City of God: St. Augustine's - Parkland

NEWSLETTER

September 14, 2026

Bible Study!

Every Monday at 10:00 a.m. our weekly bible study will continue in the church hall. Each Monday the focus will be on the readings scheduled for the following Sunday. Upcoming readings that will be focussed on are:

- *Sept. 20th - Exodus 16: 2-15, Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45, Philippians 1: 21-30, Matthew 20: 1-16*
- *Sept. 27th - Exodus 17: 1-7, Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16, Philippians 2: 1-13, Matthew 21: 23-32*
- *Oct. 4th - Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20, Psalm 19, Philippians 3: 4b-14, Matthew 21: 33-46*

ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

The Diocese of Edmonton ACW West Regional Meeting will be hosted by St. Timothy's ACW at Good Shepherd Anglican Church on Saturday, September 19.

Schedule: Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist begins at 10:00 a.m., officiated by Rev. Jordan Giggey, rector of St. Timothy's. After lunch, Rev. Jordan will lead a Bible study, followed by a business meeting and hymn sing.

Theme and Speakers: Nancy Matty and Diann Bowes, parishioners of St. Timothy's, will speak on the theme of Pilgrimage. Their talk will be introduced by a video about The Camino de Santiago and their route through France.

Lunch and Refreshments: Please bring your own bag lunch. Coffee, juice, and water will be available after the service.

Carpooling: A sign-up sheet for carpool drivers and riders will be posted on the bulletin board. We hope many people from our parish will attend this gathering.

Medical Cards for Buyé

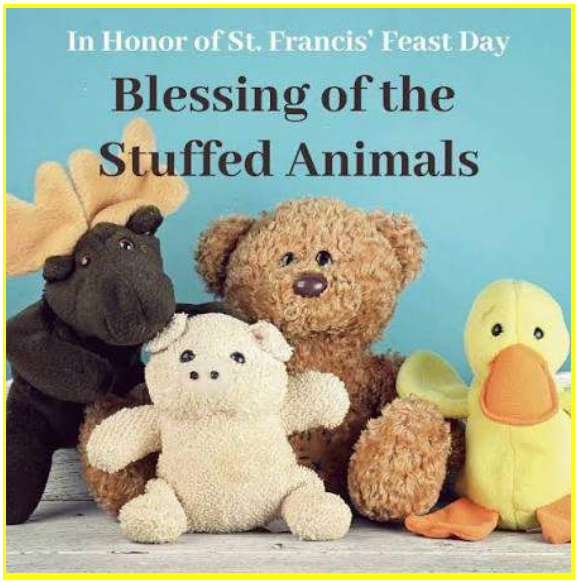
Every September, we pool our resources across the Diocese to help provide medical care to vulnerable seniors in our partner Diocese of Buyé in Burundi. This is the most desperate need identified by the Diocese of Buyé. During coffee hour on September 27th we will have a collection basket out for donations, or you can give online through their website. Every $5 allows a grandmother and all children in her care to access medical coverage for one year.

As submitted by you...

Question: What is the meaning of collation for an Archdeacon?

Answer: ***In the Anglican Church, collation is the legal and formal act by which a bishop appoints a member of the clergy to a church office, or the special service used to formally seat and recognize church officers like canons and archdeacons.***

During the 6:30pm opening eucharist to start Synod this year; on Friday, October 23rd at All Saints' Cathedral (10035-103 Street, Edmonton) <u>all are welcome</u> to attend the collation of our own Rev. Kev as he is formally seated as The Venerable Kevin Kraglund, Archdeacon of Rural Ministry. Yes, he gets one of those fancy seats at the front of the Cathedral!



On Sunday October 4th, we'll celebrate St Francis of Assisi day. Rev. Lesley will be presiding and is allergic to animals, so we won't be blessing live animals. She does, however, have a fun alternative! We're asking people to bring a stuffy as a proxy for their pet. That way, she can do a blessing ... and it's no barrier to the Holy Spirit! This is your notice to start thinking about acquiring a stuffy to bring!

