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# Quid Novum



The Catholic  
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Wednesday, June 17, 2015

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## Registration Open!



## Human Resources

### Custodian

Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries is looking for a Custodian.

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### Kitchen Coordinator

Camp Encounter is looking for a Kitchen Coordinator for the upcoming camping season.

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Hello Friend in Christ ,

Have you ever seen a burger-flipping bishop? Staff and seminarians on the Catholic Campus were treated to the sight of Bishop Gregory Bittman very ably manning the grill at our annual Staff Appreciation Barbecue last week -- and the burgers weren't bad!

As we anticipate the release of the new encyclical letter on ecology by Pope Francis, it's good to note the words of the Holy Father at today's General Audience in St. Peter's Square: "I invite everyone to receive this document with an open heart."

Next week, I will be away from the office, but Quid Novum will still appear in your inbox, courtesy of guest editor Chris Jugo. If you have submissions for next week's issue, please forward them to [chris.jugo@caedm.ca](mailto:chris.jugo@caedm.ca).

God bless,  
Lorraine Turchansky



## Cooks/Kitchen Aide

The Archdiocese is looking for temporary kitchen staff for the month of October.

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## Opportunity at St. Edmund

St. Edmund Parish is seeking a Pastoral Assistant.

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## Catechesis - Weekly Discipleship Reflections

**Sunday, June 21 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**The Road to Discipleship: Stormy Seas in the Christian Life**

In the Psalms (89, 93, 107), God alone has the power to subdue the turbulent seas. What does Jesus being asleep in the boat with the disciples teach us? Each life is a story as yet not fully written. In adult life, every one of us—the baptized—embarks on an epic journey full of joys and sorrows, triumphs and tragedies. Your story is different from my story, but Jesus is with each of us. He's in your boat! Nothing can capsize you permanently when Jesus is in your boat. Yet like the disciples, we often panic when we look at the stormy seas. "Wake the Lord" and bring your worries to Jesus in prayer. Jesus is in your boat!

[More Discipleship Reflections »](#)

## Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries - Father's Day BBQ & Services



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 Catholic Cemeteries

Messier Trail.

Missing Dad this year? Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries invites you to our Father's Day Hot Dog Barbecue and Prayer Services on **Sunday, June 21**, at either of two locations: Our Lady of Peace Columbarium, 4814 Meridian Street, or Holy Cross Cemetery, 14611 Mark

Schedule for both locations is: Barbecue 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.; prayer service 2 p.m. Please join us for this special celebration as we give thanks on Father's Day. For more information, call OLP at 780-454-4453 or Holy Cross at 780-447-2921.

## Chancery Office

### Pray for Archbishop Pettipas

As you may know, Archbishop Gerard Pettipas of Grouard-McLennan suffered a stroke while he was in Edmonton for a meeting of the Alberta & NWT Bishops. He is now back home in Grande Prairie, and sent the following update to the people of his Archdiocese:

"I was released from University Hospital on Monday June 15th. My progress was unusually rapid -- my vision was totally restored, and my ability to walk has largely returned. I now walk with a cane, but with each day I feel my strength increase. I realize that it may take some weeks for my stability to return totally, and so I may have to be careful with my movements. I will be under my family doctor's care, while also being monitored through the Glenrose Hospital in Edmonton.

"I want to thank all of you so much for your prayers over the past couple of weeks. These have meant more to me than you would imagine. I also received many emails, phone calls and visits over those days ... the nursing staff almost had to stand in line to get my attention!

"I have realized anew how great are the gifts of life, the persons we love, and the health that we take for granted until it is threatened. I am grateful to the Lord for giving me hope during these days. I look forward to seeing many of you in the coming weeks and months."

Please keep Bishop Pettipas in your prayers.

## Communications - Preparing for the Encyclical



One day away! The Vatican has confirmed that Pope Francis' much-anticipated encyclical on ecology, *Laudato Si, On Care for our Common Home*, will be released on **Thursday, June 18**. It will be available by 4 a.m. Mountain Time on Thursday on the Vatican website at [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va).

Archbishop Smith will offer some initial reflections on this important letter on the CBC Radio show Edmonton AM at 6:40 a.m. on Thursday.(740 on the AM dial or 93.9 FM).

