

## Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES

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**February 4, 2018**

**MIKISEWIPISIM (BALD EAGLE MOON)**

### **REQUEST FOR PRAYERS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING:**

Daniel Hamel passed away January 17, 2018. John Pettigrew passed away January 15, 2018. Jody McLeod passed away January 18, 2018. Nancy Gladue passed away January 18, 2018. Richard Cardinal passed away January 20, 2018. Theresa Turner passed away January 24, 2018.

**BAPTISMS:** January 20, 2018: Elim Yohannes Araya. January 28, 2018: Yorkabel Afewerki Asfaha, Emma Serveright.

### **Thought of the Week**

The spiritual life is not a life before, after,  
or beyond our everyday existence.  
No, the spiritual life can only be real  
when it is lived in the midst  
of the pains and joys of the here and now.  
...author unknown

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Mornings at **8:30 a.m.**

Sunday at **10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

**Sunday at 4:00 p.m. the Eritrea Mass**

**Weekday Masses**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9 a.m.**

**Friday at 7 p.m.**

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES is having its next Baptismal Class on

**Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the church.**

Call 780-422-3052 to register.

**Pastoral visit by Archbishop Richard Smith on Sunday, February 18, 2018  
presiding over all three masses.**



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**WORLD YOUTH DAY JANUARY, 2019**

**THEME:** “I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word. (Lk 1:38)

**AGE:** 18 to 35 years.

**DATES:** January 17-21, 2019: Days in the Diocese (Costa Rica, Nicaragua, & Panama)  
 January 22-27, 2019: World Youth Days Panama

**ESTIMATED COSTS:** Flights (\$800-\$1100) parish coordinates. Days in Diocese (\$100), World Youth Days (\$300-\$400), WYD Jerseys (\$23) Registration (\$40).

**Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples** would like to participate if the interest is here. Some form of fund raising may be done to assist participants. Please call the office if interested.

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**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

1. **Baptism:** Everyone wishing to have their child Baptized are asked to attend one Baptism Preparation Class. These classes are offered on the second Thursday of each month and take place in the church at 6:00 p.m. Please register by calling the office. Adults wishing to be baptized are asked to call the office to register separately.
2. **First Communion:** We will begin providing classes for children ages 6 to 12 years who wish to receive their First Communion. The first class will be held on February 3, 2018 in the Church. Future dates will be announced in the Sunday Bulletin. To assist us with planning the classes we would ask that you call to register if you would like to have your children receive the sacrament anytime over the next 6 months or so. Thank you for your cooperation.
3. **Marriage:** Due to preparation and paper work, please make every effort to register for marriage at least 3 months ahead of the date.

**Outreach Ministries Available at Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES**

1. **Communion for Housebound Parishioners:** Housebound parishioners of Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples who might wish to receive Holy Communion on Sundays can register by calling the office at 780-422-3052. Please be sure to provide your complete address. Trained Eucharistic Ministers are available to offer the service.
2. **Spiritual Assistance and Direction:** Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, OMI and Lucie Leduc (Director at Star of the North) will be available by appointment at Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples to provide spiritual assistance. Please call the office to book an appointment (780-422-3052). This is a free service.
3. **Grief Counselling:** Grief counselling is available to anyone who is dealing with the death of a loved one. This service is for all parishioners of Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples and is offered by Fr. Susai Jesu, OMI and Helen Gledhow, CGSC, CSIC. Please call the office to make an appointment (780-422-3052).
4. **House Blessings:** Call the office if you wish to have a House Blessing.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK**  
**Healing Masses – Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES**

Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven” James 5:14-15)

On World Day of Prayer for the Sick celebrated on February 11, the Universal Church gathers together to pray for the healing of all those who are seriously ill. Sacred Heart CHURCH OF THE FIRST PEOPLES will remember all who are sick during the masses on Sunday, February 11, 2018, joining in prayer for their healing in body and soul. In the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, Jesus manifest his loving presence and compassion for the sick and the sacrament is a continuation of the healing ministry of Jesus in the world today. The celebration of World Day of Prayer for the Sick falls on the same day as the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, to recall how Our Blessed Mother revealed herself to Saint Bernadette as a loving mother who intercedes for healing of those suffering from serious illness.

**RETREAT**

There will be a retreat for all the newly formed Committee members: Pastoral Parish Council, Finance Committee, Musical Ministry Team, Liturgical Team and Pastoral Care Team on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The retreat will be facilitated by, Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie, Lucy Kaakyo and Fr. Susai Jesu. Lunch will be provided.

**SACRED HEART WEBPAGE ([www.sacredpeoples.com](http://www.sacredpeoples.com))**

Our webpage has been updated and as time goes on new information will be added on a regular basis. You will be able to access our weekly Bulletin and Calendar. We also have our new facebook page, which lists all our current parish activities that you can link to from this website.