One of our parishioners is having his home re-leveled in Parkland Village soon. According to the contractors furniture and appliances need to be moved away from the walls about 2-3 feet. The furniture consists of:

- Bed
- 1 regular dresser
- Couch/chair
- 2 curio cabinets
- Bedside tables
- A few book cases
- A couple small cabinets
- A couple small tables
- 2 six drawer dressers
- TV stand
- 2 Fridges/stove/freezer
- 10-15 medium size bins

If you are able to help, please do let us know right away so we can put you in touch! Thanks!

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- We pray for Primate Shane, Metropolitan Greg, and Bishop Stephen. We also pray for our clergy, The Venerable Kevin and Rev. Lesley. We pray for our Lay Readers Bill, Hazel, and Randy.
- We pray for the Diocese of Edmonton; for the lay leadership in Lay Led Parishes throughout the diocese; for the Gakana Parish in Buyé; for the Louis Bull Tribe; and for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.
- We pray for those who are ill, injured, or bereaved; and for all who need God's healing presence, especially remembering Oliver, Lenora, Gloria, Beata, Tony, Megan, Tom, Nick, Wendy, Lilly, Richard, Emmy, Arabella, and Isabel.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Sheila, Charlie & Lesley, Allan & Wendy, Myrna, Greg; and their families.

Please note: Submitted names will be kept on the prayer list for a period of two weeks unless intentionally renewed.

Rev. Kev's Agenda:

- Monday, September 14th - Funeral planning meeting
- Tuesday, September 15th - Corporation Meeting
- Friday, September 18th - Funeral at Parkland Funeral Home

Rev. Kevin can be contacted by calling the church at 780-962-5131 or by email at parklandpriest@gmail.com. In pastoral emergencies he can be reached at 780-993-9985

AFTER church on September 20, 27, and October 4; there will be a table set up to purchase / order Co-op gift cards. Betty will be at the church between the hours of 10:30-12 on September 22, 23, 29, and 30th as well.

2026-2027
SEASON

SPRUCE GROVE SQUARE DANCE CLUB

When life has you boxed in, Square Dance!

NEW DANCERS WELCOME!

TRY IT! EVENT
SEPTEMBER 24 @ 7PM

Grain Elevator
Ag Society Workshop
120 Railway Avenue, Spruce Grove

SEASON OPENER DANCE
OCTOBER 1 @ 7PM

Grain Elevator
Ag Society Workshop
120 Railway Avenue, Spruce Grove

Debbie 780-999-9482, Alan 587-920-1918, Lesley 587-991-9885

NOW until September 27th we will be having a Ministry Fair of sorts.
Now is your chance to find a place to serve!

A very brief description of Ministries to prayerfully consider are:

Greeters: greet people at the door
Sides people: take up the collection, count the number of people present & direct people through communion
Servers: carry the cross, put out candles, etc
Readers: simply read the designated reading which are sent out to you in advance
Intercessions: prepare and lead us through the prayers of the people
Chalice: distribute the wine during communion
Projection: sit in the booth and advance the slides through the service, click the camera view numbers on the remote, start & stop the YouTube stream
Sound Board: make minor adjustments to the sound board to keep everything sounding good
Coffee: make coffee, provide a treat, and clean up as part of a team
Counters: count and record the offerings, prepare the bank deposit
Altar Guild: prepare the altar for services
Musician: play and/or sing!
Prayer Ministry: provide healing prayer for others
Sunday School: help teach
Hospitality: help with special events (set up, clean up, kitchen help, etc)
Auggie's Cafe: set up, cooks, dishwashers, servers, bussers, clean up
Property Management Team: do odd jobs and oversee the maintenance of our building & grounds
Other: if you have a gift to share that's not listed, please let us know!

All ministries do come with training and most are incredibly easy and enjoyable. Detailed information is available upon non-committal request! ***Please*** contact the office to sign up, we would really appreciate you sharing your gifts!

