






June 13, 2021
Father Nilo Macapinlac

Sat June 12, 2021	Confession – Olds - Holy Mass – In Person	 SACRAMENTAL MASS	11:00 AM 5:00 PM – In person + Live stream
Sun June 13, 2021	Holy Mass – In person		9:00 AM – In Person
Tues June 15, 2021	Holy Mass - LIVESTREAM**		6:00 PM – Olds (Live stream)
Thurs June 17, 2021	Holy Mass – In Person	 SACRAMENTAL MASS	6:00 PM – Olds- (Live stream)
Fri June 18, 2021	Holy Mass – In Person	 SACRAMENTAL MASS	9:00 AM – Olds- (Live stream)
Sat June 19, 2021	Confession – Olds Holy Mass – In Person	 SACRAMENTAL MASS	11:00 AM 5:00 PM – In person

NEW ANNOUNCEMENT

In response to the new AHS updates of June 10, 2021 and directive from the Archdiocese of Edmonton, St. Stephen's will resume our In Person Mass Schedule with an increased capacity of 139 people. We will continue to Live During the upcoming months, we will be celebrating the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation during both weekday and Weekend Masses as seen on the schedule. Thank you for helping us celebrate our Candidates of First Communion and Confirmation.

PASTORAL / OFFICE STAFF

Pastor – Father Nilo Macapinlac
 Deacon – Charles Johnston – Retired
 Pastoral Ass't – Donna Litwin
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 Facebook – St Stephen's Catholic
 Be sure to follow our Youth group
 @st.stephens_youth_ on Instagram
 Office Hours 9-2pm

Sacramental Prep

1st Communion

If you haven't already booked a Mass with Donna in the office, please so do immediately.
 403-556-3084 Ext 4

Please pay office for resource material if you haven't done so already via etransfer to the office – ststephen102@gmail.com.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes are completed. Our candidates will be celebrating during scheduled Masses throughout May, June and July. We invite you to keep them in your prayers.

If you haven't scheduled a Mass with Donna in the office, please do so immediately. We recommend that you find time to attend Confession on Saturday morning at 11:00 with your Confirmation Candidate.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER NILO

My dear People of God,

Grace and peace to you on this eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time!

Let us live our lives worthy of our calling, "We walk by faith and not by sight" as St. Paul commended us to do. We have stated previously that St. Paul had a way with words. He was able to take a very complex concept and summarize it in a few words and phrases. In today's Second Reading from Second Corinthians, Paul says simply, "...we walk by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5: 7) That statement by Paul has inspired hymns and treatises. Yet, it is in reality what we are all about as Catholics and Christians. There is no question that it is one of the most difficult notions for us as Catholics and Christians to grasp and accept. The word translated as "walk" can also be translated as "live." Thus, we could say "We live by faith, and not by sight." This was a popular and consistent theme for St. Paul, his point being that we need to build our lives around the eternal prospects, not those of this world. In this society "things" seem so important to us. However, the truth is that they have no eternal significance. That is an ongoing message in the concept of stewardship — basically who we are and how we live is more important than what we own and what we may appear to be. That can be tough for us. The late Billy Graham, who died few years ago, was fond of saying, "My home is in Heaven. I am just traveling through this world." St. Paul would agree with that attitude. As we journey together to get out from this darkest tunnel brought by corona virus, it is the light of faith which shines forth in the midst of darkness. Even though our faith as size of the mustard seed is still important but we are also challenged to grow. How it will grow if we do not nourish and cultivate it? May Christ who is the light of the world will constantly shine that we may not stumble along our way to get out from the said dangerous tunnel. Let His Holy Spirit ushers us to escape from this troubled times brought by pandemic. Faith is an essential theological virtue on this earthly journey. We are fragile and yet we draw strength from Christ through His Sacraments. Thus, **"For without faith it is impossible to please God."** (Hebrews 11:6) God bless you richly with faith that abounds to eternal life!

