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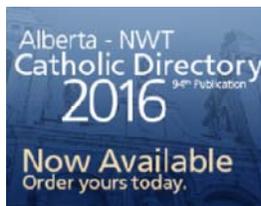
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#### Human Resources

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

Read all the postings at [www.caedm.ca/careers](http://www.caedm.ca/careers)

Camp Encounter is looking for an **Admin Assistant/Cook**

St. Andrew Parish, Edmonton is looking for **Music Coordinator / Choir Director** (contact parish for full job description 780-451-6601 ext. 1)

Inner City Pastoral Ministry in Edmonton is looking for a **Pastoral Associate**

#### What is the Archbishop thinking this week?

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

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

Greetings Friend in Christ ,

Did you know that 270 young people from the Archdiocese of Edmonton will be making the pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Days this July? They received a special blessing from Archbishop Smith at a commissioning Mass last Sunday at Holy Rosary Parish, and now are counting down the days. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this unique spiritual journey!



#### Office of the Archbishop

#### Mass for Syrian Refugees & Sponsors

Archbishop Smith is extending a warm invitation to a special Mass of Thanksgiving to welcome our refugee brothers and sisters from Syria who have been sponsored by parishes and Catholic groups in the Archdiocese. Mass begins at 7 p.m. on **Tuesday, June, 28**, at St. Joseph's Basilica, 10044 – 113 Street, Edmonton, to be followed by a welcome reception.

This event is open to all, but particularly to the priests, sponsorship committee members and refugees from the sponsoring parishes. To help with reception planning, parishes or other sponsor groups are asked to RSVP to Caroline Zinkiew at Catholic Social Services by calling 780-391-3302.

## Grace at Meals



*I ask all believers to return to this beautiful and meaningful custom (of giving thanks to God before and after meals). That moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life; it strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation; it acknowledges those who by their labours provide us with these goods; and it reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need.*

--Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* 227, 2015

As part of his Every Life Matters initiative, Archbishop Smith asks us all to heed the invitation of our Holy Father and embrace the custom of praying at mealtime, and to add to the usual Grace before meals one line from the Scripture and one line of prayerful response to it.

### Scripture Lines for Grace Before Meals This Week

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You showed great mercy to the repentant woman (Luke 7:36-50).

**All:** Heal us with your forgiveness and change our lives.

OR

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You speak truth and tenderness to sinners (Luke 7:36-50).

**All:** Help us conform our lives to the words you speak.

[Click for more details »](#)

## Every Life Matters

### Interfaith Leaders Plea for Palliative Care

Catholic, Evangelical, Jewish, and Muslim faith leaders united on Parliament Hill on Tuesday to issue a joint call for a well-funded, quality national palliative care strategy.

"The need for quality, widely accessible palliative care should be one of the most pressing concerns of our country," said Valleyfield Bishop Noël Simard, speaking for the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

"Faith communities, along with health care workers, have for centuries stood by the bedsides of the dying to comfort and protect, to heal and console. Today, as faith leaders, we recommit ourselves to this sacred task of providing the spiritual care so essential to palliative care."

The interfaith leaders made their plea for "a robust, well-resourced, national palliative care strategy" as the government's assisted suicide Bill C-14 was being debated in the Senate.

[Read the full story in the Catholic Register](#)

## CSS Sophia Talks

Catholic Social Services has launched a new series of educational presentations called The Sophia Talks. Throughout the year, these short talks will address a variety of topics of interest to those who serve in the ministry of social services. The first one was delivered by Rick Berube, Assistant Chaplain for CSS, on the subject of assisted suicide, and it's worth a listen.

[Click here to view the video](#)

## ELM on TV

Did you miss some of Archbishop Smith's **Every Life Matters** sessions? All five programs are now available online at <http://saltandlighttv.org/specialfeatures/every-life-matters.php>

In addition, the **Catholic Focus** program is featuring individual interviews with several ELM presenters. Here's the latest one, [Quality of Life](#), featuring Charles and Jeri Marple. People with disabilities are most concerned about the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide. Charles and Jeri are the parents of a child with Cerebral Palsy, and in this program they address these concerns and explore questions about value, dignity and quality of life.



