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25th & 26th Sunday

in Ordinary Time

September 24th October 1st , 2017



Welcoming New Parishioners:

We warmly welcome all new members to our parish family. We would like to get to know and serve you. In order to do so please fill out a registration form available in the church foyer or contact the parish office.

Sunday Masses:

Sat. 5:00 pm English

Sun. 9:00 am English

11:00 am Bilingual

Weekday Liturgies:

Please refer to a recent bulletin for updates for the current week.

Sacrament of

Reconciliation:

Sat. 4:30 - 4:50 pm

Sun. 8:30 - 8:50 am

10:30 - 10:50 am

or upon appointment

Baptism:

First Sunday of the month at mass.

Call the parish office for more info and registration.

Marriage/Wedding:

Please call the parish office At least SIX months in advance of your chosen date and before any other arrangement is made.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Please contact the Parish Office. For Emergency call 780-221-9141.

Focus of the Sunday Readings

God's ways are not our ways.

We must be mindful that the Lord's ways truly differ from our ways. They are wonderful and mysterious. This is shown in the fact that God loves us unconditionally, and is ever-willing to forgive. God continually works by the power of the Holy Spirit to draw all people closer to himself. And God is near to all who call upon him.

The first reading tells of the inner struggles Jeremiah experienced in being faithful to God's call to

In the first reading, Isiah exhorts sinners to repent and turn to the Lord for mercy. The second reading reminds us of the importance of conducting ourselves in a manner worthy of the Gospel.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the good employer, which speaks of how God freely and generously bestows his love and forgiveness on all who are open to receiving it.

Jesus teaches us that God, who is mercy, desires our obedience in word and deed.

Today's readings speak of our freedom to choose obedience or disobedience to God, and of the very real effects of our choices. God's love for us is such that while he desires our union with him, he allows us to respond to his love as we choose.

In the first reading, Ezekiel writes of the choice of each person to turn toward or away from virtue, and toward or away from wickedness. In this way, we choose life or death. Paul's letter to the

Philippians encourages us to be united in heart and mind, and to act selflessly. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons – one who is initially disobedient but ultimately chooses obedience to the father, and the other son who claims obedience but does not fulfill the will of the father.

Needs of the Church in Canada – September 24th

Every year, Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly (in the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and Western regions). Any additional funds from the collection are at the disposal of the diocese for its own pastoral needs.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Canadian Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

“Challenge and favours which the Lord gives...are the ways by which he wanted his Church founded and established by the Apostles and Disciples. This is the same grace he has made to the Church in Canada, by which it has taken all its force and growth, and its sustained and maintained by patience and long-suffering in peace and union with Our Lord, all as he is pleased to permit” *Saint Francois De Laval, first Bishop of New France, from a letter to the Vicar General of the Diocese of Quebec, 15 February 1686.*

World Tourism Day – September 27th

A World Tourism Day was created in 1979 by the World Tourism Organization. The Church is concerned about tourism in the world, remembering the words of Jesus to his disciples, “Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’” And if anyone is there who shares in peace lives there, your peace will rest on that person” (LK 10.5-6).

Ministry Sign-up

The Ministry Sign-up forms are in this week’s bulletin. If you did not receive a copy there are forms at the back of the church. Copies can be dropped off in the collection basket. Please take some time and fill out this if you can help in anyway. Thank You.

From The CWL

St. Albert Schools Education Foundation presents “A Night in Italy” on Saturday October 21, 2017 at Holy Family Parish Hall in St. Albert.

Cocktails at 6:00 pm, a sumptuous dinner prepared by the Knights of Columbus Culinary Team at 7:00 pm followed by entertainment supplied by GSACRD staff along with a silent auction to follow.

Proceeds raised will support the education of many of the youth in our Parish communities and the Catholic schools of St. Albert, Morinville and Legal.

Tickets available through your Trustees, or online at www.eventbrite.ca

CWL meeting on Thursday October 5th at 7:00 pm at MCHS.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA assists those adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic Church. It is open to unbaptized adults, baptized Catholics who have not received the Initiation sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Our First session will begin on Tuesday October 10th starting at 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. The program is defined by four periods of formation each marked by the celebration of liturgical rites in the parish. This program is also open to any practicing Catholic who would like to deepen their knowledge and understanding of their faith and the Church are also invited to attend.



For more information or to register, contact the Parish Office.

First Friday Adoration

Will begin on the **First Friday of October** we will have a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm and everyone will be able to come for longer or shorter period of time to spend with Eucharistic Jesus. We begin with Mass at 8:30 am, then the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration and prayer till 12:00 pm



KC Breakfast

is on Sunday September 24th , 2017
from 9:00 am till 12:30 pm at the Rendez -Vous Centre



Please Pray for... + Anna Fryters who passed away on September 10th. Her Funeral Mass was held here at our Parish on September 20th.

+ Lucien Beaupre who passed away on September 17th. His Funeral Mass was held here at our Parish on September 22nd

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast	
Sept 23	Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Lionel Hebert – Rita & Family	25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sept 24	Sunday	9:00 am	For Parishioners	
		11:00 am	RIP Leo Brochu – Lucien Houle	
Sept 26	Tuesday	8:30 am	NO MASS	
Sept 27	Wed	10:00 am 7:00 pm	(Lodge) NO MASS (Church) NO MASS	
Sept 28	Thursday	10:00 am	(Aspen) NO MASS	
Sept 29	Friday	8:30 am	NO MASS	
Sept 30	Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Arnold Longpre (20th Anniv) – Roland & Lorraine Blackburn	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Oct 1	Sunday	9:00 am	For Parishioners	
		11:00 am	RIP Art Chalifoux (2 nd Anniv) - Family	
Oct 3	Tuesday	8:30 am	RIP Robert Gallant – Yvon & Jeanne	
Oct 4	Wed	10:00 am 7:00 pm	(Lodge) RIP Michelle Goulet – Mom & Dad (Church) RIP Marie Vansenandt - Family	St. Francis Of Assisi
Oct 5	Thursday	10:00 am	(Aspen) RIP Mary Labonte – Marie Boissonnault	
Oct 6	Friday	8:30 am	RIP Stella Constantin – Joe, Evelyn & Family	First Friday
Oct 7	Saturday	5:00 pm	For Parishioners	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Oct 8	Sunday	9:00 am 11:00 am	Special Intention – Sharon RIP Alex Montpellier – Maxine & Family	

PLEASE PRAY FOR... Irene Dupuis, Emilienne Dostie All those who are sick or struggling; who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.



COLLECTIONS – QUÊTES August 27th – \$ 3869.00 September 3rd \$ 3403.00 THANK YOU! MERCI

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dust Angels

- September 25th Monday 8:00 am

- Church

Gift Cards – are on sale this weekend September 23rd and 24th.