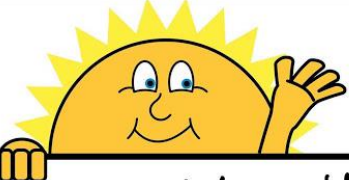




June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Polynesian Day 	4 Wear Yellow to celebrate Clean Energy 	5 Gr 6 PYPx (Exhibition) 11:30 – 1:30	6	7
8	9 Gr 5T Japanese Gardens 11:30 – 2:30pm  Big Chief Beef Jerky pick up	10	11  Last day of PRESCHOOL Kindergarten Ft Whoop Up 9:15 – 10:30	12 Gr 6 PAT ELA Part B Last day of Kindergarten Farewell 6-7pm Gr 4S & 4/5B trip to Ft McLeod 8:15am – 1:00pm JUMP ROPE FOR HEART 1:30 – 3:30 pm	13 Gr 6 PAT Math Part A 	14
15 	16 Gr 1D Japanese Gardens 9:00 – 12:00pm 	17 Gr 6 PAT Math Part B Gr 2 Galt Museum 9-11am 	18 Gr 6 trip to Calgary 6:30am – 7:00pm 	19 Sprinkler Day 2:15 – 3:30 	20	21 National Indigenous Peoples' Day
24	23 Parade of Nations 2:15 pm	24 Sports Day 9am – 1:30pm  Slide Show 2:15 - 3:00pm	25 Farewell Mass 9:15 am  LAST DAY Dismissal at 12:42	26	27	28
29	30 					

Summer Vacation



JUNE NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Throughout this year, students have worked in multi-age, house team groups. Each month, teams get together and participate in activities that focus on one IB Learner Profile and one Catholic Social Justice teaching. All teams then gather together in an assembly where one team presents to the entire school.

As a culminating activity, we are hoping to celebrate our diversity by having students work together to create a Parade of Nations. Students from similar places around the world will work together to create a banner to represent their home country. On **June 23, 2025**, we will ask students to dress in traditional wear, the colours of the flag, or clothing consistent with the country being represented. All students will be able to participate in this activity.

At 2:15pm we will host a Parade of Nations in our gym or on the playground in celebration of the year we have had together. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Please begin collecting items in anticipation of this event.

End of the Year

We have a number of exciting activities to look forward to as we approach the end of the year.

June 11 - Last day of ELP

June 12 - Last day of Kindergarten

June 12 – Jump Rope for Heart

June 23 – Parade of Nations 2:15 pm

June 24 - Sports Day 9:00 – 1:30 pm

June 24 - Slide Show 2:15 pm

June 25 - Farewell Mass at Assumption Church at 9:15 am. Everyone is welcome.

June 25 - Dismissal for summer at 12:42 pm.

Ready Set Go

Registration is now open to families that could use support for basic school supplies for the 2025/26 school year.

[Register here](#)

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Click on this [link](#) to open Mrs. Swark's blog.

TRANSPORTATION FOR 2025-26

If your child(ren) will be riding the bus next year you are required to register. Families of eligible students should have received an email asking them to complete an online Transportation Registration Form in SchoolEngage. If you didn't receive an email, please contact us to confirm your eligibility and arrange for a form to be assigned to you. Please be aware that students who register after May 31, 2025, may be delayed in accessing bus service during the 2025/2026 school year.



LOST AND FOUND

Please remind your child(ren) to check the lost and found box and boot rooms for lost and misplaced items before the end of the school year. All unclaimed clothing and footwear will be donated at the end of June.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART – June 12

OLA is once again participating in the Heart and Stroke's Jump Rope for Heart Event. This event encourages kids to get active by skipping rope while they collect pledges for heart disease and stroke research. Jump Day is scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday, June 12. All students will skip with their house team. Please ensure your child(ren) has proper footwear and a water bottle. Students who register [online](#) and collect \$25.00 in pledges will receive a skipping rope and be entered to win some fun prizes.



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

On behalf of OLA school council, I want to thank everyone who has helped us this year. To everyone who supported us with fundraising, volunteering and attending meetings, Thank you! It is very much appreciated and we couldn't do the things we do without your support.

