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The Catholic
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Wednesday, April 06, 2016

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What is the Archbishop thinking this week?

Find out by following his blog, [The Reason for Our Hope](#).

Or follow him on Twitter [@archbsmith](#).

Human Resources

Looking for work? Why not consider serving our Catholic community in one of these jobs?

Read all the postings at www.caedm.ca/careers

The Archdiocese has a challenging and interesting opportunity for a well-qualified **Archivist & Records Manager**.

Our youth camps are looking for **Spring School Promoters**

Camp Encounter is looking for a **Kitchen Coordinator** and **Assistant Cook**.

Our Lady of Victory Camp is looking for a **Lifeguard/Office Assistant**

Star of the North retreat centre is looking for a **Part-time/Casual Assistant Cook**

[Click here for the Star posting](#)

The Capital Region Interfaith Housing Initiative is seeking to hire a part-time **Housing Coordinator**

[Click here for the Housing posting](#)

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Easter Season Greetings, Friend in Christ !

We're are very grateful for the wonderful hospitality we experienced both at St. Anthony Parish in Lloydminster last Sunday and Corpus Christi Parish in Edmonton on Tuesday. They are among the five parishes that our hosting the Archbishop's Easter series of conversations about assisted suicide and euthanasia. Pictured below is the question and answer session at Corpus Christi with the Archbishop and our special guests, Lisa Daniels and Dr. Anna Voeluk.

Three more sessions of Every Life Matters are coming next week; if you can't join us in person, please check in online for the live webcast -- all the details below.

God bless,

Lorraine Turchansky



Photo courtesy of Lito Soco

Office of the Archbishop

ELM Easter Series

Every Life Matters, Archbishop Smith's Easter series of conversations about physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia, is under way. We've received lots of thoughtful and sometimes difficult questions, and we welcome more. If you cannot attend in person, visit www.caedm.ca to join the live webcasts. If you miss any of these sessions, we are posting videos of the recorded webcasts on the archdiocesan website at <http://caedm.ca/ELM-EasterSeries>.

[Download the Poster](#)

[Click here for the ELM Series schedule »](#)

Every Life Matters



Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia Think About It

(One of a series of short educational pieces suitable for the Sunday bulletin: thanks to Diocese of Saskatoon)

Euphemisms such as "medical aid in dying" or "mercy killing" or "dying with dignity" or "terminating the suffering" do not change the fact that allowing assisted suicide and euthanasia makes it legal to kill someone (euthanasia) or to aid in their suicide (assisted suicide).

Add Your Voice

There is still time to write to your Member of Parliament and/or Member of the Legislative Assembly to add your voice to the considerations being made as we approach legalization of assisted suicide in Canada. To find the name and address of your MP, visit the parliamentary website at <http://goo.gl/mSO7aA>. To find the name and address of your MLA, visit the legislature website at <https://goo.gl/Z1bl8q>

SJC files their Submission

Do you think legalized assisted suicide (or Physician Assisted Death) will only affect terminally ill patients? In their excellent submission to Alberta Health, St. Joseph's College notes that the college and the University of Alberta have together worked very hard to put into place supportive programs to help prevent suicide and support the mental well being of students: "We have created an environment where students know that their lives are of value to us, that they are important to us and that we want to see them flourish, succeed and live - in short, that all lives are worth living. As a College we are concerned that the legalization of PAD will lead to an eroding of this life-affirming culture that we have worked to build at the College and the University as a whole. We

fear that, as PAD becomes normative and even supported by physicians, in the eyes of students who may be already vulnerable to suicidal thoughts, suicide will appear to be a reasonable solution to their problems."

[Click to read the full text of the SJC submission »](#)

Catechesis

Discipleship Reflections



April 10 - Third Sunday of Easter

The Road to Discipleship: Feed and tend my sheep

Jesus questions Peter, then commands Peter to feed or tend his sheep. The passage uses two different Greek verbs for 'love' to indicate that both love for—and friendship with—Jesus are crucial for disciples. When Peter later writes to community elders, he does so as a "fellow elder." Peter encourages elders to "tend the flock of God that is under your care, exercising the oversight... as God would have you do it." He further advises them not to lord it over those in their charge, but be examples to them. Remembering his own failures enables Peter to be a forgiving, compassionate leader. We disciples are called to model Peter, always aware of own failures as we accept any leadership.

Spring 2016 Catechist In-service

Saturday, April 23, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pastoral and Administration Offices

8421 - 101 Avenue NW, Edmonton

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, and in obedience to Archbishop Smith's call to make adult formation a priority in Edmonton, we invite catechists and pastoral assistants to participate in our spring in-service workshop.

