

Men's Retreat

January 21-23, 2011

St. Theresa's Parish,
7508 - 29 Avenue

All men are warmly invited to attend a Men's Prayer Warriors Retreat. Sponsored by the St. Peter's Council Knights of Columbus, this retreat will focus on the spirituality of St. Joseph. For more information, please contact Lyle Thorne at 780-463-8646.

Stewardship

January 9th – Baptism of the Lord

Stewardship – Faith on Fire, Hearts & Minds Transformed

We all share in the baptismal priesthood. The 2nd Vatican Council... *“The laity derive the right and duty to the apostolate from their union with Christ the head; incorporated into Christ's Mystical Body through **Baptism** and strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit through Confirmation, they are assigned to the apostolate by the Lord Himself. They are consecrated for the royal priesthood and the holy people (cf. 1 Peter 2:4-10) not only that they may offer spiritual sacrifices in everything they do but also that they may witness to Christ throughout the world”* DECREE ON THE APOSTOLATE OF THE LAITY (3). Stewardship is rooted in our baptism. How are you using your gifts in response to your baptismal call?

Pastoral Care Visitor Training in Camrose

Pastoral care visitors make present God's love and the Church's care by providing companionship, understanding, compassion, and kindness. “Bringing Communion to the Sick” is a free workshop intended for trained Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who bring Communion to the sick and homebound in their homes or in hospitals and other care facilities. The workshop, presented by Rose Marie Fowler, will offer a deeper and fuller understanding of the sacraments, with particular emphasis on the Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The workshop will be held at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 5010 – 48 A Avenue, Camrose, on **Saturday, January 15**, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. To register for this free two-hour workshop, please contact Gloria in the Office of Pastoral Care and Life Initiatives at 780-469-1010 ext. 2247 or gpigat@caedm.ca

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2011

Sunday, January 23, at 7 pm
Hosanna Lutheran Church,
9009 - 163 Street, Edmonton

Mark your calendar for a Service of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme is "One in the apostles' teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer." (Acts 2:42-47). Plans are also under way for presenting noon-hour sessions marking the week at five different downtown locations. More details to follow.



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二零一一年一月九日 January 9, 2011

主受洗節 **Baptism of The Lord**

『這是我的愛子，我所喜悅的。』

今天的三篇經文幫助我們深一層地反省我們領過洗禮的基督徒的生活與使命：

(一) 放下我們的野心，接納天主賦予的使命

每一個人在領受聖洗聖事成為基督徒時，都宣認自己的有限和有罪。主耶穌的洗禮也讓我們想起我們個人領受的聖洗，我們在受洗時也得到了天父的肯定和接納，成了他的愛子愛女，也同時領受了聖神的恩寵。我們該學習耶穌基督，意識到今生的使命是為完成天父的旨意，而不是為滿足自己的野心。基督徒該謙遜地聆聽基督的教誨，學習他身為天主僕人的榜樣，忠信地為天國的來臨而奮鬥。

(二) 基督是上主受苦的僕人，我們也不例外

從瑪竇福音對主耶穌受洗的記述來看，那個來自上天的聲音像是在向大家宣示，主耶穌就是天主的聖子，是受苦的僕人。那來自天上的聲音和今天讀經一中上主僕人詩歌的開始有些雷同。瑪竇（十二章 18—21）後來引用了整段的上主僕人詩歌來指出主耶穌就是這位受苦的僕人。基督為了愛我們而受了很多苦。既然所有的基督徒都是願意跟隨主耶穌背十字架的人，我們就該當願意為愛主及愛其他兄弟姐妹而受苦，我們也應當隨時準備好為天主和愛而受苦。

(三) 我們不憑自己的能力來完成天主所賦予的使命

主耶穌貴為天主子，並沒有在這塵世中單打獨鬥，而是靠著天父對他的愛和聖神賦予他的大能來開展他的使命。當天主賦予我們他的使命時，絕對不會讓我們孤立無援，來自他源源不斷的恩寵會支持我們，使我們在軟弱時彰顯他的大能。儘管我們意識到自己的軟弱和有限，但是天主不會遺棄我們，就如他曾許諾的，他會時時與我們在一起，使我們藉著他的恩寵而彰顯他的大能。

常年期第一週讀經、福音章節 1st Week of the Year Daily Reading

主日 S 依 Is 42:1-4,6-7;
宗 Acts 10:34-38;
瑪 Mt 3:13-17

一 M 希 Heb 1:1-6; 谷 Mk 1:14-20

二 T 希 Heb 2:5-12; 谷 Mk 1:21-28

三 W 希 Heb 2:14-18; 谷 Mk 1:29-39

四 T 希 Heb 3:7-14; 谷 Mk 1:40-45

五 F 希 Heb 4:1-5,11; 谷 Mk 2:1-12

六 S 希 Heb 4:12-16; 谷 Mk 2:13-17

製作賀年食品招募義工

誠邀堂區有興趣參與的兄弟姊妹，慷慨協助在本堂廚房特製賀年食品，日期如下：

油炸食品： 10日(星期一)、
11日(星期二)