The episode will be posted soon at [www.saltandlighttv.org/catholicfocus](http://www.saltandlighttv.org/catholicfocus).

## 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)

The absolute ban on assisted suicide and euthanasia is the norm in all but a handful of countries. Where these practices have been allowed, the evidence shows that safeguards simply do not work, or become struck down over time by higher courts.

## Divine Worship

### Western Conference for Liturgy 2016

The [Western Conference for Liturgy \(WCL\)](#) will hold their annual conference in Edmonton this year, on **Friday-Saturday, October 21-22** at Corpus Christi Parish, under the theme "Those Who Sing Pray Twice: A Second Glance at Chant in the Liturgy." We invite all pastors, liturgy committee members, and music directors for parishes and schools to come hear and sing the new English chants and timeless Latin classics. For more information about the conference, please contact Judy Darbyson, WCL Executive Secretary, at 780-476-2457 or visit the website at <https://wclcanada.wordpress.com>, or call Mona in the Office of Divine Worship at 780-469-1010 ext 2151.

[Click here for Details »](#)

## 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 22 The Book of Gospels

The Church teaches that the proclamation of the Gospel is the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, the first part of Mass. The Gospel is so significant that the Church has a special book that contains just those words. The Book of Gospels, the repository for the Word of Christ, is another symbol of the Lord present to the church. Since it is his own word, the proclamation of the Gospel is honored with a kiss and candles and incense as if it were Christ himself.



[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 freely by parishes in the Sunday bulletin or website, but not in any publication that is sold.



### June 19, 2016 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today, as he often does, Luke portrays Jesus "praying in solitude" (Luke 9:18). The Jubilee Year of Mercy invites us to rediscover the value of silence as the prayerful setting in which to reflect on the ways in which God's mercy transforms our lives, in order to make mercy the heart of our own lifestyle. But in a line that sounds odd, Jesus "rebuked" his disciples "and directed them not to tell anyone" (9:20–21) after they professed their faith in Jesus as "the Christ of God" (9:20). Jesus challenges us also to profess our faith not by what we say, but by what we do: take up our own cross daily (9:23) and "bear one another's

burdens" (Galatians 6:2). Our gratitude for God's mercy toward us should make us instruments of God's mercy toward all. Then, as Zechariah prophesies in today's first reading, the fountain of God's mercy will open to purify the whole world from the sin and selfishness that cause suffering and sorrow to so many (Zechariah 13:1).

[Click here for more Reflections »](#)

## Jubilee for Catechists



On **Sunday, September 25**, Pope Francis will celebrate with catechists around the world the Jubilee for Catechists. The CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis has prepared an online resource to help parishes, schools and communities celebrate with their catechists; that is, anyone who passes on the faith to others. The resources can be used at any time throughout the pastoral year by clergy, directors of religious education, parish pastoral workers,



chaplains, Catholic teachers and parents to emphasize the special role of the catechist. They have been designed in such a way that they can be used for reflection by individuals or in a larger group setting. Parishes may wish to use the liturgical suggestions for a special blessing of catechists either on Sunday, September 25, or at another time when catechists are gathered together.

[Click here to download the resource package »](#)

## Ecumenical & Interreligious Relations

### Ramadan: Community Iftar Dinner

The Catholic community of the Archdiocese of Edmonton is invited to join members of Edmonton's Turkish community at a community Iftar (fast-breaking) dinner. The evening will include an interreligious dialogue program and cultural presentation. Evening begins at 8:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 28** (dinner at 10:30 p.m.) at the Providence Renewal Centre, 3005 – 119 Street, Edmonton. This event is co-sponsored by the Archdiocese and IDI-Edmonton <http://edmonton.interculturaldialog.com>. Kindly RSVP to Barbara Cartwright at [bcartwright@caedm.ca](mailto:bcartwright@caedm.ca) or 780-469-1010 by **June 23**.