- Learn how your parish can make the sacraments more meaningful for the recipients.
- Eliminate barriers that make people's access to the sacraments more difficult than necessary.
- Help parents feel confident and knowledgeable enough to be the primary faith teachers of their children.
- Inspire young couples to begin married life through taking seriously the call to make their marriage a sacrament and lay the foundation for life-giving family relationships.

There is no registration fee, and a light lunch will be provided. Please bring one of your parish copies of the *Standards for Preparing Children and Youth for the Sacraments* with you.

Register online at <http://caedm.ca/workshops>, or call Suzanne Brohier at 780-469-1010 for more information.

[Click here for all the Details »](#)

Learn to pass on our faith to others

Are you involved in sacramental preparation, RCIA, or adult faith formation in the parish? Are you a parent or grandparent who wants to talk about your faith more easily with your children or grandchildren? Or would you just like to learn more about the faith? The Office of Catechesis is pleased to offer the *Echoes* workshop, parish-based training in the art of passing on our faith to others. These sessions will enrich your own faith and equip you to share it more effectively. Our next workshop, particularly for parishes in the Edson Deanery:

Saturday, May 7, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Parish

4808 - 6 Ave.

Edson, AB

[Download the poster](#)

[Click here for all the Details »](#)

Sacramental Education Initiative

As the new *Standards for Preparing Children and Youth for the Sacraments* is about to become promulgated (made official), you can give important feedback into the process of creating the Standards.

Pastors, pastoral assistants, catechists, principals, teachers, superintendents, trustees, and others have played a vital role in improving the way we prepare children for the sacraments in the Archdiocese of Edmonton. Whether or not you piloted the new Standards in the 2015-2016 year, your feedback is crucial to finalizing the document.

Please complete the short survey on your experience of the Sacramental Education Initiative pilot at this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BHK2HH7>. It should take you no longer than 15 minutes.

Your voice is important. Please complete the survey as soon as you can, but definitely before **Friday, April 8**.

Kathleen Nguyen, Coordinator
Sacramental Education Initiative

Save the date

The official launch of the *Standards for Preparing Children and Youth for the Sacraments* will be on **Thursday, June 2**, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Pastoral and Administrative Offices, 8421 - 101 Avenue.

We invite you to celebrate the new Standards. Come and hear Archbishop Smith speak, hear about what we've learned from the three years of piloting, and see the final version of the Standards.

Chancery Office

Policy Update

The following have recently been posted to the website at www.caedm.ca/policy and can be opened at the links below. Please ensure that the Parish Office uses these most current versions; we thank you for your faithful collaboration.

NEW POLICIES

Under 200 Temporal Goods of the Church

[232_Parish Emergency Protocols](#) 1Feb16

[232A_Emergency Contact Information Template](#) 1Feb16

[232B_Parish Emergency Plan Checklist](#) 1Feb16

Under 400 Clergy

[451_Moving Expenses](#) 1Feb16

Under 500 Liturgy

[511_Sunday Celebration Of The Word](#) 1Feb16

Under 1100 Parishes

[1102_Protocols In The Sudden Absence Of The Pastor](#) 1Feb16

[1105_Parish Pastoral Council](#) 1Feb16

REVISED POLICIES

Under 800 Archives and Sacramental Records

[800_ArchdiocesanArchives](#) 1Apr16
(updated / more definitions and more precise procedure)

[801_ParishArchivesAndFileManagement](#) 1Apr16
(updated and has two new appendices to go along with it)

[801A_ParishArchivesAndFileManagementGuide](#) 1Apr16

[801B_RetentionScheduleForParishFiles](#) 1Apr16

[804_RecordsManagement](#) 1Apr16
(updated with a name change from Transitory Records to Records Management, which is more accurate.)

NOW POSTED AS INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENTS ONLINE (But not new)

Under 300 Human Resources

[303_Probationary Period](#) 29Jun10

[306_Employee Group Benefits](#) 30Jun10

[313_Sick Leave](#) 30Jun10

[314_Medical Dental Appointments](#) 29Jun10

[322_Workers Compensation](#) 30Jun10

Divine Worship

Learn About the Mass

Elements of the Catholic Mass is a video series designed to help the faithful better appreciate the beauty of the Mass. Featuring experts from the Liturgical Institute in Mundelein, Illinois, the program consists of beautifully produced weekly short videos of 2-5 minutes. These free videos will be available online and on demand, with a new episode posted each Sunday. Because they will be released with a discussion guide with references, they are ideal for personal faith formation or group discussion. We encourage you to take a look!

Season 1 - Episode 12 Music Part I

Music, in the mind of the Church, is not thought of as something added to the Mass; rather, music is an integral component of it. The Church describes her music as a treasure of inestimable value—and indeed, how rich is this musical heritage. As a unique combination of melody and word, sacred music was created for the worship of God; it forms a necessary part of the sacred liturgy.

