

St. Joseph High School Newsletter

June 2020

Principal's Message

Dear St. Joseph Family,

As we approach the final days of the school year, our thoughts are filled with tasks yet to be completed to finish off the semester. On behalf of the St. Joseph faculty, I want to extend our sincere thanks to all families for the support given to their children during this challenging time. During the month of June, teachers will be working hard to support all students as they work to complete their assignments. It is important to remember the remote learning experience in our school division was designed to continue the learning experience by focusing on preparing students to handle the challenges that lay ahead in the courses at the next level. Some students have excelled in this environment, surpassing teacher expectations and, for these students, their grades will reflect this commitment and dedication to their studies. Some students have struggled in this remote learning experience and will undoubtedly require upgrading to earn the grades necessary to be considered for various programs at the high school level and beyond. For these students, it is recommended families consider enrolling in a summer school class to make up for lost ground. Summer school runs for three weeks during the month of July. Classes are being offered via Revelation On-Line, Part Time Self Study (PASS) module-based learning or the Remote Learning experience similar to how your child currently engages in their classes this term.

Parents can register on-line for Summer School via the following link: <https://www.ecsd.net/schools/8412/Pages/Default.aspx>

On June 8th teachers will assign the last assignments of the semester to their students. Teaching will continue through to the week of June 24th. On June 16th we will begin the process of returning textbooks, laptops that were borrowed, musical instruments and athletics uniforms. Please follow the schedule below when returning these materials.

Please note: Students will be given the opportunity to pick up materials that were left in their lockers at the time of the school closure. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity following the completion of this schedule. Should families be unable to get to the school according to the schedule. Please feel free to call the school at 780-426-2010 to arrange an alternate time to drop off these resources.

Textbook/Technology/Instrument/Uniform Returns

June 16 - Gr. 10 students

June 17 - Gr. 11 students

June 18 - Gr. 12 students

9:00 am - 10:00 am - LAST name begins with A - E

10:00 am - 11:00 am - LAST name begins with F - J

11:00 am - 12:00 pm - LAST name begins with K - P

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm - LAST name begins with Q - Z

We would also like to remind students to apply for the scholarships and bursaries posted in the Student Services Google Classroom (Access Code: p2zopyc). We have many financial awards open to our students and several of these scholarships have no applicants yet.

St. Joseph faculty are preparing for the new school year in September. To date, we are waiting for further direction from the ministry of Health and Alberta Education with respect to how we will engage with students in the fall. Rest assured we will do everything we can to continue to support our students to the best of our ability.

Brad Koshka
Principal



School News

Yearbooks for the 2019-2020 school year can still be ordered! To buy a yearbook, please call the school (780-426-2010) and request that a yearbook be added to your account. Once it is added, the yearbook can be paid for, through the parent/guardian PowerSchool account. The cost is \$50.



Athletic News

Even in these difficult 'new normal' times, we have decided to continue tradition with our Saints Athletic Awards but only in a new virtual platform because of Covid-19.

That being said, our Virtual Athletic Awards will be published officially in a Google Classroom dedicated to our student-athletes on Tuesday, June 9th.

Each coach (or coaches) will upload a personal video recording announcing an award to a specific student-athlete. If in the unfortunate circumstance that a season was not completed or did not begin because of the pandemic then those coach (or coaches) will share a special general message to the entire team.

We will also have some special guests gracing us with his or her presence and sharing some personal videos to Saints Athletics.

On behalf of Saints Athletics for the 2019-2020 school year, I would like to say thank you for everyone's support and congratulations to all student-athletes and coaches for all your success.

Adam Skitsko
Athletic Director

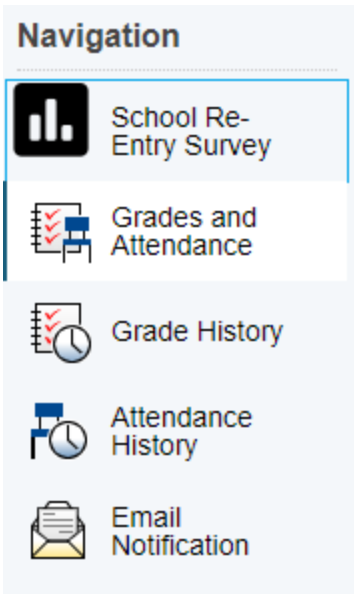
District News

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we plan for re-entry to school in September, following the direction and guidance of Alberta Education and the Chief Medical Officer, we invite you to share your thoughts and concerns through a short survey. There is one survey for parents, found in the PARENT Portal within PowerSchool. A second survey, for students, is available in your child's PowerSchool account. We encourage and welcome your feedback to help us plan for school in September in light of COVID-19.