Tabernacle Candle:

The candle was sponsored this week by Roger & Karen Adlem in celebration of their 63rd anniversary tomorrow!

If you would like to sponsor the candle for $10 in memory of a loved one (perhaps on a birthday, anniversary or other important date), please do let us know! We are not limited to one sponsor per week.

Sept. 20th	- Marion Coates in memory of her dad, Robert Tinworth - Karen Adlem in celebration of Roger's birthday! - Glenda Lourens in memory of her mom on what would have been her 105th birthday - The Rushton family in celebration of Elizabeth's 88th birthday! - Helen Steinburg in loving memory of her brother Gerald - Fran Peacock in loving memory of Jack whose birthday was on the 19th
Sept. 27th	- open
Oct. 4th	- David Dunbar, remembering his beautiful wife Paula on their Oct. 5th Anniversary
Oct. 11th	- open

Alongside Hope

On **Sunday, September 20th** we will be joining Anglicans across Canada to support the vital ministry of Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF). This Sunday is Alongside Hope Sunday. Please consider adding a little something in your regular offering to be dlrected to Alongside Hope. Currently one of their primary focuses is the Nepal Emergency Response Fund which will help provide emergency support to households that lost nearly everything in the devastating flash floods on August 26.

If you or someone you know is a Spruce Grove resident, and interested in joining a Board or Committee, check out the City's Boards and Committees webpage for some exciting opportunities. They are specifically looking for members for the following Boards and Committees:

Community Services Advisory Committee – public members and *one youth member between the ages of 16 and 24*

- Council Remuneration Review Advisory Committee
- Economic Development Advisory Committee
- Policing Committee – *youth member between the ages of 16 and 24*
- Spruce Grove Library Board
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
- Youth Advisory Committee – *youth members between the ages of 12 and 18*

Applications will be accepted until 4PM on Friday September 25.

A bit of a reminder and a bit of an update!

Winter Planters: On November 28th; we have someone coming in to teach us how to make beautiful winter planters for us to sell at the market! We will be needing people to sign up to attend and make planters as well as any materials you have to donate to be used in making the planters! When you're putting away your spring and summer stuff and getting ready to pull out the winter items, please think of us for anything you plan to donate (old Christmas trees or wreaths, decorations, larger plant pots, ribbon, etc)

Concession: Two volunteers have graciously volunteered to organize and run a concession for the day that will include pizza by the slice!

Bake Sale: the ACW are hosting a bake table! We are hoping ALL parishioners might help provide baking for the bake table, not just the ACW ladies. The bake table has always brought in high traffic which contributes to the overall success of the day. Can you please let the office know if you would consider helping support the bake table by providing some baking? We do ask that a list of ingredients for each item is sent to the office in advance so we can print labels to attach to the goods.

Book Table: We will be collecting books to sell at a book table closer to the event.

Vendor/Sales Tables: Are you or any of your friends crafty and interested in booking a table to sell your goods before Christmas? Any artwork or painting, crochet work, 3D printing, wood work, jewellery making, pottery, etc? We will also have a parish table should anyone have unused, unopened items they would like to donate to the table for the church to sell (i.e. Christmas decor, gift items, seasonal items, etc.) So far we have tables booked for: diamond art reusable shopping and gift bags, unique t-shirts & other gifts, 3D printed items & crochet, african drums - Ukrainian Christmas ornaments - porcelain demitasse cups, Gluten free baking. Tables will be $25 in keeping aligned with the Farmer's Markets.

Santa pics: We already have a beautiful Santa suit so we'll just need a guy to wear it and sit for Santa pictures! Maybe even a photographer with experience or ideas too!

We are looking forward to a wonderful day!

Upcoming events:

Monday, September 14th - 10am Bible Study
Monday, September 14th - Vestry Reports Due!
Saturday, September 19th - ACW West Regional Meeting
Sunday, September 20th - Alongside Hope Sunday
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