[Download the Study Guide](#)



To view more episodes or to subscribe to the series via email, visit <http://www.elementsofthecatholicmass.com>.

Reflections for the Year of Mercy

The Office of Divine Worship is pleased to share these reflections from the book *Week by Week through the Year of Mercy* by Peter Scagnelli. They may be published by parishes in the Sunday bulletin or website, but not in any publication that is sold.



April 10, 2016 Third Sunday of Easter

How appropriate today's Gospel for this Jubilee Year of Mercy, both because of the "breakfast" Jesus provides ("a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread") and the number of fish in Peter's net ("one hundred fifty-three") (John 21:11–12). Of the fish, Saint Augustine suggests that the roasted fish is the suffering Christ. Saint Gregory the Great adds that Christ lowered himself to swim in the "water" of our humanity; to be caught in the "net" of our death; to be "roasted" in his Passion on the fire of suffering. Saint Jerome claims that "one hundred fifty-three" represents the full number of known species of fish, signifying that the Church's "net" has room for all our widely diverse humanity,

securing our unity-in-diversity in the hands of Peter and his successors. Having received God's mercy as "the beating heart of the Gospel," may the Church—we—"pattern [our] behavior after the Son of God who went out to everyone without exception" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 12).

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Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries

New Central Office & Extended Hours



The Catholic
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Catholic Cemeteries

The Archdiocese of Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries is pleased to announce, effective **April 11, 2016**, the merger of our North and South Cemeteries' family services offices to our Holy Cross Mausoleum location.

With this move comes one number to call and extended hours to better serve the busy schedules of our families.

Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries

Family Services Office
14611 Mark Messier Trail NW
780-447-2921

Open Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
and Saturdays – 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Holy Cross Mausoleum & Cemetery * Our Lady of Peace Columbarium & Cemetery *
St. Joachim Cemetery * St. Anthony Cemetery * St. Albert Cemetery

If required, family meetings can be held at Our Lady of Peace Columbarium by appointment.

www.ecc.caedm.ca

Spring Memorial Mass

Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries invite you to attend our Spring Memorial Mass at Our Lady of Peace Cemetery on **Saturday, April 9**, at 9:30 a.m., to worship and receive God's Grace. Father Antony Cruz will preside. We are located at 4814 Meridian Street, Edmonton. For more information, call 780-454-4453.

Planning Ahead

A Catholic Perspective on Funerals, Burials, and Estate Planning

Gain peace of mind for yourself and your loved ones. Join your pastor along with Deacon Paul Croteau, Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries Director, and Connie Lunde, Director, Archdiocesan Development Office, for an evening that will engage and inform you on these important topics.

Wednesday, April 27

Time: 7-9 p.m.

Location: St. Charles Parish, 17511 - 112 Street, Edmonton

To register, contact the parish office at 780-456-5399

These seminars are jointly sponsored by the Office of Development and Edmonton Catholic Cemeteries. All are welcome.

Pastoral Care

Ministry of Pastoral Care: Certificate Program for Volunteers

This program offers participants a better understanding of pastoral care given to hospital patients, continuing care and assisted living residents, community shut-ins and congregation members. The comprehensive 10 hour program will outline the foundations of Pastoral Care and Sacramental Ministry, cover Types of Ministry Visits, Dealing with Grief, and Caring for the Volunteer, finishing with a certificate ceremony.

The next course will be offered over two days on **Friday, April 22, 2016**, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., and **Saturday, April 23**, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., at Newman Theological College, 10012 - 84 Street, Edmonton.

There is a limit of 20 participants for the program. Registration cost is \$75.00. A pastor's reference letter and current Police Information Check (PIC) including the Vulnerable Sector Check is required.

For information brochure and pastor's letter form, please visit <http://www.caedm.ca/pcvisitor>.

Social Justice

Care for our Common Home

Edmonton Social Justice Institute Invites you to join us for Care for our Common Home: A Faithful Response to Today's Ecological and Social Crisis. Keynote speaker is Jennifer Henry, Executive Director of KAIROS. Sessions run **Friday April 8**, 7-9 p.m., and **Saturday April 9**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at The King's University, 9125 - 50 Street, Edmonton. For more information please visit sjiemontoon.wordpress.com.

[Click to download the Poster »](#)

Youth and Young Adults

Wild West Catholic Youth Conference

Registration is now open for the Wild West Catholic Youth Conference, set for **September 30 – October 2, 2016** in Red Deer. This conference is open to youth in Grades 9-12 from Alberta, B.C., Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. Join keynote speaker Father Tony Ricard and special guests Panic Squad for great music & food, inspiring sessions, 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 info and to register your group, visit

<http://caedm.ca/PastoralParishServices/YouthEvangelization/NewsEvents>

Let Us Remember ...