Please also remind your child(ren) to complete their survey, which is available for students from grades 4-12+).

The link to the survey can be found in PowerSchool, by selecting the School Re-Entry Survey icon.



Summer School News

1. Remote Learning Instruction (Classroom-Based)

- This form of instruction will be delivered via Google classroom and TEAMS, our Division platform for remote instruction
- 5 credit courses will be delivered from July 2 - 23 from 8:15am-1:15pm and 3 credit courses will be delivered from July 2 - 14 from 8:15am-1:35pm daily
- Classes will begin promptly at 8:15am and live remote instruction and learning will occur daily
- Teachers are prepared to provide in remote teaching and learning using TEAMS, Google Classroom, one on one meetings, whole class meetings, discussions, and individual learning time
- Division assessment policies and procedures will be followed to provide students with final marks
- Students will be contacted in June to schedule an appointment to pick up their textbook at the location the class will be running
- Students will be contacted by their teacher between June 25 - June 30 and a connection is required to be made in order for important information to be delivered. Students who do not connect with their teacher prior to July 2nd will be withdrawn from their courses.
- Students registered in a 30-level diploma course will need to write their diploma exam in August to provide a final mark. You will be contacted if diploma exams are canceled by Alberta Education. Please continue visit our school website for updated information regarding August diploma examinations.

2. Self-Paced Instruction– Modules

- Students registered in this program will be contacted to schedule an appointment to pick up modules prior to June 29th
- Students will be contacted in June/ July to book an appointment for drop off of completed course packages
- Last day to submit module course work is July 21st at 12:00pm
- Students who do not connect with their teacher in July will be withdrawn from their courses
- Division assessment policies and procedures will be followed to provide students with final marks
- Students registered in a 30-level diploma course will need to write their diploma exam in August to provide a final mark. You will be contacted if diploma exams are canceled by Alberta Education. Please continue visit our school website for updated information regarding August diploma examinations.

3. Online Instruction – Revelation Online

- Students who register in Revelation Online will receive an email with instruction to begin working immediately on their classes
- Students will not have access to teachers prior to July 2nd
- Teachers will be available July 2-23 Monday to Friday between 8:15am and 1:15pm for synchronous support
- Students are not required to be on-site for summative assessment
- Teachers will provide instruction through the D2L platform, TEAMS and email
- Division assessment policies and procedures will be followed to provide students with final marks
- Online textbooks are available for this program. No textbook pick up is required.
- Last day to submit module course work is July 21st at 12:00pm
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ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please visit www.ae.ecsd.net to register online

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

If the student does not already have an account, they must create one.

If they cannot remember their login, they must select "Can't access your account?, Forgot Your Password". Complete the information and a temporary password will be emailed to the address they provide.



ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION ONLINE REGISTRATION

At Edmonton Catholic Schools, we believe that children are gifts from God. In turn, Christ's teachings inspire our staff to see each child as a sacred responsibility. Our district-wide achievement and diploma examination results testify to the success of our unique partnership of parents, school and parish. Moreover, the lives our students lead in school and beyond are the proudest indications of our success.

Within this registration system, you will have access to register for:

- Ascension
- Diploma Preparation Sessions
- PASS (Evening Program)
- Revelation Online
- Summer School

* For Fresh Start day program registration, please contact a Fresh Start High Academic Centre nearest you.

* For students new to Canada, please contact One World...One Centre.

Sign in

Please Note: This is a separate registration system specifically for Alternative Education and is not connected to a PowerSchool account. Therefore, a unique sign in is required.

Email

Password

Login

Don't have an account? [Sign up](#)

[Can't access your account? Forgot Your Password](#)

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REGISTRATION FORM

If the student's name is not appearing in the dropdown beside "My Students", they must complete the application form by selecting "Add / Update Student" in the left-hand pane.

Add / Update Student Profile

My Student(s): [Edit Student Info](#)

Add Student to Edmonton Catholic Schools

Add Student

The student will need to select "Add Student" and fill in all the requested information. Once they have completed the form, they must select Add at the bottom of the form. If the student receives an error message, they should be directed to contact Sacred Heart Centre at 780-944-2000 to confirm the email address associated with their profile.