This papal letter will guide Catholics and all people of goodwill in their responsibility to care for creation. The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace has prepared an excellent package of resources to help you begin your own personal reflection on confronting the challenges of climate change, particularly for our sisters and brothers in the Global South, who are suffering the most from the effects of climate change. Find it at <https://www.devp.org/en/encyclical>.

## Kudos for the WCR

Our own Western Catholic Reporter, born in 1965 from the vision of the Second Vatican Council, is being honoured this month by the Association of Roman Catholic Communicators of Canada (ARCCC). The WCR is being recognized for a 50-year tradition of journalistic excellence with an ARCCC Award in the Media Arts Production category. The award will be presented on June 26 at the association's annual meeting, being held in conjunction with the Catholic Media Conference in Buffalo, NY.

Archbishop Richard Smith, publisher of the WCR, expressed his thanks: "Today, in a world bombarded by messages that constantly tempt us away from the Good News, we can be very proud of the role the Western Catholic Reporter plays in the life of the Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton and beyond. Our readers know that when they open its pages, they will see inspirational stories about the lives of real people, engaging discussions about the moral and ethical issues we face in modern culture, and Church teachings explained in a contemporary way. We consider the WCR as a treasure, and we are deeply grateful for this recognition by ARCCC."

Have you subscribed to the WCR? It truly is a treasure at only \$35 for a year in print or \$15 in digital format. Call 780-424-1557, or subscribe online at <http://wcr.ab.ca/Subscribe/Print> or <http://wcr.ab.ca/Subscribe/Digital>.

## Newman Theological College

Newman Theological College is proud to announce that its Academic Senate has confirmed the appointment of Robert McKeon, PhD as Professor Emeritus.



As both an alumnus (B.Th. and M.Th.) and Full Professor of Theology, Dr. McKeon has been a remarkable ambassador of the College for many years. Having taught both full and part-time at Newman since 1979, he has also held many leadership roles, including Director of Field Education, Vice-Dean of Theology, and Acting Dean of Theology. His teaching and leadership have made innumerable and important contributions to the College's continued success. Since taking on the role of Coordinator of the Office for Social Justice for the Archdiocese of Edmonton, Dr. McKeon has generously continued to teach and advise the College on matters of social justice, the Church in Canada, and aboriginal issues.

The designation of Professor Emeritus is awarded to full professors retired from active duties and is translated from the Latin as "having merited honourable discharge by service. It is a mark of distinguished service awarded only to a chosen few on retirement, to persons of great importance in their given profession.

The honour of Professor Emeritus will be formally conferred at the College's next Convocation ceremony on Saturday, October 17. Congratulations Bob!

## Youth & Young Adults - Abide

## Wondering about Religious Life?

[Abide YEG](#) is a great new resource for young adults in the Year of Consecrated Life. The blog includes excellent podcasts by Father Glenn and a young student who is discerning, and answers to all kinds of questions about religious life. Be sure to share with anyone you know who may be wondering ...<http://abideyeg.blogspot.ca/>

## Wild West Catholic Youth Conference

Registration is now open for the Wild West Catholic Youth Conference, set for **October 2-4** in Red Deer. This conference is open to youth in Grades 9-12 from Alberta, B.C., Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. Join us for great music & food, inspiring speakers, meaningful prayer and spiritual development. Our theme is Come! In! Stay! We invite teachers and youth ministry leaders to consider bringing a group to this first event of its kind in Western Canada. For more information, visit us at <http://www.wccyc.com>.

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## Parish & Community News

### Celebrating 150 Years of Catholic Education



The historic Mission Hill was covered with some 5,000 people last Thursday as students, staff and teachers in the Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools gathered for a special Mass celebrating 150 years of Catholic education in St. Albert. May God continue to bless you!

### Alberta March for Life Association

Thank you to all who attended and supported the March for Life that was held May 14 in downtown Edmonton. You are cordially invited to our Annual General Meeting on **Saturday, June 27**, at 1 p.m. at St. Josaphat's Cathedral, 10825 – 97 Street. Elevator entrance on north side. Pro-life speakers and presentations will precede elections for next year's board of directors. All welcome. For more info call 780-807-8972 or visit [www.albertamarchforlife.com](http://www.albertamarchforlife.com).

