



May 26, 2024

**St. Stephen's, St. Anthony's, Our Lady of Fatima
Fr. Nilo Macapinlac**

Sat May 25, 2024	Confession Holy Mass	11:00 AM Olds 5:00 PM Olds
Sun May 26, 2024	Holy Mass	9:00 AM Olds 11:15AM Trochu 7:00 PM Olds
Tues May 28, 2024	Weekday Mass	6:30 PM Olds
Wed May 29, 2024	Weekday Mass	9:00 AM Olds
Fri May 31, 2024	Weekday Mass w/ Holy Trinity School	9:00 AM Olds
Sat June 1, 2024	Sacrament of First Holy Communion – Rehearsal Confession Holy Mass	9 -11AM Olds 11:00 AM Olds 5:00 PM Olds
Sun June 2, 2024	Holy Mass w/ <i>Sacrament of First Holy Communion and Procession – Corpus Christi</i>	9:00 AM Trochu 11:15 AM Olds 7:00 PM Olds

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Office Hours

Mon – Thurs 9-2:30

Friday 9-Noon

Stat Holidays - closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday – 6:30 PM

Wednesday – 9:00 AM

Friday – 9:00 AM

Saturday – 5:00 PM

Sunday – 9:00/11:15AM

Sunday - 7:00PM

**Confession every Saturday in
Olds at 11:00 AM unless
otherwise posted.**

Our Lady of Fatima – Sunde

1st Friday Mass – June 7, 2024 7PM

Marian Cenacle – Wed - 7:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary –

Friday - 10:00 AM

In case of inclement weather, the
Marian Cenacle and Chaplet may be
cancelled.

St. Anthony - Didsbury

June 8, 2024 - 2nd Sat Mass – 7PM

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER NILO

My dear friends & parishioners, People of God,

Prayerful Trinity Sunday to all of you!

The historical existence of Jesus Christ, and especially, as we have seen in recent months, his Passion, Death and Resurrection, has been lived by him in a constant dialogue with the Father of Love. His mission, we might say, was to introduce his friends, the disciples of every age, to the knowledge of he who sent him, through the constant action of the Holy Spirit (Cfr. Collect). If you do not start from this fact that is so evident in Scripture, as many assume, you cannot understand the Holy Trinity, which, even before it becomes a dogma of faith, is certainly a mystery that must be introduced. How can one know that which is impossible to define? Saint Augustine experienced this also. Immersed in the depths of his own meditations, on the shores of the Tyrrhenian Sea, he met a boy who was tenaciously trying to pour all the water of the great Mediterranean Sea into a small hole dug in the sand. Faced with the wonder of the great Saint, the boy said with a smile: "And you think you can understand how God is infinite with your mind that is so limited?" But this, which might seem a defeat for human intelligence, is actually the beginning of a new kind of knowledge; how the most beautiful flower can grow on the solid base which is human reason, exalting it and bringing it to completion: This is faith! In order to know the infinite ocean, in fact, the best thing is to let a strong push on the solid boat of Peter, which is the Church. By the action of the Holy Spirit, like a mighty wind, it knows the route to follow. The Holy Trinity is difficult to understand, but you can see it in action and above all you can live in it, since Jesus has opened the door to the kingdom of heaven. It is therefore necessary to enter "the cloud" through which God reveals himself to man, constituting him his inheritance (See Ex 34,5.9). It is the incorporation into Christ which makes possible the action of the Spirit in us: we would not know what to say if we had not received in our "hearts the Spirit of his Son, crying Abba, Father" (See the Communion Antiphon). The Truth of God, that we understand this Sunday, is therefore not primarily a philosophical abstraction to possess, but a reality of infinite Love that we are let soak in and experience, as regenerated sons in the Son, constantly turning to the Heavenly Father who wants to give us "salvation" and "eternal life" (cf. Jn 3:16-17). Let us therefore turn to the Eucharistic Bread, that soon we will receive in an "everlasting sacrifice" pleasing to the Lord (cf. Prayer over the offerings), in order that our lives may be conformed to that of Christ, and beginning to cultivate in us, "his own mind" (2 Cor 13:11). On our sacred journey with the Most Holy Trinity, let us be mindful of the needs of our sick brothers and sisters, **especially the dying and those who need the last rites of the Church whether it is day or night, please do not hesitate to contact me at 780-3521524 or 403-4156183. This is also a ministry and the Sacrament of Healing entrusted by Jesus to His Church.** *Due to changes regarding patient privacy within Alberta Health Services (AHS), if you or someone you know is admitted to the hospital, please inform those admitting staff that you are of the Catholic faith and consent to a visit from a Catholic Chaplain. It is essential that you state your Catholic religion and that you give consent for a visit from the Catholic Chaplain. You will not be able to receive a visit unless consent is given and noted on your file. If you have an upcoming surgery/procedure, you can ask your Parish Priest for the Sacrament of the Sick before being admitted to the hospital.* **May God bless you, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit!**

Yours devotedly in Christ, Fr. Nilo Macapinlac, pastor

If anyone is interested, we have a few beautiful Confirmation Cards for sale in the office. Please see Mia or Donna if you are interested. Price is as listed on the card.