REGISTERING FOR A PROGRAM

Once the student has created a profile, their name will appear on the registration page under "My Students". If the parent has more than one child added to their account, in the drop-down menu, they must select the child they wish to register and select the program they wish to register in.

Program Registration

Please select the student you would like to register, followed by the program in which you are registering/applying for:

(If the student you would like to register is not appearing below, please go to the Add/Update Student Profile page to add them to your account)

My Student(s):



Register for Summer School



Register for Revelation Online Summer School

Register for Dual Credits

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Once the program is selected, the list of courses available will display below and the student will need to locate the course and then select the school from the drop-down list.

Order Course

Student: Test, Test ECS #: ASN: 123456789

10 hours of Christian Service is required to take Religion in Remote Learning (Classroom-Based). Please download and print the form [here](#).

[Registration Guidelines](#)

Search:

Course	School	Prerequisite	Credit	Technology User Fee	Caution	Sitting	
Aboriginal Studies 10 - SSN1154A5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --		5	60.00	90.00	0.00	
Aboriginal Studies 20 - SSN2154A5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --	Aboriginal Studies 10	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	
Aboriginal Studies 30 - SSN3154A5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --	Aboriginal Studies 20	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	
Aging - CCS3030A1	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --		1	60.00	0.00	0.00	
Biologie 20 - SCN2231F5	J.H. Picard	Sciences 10	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	In Cart
Biologie 30 - SCN3230F5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --	Biologie 20	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	
Biology 20 - SCN2231A5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --	Science 10	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	
Biology 30 - SCN3230A5	-- SELECT A SCHOOL --	Biology 20	5	60.00	90.00	0.00	

Once the student selects the course, they will be directed to their cart and the course they have chosen will be displayed. They must select the "Agree to Refund Policy" and select "Finalize Registration" to continue.

SHOPPING CART

Name	Course	Price	Delete
Test, Test	Program: Summer Course: Aboriginal Studies 10 - SSN1154A5 School: Fresh Start Cardinal Collins Clareview	\$150.00	

Grand Total: \$150.00

To finalize your registration, please read and [Accept Refund Policy](#)

[Continue Registration](#)

[Finalize Registration](#)

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Once finalized, they will receive the message below. Students must finalize their registration with payment online.

PAYMENT DETAILS

Credit Card Type	Master Card ▼
Credit Card Number	
Expiration Date	MONTH ▼ - 2020 ▼
Card Security Code	ⓘ
Cardholder Name	
Payment Amount	150.00
Submit Payment	



Note:

Please note that failure to make a payment within 2 business days may cause your registration to be cancelled. Students are not registered until payment has been received. Once payment is made, students may contact the program location for further information.

For Ascension Students Only:

All students must meet with an advisor before their application and registration is finalized. Courses are not reserved until you've seen an advisor and payment is made. It is recommended that students meet with an advisor prior to making payment.

Payment Options:

- Visa or MasterCard are accepted online.
- Credit and debit card payments are not accepted at all program locations.
- Cash and cheque payments are also accepted

PLEASE NOTE:

If a student has selected the wrong course, they will need to contact Sacred Heart Centre to have the course changed.

Alternative Education reserves the right to cancel any class where the minimum enrolment is not met. A full refund will be issued for any course canceled by Alternative Education.

All Technology User Fees are Non-Refundable after registration or upon withdrawal.

SUMMER SCHOOL

ECSD IS CURRENTLY TAKING REGISTRATIONS FOR ALL THE SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS (ONLINE & SELF-PACED COURSES).



**CONTACT YOUR
BRAIDED JOURNEYS
GRAD COACH TO
GET REGISTERED.**

Braided Journeys News



Braided Journeys
Summer School
CALM 20
Indigenous Focus



3 Credit Course

▶ Due to COVID-19 the course will now be offered through **REMOTE LEARNING**

To Register:
Contact your school
Braided Journeys staff

July 6 - 14, 2020

- Personal Reflection
- Managing Finances
- Career Exploration
- Leadership Skill Development
- Explore Health and Personal Well-Being



Braided Journeys News

Summer School Aboriginal Studies 30

July 2 - 23, 2020

5 Credit Course

Times: 8:15 am - 1:15 pm



▶ Due to COVID-19 the course
will now be offered through
REMOTE LEARNING

Locations:

Archbishop O'Leary St. Francis Xavier
8760-132 Avenue 9250-163 Street

- Guest Speakers
- Traditional Cultural Knowledge
- Project-Based Learning

Fees: \$40 Technology User Fee
 (non-refundable)
 \$80 Caution Fee
 (refunded upon the return of
 textbooks/materials in good condition)

