To you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. Luke 2:11

Wishing you a safe and blessed Christmas. - Fr. Philip



God asks for tender love and interior littleness

The Pope pointed out that the challenge of Christmas is to ask whether "we can accept God's way of doing things," when our human tendency is to seek worldly grandeur. While "God lowers Himself...we try to become great," he said, recalling the birth of Jesus in the midst of the shepherds and the poor. "God does not seek power and might; He asks for tender love and interior littleness." The Pope encouraged us to ask Jesus for "the grace of littleness," by inviting Him into our daily lives, our families, our communities, so that we can offer one another the same love He shows in coming to dwell among us, to serve and unite. He added, "amid our ordinary lived experience, he wants to do extraordinary things. His is a message of immense hope." Pope Francis

Children's Christmas Quiz

- 1. What is the name of the town where Jesus was born?
- 2. Why is Christmas celebrated?
- 3. What does the star on the top of the Christmas tree signify?
- 4. Which Christmas candy celebrates the shepherds that visited Jesus?
- 5. In which modern day country was St. Nicholas born?
- 6. Name the three gifts the wise men brought to Jesus.
- 7. After leaving Bethlehem, where did Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus travel to?
- 8. Who appeared to the shepherds in the field?
- 9. What was the name of the angel who appeared to the Virgin Mary?
- 10. Why was Jesus born in a stable?

Answers:

1. Bethlehem 2. The Birth of Jesus 3. The Star of Bethlehem 4. Candy cane 5. Turkey
6. Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh 7. Egypt 8. The Angel 9. Gabriel 10. There was no room at the Inn



Mass Intentions - Assumption Parish

Sat Dec 24	8:00 pm	Christmas Eve
Sun Dec 25	9:30 am	Christmas Day
Tue Dec 27	9:00 am	NO MASS
Wed Dec 28	9:00 am	+Rita Bouchard
Sat Dec 31	5:30 pm	New Years Eve
Sun Jan 01	9:30 am	New Years Day
Tue Jan 03	9:00 am	
Wed Jan 04	9:00 am	+Pat Connell

Mass Intentions - Resurrection Parish

Sat. Dec	24	6:00 pm	Christmas Eve
Sun. Dec	25	11:00 am	Christmas Day
Thu Dec	29	9:00 am	+Judi Didechko
Fri Dec	30	9:00 am	+Michael Edmonds
Sat Dec	31	4:00 pm	New Years Eve
Sun Jan	01	11:00 am	New Years Day
Thu Jan	05	9:00 am	Eilish Macallan
Fri Jan	06	9:00 am	+Joan Stack

Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule for 2022

Christmas Eve Saturday Dec 24, 2022: 6:00pm Resurrection Parish—8:00pm Assumption Parish
Christmas Day Sunday Dec 25, 2022: 9:30am Assumption Parish—11:00am Resurrection Parish
New Years Eve Saturday Dec 31, 2022: 4:00pm Resurrection Parish—5:30pm Assumption Parish
New Years Day Sunday Jan 1, 2023: 9:30am Assumption Parish—11:00am Resurrection Parish

The parish office will be closed from noon on Friday, December 23rd—Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023

There will be <u>no</u> Mass on Tuesday December 27th at Assumption Parish 9:00am
Have a blessed Christmas and a peaceful New Year
From Father Philip and the staff of Assumption and Resurrection Parishes

Assumption-Resurrection Christmas Giving!

The Inner City Pastoral Ministry (ICPM) welcome donations for community members in need this winter. Suggested *winter wear items ONLY* are preferred in dark colours and wool fibers if possible. Items may be new or gently used; however we ask that socks and undergarments are new.

Socks (*new*), Thermal underwear/long johns (*new*), Mitts (*preferred*) or gloves, Toques, Winter jackets, Winter boots. Boxes will be available to deposit items at the entrance of both parishes.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers for the well being of our neighbours in need!

The No Room In the Inn campaign for 2022 is now under way. This year, No Room In the Inn is supporting the Canadian Mental Health Association – Edmonton Region, (CMHA-ER) which provides safe and secure housing for people living with mental illness.



