# Office of Ecumenism & Interfaith Relations ...

A Rare Opportunity: In a spirit of Christian brotherhood, Catholics in the Archdiocese of Edmonton and the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton have been invited to join their Orthodox brothers and sisters in veneration of a famous icon that will be shown in the city as part of an international tour. The Pochaev icon of the Mother of God is one of the most venerated by Orthodox Christians in Eastern Europe. Permanently housed in the Pochaev Monastery of the Dormition of the Theotokos in southwest Ukraine, the icon is widely renowned for healings of the sick and other miracles. The icon depicts the Virgin Mary tenderly inclining her head toward her infant Son, whom she holds on her right hand. Both Archbishop Richard Smith and Bishop David Motiuk are encouraging Catholics to take advantage of this "chance of a lifetime" to see and venerate the icon. Two public prayer services are planned, at 7 p.m. on Monday, October 5, and Tuesday, October 6, at St Herman of Alaska Orthodox Sobor, 9930-167 Street.

# **Cenacle with Father Guimond:**

Father Ray Guimond will hold a Cenacle at St. Andrew Parish, 12810 -111Avenue, Edmonton, on **Friday, October 9**, beginning with the Rosary at 7 p.m. followed by Mass and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Potluck refreshments served afterwards. For more info phone Elizabeth at 780-452- 1471.

# Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary <u>Time • September 27</u>

St. James offers a warning for the rich in today's second reading. What does it mean to be rich? If you are rich enough to have a bank account, you are better off than the 70 percent of people on earth who don't. We are all rich compared to most people in the world. Being rich is not in itself a problem. When we do not freely share what we have been given, when we cling to our money or feel a sense of entitlement, that's when we have a problem. Good stewards are grateful to be richly blessed with a job, a warm bed at night and their many possessions.

# Office of Youth & YAM ... Thinking about World Youth Day in Madrid 2011?

Have you started planning? The Office of Youth & YAM is planning a WYD 2011 information evening for group leaders and individuals who are interested in making this pilgrimage to Spain in 2011. Join us **Tuesday**, **September 29**, at 7 p.m., in the Catholic Pastoral Centre Assembly Hall, 8421-101 Avenue. Contact Andrew at yam@caedm.ca for more information.

### Annual Catholic Youth Rally:

Our annual rally is set for **Saturday, October 17** at Archbishop O'Leary High School, 8760-132 Avenue, Edmonton. We are pleased to welcome Fr. John Gerth, who will lead us through a day reflecting on the question Jesus asked his disciples:"What is it you want me to do for you?" (Mark 10:36.) Registration information is now posted online at www.caedm.ca/youth-yam/newsletter



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Parish Newsletter 堂區通訊

『倘若你的手使你跌倒,砍掉它!倘若你的眼使你跌倒,剜出它!』

二零零九年九月二十七日 September 27, 2009 常年期第廿六主日

戶 Nm 11:25-29; 雅 Jas 5:1-6; 谷 Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48 總結出以下三點作爲本周的生活反省:

# (一) 天主無條件揀選我們去爲他的子民服務

天主對我們的揀選,經常是一份恩典,也是一個奧迹。他揀選我們不是因爲我們比其他 人聖善或能幹。當天主揀選我們去爲他及他的子民服務時,我們不要問是否配得上,因 爲在現實中沒有人配得上因了自己的聖善而爲天主服務。我們應當反躬自問,自己是否 願意接受這邀請,并在任何的環境狀況中去忠信地活出這份召叫。

## (二)我們被召叫去光榮天主,而不是做一個成功人士

天主不會召叫我們去做超乎我們能力的事。即便有時看起來一些事情是超乎我們能力所 及,我們不要忘了天主的恩寵會伴隨我們,幫助我們去完成任務。很多時候,天主不看 事情的結果如何。如果我們忠于我們的召叫,那就是我們代表天主的臨在,天主的光榮 就在那一刻被彰顯。

### (三)爲我們的兄弟姐妹活出天主的慈悲

今年普世教會慶祝司鐸禧年,司鐸們被提醒要有基督善牧的心懷爲天主的子民服務。主 耶穌今天對門徒們所提出的警告,可以讓司鐸們更好地反省,我們以什麽態度去服務 '最小的兄弟姐妹'。司鐸們的言行舉止是否令'最小的兄弟姐妹'和主耶穌以及他的 教會保持距離呢?司鐸們要牢記,要爲這些基督的'最小兄弟姐妹'活出那份無條件的 接納,諄諄善誘,勇敢的犧牲以及愛的服務。

