



*May 29, 2022*  
*Father Nilo Macapinlac*

Sat May 28, 2022	Confession Holy Mass	11:00 AM Olds 5:00 PM Olds
Sun May 29, 2022	Holy Mass	9:00 AM Trochu 11:15 AM Olds 7:00 PM Olds
Mon May 30, 2022	Divine Mercy Chaplet - Weekly	9:00 AM Olds
Tues May 31, 2022	Weekday Mass	6:30 PM Olds
Wed June 1, 2022	Weekday Mass	9:00 AM Olds
Friday June 3, 2022	Weekday Mass	9:00 AM
Sat June 4, 2022	Confession Holy Mass	11:00 AM 5:00 PM Olds
Sun June 5, 2022	Holy Mass	9:00 AM Trochu 11:15 AM Olds 7:00 PM Olds

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**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.**

**Our Lady of Fatima - Sunde**  
 OLF celebrates a monthly Mass on  
 the first Friday of every month.  
  
**OLF Weekly Schedule**  
 June 3, 2022 First Friday Mass  
 Every Friday – Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 & Rosary – 10:00 AM  
  
**St. Anthony**  
 June 11th – 7 PM – Holy Mass

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER NILO

Dear friends in Christ,

Alleluia to the Lord who ascends to the heights of heaven! On this Feast of the Ascension, we celebrate Christ's triumphant return to the Father after perfectly accomplishing His mission on earth. But we also can also view this Feast as a celebration of the "launch day" of our commissioning as Christ's disciples. Both the First Reading and today's Gospel draw our attention to the clear instructions that Jesus gave His disciples just before ascending to the Father. In the First Reading, from Acts, He tells them (and us) "you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Then in the Gospel, from Luke, we read, "Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things." Embracing a stewardship way of life, with its emphasis on the use of time, talent, and treasure, helps us to live in such a way that our very lives speak as a witness of the Good News of the Gospel. While we take time to reflect and renew our commitments in these three areas annually as a parish family, it is of great benefit to take some time individually throughout the year to take stock of the commitments we have made — looking at both our strengths and our need for continued growth in each area. In the use of Time, we can ask ourselves if we are keeping the particular prayer commitments we have made. If so, have I noticed a deepened closeness to our Lord and an increase in virtue in my daily life? Perhaps I have let one or two of my "holy habits" go by the wayside. Then simply re-commit to them. Or maybe my prayer commitments have become routine and I could carry them out more intentionally once again. Maybe my schedule has changed and I need to establish a new time to pray. In the use of Talent, have I stayed faithful to the ministry commitments I made? How is my attitude towards serving? Am I joyful and humble about the work I am doing? How has my serving of others changed and blessed me? Finally, let's take a look at our use of Treasure. Have I been generous in my financial giving? If so, have I noticed a deepening trust in God's care for me? Have I become a little more detached from the pull of materialism that surrounds us all in this day and age? A stewardship way of life is challenging because it is counter-cultural to put God and others before ourselves. But that is precisely why this way of life is such a powerful witness to the message of the Gospel. And we can embrace this way of life with great confidence and joy because we are not expected to do this on our own. Our Gospel passage today tells us we are "clothed with power from on high." Whether it is as small a detail as finding a new prayer time, or as big as changing career paths to be more available to loved ones, we have the power of the Holy Spirit to show us the way, On this Feast of the Ascension, take the time to celebrate your victories as Christ's disciples and renew your commitment to remain faithful to Him and the unique mission He has entrusted to you! Thank you for your prayers for all the priests who just finished our Annual Assembly in Jasper. Blessings!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Nilo Macapinlac, pastor

**Just a quick reminder as your summer plans are starting to fall into place, that the Parish offers Automatic Contribution via Credit Card, Chequing and even through E-transfer. E transfers can be sent to [ststephen102@gmail.com](mailto:ststephen102@gmail.com) and forms are available in the office to set up Automatic Contributions – just see Mia.**



## SOCIAL JUSTICE – PARISH DINNER

*Social Justice Presents A Parish Dinner In Support Of  
Father Adam Daniluk's Parish -Saint Augustine in  
Rozanka, Poland  
in Aid Of Ukrainian Refugees*