YOUTH NIGHT – MAY 28, 2024 – IS CANCELLED.

Watch for news in the bulletin about the upcoming Edge Mega Night!

CALL TO PROTECT – UPCOMING TRAINING

Here are the Called to Protect Workshops scheduled for the month of June and the corresponding registration link:

*June 12, Wednesday, 1:00 pm: On-line <https://forms.gle/qjPrsd9pLSfahNht8>

*June 24, Monday, 6:30 pm: In-person session at Good Shepherd Parish, 18407 60 Avenue NW, Edmonton: <https://forms.gle/PaUFaF8rghwFwDmX7>

These sessions will be the only ones scheduled for the rest of summer months.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

FIRST COMMUNION – Rehearsal June 1 – Sacrament of First Holy Eucharist – June 2 is First Communion Sunday. There will be a short Corpus Christi Procession immediately following Mass and then a potluck celebration. The First Communion children and their families would like to extend an invitation to our parish community to please bring a dish and join in the procession and celebration."

CONFIRMATION - The Archbishop will be coming to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation with us on June 9, 2024

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – Wheelchair Fundraiser

~ Donations towards the wheelchair campaign can be submitted until Sunday June 2, 2024. Your donation helps the Parish and Knights sponsor the purchase and delivery of wheelchairs to destinations in Canada and around the Globe. Each chair costs \$195.00 and for contributions of \$20.00 or more you will receive a tax-deductible receipt. Last year, our Parishioners helped to purchase 14 wheelchairs and the Knights thank you for your generosity! If you are interested in contributing to this worthy cause, information and pledge forms are still available in the foyer. If you have any further questions, please see Paul Caves.

~ The Knights of Columbus are planning another Mundare Sausage Sale in the upcoming weeks. Watch for further information

CWL – Our Lady of Fatima – Wind up

Please join us for our Sunde CWL windup dinner on June 13th at 6pm at Boondox Restaurant. Please RSVP to Holly at 403-638-9632

MARIAN DEVOTION

A Block Rosary is a Marian devotion connected with the visit of an Icon or Statue of Mary that travels from house to house or from one family to another over a set period of time. We are looking for individuals or families who would be willing to open their homes to Mother Mary and to a weekly gathering of your friends and neighbours during which you would pray for each other, your neighborhood, our town, our country, etc. before passing the statue of Mary on to the next household. For anyone interested there is a sign-up sheet available in the foyer. If you would like more information contact

2024 Graduating Class

If you have a child who is a member of St. Stephen's or the tri parish area who will be graduating this year, please contact Mia in the office . We are planning a special Mass for the Graduates and would love to hear from you.

Congratulations and Many of God's Blessings to our Graduates in Olds and Didsbury who will be celebrating their Graduation this weekend!

PARISH LIBRARY – VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are in need of someone to join our library team. We are looking for someone to help oversee the intake of new books and manage the inventory to make sure titles are current,



People of Mission BULLETIN

content is appropriate and books are in good shape. It is a very flexible position that can work with any type of schedule. If you are interested, please see Mia or Donna in the office.

If anyone is interested in receiving the People of Mission Bulletin that comes from the Archdiocese, you can follow the link below. On the first page of the bulletin, there is a subscribe button that will guide you. In the People of Mission bulletin, you can find links to Archbishop Smith's articles and interviews, events within the Archdiocese, what's happening at different Parishes, etc.

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/FMfcgzGxStpPHCqXFQbxGsqbBQmVXGrL>

CHILDRENS COLLECTION

The **Children's Collection** has returned to St. Stephen's.

All money raised through this ongoing collection will go THE POWER OF PLAY. This organization was founded in 2017 and its mission is to support every child's right to learn and develop through the power of play by creating a safe, loving and fun environment that allows children to do what they do best – Play! It has built over 34 sustainable playgrounds in 8 countries. Thus, providing over 27,000 children that have experienced extreme levels of stress and hardship, such as refugees, victims of human trafficking, victims of gender-based violence, orphans and others, with the opportunity to rediscover their childhood and heal through play.

TRAINING KIDS TO BE CHAMPIONS FOR CHRIST

This year's VBS program is Cat-Chat's: Cathletics and is an Olympic/Sports-themed program where kids will be inspired to set GOALS and AIM for a commitment to excellence in their Catholic faith.

Cathletics VBS will focus on TRAINING kids in the Word of God with teaching on:

The Greatest Commandments, 10 Commandments, Beatitudes, Fruits of the Spirit, and Evangelization.

Date: July 29 – August 2 **Y** 9:00 to Noon

Cost: \$25.00 for one child or \$40.00 per family (two or more children)

Registration Forms are available in the foyer

Are you interested in helping with:

◆ Faith Lessons ◆ Music ◆ Crafts ◆ Snacks ◆ Games ◆ Skits

Please contact Donna in the parish office at 404-556-3084 ext. #4