取錄自梵諦岡廣播電台

# 聖母玫瑰月

十月為特別恭敬聖母玫瑰月,本堂區在十 月中每一台彌撒前二十分鐘,頌念玫瑰經。 請大家踴躍參與。

# 十月份特別彌撒

十月一日〔星期四〕 〔司鐸日〕可獲得全大赦,早上彌撒時為 十一時正。 十月二日〔星期五〕 〔首膽禮六〕上午十時三十分明供聖体,

### 隨後敬禮耶穌聖心彌撒。

十月三日,〔星期六〕 是中秋節,本堂在上午十一時會舉行彌撒 聖祭。

# 主日茶座〔慶祝中秋節〕

在十月四日再爲大家服務。 餐單:1) 意式雞絲茄汁飯 2) 牛肉烏冬湯麵

每款\$6.50

餐券在每台彌撒後發售。

# 羽毛球學習班

2009-2010 堂區青少年羽毛球學習班將於十 月十一日(星期日)開班,時間為下午十二時 三十分至二時三十分時, 共14堂, 費用 〔教友〕 \$70,(非教友)\$84,歡迎 8-18歲青 少年參加,名額有限,先到先得,請向詢問 處報名。

常年期	第二十六週讀經	<u>《、福音章節</u>
26 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year Daily Reading		
主日 S	戶 Nm 11:25-29;	雅 Jas 5:1-6;
	谷 Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48	
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二 T	達 Dn 7:9-10,13-14;	若 Jn 1:47-51
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匹 T	依 Is 66:10-14;	瑪 Mt 18:1-5
五F	出 Ex 23:20-23;	瑪 Mt 18:1-5,10
六S	巴 Bar 4:5-12,27-29;	;路 Lk 10:17-24

#### Sunday Collection 主日彌撒捐獻 二零零九年九月十九及廿日 September 19 & 20, 2009 主日捐獻 Sunday Collection \$ 2.351.25 特別指獻 **Special Offering** \$ 30.00 澴款基金 Loan Repayment Fund \$ 100.00 維修捐獻 30.00 **Roof Renovation**

# 瓶罐運動

最近一次堂區收集瓶罐運動,多蒙教友合 作,慷慨捐助,共籌得善款\$546.30,僅此 **嗚謝,堂區將運用這筆款項,作為主日學** 與少青活動經費。

### **Special Eucharistic celebration on the** following weekdays:-

Thursday, Oct 1, for the priests, Mass at 11:00 a.m. Indulgence will be granted for those who attend.

Friday, Oct 2, the first Friday of the month, special dedication to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Explosion of the Eucharist is at 10:30 a.m. and Eucharistic Liturgy at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct 3, Mid-Autumn Festival, Mass is at 11:00 a.m.

# Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, November 15-24, 2009

Our faith journey today results from events that took place in Nazareth, Cana, the Jordan River, Jericho, the Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, the Mount of the Beatitudes, Mount Tabor, the site of the Transfiguration, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, Judea, Bethlehem, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Upper Room, and the Via Dolorosa where Jesus carried his cross. Join us in these places to remember, reflect and respect in preparation for Advent. Spiritual Director: Fr. Patrick Baska. Tour Guide-Faith Journeys: Kitty McGilly. Cost \$3,723. Book your spot today! For more information, contact Adele & Alphonse Moster 780-473-1757 or Dianne Bennett 780-474-4034/

## Sunday Café (Moon Festival)

Will be in service again on Sunday, October 4. The menu is

- Chicken Italian Tomato Sauce on Rice. A)
- B) Teriyaki Beef Udon Noodle with soup.

Each cost is \$6.50 Tickets are available after each mass.

# Rosary

October is the month devoted to our Lady of the rosary. In her honor, we will pray the Rosary 20 minutes before the three Sunday Masses. Please come and join us.

### **Conscience and the Good of Society**

Should a Muslim hospital worker be compelled to shave his beard to accommodate a protective mask during a flu outbreak?

Should Pentecostal marriage commissioners be able to refuse to marry same-sex couples? Should they be compelled to refer the couple to someone who will marry them?

Should a Catholic pharmacist be able to refuse to dispense the morning-after pill?

Should a doctor be able to refuse to refer a patient who seeks an abortion?

These are the kinds of questions that will be addressed at a one-day symposium titled "Conscience and the Good of Society" on Tuesday, October 6, at Providence Renewal Centre, 3005 - 119 Street, Edmonton.

This symposium, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Edmonton and Covenant Health in partnership with the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute and the Catholic Civil Rights League, will explore how the formation and exercise of conscience are moral imperatives of every helping professional. It will be of special relevance for health care professionals, lawyers, educators, civil officials, and anyone interested in human rights policy.

Conference fee \$125. Download the conference Brochure and Registration PDF at

www.caedm.ca/conscience or for more information call Gloria or Sandra at 780-469-1010.