

## *The Beauty of Stewardship* *Bulletin reflections*

**Week of May 8**  
**(Third Sunday of Easter)**

The church is apostolic. Our Christian faith is based on the witness of the Apostles. The Apostles were the privileged eyewitnesses to the resurrection. They announced the truth, that Jesus who was crucified is the risen Lord. They experienced the first outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, which drew them into unity and transformed them from fearful men into courageous, bold apostles announcing the gospel. This is the faith that from the apostles has been handed down through the centuries through the apostolic succession of bishops. So the Church in virtue of its nature, in virtue of its foundation on the apostolic witness of the apostles, the Church itself must be apostolic, always faithful -- as we're told in the Acts of the Apostles it was in the beginning -- always faithful to the apostolic teaching.

**Reflection questions:** Our Catholic faith is a rich treasury, handed down from apostolic times. How do I receive it? Do I study the teachings of the Church as presented, for example, in the Catechism of the Catholic Church? How do I participate in the task of handing it on faithfully to others? Are my words and my witness consistent with the Church's faith? (Richard W. Smith, Archbishop of Edmonton)

**Action:** I will learn more about some aspect of my faith, such as Apostolic Succession, by reading about it in the Catechism of

## **Our Lady of Victory Camp**

Summer is coming, so send in your registration for Our Lady of Victory Camp! Share an exciting week of friendship, recreation, deepening your relationship with Jesus and learning about our faith. OLVC relies on the generosity of volunteers to cook and nurse. If you are able to volunteer in either of these areas or know of someone who may be interested please take a brochure home or contact Lisa at (403)347-4952. Information and brochures are available in the foyer of the parish and on the OLVC website [www.olvc.ab.ca](http://www.olvc.ab.ca)

## **Star of the North Program**

***'Darwin, Divinity, and the Dance of the Cosmos': Experiencing Ecological Spirituality Retreat*** with Reverend Bruce Sanguin  
Come spend the week falling back in love with creation as a divine mode of presence! We will drop into a spirituality of awe and reverence, making sure that we have lots of time to be in nature and listen to nature. We will find a sacred rhythm, moving between prayer, reflection, and direct experience as we build the conversation and listen for the voice of Sacred Wisdom. Together, we'll explore how the Judeo-Christian narrative found in scripture reveals new meanings and perspectives when it is heard in the context of the Great Story of the Universe. We will also get very practical, by supporting one another to "be the change" we want to see in the world. **Bruce Sanguin** has served Canadian Memorial United Church since 1996. He is the author of four books. **Can be taken for credit through St. Stephen's College.**  
**Mon. June 13 to Fri. June 17 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.**  
**Live-In: \$549.00 Commute: 349.00**  
**Please register by May 20**



愛民頓瑪利亞進教之佑華人天主堂



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**堂區通訊** *Parish Newsletter*

二零一一年五月八日 May 8, 2011

復活期

『打開心眼，認出耶穌！』

在今天三篇讀經的光照下，我們可進行以下三點反思：

(一) 相信主的人不必因死亡而失望茫然

今天的福音章節告訴我們，兩位門徒如何因著主耶穌的死亡而感到難過、失望和茫然。他們的理想破滅了，面對接下來的日子，感到一片茫然，因此他們決定離開耶路撒冷這個使他們傷心之地。面對親朋好友的突然死亡，我們經常會感到難過和茫然。但是主耶穌會通過許多人來安慰我們，讓我們認識到人生的最終目的在哪里。主耶穌從不會捨棄我們，他會在我們面臨信德的考驗時，幫助我們更好地去瞭解生命的奧迹，并與他共融。

(二) 復活主時時臨在基督徒的生命中

主耶穌是天主聖言，他無時無刻臨在聖經當中。身為基督徒應當天天閱讀天主的聖言，并且把天主聖言帶到我們的實際生活當中。在人生的路途中，就如兩位前往厄瑪烏的門徒，他們在痛苦失望時，天主聖言就臨在他們中間，令他們感到安慰。復活主也臨在于他的教會中，就如他所許諾的，“我必天天和你們在一起，直到今世的終結”（瑪廿八 20）。復活主更是臨在我們的感恩祭中，藉著我們所領受的聖體聖血，我們都共融在復活主內。

(三) 我們要肖似復活主，向任何人伸出友誼之手

就如在厄瑪烏路上的復活主，他在人群中保持低調。他時時選擇以平等的地位和我們來往。復活主經常主動地來到我們的生活圈子當中，因為屈尊就卑是他的行事風格。他允許人們做他們自己，也就是毫無條件地接納每一個人，并且時時耐心地引導他們。讓我們學習復活主的態度去和周圍的人建立關係，并把天主的愛和關懷帶給周圍的人。