As my youngest child moves on to Junior High School, and after 6 years as your school council chair, I am saying goodbye to Our Lady of the Assumption school, and all the wonderful memories we've had here. It has been my pleasure to be a part of school council. Volunteering to support my children and the school was a very rewarding experience. I truly hope I was able to serve the school well and help bring good things to OLA.

I want to recognize all those who've been beside me along the way. To the other members of school council, Selestia and Deena, thank you for all your hard work and for giving your time and talents to OLA! You are both amazing and it's been wonderful getting to know you. To Mrs. Calder and Mrs. Swark, thank you for working with us and supporting us throughout the years. To Mrs. Ellert, Mrs. Bozzi, our trustee Mrs. Gibb and to all the teachers of OLA, thank you so much for your support!

- I will miss our OLA school community!
- A tentative school council meeting date has been scheduled for next year. September 10, 2025, in person at the school. More information will be sent out at the beginning of next school year.
- We want to wish everyone a wonderful summer and God Bless!



Michelle Dormer



RECOGNIZING THOSE WHO INSPIRE – NOMINATE SOMEONE TODAY!

Do you know someone who makes a difference in our school community? The **Share the Mission Award** is your opportunity to recognize those who go above and beyond to serve, lead, and inspire!

This prestigious award honors community members, parents, students, and school staff who:

- Provide outstanding service to students
- Set high standards through leadership and dedication
- Contribute to the faith-filled atmosphere of our schools
- Lead within the community and parish organizations
- Live out the values of the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

Nominations are open until **Friday, June 6, 2025**. If you know someone who deserves to be recognized, submit your nomination today! The recipient will be honored at the division's Opening Mass.

Nominate now! Use the [online nomination form](#) or contact Rhonda Kawa at kawarh@holyspirit.ab.ca for more details.

Let's celebrate those who truly make a difference!

June

Proclaim!

Pilgrims of Hope



“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity.” — Matthew 3:3

St. Peter (Died 64 AD) and St. Paul (5 AD-64 AD) (Feast Day: June 29)

St. Peter and St. Paul are often celebrated together as they each played an important role in the early Church, and were separately martyred in Rome under Nero in roughly 64 AD. Pope Benedict XVI said of them that “Christian tradition has always considered Sts. Peter and Saint Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ.”

However, the two of them were very different people, and likely did not spend much time together. They represent different components of the Church in some ways; St. Peter representing the established church and perhaps the heart or emotion, and St. Paul representing the missionary spirit of the church and the head or reason. They came from different backgrounds, Peter as a fisherman called by Christ during his life, and Paul as an educated Pharisee and Roman citizen called by Christ after his death. [As Pope Francis said in 2020,](#)

“We celebrate together two very different individuals: Peter, a fisherman who spent his days amid boats and nets, and Paul, a learned Pharisee who taught in synagogues. When they went forth on mission, Peter spoke to Jews, and Paul to pagans. And when their paths crossed, they could argue heatedly, as Paul is unashamed to admit in one of his letters (cf. Gal 2:11). In short, they were two very different people, yet they saw one another as brothers, as happens in close-knit families where there may be frequent arguments but unfailing love. Yet the closeness that joined Peter and Paul did not come from natural inclinations, but from the Lord. He did not command us to like one another, but to love one another. He is the one who unites us, without making us all alike. He unites us in our differences.”

You can learn more about Sts. Peter and Paul [here](#).

The Apostles’ Creed

“the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.”

We know that we are one — one whole body, spirit, and soul — and not separate components. Christ’s death, resurrection, and ascension opens the door for the same to happen to us — to die, but to be resurrected bodily. We don’t know how this will happen, or what our bodies will be like, but we do know that it will be as God has always intended.

And, while we don’t really understand heaven and its relationship to our earthly life, we do know that the eternal life is the one that we are created for. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1024) says “Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme and definitive happiness.”

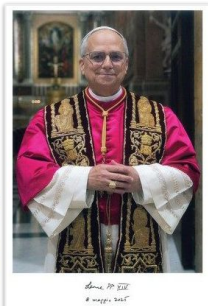
There is really no way for us (in our limited human understanding) to describe what this will be like — Scripture uses a variety of metaphors and analogies to help us to picture it. One thing that is clear, though, is that heaven will be union with God — and so we must live our lives seeking to align our will with His, to love as He loves, and to seek holiness so that our hearts are prepared for this union.