Parishes contribute in different ways. Some share directly from the parish Christmas Eve collection. Some invite parishioners to contribute through a special Sunday offering. Others do a special fundraiser or make a special parish donation.

For more information on how your parish can get involved, email nrii.edm@gmail.com

REGISTER NOW

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS 2023

FIRST COMMUNION— FIRST RECONCILIATION

and CONFIRMATION

To register for either program go to arparish.ca under Parish info—Sacraments or contact the office at 780-468-4071.



Would you like to stay connected to the Archdiocese of Edmonton? Would you like to know what's going on in other parish communities, what's new in Growing in Faith, etc? Access this and more by signing up for the Archdiocese newsletter Window https://caedm.ca/window/

Live-Stream Masses and Online Events

Sunday—10:30 am with Archbishop Smith All livestream Masses and celebrations can be found on these platforms: Facebook or Youtube

Prolife Prayers

December 25 - Nativity of the Lord

Almighty God, giver of all that is good, we thank you for the gift of human life. Like Blessed Mary, who gave birth to your Son, may we always say "Yes" to your gift of life. May we defend it and promote it from conception to its natural end.

Regular tax donations

December 28th - Due to office closure and Christmas vacation, the last day for regular donations to be recorded for the 2022 Tax year will be December 28th. Regular donations received after that date will not be recorded until 2023.



The new donation envelopes are Finvelopes now available for pick up at the entrance of both Assumption and **Resurrection Parishes.**

Some numbers have changed

so look for your name only.

Winter 2023: Two faith-study sessions from St. Joseph's College, University of Alberta

Parishioners at St. Joe's have been offering faith-study sessions for many years through our Lighthouse Ministry. We're a friendly and welcoming group and invite you to join us for our New Year sessions.

Date: Monday evenings, starting on January 9, 2023. Time: 7—9pm. Format: Via Zoom. Cost: Free We have two sessions planned next term.

- 1. Forgiven: The transforming power of Confession (Jan. 9 to Feb. 6/23). This session communicates God's invitation to each of us to experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- 2. Eternal rest: The art of dying well (Feb. 13 to Mar. 13/23). This session addresses large-scale questions about death from a Catholic perspective.

If you'd like to join us for one or both of these sessions (and please do!), simply email us at stjoeslighthouse@gmail.com.

JUNIOR SERVERS MINISTRY

Have you thought about becoming a Junior Server at Resurrection Parish? We are looking for boys and girls who have received their First Holy Communion to join our Junior Servers Ministry. If you are interested please contact Arynn at oradandarynn@gmail.com



Star of the North Retreat Centre

Savings on 2023 Winter Programs

Star of the North Retreat Centre is excited to bring you a full line-up of exciting new programs in the new year.

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Office Hours

Office closed from Dec. 26th to Jan. 2nd

Monday to Friday 9:30—4:00pm

Closed Saturday and Sunday Check our website for

office hours during holidays.

REGULAR MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm Resurrection

5:30 pm Assumption

Sunday 9:30 am Assumption

> 11:00 am Resurrection 12:30 pm Assumption -

(Latin Mass)

Tue & Wed 9:00 am Assumption Thur & Fri 9:00 am Resurrection

Rosarv at Resurrection at 8:30am on Friday mornings.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - CONFESSION by appointment or before Mass Adoration each Thursday at Assumption Parish following the 5:30pm Latin Mass

If you are aware of anyone in our parishes who would appreciate a phone call and who has been unable to attend Masses, please call the parish office: 780 468-4071.

PARISH STAFF PARISH CONTACTS

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PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

FOR INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Sacrament of the Sick

Marriages

- Schedule an appointment to discuss your forthcoming marriage
- No wedding dates can be scheduled until after a meeting with the Pastor
- An approved pre-marriage course is obligatory

Baptism

First Communion

Confirmation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults—RCIA

RCIA (adapted for children) 7 years and older

(Introduction to the Catholic Faith)