... in prayer, our priests who have died during the month of April:

Name	Date of Death
Rev. Charles F. OKHUYSEN	Apr. 1, 1930
Rev. Ernest R. BATTLE	Apr. 1, 1971
Rev. Patrick L. ROONEY	Apr. 3, 1973
Rev. Clement GAUTHIER	Apr. 3, 2008
Rev. Michael McANALLY	Apr. 7, 1963
Rev. Mark E. MURPHY	Apr. 8, 1979
Rev. Kenneth. V. DYLKE	Apr. 8, 1988
Rev. Lorenz MAIER	Apr. 10, 2007
Rev. John McNEIL	Apr. 13, 2006
Rev. Denis Hebert	Apr. 14, 2015
Rev. Daniel W. MARTIN	Apr. 15, 1961
Rev. Stanley V. ZENKO	Apr. 18, 1984
Rev. Dominic Richard ROWLAND	Apr. 21, 1945
Rt. Rev. Albert D. O'BRIEN	Apr. 21, 2000
Rev. Henry B. PEET	Apr. 25, 1985
Rev. Maurice Anthony HARNETT	Apr. 28, 1965

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Parish & Community News

Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide

You are invited to join us at Holy Family Parish, 75 Poirier Avenue, St. Albert, for informative and interactive sessions on the above topics on two Sundays, **April 10 & April 17**, from 12:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Arnold Voth, a physician from the Royal Alex Hospital in Edmonton, who has done 20 years of research on this subject. Topics to be included are:

- The meaning of life and death for the Christian and non-Christian
- A brief overview of the history of euthanasia
- The Supreme Court's Decision - what is wrong with this decision?
- What does this new 'law' mean and why should we care?
- Critical care and end of life care
- What can we do and/or what should we do in the future in a nation that allows euthanasia?

SSVP Charity Sale

Saint Vincent de Paul Charity Sale will be held at St. Andrew Centre Auditorium, 12720 - 111 Avenue, Edmonton, **Thursday-Saturday, April 7-9**. Sale hours Thursday & Friday 12 noon - 7 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Come browse for antiques, collectibles, housewares, furniture. Proceeds help support the Society's work with those living in poverty.

Mercy Resources

St. Albert Parish has 25 copies of an inspiring booklet entitled *Be Merciful: Reflections on the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy*. It is an affordable, accessible and easy-to-use resource. Bill Huebsch offers six complete sessions (chapters) on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy for individual and small group use. It is ideal for Youth Ministry, RCIA, Small Christian Communities, Families, and Individuals who want to grow in living with mercy. The entire set can be purchased for \$100. Please contact mark.guevarra@caedm.ca if you wish to buy them.

Mercy Journey

You are invited to join in a 6-week journey to experience and renew your commitment to the Divine Mercy. We will use Father Michael Gaitley's new book *33 Days to Merciful Love* as our guide. The easy to read book is a self-guided retreat with a short reading to ponder on each day. Each week we will meet to share our faith and insights.

Sessions take place **Wednesday evenings** starting **April 20** from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the church basement. Books are provided at a cost of \$20 each. You can join us for one or more sessions. No registration required. For more information please contact mark.guevarra@caedm.ca at St. Albert Parish.

Bible Study at Corpus Christi

You are invited to join us at Corpus Christi Parish in Edmonton for a prayerful Bible study on the writings of the "beloved disciple," whom Tradition identifies as St. John the Apostle and Evangelist. We meet on the **second and fourth Wednesdays** of the month, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., beginning on **April 13**. For more information, email Father Matthew at Matthew.Hysell@caedm.ca.

[Download the flyer](#)

Roots of Change

Roots of Change Foundation is an Alberta-registered charity that has been helping to reduce poverty in Nicaragua since 2005, founded by the late Father Denis Hébert, a priest of the Archdiocese of Edmonton. We invite all parishioners to join us at the 2016 Roots of Change annual fundraiser on **Saturday, May 14**, at Holy Family Parish in St. Albert. The evening includes dinner and guest speakers from Nicaragua. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased online at www.rootsofchange.ca or by calling 780-405-8084.

'And the Scales Fell from his Eyes'

Sacred Heart Parish in Wetaskiwin is pleased to present a two-part retreat hosted by Life in the Spirit. The first weekend retreat, Open the Doors, will focus on the many aspects of Mercy. It's set for **Friday-Sunday, April 22-24**, and all are welcome. Cost is \$40, including meals. Please pre-register by calling 780-352-2365. The second part will be offered October 21-23.

Edmonton Archdiocesan CWL Convention

All CWL members are invited to join us at Holy Family Parish on **Friday, April 22**, and **Saturday, April 23**, for this year's Diocesan Convention. Convention information including registration forms are available on our website <http://www.edmontoncwl.org>. Registration deadline is April 8. For information and to register, please contact Mariette Huot at 780-962-4599.

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