In Christ, the Lord; Fr. Nilo Macapinlac, pastor



For we walk by faith, not by sight

2 Corinthians 5:7

ST. JOSEPH'S CORNER – The Year of St. Joseph – Dec 8 2020 – Dec 8 – 2021

My dear devotees & friends of St. Joseph,

St. Joseph is the patron of laborers, peasants, carpenters, builders or workers in general. He is known as St. Joseph the Worker whom we honor on every May first as his feast day we commemorate. It is very significant and very relevant in this time of pandemic that so many are having hardship financially and facing difficulty in finding job or livelihood to support the basic necessities of life. God Himself has entrusted to St. Joseph the material needs of the Holy Child Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary of Nazareth as we contemplate the birth, childhood and the "Hidden Life of Christ." St. Joseph was not only a good steward of this household but the bread winner. Here, God has given us the great model and intercessor on this unprecedented time. St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us. ~Father Nilo

GRADUATION MASS – 2021

There will be a Graduation Mass celebrating our Graduates of 2021 on Sunday June 27th @ 5 PM. If you are a member of our Tri Parish Community of St. Stephen's, St. Anne's in Didsbury or Our Lady of Fatima in Sundre and you have a child who is a graduate of 2021 who would like to attend this special Mass, we ask you to **RSVP** prior to Sunday June 20th to Maria – 403-556-5733. Grads are encouraged to wear their Graduation dresses and suits – a chance to dress in your beautiful dresses and debonair suits one more time.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

St. Stephen's is recruiting CWL members to join our present 70 members to take part in the exciting changes & strategic plans in motion over the next 2 years. There is so much to learn from this group of over 8000 women nationwide. Are you interested in becoming a part of a spiritual, faithful, & active group of local women? If you would like to join or find out more, please contact one of us. Laurel Arvay @403 556-2360 or Joanne Fewster @403 791 1186. Thank you!

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 Richard Bodnar (403-559-9885) skrbodnar@live.ca **Vivat Jesus!**

IN PERSON MASS

Our regular Mass Schedule is in effect, including Thursday evening Mass at 6 pm and Friday morning Mass at 9, Saturday evening at 5 pm with our rotating schedule on Sundays.

As per the most recent AHS guidelines, we will be limited to a maximum capacity of 63 people.

We will follow the first come first serve model. We apologize in advance for anyone that is unable to enter after we have hit our maximum capacity. We will continue to live stream the Holy Mass on Saturday's at 5 pm. This can be found on our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Stephens-Catholic-Parish-Olds-Alberta-462780227491104>

If you haven't already done so, you can sign up online, this does not guarantee a place in Mass, however, it does help expedite the process upon your arrival.

Here is the

link https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4wilf9RyeSizsqIVQ5jUUP7MacMFEIEWUXGs_gtb2pBBJrA/viewform?usp=f_link

EVERY CHILD MATTERS

Please visit the Archdiocese website and Facebook page in addition to St. Stephen's Facebook page to find links and listings of faith events that are scheduled to remember the 215 Indigenous Children of the former Kamloops Residential School. We hold these children in our hearts and prayers. Members of our community have dropped off Teddy Bears and shoes to remember these little ones.

VIDEOGRAPHER(S) NEEDED

We are hoping to build our team of Videographers as we continue with Livestream Mass on Saturday evening. All willing and capable candidate will be trained in their new role. Thank you in advance for joining our team. 😊

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES – PRAYER WARRIORS

If you have been praying for one of our First Communion Candidates and would like to present them with a card (with or without a token), you can drop it off to the office and we will make sure they receive it. The First Communion candidates will celebrate throughout Masses in May, June and July.

The list of young people below will celebrate their Sacraments in the month of **June**. Please include them in your prayers.

First Communion Candidates

Eli Robertson
Ryder Armstrong
Emma Gonzalez
Michaela Del Mar
Sean Capili
Brady Andrusiak
Xander Casabuena

Confirmation Candidates

Sepreina Playford
Lily Westman
Andre Bombasi
Adrian Jabonero
Yuan Capili
Iris Bugaoisan
Cash Lesiuk
Sam Andrew
Bryson Longmuir
Jude Cartin
Julianna Cartin
Ella Leischner
Reed MacDonald
Aidan Knobben

Congratulations and God Bless!