## 爲聖若瑟神父基金籌款

本堂於下個主日(五月十四、十五日)三台彌撒中爲“愛民頓聖若瑟退休神父基金”籌募經費收取第二次捐獻，請各位慷慨解囊。

## 特別消息

堂區將於五月二十二日(主日)慶祝24週年主保瞻禮，我們恭請麥若瑟總主教主持十一時感恩祭。彌撒後在禮堂舉行 Potluck 聚餐，堂區現邀請各位教友按各自家庭人數預備一份小菜或美食與總主教及其他兄弟姐妹一齊分享。

## 主日彌撒捐獻 Sunday Collection 二零一一年四月三十、五月一日 April 30 & May 1, 2011

主日捐獻Sunday Collection	\$2,697.60
還款基金Building Fund	\$2,209.60
特別捐獻Special Offering	\$ 225.00
其他捐獻Other Offering	\$1,065.00

## 復活期第三週讀經、福音章節 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter Daily Reading

主日 S	宗 Acts 2:14,22-28;	伯前 1 Pt 1:17-21;	路 Lk 24:13-35
一 M	宗 Acts 6:8-15;	若 Jn 6:22-29	
二 T	宗 Acts 7:51-8:1;	若 Jn 6:30-35	
三 W	宗 Acts 8:1-8;	若 Jn 6:35-40	
四 T	宗 Acts 8:26-40;	若 Jn 6:44-51	
五 F	宗 Acts 9:1-20;	若 Jn 6:52-59	
六 S	宗 Acts 1:15-17,20-25;	若 Jn 15:9-17	

## 聖母月敬禮聖母

五月是聖母月，堂區爲敬禮聖母瑪利亞及妥善地準備慶祝主保慶日，在五月份每台主日彌撒前二十分鐘，恭念玫瑰經，請各位教友準時出席，表示對天上慈母的孝愛和感謝她這些年來對我們堂區的保護和助佑。

此外，更邀請各位教友，在整個五月份，每日均以「活玫瑰經」的誦念方式，偕同聖母，以祈禱來默想耶穌的事跡；同時，亦向天上慈母獻上分工合作編織成的一頂神聖花冠。

參加誦念「活玫瑰經」的教友，每日只需負責誦念一端自己所選的玫瑰經，即一遍天主經、十遍聖母經和一遍光榮經。在何時、何地誦念亦可自己決定，但必需每日持之以恆，不可間斷，否則該串玫瑰經，那頂獻給天上慈母的花冠，便會因此而不能完成。

五月既是聖母月，堂區主保瑪利亞進教之佑的慶日亦是在五月，堂區籲請各位教友，每日抽少許時間參加誦念「活玫瑰經」，一起敬禮聖母。有意者請於本主日，到詢問處選擇自己誦念的一端玫瑰經，並在表格上填寫姓名，多謝各位！

## Devotion to Mary in May

May is the Month of our Blessed Mother Mary. In order to demonstrate our devotion to Mary and prepare ourselves for the Parish Patron Feast Day, the Rosary will be recited 20 minutes before all three Sunday Masses every weekend in May. Please arrive on time so that together we can give thanks to Mary for all the blessings and help she has given our Parish over the past years.

Also, the Parish earnestly invites everyone to take a little time to participate in the “Living Rosary” daily in May. Together with Mary, we meditate on the life of Jesus by praying, and at the same time, offering our Blessed Mother floral crowns that have been made by us.

Parishioners who take part in the “Living Rosary” choose to recite only one decade of the Rosary, that is: the ‘Lord’s Prayer’ once, the ‘Hail Mary’ ten times and ‘Glory Be’ once. The Rosary may be recited anywhere and any time during the day but must not be interrupted. Otherwise the floral crown to be offered to Mary will not be complete.

Parishioners who would like to join in please sign in at the Information Desk, choose the specific Mystery dearest to you and enter your name in the appropriate box on the form as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and participation.

## Good Shepherd Sunday

On Sunday, May 15, the annual special collection is taken for the St. Joseph Retired Priests’ Foundation of Edmonton. This fund ensures the dignified care of archdiocesan priests when they retire or can no longer actively serve the People of God. Please remember the faithful men who have served us so generously over the years. Our Parish will have a second collection in the three Masses on next weekend (May 14 & 15) to support the “St. Joseph Retired Priests’ Foundation of Edmonton”. Thank you for your generosity.

## Special News

We are celebrating the 24th Anniversary of our Parish on May 22, 2011. Archbishop Joseph MacNeil will celebrate the Thanksgiving (11:00a.m.) Mass with us followed by a potluck lunch party. All parishioners are welcomed.

## Vigil for Life

### Wednesday, May 11

Come adore the Lord and pray for life.

The annual Vigil for Life will take place at St. Joseph’s Basilica

### Wednesday, May 11.

6:30 p.m. Opening

7 p.m. Hosted by Familia

An emphasis will be made on adoration for children

7:30 p.m. Hosted by Couples for Christ