[Please share the Poster](#)

### Habitat For Humanity

Can you imagine the prospect of becoming homeless? Did you know that Edmonton's shortage of affordable housing is a major cause of homelessness? One solution: Habitat for Humanity gets needy families into affordable homes. You can be part of this solution! Come and find out at the 6th Annual Interfaith-Habitat Works Kick-off Event, on **Thursday, July 7**, at 12 noon, at the Habitat Prefab Shop, 14135 – 128 Avenue. Come and join this gathering of faith communities: Hear about how Habitat saves families from homelessness. Lunch included. Please RSVP to [volunteer@hfh.org](mailto:volunteer@hfh.org) or 780-451-3416 ext.223.

## Life & Family

Bulletin Editors, please consider including these in the weekend bulletin soon:

### 21st Annual Catholic Family Life Conference June 30 - July 3, 2016

"The Name of God is Mercy." Keynote Speakers for this year's Catholic Family Life Conference include Cardinal Thomas Collins (Cardinal Archbishop of Toronto and former Archbishop of Edmonton), Father Leo Patalinghug (Founder, Host and Director of Grace Before Meals), Matthew Leonard (Executive Director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology and internationally known author and speaker), and Stephen Carattini (Chief Executive Officer of Catholic Social Services). Registration and other Conference information can be found at <http://www.catholicfamilyministries.com/index.php/family-life-conference>.

### Faith and Family Day at the Ballpark

Take me out to the ball game! The Archdiocese of Edmonton is pleased to sponsor Family and Faith Day with the Edmonton Prospects of the Western Major Baseball League on **Tuesday, July 12**, at Telus Field. Doors open at 6 p.m.; game starts at 7. Special deal on tickets *bought in person at the gate on game day* -- buy one regular priced ticket, get the second for a toonie. Come on out and bring the kids ... rumour has it that we may even see a bishop throw the opening pitch.

## Newman Theological College

## Online Faith Formation



**BENEDICT<sup>XVI</sup>**  
Institute for New Evangelization

Registration is now open for the next cycle of classes in the the Certificate in Catholic Studies (CCS), offered by the Benedict XVI Institute for New Evangelization through Newman Theological College. The following courses will begin on **Monday, June 20**: Catholicism, Scripture, Social Justice, The Nicene Creed, Liturgy, Theology of God. All are offered online, so you can study from the comfort of home and work around your personal schedule. Each course runs five weeks and costs just \$70. Take an individual course for interest, or work toward one or all of the six specialized Certificates in Catholic Studies. This program is open to adults and youth of all backgrounds and education levels. Register online at [www.newman.edu/CCS](http://www.newman.edu/CCS). For more information, contact Michelle Maxwell at 780-392-2455 or [michelle.maxwell@newman.edu](mailto:michelle.maxwell@newman.edu).

[Download the poster »](#)

## Youth and Young Adults

### Youth Leadership Camp

Looking for a week to inspire, train, and empower youth as Catholic Leaders in your community? A group of veteran youth leaders from around the Archdiocese have teamed up with the Vocations Office to put together *Dive In*, a leadership camp that is going to focus on all of these things - a week where they will learn and practice youth ministry skills, build community among other youth leaders from across the area, increase their understanding of the Church, and strengthen their relationships with God.

This week- happening at Our Lady of Victory Camp **August 22-26, 2016** -is open to any young person 14-19 years old. For more information contact Mike Landry, camp director at [mike@thirdplaceproject.com](mailto:mike@thirdplaceproject.com) or by visit [www.divein.ca](http://www.divein.ca).

### 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/workshops>.

### Time to think about Summer Camp

Are you looking for an enriching summer experience for your kids? The Archdiocese operates two camps for young people: Our Lady of Victory Camp at Gull Lake, northwest of Red Deer, and Camp Encounter at Lac La Nonne, northwest of Edmonton. Both offer week-long summer camps for youth, combining outdoor adventure, games and crafts along with Catholic spirituality. For more information, visit <http://www.olvc.ab.ca> or [www.campencounter.com](http://www.campencounter.com).

