saint Francis Of Assisi?
Categories for 5-8, 9-12 and 13-18 year old youth
Entry Deadline: **March 17**, 2017. For more information see: ww.ofswesterncanada.ca

Every Life Matters

- Think About It
Patients who enter a hospital expecting compassion as they live their last months, weeks or days should not have to worry about being euthanized based on someone's judgment about their quality of life. Care can never be killing.

Speak Out for Conscience Rights

With physician-assisted suicide now legal in Canada, healthcare practitioners and facilities in some provinces are in a compromised position. Those who cannot support assisted suicide or euthanasia because of their conscience, faith, or commitment to the Hippocratic Oath could be forced to compromise their convictions. They shouldn't have to. The Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience has recently launched a petition campaign protect these conscience rights; please do your part by signing the petition at <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca>.

Retrouaille –

A lifeline for troubled marriages! Is your marriage in crisis? Communication problems? helpourmarriage.ca, 587-598-4357, info@helpourmarriage.ca
Next Edmonton Retrouaille Program starts **March 17 – 19.**

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes

Celebrate

**100th Anniversary of Apparition at Fatima
Join in pilgrimage from Oct. 10 – 19, 2017**

Two days in Fatima
Visit Avila and Loyola
Two Days in Lourdes
Deposit of \$500 due now, remainder in August
Call Ann at 403 348 1508 to register

Don't forget that you can also make the Annual Pilgrimage to Skaro for feast of Assumption

Weekday Masses February 13 – 17

Monday	9:00 am Mass
Tuesday	9:00 am Mass
Wednesday	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass at the Pines
Thursday	9:00 am Mass
Friday	9:00 am Mass

Parking at Sacred Heart



Please be respectful of the safety of all who come to Mass and **do not park** in the fire lanes. Emergency access must be maintained. Failure to comply could result in your vehicle being towed.

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 – Marcy	403-307-1722
Franciscans	catherineofs@gmail.com
St. Vincent de Paul	403-597-3030
Spanish Group - Selvin	403-392-2801
Catholic Social Services	403-347-8844

Income Tax Receipts

Available for pickup at weekend Masses or at the office weekdays

SACRED HEART PARISH

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Parish Team

Pastor: Father Jozef Wroblewski
Office Administrator: Angela Morrison
Receptionist/Secretary: Carolyn Brown
Sacramental Coordinator: Lydie Delli Santi
RCIA Coordinator: David Bouchard
Custodian: Brian Yeo

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am – noon, 1 – 4 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - noon

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday - 7:00 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am, 11 am, 7 pm

Sunday, February 12, 2017

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Sirach 15.15-20
1 Corinthians 2.6-10
Matthew 5.17-37