

September 29, 2019

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES



“The presence of migrants and refugees—and of vulnerable people in general—is an invitation to recover some of those essential dimensions of our Christian existence and our humanity that risk being overlooked in a prosperous society....Through works of charity, we demonstrate our faith. And the highest form of charity is that shown to those unable to reciprocate and perhaps even to thank us in return. The progress of our peoples depends above all on our openness to being touched and moved by those who knock at our door....

Compassion strikes the most sensitive chords of our humanity, releasing a vibrant urge to ‘be a neighbour’ to all those whom we see in difficulty. To be compassionate means to make room for that tenderness which today’s society so often asks us to repress. ‘Opening ourselves to others does not lead to impoverishment, but rather enrichment, because it enables us to be more human: to recognize ourselves as participants in a greater

collectivity and to understand our life as a gift for others; to see as the goal, not our own interests, but rather the good of humanity.”
Excerpts from Pope Francis’ Message for 2019 World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Parish Announcements

We wish to welcome to our parish family

Fennek McKenna

who will be baptized September 28 at Resurrection.

FAITH FORMATION: Why do we say a God exists?

Fr. Philip will continue introducing the classic rational “proofs for the existence of God”, discussing the nature of faith and the relationship between faith and reason. Three more 1-hour sessions will be held Wednesday evenings at 7 pm, Resurrection Hall. Oct 2, 9, 16 Everyone welcome!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Each fall we invite families to register their children to Prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Registration packages are now available at our churches.

First Communion/Reconciliation: children in grade 2 or older who have been Baptized.

Confirmation: children in grade 6 or older who have received First Communion.

Orientation and Registration will take place Dec 1, 2.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA) Begins Thursday, October 3rd

Assumption and Resurrection parishes welcome new members into the Catholic Church through a journey of faith education and spiritual direction. The RCIA journey is for those who are exploring and inquiring into the Catholic faith through prayer, study and discussion.

We ask all parishioners to pray for and encourage people whom God may be calling to Baptism and or Confirmation.

Please contact the parish office to register.

PARISH BULLETINS

New Bulletins will be published the following dates:

September 29

October 6

October 20

The trial period of publishing bulletins twice a month will continue until the end of December. We value your input. Please let us know what you think about bi-monthly bulletins. The bulletin is also available on-line at www.arparish.ca
Parish Office: 780-468-4071, ar.edm@caedm.ca

VOTING AS CATHOLICS

2019 FEDERAL ELECTION GUIDE: OCTOBER 21

The 2019 Federal Election Guide, prepared by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), offers a reflection on key ethical and moral issues that voters, especially Catholics, may want to consider, such as:

- * respect for life
- * concern for the weakest among us
- * religious freedom and freedom of conscience.
- * solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
- * support for families
- * funding for education, healthcare, housing
- * action on human trafficking
- * care for the environment



https://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/2019_Federal_Election_Guide.pdf

EDUCATE, REFLECT, ACT!

On **Thursday, October 3**, at 5:30 p.m. Mountain Time, the Archdiocese of Toronto will host a Federal Election Debate from a Catholic Perspective to help educate voters in advance of the October 21 vote. More than 1,000 Catholics will gather to hear candidates from the major political parties debate issues of importance to the Catholic community with thousands more watching across the country online. Moderated by veteran political journalist, Don Newman, the evening will also include reflections and prayer offered by Cardinal Thomas Collins. You can join the livestream online by visiting archtoronto.org/election. This site also has a number of resources on a variety of issues to help inform our community.

GIANNA CENTRE AT ASSUMPTION

Gianna Centre is a pro-life ministry of Catholic Social Services that offers pregnancy support and resources to women, men, and their families. Our aim is to promote live-giving options as we journey with our clients through their pregnancy and beyond. Our caring volunteers offer an array of professional services such as: doula support, fertility awareness (NFP methods), along with parenting, spiritual development 1st Aid/CPR, cooking, and financial literacy classes. We offer free baby clothing/accessories and maternity wear from generous donors! We are very much looking forward to moving into the former rectory at Assumption Parish this fall and to greet the parishioners of A/R Parishes as our new neighbors!

For more information about Gianna Centre, please feel free to contact Vera Fischer, Manager @ 780-482-5111.