### Invitation to Youth/YAM Coordinators

As a leader of youth and/or young adult ministry, you are invited to a very important planning meeting with youth and young adult ministry coordinators.

We will be discussing:

- The possibility of forming a group young adults from the Archdiocese of Edmonton to attend the One Rock festival August 12-14 for our World Youth Day at home.
- Leader information for the Wild West Catholic Youth Conference September 30 – October 2.
- Calendar share! Please bring your key dates for the 2016-2017 program year. In an effort to coordinate major events and increase awareness, we would like to begin planning now! If you do not have your events planned yet, come and see what will be happening so that you can save the dates for major events that you won't want to miss. This is a great opportunity to collaborate with other groups!

We are planning two dates. You can choose the one that works best and/or is closest for you:

**Friday, June 24**, at the Pastoral and Administration Offices, 8421 -101 Avenue, Edmonton, 7-8:30 p.m.

**Saturday, June 25**, at Notre Dame High School, 50 Lees Street, Red Deer, 9:30-11 a.m.

Please confirm your attendance as soon as possible by emailing [youth@caedm.ca](mailto:youth@caedm.ca) or by contacting Lisa MacQuarrie by phone (a message is fine) at 780-306-7521.

If you are not able to attend but would like more information about The Wild West Catholic Youth Conference, One Rock or to share/receive important dates for 2016-2017, please call or email your contact information to [lisa.macquarrie@caedm.ca](mailto:lisa.macquarrie@caedm.ca). Also, if you know someone who should be receiving this information but currently is not please encourage them to contact me. We look forward to hearing from you!

God bless,  
Lisa MacQuarrie,  
Coordinator

## Parish & Community News

### Yard Sale Extravaganza

Corpus Christi Parish invites you to our Yard Sale Extravaganza on **Saturday, June 18**, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 2707- 34 Street, Edmonton. Music, face painting, photo booth, food, fun, and treasures for sale by 95 vendors.

### Annual Summer Live-In Experience

The Sisters of Providence invite single women aged 18-19 years, who may be discerning a call to active religious life, to a weeklong live-in experience this summer, **August 13-19**. Contact Sister Mae Valdez, SP at 587-432-2088 or [vocdir@sistersofprovidence.ca](mailto:vocdir@sistersofprovidence.ca)

### Hymnals Available

St. Andrew Parish has approximately 150 *Glory & Praise* Hymn Books that need a new home. If interested, please contact the Parish Office at 780-451-6601 or email [StAndrew.Edm@caedm.ca](mailto:StAndrew.Edm@caedm.ca)

### Pilgrimage in St. Albert

Come and journey to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the Oblate Mission Hill, in celebration of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass at 5 p.m. on **Saturday, August 13**, and at 11 a.m. on **Sunday, August 14**, with picnic to follow.

### Music Ministry Workshop & Concert

St. Albert Parish presents Embracing Diversity, a concert and music ministry workshop led by renowned Catholic musician Jesse Manibusan on **Saturday, August 27**. Morning workshop for music ministers; barbecue lunch, afternoon workshop open to all; Mass at 5 p.m.; concert at 7 p.m. To register for one of the \$15 workshops, contact [Serena.Shaw@caedm.ca](mailto:Serena.Shaw@caedm.ca).

### House of Ephesus

Our next House of Ephesus gathering (which takes place on the fourth Saturday of each month) will be on **June 25**, on the topic "The Spirituality of Eucharistic Adoration." We meet at Corpus Christi Parish, 2707 - 34 Street, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The day includes three conferences, two breaks, luncheon, and a spiritual exercise. For more information, contact Father Matthew Hysell at [matthew.hysell@caedm.ca](mailto:matthew.hysell@caedm.ca).

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