We conclude the Creed with Amen — so be it, I agree, I believe. When we end the Creed this way, it is one final affirmation of all that we have just proclaimed. It restates, in the shortest possible way, our belief, and our solidarity with those with whom we have proclaimed it — one another and all Christians through time and space.

“Proclaiming” In Our Schools

Habemus Papam! On Thursday, May 8, we welcomed the news of the election of Pope Leo XIV. You can read more about Pope Leo [here](#), learn more about his coat of arms and motto [here](#), and find his prayer card [here](#). We can take heart from his initial address to the faithful, known as an Urbi et Orbi blessing, where he greeted the world with the words:

“Peace be with you! Dear brothers and sisters, these are the first words spoken by the risen Christ, the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for God’s flock. I would like this greeting of peace to resound in your hearts, in your families, among all people, wherever they may be, in every nation and throughout the world. Peace be with you!”



Pope’s Prayer Intentions — That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

Gospel Readings

June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:44-53

"Behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you." — Luke 24:49

Can you remember the first time you went to school and had to say goodbye to your parents? Or have you ever spent the night away from your family? Usually it's scary (a little or a lot!) to be away from the people who usually take care of us and we might feel alone. It can be a little easier if we have something with us to remind us of the people who love us. Some kids keep a picture of their parents in their backpack. Some take a favorite stuffed animal when they have to sleep somewhere away from home. Some might take a special rock or a good-luck item. It helps as a reminder that they aren't all alone.

Jesus knew his friends would feel scared and alone when it was time for him to leave them. So what did he do? He promised to send them the Holy Spirit to be with them forever! The Holy Spirit did come to them, and has never left this world. The Holy Spirit is still with us today, wherever we go, whether our friends and family are with us or we are by ourselves.

What helps to comfort you when you feel scared or alone? That's the Holy Spirit at work!



Prayer:

Holy Spirit, help us to remember you are always with us, no matter where we are.

June 8, 2025

Pentecost Sunday

Gospel Reading: John 14:15-16, 23b-26

"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always." — John 14:16

Happy birthday to us! Today, Pentecost Sunday, is known as the birthday of the church. We celebrate that on this day almost 2,000 years ago, God sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always. Jesus' disciples saw tongues of fire come over each of them and suddenly they could speak and understand many different languages. They changed from people who were hiding out in fear to suddenly being brave and courageous in telling about Jesus's life and his teachings. Even though Jesus wasn't with them anymore as a real, live, walking and talking person, the Holy Spirit came to be with them and stay with them forever. With the Holy Spirit's help in spreading Jesus' story, suddenly many more people began to believe in him. All of those early believers became the first members of the church, which is why we say the church was born on Pentecost.

When have you felt brave, strong, or courageous in doing something that normally would be hard for you to do? (That's an example of the Holy Spirit with you!)

Prayer:

God, thank you for sending us the Holy Spirit to be with us wherever we go, for all of our lives. Help us to remember that with the Spirit's presence with us, we will never be alone.

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, so that He may be with you forever..."

(John 14:16 NASB)



Download this month's [Saint Prayer Card](#) - Ss. Peter and Paul
[Saint Prayer Card](#) (black and white version for colouring)



Gospel Readings

June 15, 2025

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Gospel Reading: John 16:12-15

"When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth." — John 16:13

Being smart isn't the same as being wise. Some people are really smart when it comes to memorizing facts or solving math problems, but that doesn't mean they always make wise choices or focus on what's most important in life.

Jesus didn't have a lot of education compared to some of the "smart" people in his religion, but he was very wise. He knew how to listen to the truth that came from God that was in his heart, where the Holy Spirit speaks. In fact, the Bible sometimes compares the Holy Spirit to wisdom. So even if some people were mean or judgemental about other people, Jesus followed his heart and treated everyone with love, no matter what they looked like, how they talked, what kind of job they had, what they could or couldn't do with their bodies, or if they were religious or not. Whether or not we are smart in school and get good grades, we can all be wise if we listen to the Holy Spirit like Jesus did.

Who are the wisest people you know?



Prayer:

Jesus, help us to listen to and follow the voice of the Holy Spirit that leads us to do what is good and true.