Mass Intentions—Assumption Parish

Sat. Sept 28	5:30 pm	+ Anthony Huculak
Sun. Sept 29	9:30 am	All Parishioners
Tues. Oct 1	9:00 am	Maria Cynar
Wed. Oct 2	9:00 am	+ Sabrina Lauman
Fri. Oct 4	7:00 pm	+ Frank Webster

Mass Intentions—Resurrection Parish

Sat. Sept 28	4:00 pm	+ Gene Bourdet
Sun. Sept 29	11:00 am	All Parishioners
Thurs. Oct 3	9:00 am	+ Claire Gouin
Fri. Oct 4	9:00 am	+ James & Frances Wynne

HURRICANE DORIAN RELIEF IN THE BAHAMAS

The Category 5 Hurricane Dorian hit the Bahamas September 1, causing extensive damage to the islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama. Torrential rains swept away houses, buildings, and roads. More than 75,000 people were severely affected and at least 51 died. The following emergency relief will be provided in the coming days:

- * Food assistance
 - * Emergency shelters, including tarpaulins, rope and nails
 - * Blankets, sleeping mats, kitchen items and utensils
 - * Sanitary articles, soap, buckets and water cans
- For more information or to donate to Bahamas relief efforts, visit devp.org or call 1-888-664-3387.

TAIZÉ ECUMENICAL PRAYER THIS FALL

Join us for musical, meditative prayer with scripture, silence, and songs of Taizé 7-8 p.m. on the following Sundays:

October 6 Thanksgiving Prayer

Grace United, 6215 - 104 Avenue

November 17 Peace Prayer

Holyrood Mennonite, 9505 - 79 Street

December 8 Advent Prayer

Ascension Lutheran, 8405 - 83 Street

All are welcome! For more information, contact Maria at 780-440-6711. To learn more about Taizé, visit taize.fr/en.



UPCOMING RETREATS: STAR OF THE NORTH

Active Hope with Jodi Lammiman: Four Tuesday evening sessions, 7 to 9 pm, Oct. 8 to 29. Cost: \$80 for the series.

How are We Called to Live? with Sandy Prather, Thursday, Oct. 17, 9:30 am to 3 pm. Cost: \$40.

Healing Life's Hidden Addictions: A Contemplative Recovery

Retreat with Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, OMI, Friday, Oct. 25 to Saturday, Oct. 26. Live-in cost: \$150; Commuter cost: \$100.

Star of the North Retreat Centre, St. Albert

www.starofthenorth.ca, ph: 780-459-5511

CALLED TO PROTECT

Called to Protect is part of an overall initiative of the archdiocese to provide information and training to all volunteers and staff regarding the protection of vulnerable people.

All adults in ministry are required to take the training once.

If you have any questions about the training, or to register, please email Volunteer Coordinators (Carmel, Greg) at ar.volunteer@caedm.ca

Assumption & Resurrection Parishes will host **Called to Protect**:

Tuesday, October 8, 7 - 9 :30 p.m. at Resurrection

Additional dates and locations are available at www.caedm.ca

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Please join us in prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils and outreach to protect mothers and their children from abortion. Our annual 40 Days For Life fall campaign extends from September 25 to November 3. For opportunities to serve in vigil, please contact Lori at 780-425-1637 or info@edmontonprolife.org and visit 40daysforlife.com/Edmonton



LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful and public prolife witness. Edmonton Prolife invites parish groups, families and individuals to join them Sunday, October 6 from 2-3 pm. For more information, please visit info@edmontonprolife.org or call 780-425-1637.

NEWMAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Mass and Open House

We invite you to join the College community on **Wednesday, October 9**, the feast of Blessed John Henry Newman, for Mass at 11:30 a.m. in the St. Joseph Seminary Chapel (9828 - 84 Street.) Mass will be followed by an open house at Newman Theological College, in celebration of our 50th Anniversary and the upcoming canonization of our patron. Come see our new donor wall, a relic of Blessed John Henry Newman, the relocation of a beautiful mural donated by the Franciscan community, and more.

CELEBRATING NEWMAN'S CANONIZATION

Join us at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Basilica on **Saturday, October 12**, for a special *Adoremus* to mark the canonization of John Henry Newman and to venerate a relic of the new saint. *Adoremus* is a time for prayer and adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament, contemplating Holy Scripture, and an opportunity for Confession. The evening will feature a talk on Cardinal Newman by Professor Ryan Topping, vice-president and academic dean of Newman Theological College. Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION YEAR TO DATE, 2019

Parish Receipts and Expenses

	ASSUMPTION	RESURRECTION
Receipts to August 31	\$138,054	\$184,382
Expenses to August 31	\$172,614	\$229,439

Net Income	\$-34,560	\$-45,057
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Together We Serve

Together We Serve Target	\$68,500
Donations Year to Date	\$43,101 (63% of target)

All donations are gratefully received.