年糕： 2011年1月12、13日
(星期三及星期四)

蘿蔔糕： 2011年1月20、21日
(星期四及星期五)及
1月24、25、26日
(星期一至星期三)

每日工作由上午九時半至下午五時，時間任擇，長短均可。如該日遇上天氣惡劣，需要改期及有任何查詢，請與葉麗珊

聖地將於 1 月 23 至 30 日舉行促進基督信徒合一祈禱周

(梵蒂岡電臺訊)在耶路撒冷將從 1 月 23 日至 30 日舉行促進基督信徒合一祈禱周，比世界其它地區晚了幾天，這是因為聖地遵循儒略曆，尤其為亞美尼亞禮的信徒來說，主顯節也包括對耶穌誕生的慶祝。在祈禱周中，天主教希臘-梅爾基塔禮、亞美尼亞禮、東正教、路德教會、天主教拉丁禮、西羅-東正教會、埃塞俄比亞東正教會和聖公會的教堂中將舉行大公祈禱活動。聖地方濟各會守護人告訴亞洲新聞社，他們將在紀念基督最後晚餐的聖所，晚餐廳內舉行祈禱活動，另一項拉丁禮的祈禱活動將在救主堂舉行。此外，1 月 22 日，希臘東正教的隱修士們將在加爾瓦略山上舉行晚禱，這個地方位于目前的聖墓大殿內，希臘禮信徒則稱這座大殿為復活大殿。今年基督信徒合一祈禱周的主題是：“在宗徒們的訓誨、兄弟共融、掰餅和祈禱中合一。”事實上，耶路撒冷的各基督信仰教會從未像今天這樣如此迫切要求全球弟兄“記住他們和他們沒有安全的處境，為聖地獲得正義與和平祈禱。”

主日彌撒捐獻 Sunday Collection

二零一一年一月一、二日
January 1 & 2, 2011

主日捐獻 Sunday Collection	\$5,603.55
還款基金 Loan Repayment Fund	\$1,744.00
特別捐獻 Special Offering	\$ 105.00
其他捐獻 Other Offering	\$ 514.95
維修捐獻 Maintenance	\$1,000.00

Christian Display at Edmonton City Hall

As part of the ongoing Celebrating Our Faiths program co-sponsored by the City of Edmonton and the Edmonton Interfaith Centre for Education and Action, the Edmonton and District Council of Churches is proud to organize the 2011 Christian display at the Edmonton City Hall. This year's display highlights the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

For over 100 years, Christians throughout the world have marked a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Traditionally held between January 18 (Feast of St. Peter's Chair) and January 25 (Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul), the Week of Prayer celebrates the great ecumenical movement among Christians today to overcome the divisions that have marked so much of church history. Activities of common prayer and witness, education and cooperation are typically organized throughout the month of January in preparation for, during, and immediately following the Week of Prayer.

All parishioners are invited to attend a celebration event launching the Christian display in the City Room of Edmonton City Hall at 6:45 p.m. on **Monday, January 10**. The evening will feature musical entertainment by the Willan Chorale of Edmonton, a brief program of greetings and fellowship, an orientation to items on display and to local Week of Prayer activities being planned in the Edmonton area. This is a public event and everyone is most welcome to attend. The Christian display will be available to view until January 30.

Our Lady of Mercy World Youth Day Camp

Ski or board at Rabbit Hill! Enjoy an evening at Rabbit Hill with Friends and family on Saturday January 29, 2011 from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m. Our World Youth Day group has rented the hill and is offering tickets (which include) ski or board rental, a lift pass and a lesson for only \$25. There are a limited amount of tickets available and the hill will be closed to the public. To reserve your tickets email andre-a@telus.net or tgmarois@tbwifi.ca or call 780-459-9827, 780-903-0182.

Event is hosted by Our Lady of Mercy W.Y.D. group. There will be an outdoor B.B.Q. on site.

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Mark Your Calendar!

St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College will be ready to welcome you in the new year to our new buildings at the Catholic Campus on 84th Street and 100th Avenue. All parishioners are invited to Open Houses on **Saturday, January 29**, and **Saturday, February 12**, from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Come visit us and see the beauty of the Gospel proclaimed in beautiful architecture, made possible by the grace of God and the generosity of His people.