June 22, 2025 Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Gospel Reading: Luke 9:11b-17

"Give them some food yourselves." — Luke 9:13

Have you ever noticed that sometimes adults will do things for you, but sometimes they ask you or tell you to do something for yourself? Why do you think that is? Sometimes they do something for you that you can't do for yourself yet—like driving you to sports practice. Sometimes they do something for you because they love you and want to do something nice, even though you could do it for yourself, like make your bed. Other times, they want you to do something for yourself to practice so you can do it on your own when they aren't with you in the future, like learning how to cook something.

Jesus was kind of like a parent to his twelve apostles. He wanted them to learn that they shouldn't always wait for him to do everything for them because if they tried, they could do amazing things too, like feed a huge crowd of people. He asked them to try first, and then he helped them, just like your parents do sometimes.

What can you do this week to feed or clothe others for Jesus?



Prayer:

Jesus, help us to do what we can to help others instead of waiting for you to do everything for us.

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June 29, 2025

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-19

"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." — Matthew 16:16

Who are the people in your family who have a key to your house? When I was young, I did not receive a key until I showed that I could be responsible with it. If my parents saw that I left my house key outside or if I invited friends in when my parents were not home, I would lose the privilege of having my own key for a while. In today's Gospel, Jesus gives the "keys to the kingdom of heaven" to Peter. First, he asked Peter a question to be sure he would be able to use the keys wisely. He asked Peter if he knew Jesus' identity. Peter answered correctly. He said that Jesus is the Son of God. This showed that Peter truly believed in Jesus. Because of Peter's great faith, Jesus gave him the responsibility to lead his Church as our first pope. Each pope has the same task as Peter did—to listen carefully to God so they can lead us to know, love, and serve him.

Say a prayer today for our pope. He is human just like us and needs our prayers to serve as Jesus would want him to.



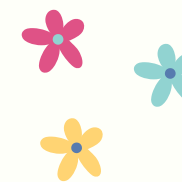
Prayer:

Thank you, Jesus, for giving us good leaders. Help them to always do what is best for your people in the Church.

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Mental Health Capacity Building Summer Program July 2025



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*For registered events,
vouchers will be available at
the Family Outdoor Play
events booths*

All outdoor events will be
weather pending. Updates
will be shared on Holy Spirit
Catholic School Division
Facebook Page

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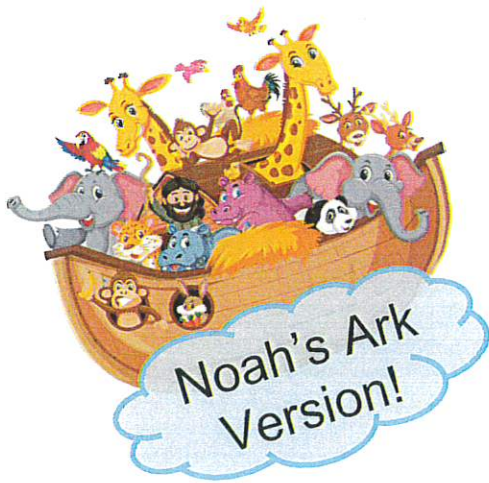
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For registered events, vouchers will be available at the Family Outdoor Play events booths

ALL OUTDOOR EVENTS WILL BE WEATHER PENDING. UPDATES/CHANGES WILL BE SHARED ON HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION FACEBOOK PAGE

Coming Alive with Christ

A cartoon illustration of Jesus with a beard and long hair, wearing a brown robe over a white tunic. He is smiling and has his arms outstretched, surrounded by a group of diverse children in traditional Middle Eastern clothing. They are standing on a light-colored ground with some small flowers.

**All Saints Parish invites
all youth ages 6 – 11 to
join us for outdoor
activities, stories and
prayer, snacks, crafts
and more!**

Dates: July 14 - 18, 2025

Time: 8:30am to 1:00pm

Place: Assumption Hall



Register in person at the Parish office or use the QR Code.

If you would like to volunteer to help with recreation, registration, crafts, snack . .
. please contact Coreen at packhamc@holyspirit.ab.ca

LETHBRIDGE SPORT COUNCIL PRESENTS

SPORTFEST



JUNE 7 @ SERVUS SPORTS CENTRE

CALM BEFORE THE FEST - 9:00 - 10:00
REGULAR ADMISSION 10:00 - 4:00

FREE

SportFest is an interactive trade show for sport and active recreation.