### 40th Anniversary of the death of St. Josemaria

You and your family are cordially invited to a Solemn Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Josemaria Escriva, founder of Opus Dei, on **Saturday, June 27**, at 11 a.m. Join us at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 12311 – 55 Street, Edmonton. Presided by Rev. Antonio Hofmeister. Confessions from 10:30 a.m.

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### Family Life Conference

The 20th annual Catholic Family Life Conference, set for **July 1-5** at Lac Ste. Anne, offers a wonderful opportunity for people of all ages to celebrate and deepen their faith. We encourage all parishioners and families to consider attending part or all of this conference. This year, the featured keynote speaker is Dr. Scott Hahn, one of the most well-known modern day converts to the Catholic faith, who will be presenting at three

different times on Wednesday, July 1. The conference includes many other dynamic speakers, as well as youth and children's ministries, and daily masses with Archbishop Richard Smith, Bishop David Motiuk, Bishop Gregory Bittman, Bishop Paul Terrio, and Father Ben St. Croix, C.C., as presiders. Details on registration, speakers, music and ministries for the children and youth are on the website at [www.catholicfamilyministries.com](http://www.catholicfamilyministries.com).

## Badlands Passion Play

Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council 12353 of St. Agnes and St. Anthony Parish are organizing a bus trip to the Canadian Badlands Passion Play in Drumheller on **Sunday, July 19**. Witness the dramatic portrayal of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in an acoustically superb natural amphitheatre. All are welcome to join us. Tickets are \$115, including return travel by luxury coach, onboard snack and refreshments, admission and top seating selection, and buffet dinner after the performance. For more information, please contact Per Jorgensen at 780-436-0378 or [per\\_showcase@hotmail.com](mailto:per_showcase@hotmail.com).

## Marian Centre 60th Anniversary

Marian Centre will be celebrating its 60th Anniversary of ministry in inner-city Edmonton with an Open House on **Sunday, July 19**, from 1-4 p.m. Please join us as we thank God for his goodness and generosity through our many friends and volunteers. Marian Centre is located at 10528 – 98 Street. For more information phone 780-424-3544 or email [mceedmonton@shaw.ca](mailto:mceedmonton@shaw.ca).

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## Summer Silent Directed Retreat

Come to the quiet of the Star of the North Retreat Centre for a Silent Directed Retreat, **July 12-16**. This retreat is an opportunity to come away from the usual noise and busyness of daily life. An invitation to enter into still-ness, refresh your spirit, & renew your relationship with our loving God awaits you. Prayer, daily reflection, individual direction sessions, Eucharist, healthy meals, walking trails, and rest are all elements of this retreat. Spiritual Directors: Patricia MacDonald, Father Mike McCaffery, Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, and Pat Jameson. Cost is \$490; please register by **June 23** by calling the Star at 780-459-5511.

## Learn to Discern conference

With so many options promising peace, balance and harmony, how is a Christian to choose? Mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 12**, when Sacred Heart Parish in Wetaskiwin, will be hosting Susan Brinkmann, an author and award winning journalist who is a frequent guest on EWTN's Women of Grace show. Susan will discuss biblical truths to help us attain peace, balance and harmony in the contemporary world. "Learn to Discern" for your mind, body and spirit! Donations will be accepted at the door. Conference begins at 1 p.m. on September 12, followed by adoration/ confessions, and Mass at 5:30 p.m. Sacred Heart is located at 5113 - 49 Avenue, Westaskiwin, 35 minutes from South Edmonton. For more information contact 780-352-2365 or visit [www.sacredheartchurch.ca](http://www.sacredheartchurch.ca).

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## Catholic Social Services AGM



Join us at our Annual Meeting on **Wednesday, June 24**, at the beautiful Winspear Centre in Edmonton. Doors open at 4 p.m.; program begins at 5 p.m. Our program will include a brief address by Archbishop Richard Smith and a reflection on our work given by Michelle Christie, Vice President, Ministries. Refreshments and light catering will be

served. Tickets are \$15. Each ticket entitles the bearer to attend with one complimentary guest. To purchase a ticket and register a guest, please call 780-429-HOPE (4673) by **June 12**.

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