4th Sunday in Lent March 19th, 2023

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.

Source: loyolapress.com



Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care

A Christian response to providing compassionate care at the end of life

Do you see a need in your family or in community to accompany and support those at the end of life? Explore new ideas and ways to be a presence of hope for those at the end of life in this four-part program developed by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Module 1 – Understanding the human experience of dying and death

Module 2 – Discerning and making decisions at the end of life

Module 3 – Accompanying those at the end of life

Module 4 – Supporting and integrating within the wider community



Choose your preferred time and method of participation:

Tuesdays, April 11-May 2

6:30-8:30 pm Online via Zoom

OR

Thursdays, April 13-May 4 1:00-3:00 pm

In-person at OLPH Parish

Presented by:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Sherwood Park



Mass Intentions - Assumption Parish

Sat	Mar	18	5:30 pm	+Fr. Mitch Fidyka
Sun	Mar	19	9:30 am	All Parishioners
Tue	Mar	21	9:00 am	+Phyllis Schafer
Wed	Mar	22	9:00 am	+Maxima Corpuz
Sat	Mar	25	5:30 pm	+Phyllis Schafer
Sun	Mar	26	9:30 am	All Parishioners
Tue	Mar	28	9:00 am	+Dianne Heuther
Wed	Mar	29	9:00 am	+James Hiltermann

Lent

Join us every Friday evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross followed by Mass

Stations at 6:30 p.m. and Mass to follow at 7:00 p.m.

Resurrection: March 24 and March 31

SPECIAL MASSES TO NOTE

Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary
Monday March 20, 2023—7:00pm
Resurrection Parish

The Monday of Holy Week
Monday April 3, 2023-9:00am
Resurrection Parish

Easter Monday

Monday April 10, 2023–7:00pm Resurrection Parish

St. Joseph the Worker

Monday May 1, 2023—7:00pm Resurrection Parish

Parish Announcements

We extend our sympathy to the families of **Nicholas Davidiuk** and **Euc lide Beaudoin** who passed away recently.

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

Mass Intentions - Resurrection Parish

	Mar Mar		4:00 pm 11:00 am	+Dana Carson All Parishioners
	Mar		9:00 am	+Loretta Senio
Fri	Mar	24	9:00 am	Alex Kondra
Sat	Mar	25	4:00 pm	Alex Kondra
Sun	Mar	26	11:00 am	All Parishioners
Thu	Mar	30	9:00 am	Brian Martin
Fri	Mar	31	9:00 am	NO MORNING MASS
Fri	Mar	31	7:00pm	Loretta Hagan

Easter Season Schedule

Lenten Penitential Service

Assumption Parish March 22, at 7:00pm

Palm Sunday:

Saturday, April 1, Resurrection 4:00pm Saturday, April 1, Assumption 5:30pm Sunday, April 2, Assumption 9:30 am Sunday, April 2, Resurrection 11:00 am

Triduum

Holy Thursday:

April 6, Resurrection 7:00 pm (No morning Mass)

Good Friday:

April 7, Resurrection 11:00 am, Assumption 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil:

April 8, Assumption 9:00 pm

Easter Sunday:

April 9, Assumption 9:30 am, Resurrection 11:00 am

Soup sale March 25/26 after all Masses

Parish Soup Sales Calling on all parishioners to please support the CWL soup project. The sales will take place after weekend masses at both parishes on March 25/26 and will resume again in the fall. CWL fundraising is distributed to many charities throughout the year.

Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Music 5:30 pm Saturday Mass at Assumption Church

Are you interested in enriching the Eucharistic Celebration? If you want to explore helping to lead the singing or perhaps can play an instrument, please contact the Parish Office or Jean Birn at780-718-4054 or jbirn@telusplanet.net

After a temporary closure due to COVID-19, it is with joy that we announce the re-opening of the Archdiocese of Edmonton's Corpus Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel, located at St. Andrew's centre. The Chapel will re-open on Thursday, March 16, starting with 9:00 AM Mass at St. Andrew's Parish. Those interested in signing up for a regular adoration time, or as an alternate or drop-in can complete this form, or contact Rosario for more information: rosariolorna.lopez@gmail.com



Finance Information

	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	YTD Totals
ASSUMPTION							
*Revenue for month	20,638	15,531					36,169
**Expenses per month	27,186	21,272					48,458
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,548)	(5,741)	0	0	0	0	(12,289)
RESURRECTION							
*Revenue for month	23,682	17,610					41,292
**Expenses per month	26,085	21,538					47,623
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,403)	(3,928)	0	0	0	0	(6,331)

^{*} Ordinary receipts only. Does not include revenue from rental, cell tower, interest, etc.



Saturday, April 1 12:30 - 4:00 Live online via Zoom

What is so special about the Eucharist? Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source" and summit" of the Christian life. In this half-day workshop, we will explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members.

To register, contact Alana at alaperle@telus.net or call/text 780-446-9009.

Presented by: Growing in Faith Together Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Sherwood Park



Prolife Reflections Sunday, March 19, 26

Many little lives are lost today through chemical abortion. Catholics can be ignorant of the great psychological and spiritual dangers this brings. We can pray and make sacrifices for vulnerable women who have newly conceived, that with faith, hope and love they choose life.

St. Gianna Molla gave up her life to uterine cancer rather than submit to surgery that could save her life but would take the life of her baby in the womb. That child lived and was later at her mother's canonization in Rome. St. Gianna, pray for pregnant mothers who are ill.



GARAGE We will hold another sale early this summer. Please save items that you no longer need or want for our sale. More information will follow at a later date.

Star of the North Retreat Centre 780-459-5511

www.starofthenorth.ca

Enlarge the Space of Your Tent - Rescuing Peter: Jesus & the Unpredictable Disciple

Bereavement Support Group

Shane Claiborne Weekend: Another World is Possible

Please contact us for these and other programs available.

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30—4:00pm Closed Saturday and Sunday

REGULAR MASS TIMES Assumption

Tuesday & Wednesday:9:00am Saturday:5:30pm Sunday:9:30am

Resurrection

Thursday & Friday: 9:00am Saturday: 4:00pm Sunday 11:00am Rosary at Resurrection at 8:30am on Friday mornings before Mass

Latin Mass (Assumption Parish) 12:30pm

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 CONTACTS PARISH STAFF

Parish Council: **Rob Taylor Business Manager and** Trish Underwood **Pastoral Assistant:** Call office Liturgy:

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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
- 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)

Deadlines for submissions to the bulletin must be submitted to ar.edm@caedm.ca by Wednesday at noon on the week a new bulletin will be issued. Thank you.