Please visit our site to keep current.

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**BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

A Bible Study Group has begun at Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples. The next session is on Tuesday, February 13, from 7 to 8 p.m. It is held in the church rectory and will run every other Tuesday. The dates will be on the monthly calendar. Everyone is welcome. We will be reflecting on one parable each week. The “Parable of the Lost Sheep” will be the one we reflect on during the January 30 session.

**Parable of the Lost Sheep (Matthew 8.10)**

Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little one’s should be lost.

**ST. PAUL PRAYER GROUP**

A St. Paul Prayer Group has also started and is held in the rectory on alternate Tuesday’s (alternate to the Bible Study Sessions). The next St. Paul Prayer Group session will be on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 from 7 to 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

**ULTREYA**

February 24, 2018 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
At Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples

## **MOVIE NIGHT**

Every last Thursday of the month Sacred Heart Church will be having a Movie Night in the church basement. The first one will be held on February 22, 2018, the movie showing that evening is "God is Not Dead" starting at 7 p.m. There will be snacks and soft drinks. Everyone is welcome!

## **ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES**

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Time: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

## **DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

Times: 10 a.m. to 12:00 noon

And 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

## **COMPANIONS ON A HEALING JOURNEY**

A Recovery Retreat led by Archbishop Sylvain Lavoie, OMI and Justin R.

Addiction takes many forms and affects all of us...our families and society...and now reaching crisis proportions. This timely workshop/retreat is for **anyone** interested in learning more about the addiction process, a spirituality of recovery, inner healing and the 12 Step Program. It will focus on the importance of fellowship, the power of prayer and the need to befriend our shadow as a way of both preventing and dealing with addiction. Music, art, keynote presentations, witnessing ritual, laughter and opportunity for sharing will provide an experience that is informative, formative and transformative. (Subsidy request forms available if financial help is needed.)

**7 p.m. Friday, February 9, 2018 to 1 p.m. Sunday, February 11, 2018**

**Cost: \$150.00 if commuting each day**

**\$250.00 to Live In**

**Location: Star of the North Retreat Centre**

**3A Street Vital Avenue, St. Albert, Alberta**

**780-459-5511**

**[www.starofthenorth.ca](http://www.starofthenorth.ca)**

## **SACRED ART OF LIVING AND DYING**

**Workshop and Training Series**

**Unit 1, Understanding Spiritual Pain**

Learn about the rich cultural history and Clinical effective practices for detecting and alleviating spiritual and emotional distress in times of loss, transition, illness and at the end of life. Discover a Total Pain Management

Model with results that include reduced anxiety, improved quality of living and more effective pain management. Encounter valuable tools and insights in order to examine Life's priorities, address death anxiety and re-connect one's "soul and role."

April 6 – 7, 2018

9 am – 5 pm each day

Providence Renewal Centre

3005 - 119 St NW

To register call 780-701-1854 or go to: [www.providencerenewal.ca](http://www.providencerenewal.ca)

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## **RETROUVAILLE - HELP FOR STRUGGLING MARRIAGES**

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help and renew marriages at any stage. The emphasis of the program is on a new technique of communication between a husband and wife.

The next Edmonton Retrouvaille Program starts March 16 – 18, 2018.

For more information or to register call 587-598-4357 or: [www.HelpOurMarriage.ca](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.ca)

## **2018 ART IN THE CITY SERIES**

7 FREE Art Sessions with Willie Wong

Theme: Discovering the teachings of the Medicine Wheel and the heartbeat of Mother Nature.

Place: Sacred Heart Church of The First Peoples church basement (10821-96 Street)

Dates: February 10, 24. March 3, 17. April 7, 14, 21, 2018.

Time: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Lunch served, supplies provided and no experience required

## **SUNDAY READINGS: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 11, 2018**

### **First Reading: (Leviticus 13. 1-2, 45-46)**

The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying: When someone has on the skin of their body a swelling or an eruption or a spot, and it turns into a leprous disease on the skin of their body, that person shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests.

“Anyone who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of their head be dishevelled and shall cover their upper lip and cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean,’ That person shall remain unclean as long as the disease persists; and being unclean, such a one shall live alone with their dwelling outside the camp.”

### **Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1)**

Brothers and sisters: Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. Give no offence to Jews or to Greeks or to the Church of God, just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, so that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

### **Gospel: ((Mark 1.40-45)**

A man with leprosy came to Jesus begging him, and kneeling said to Jesus, “If you choose, you can make me clean,” Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, “I do choose. Be made clean!” Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.

After sternly warning him Jesus sent him away at once, saying to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.:

But the man went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to Jesus from every quarter.