June 25, 2022

6:00 PM

Parish Hall

Traditional Ukrainian Dinner by Ex-Granny Jack's Catering

Guest Speaker on Ukrainian History and Present Crisis

\$25 per person

Table of 6 or 8 available

Tickets available after Masses and at Parish office

Donations are welcome - please see Parish office.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Becoming a member:** For any Catholic man, 18 years of age or older, looking to join the local Knights of Columbus and help us put our Faith in Action please contact our Membership Director Brother Dan Killoran at 403-415-5627 or by email at: [dankilloran0521@gmail.com](mailto:dankilloran0521@gmail.com)

**Financial Presentations:** The second presentation; *The 4 Ways Prudent Business Owners, Farmers & Professionals Use Life Insurance* will be on Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. please join us for short (30 to 40 minutes) but informative financial seminars. These online presentations are led by best-selling author and Life Insurance Educator, Jim Ruta. Here is the registration information:

Click <https://tinyurl.com/RutaJune16> to register. Thanks for your participation

## LAST CHANCE – DIDSBURY CWL – SCHOLARSHIP

LAST CHANCE TO SUBMIT

St. Anthony's Catholic Women's League of Didsbury would like to offer our **2022 Scholarship** to the Grade 12 students. The deadline for the application is May 31<sup>st</sup>. Included in your application will be an essay and 2 reference letters. Please see the attached document with the bulletin for specific details for the submission process. Good luck to all our graduates and many thanks to our St. Anthony's CWL for this generous scholarship.

## SUNDRE CWL

Please join the Sundre CWL for a Year End Dinner and Service Award Presentation on June 1st at 6pm at Piros Restaurant. Please RSVP to Holly at 404-638-5717.

## CALL TO PROTECT TRAINING

On **Friday June 17, 2022 from 1 pm to 3:30 pm** there will be a Called to Protect training session. This is a requirement for all volunteers. The workshop will take place over Zoom. It will be approximately 2.5 hours long. Please share this with your fellow volunteers in your ministries. Here's the link for the **Registration:** <https://forms.gle/htZYnoyqBzFSK77F6>

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY & VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our Children's Liturgy Program will run until the end of June. This program is for preschool aged children to participate in during Sunday Morning Mass. No need to register, but if you have any questions, please call Theresa at 403-559-6843

**SAVE THE DATE!** Vacation Bible School will be held this summer from July 18-22. We are looking for volunteers for our main stations (Faith, Games, Crafts, Snack, Music, Decorations, and organizing the Final Fun Day). These positions are absolutely essential and we will not be able to run the program without these positions filled. This is a wonderful week to offer our children full of fun and growing in faith with friends! Please join us in giving the children of our parish this amazing opportunity! There is a sign-up sheet on the catechism table or call/text Theresa at 403-559-6843.

## ST STEPHEN'S YOUTH – Upcoming events

**June 17<sup>th</sup> - Holy Trinity School – Live Action Crusades** - from 7:00-9:00. Join Peter for live action Crusades. More details to follow.

## PASTORAL CARE

### **ATTENTION: HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED, SHUT-IN PARISHIONERS**

Our team of Pastoral Visitors will resume bringing Holy Communion to parishioners who are permanently or temporarily unable to attend mass. We will observe all COVID regulations, so if the facility you are in is in lockdown, we would not be able to visit until restrictions are lifted.

If you or one of your family members would like to receive these regular visits, please contact: Theresa Coupal: [coups2@oldsnet.ca](mailto:coups2@oldsnet.ca) or text/call 403-556-6566.

Donna Litwin, Pastoral Assistant, Parish Office: 403-556-3084 extension 4

Please provide telephone number, address (if living at home), or room number and name of facility you or your family member is in. We are planning to commence visitation the week of May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Pastoral Ministers needed-** The role of a volunteer minister of pastoral care is to provide spiritual support to the sick and shut-in either in an institution or private home.

Since the beginning of COVID we have been unable to provide this service to our shut-in/ill parishioners. We have permission to resume this ministry and plan to do so early in May.

If you are interested in being part of this ministry, please contact: Theresa Coupal [coups2@oldsnet.ca](mailto:coups2@oldsnet.ca) or text/call 403-556-6566. Training will be provided as required. It is anticipated that new ministers would start in September, 2022.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND POTLUCK

Come one, come all to our St. Stephen's Annual General Meeting on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> following the 5 p.m. Mass and **POTLUCK**. Bring a dish to share! Come for fellowship and support our Parish Council. A handful of reports have been printed for our Parishioners to review, you will also have received the AGM reports via email.