To Register:

www.ae.ecsd.net or
call 780 944-2000



Superintendent's Blog



Walking TOGETHER in the Light of Christ

June 2020

... Let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works ...
(Matthew 5:16)

We began our year of Walking Together in the Light of Christ with this scripture, and it is fitting that we end the year with it as well. We have experienced great adversity this year in many ways, yet we have persevered. Knowing that we are a community that is united in Christ, our constant companion, has sustained us, and so many people have been instruments of Christ's love for others. The stories of love, compassion, joy, and mercy that we have heard throughout the year have all borne witness to #ECSDfaithinspires.

Each year, the Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta sponsors the Excellence in Catholic Education Awards. These awards honour individuals who provide our students with exceptional learning experiences that are deeply rooted in our Catholic faith. We are delighted to share that three of our staff have received this prestigious award: Pascal El Cid, teacher at Sister Annata Brockman [Catholic Elementary/Junior High School](#); Patricia Liogier, Principal of St. Leo Catholic Elementary School; and Theresa Volk, Principal of Bishop David Motiuk Catholic Elementary/Junior High School. Congratulations Pascal, Patricia, and Theresa!

Our Division is currently working with Alberta Education to determine what September re-entry will look like. They have directed us to prepare for three possible scenarios: return to normal classroom instruction, partial return to classes/return with restrictions in place and remaining in a remote learning situation. Which scenario we end up beginning the year with is entirely dependent on the pandemic status at the end of the summer and our ability to ensure that our students and staff can maintain their health and safety. The Ministry has indicated that they will decide what re-entry will be by August 1st in order to allow us ample time to be prepared for learning in the 2020-21 school year. We will let our families know what fall classes will look like as soon as this has been determined.

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As Father's Day approaches and we celebrate all those who have filled the role of father, grandfather, or mentor, let us take a moment to pray for them and give thanks.

Heavenly Father,

Today we ask You to bless our earthly fathers

for the many times they reflected the love, strength, generosity, wisdom and mercy that You exemplify in Your relationship with us, Your children.

We honour our fathers for putting our needs above their own convenience and comfort;

for teaching us to show courage and determination in the face of adversity;

for challenging us to move beyond self-limiting boundaries;

for modeling the qualities that would turn us into responsible, principled, caring adults.

We ask your blessing on those men who served as father figures in our lives.

May the love and selflessness they showed us be returned to them in all their relationships,

and help them to know that their influence has changed us for the better.

We pray that our fathers who have passed into the next life have been welcomed into Your loving embrace, and that our family will one day be reunited in your heavenly kingdom.

Amen

(Adapted from A Christopher Prayer for Father's Day)

Pope Francis shared a thought on Twitter that is the perfect punctuation mark on our theme for this year. He said, "If we are transparent before the Lord like a crystal, His light – the light of mercy – will shine in us and, through us, in the world." (05/19/20)

Have a wonderful June!

Sincerely,

Robert Martin

Chief Superintendent

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Bishop's Message

Pentecost: "Going for the Green and Gold"

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be forever!
Go Eskimos Go!

You got it. I'm an Edmonton Eskimos fan. And why not? The Eskimos have won the Grey Cup fourteen times of the modern era, and an unmatched five consecutive wins between 1978 and 1982, most recently in 2015.

The colours green and gold live forever in my heart. Not only are they the colours of the Eskimos, but they are also the colours of the Feast of Pentecost....

After Jesus' resurrection from the dead, Jesus instructed the disciples to stay in Jerusalem and to wait there for the promise of God the Father.

"When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them ability" (Acts of the Apostles, 2: 1-4).

On that first Pentecost, fifty days after the glorious resurrection of Jesus, the Lord sent the Holy Spirit in the form of tongues of fire upon his disciples that the Good News of the Gospel would be preached through them to all nations.

As we celebrate this Feast, let us remind ourselves our own Pentecost, that is, our own baptism in the Holy Spirit, when we were anointed with the gifts of the Spirit so that we too might proclaim the Good News of salvation to all peoples of our time.

For the Holy Spirit continues to act today, not just 2000 years ago, through the gifts given to us for God's glory – the great virtues of faith, hope and charity; the seven gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and the fear of the Lord; and the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Let us rediscover these gifts in ourselves, in our families, schools, churches, and communities, that we may be renewed by the Holy Spirit, and in turn, renew others by our Christian witness.

For each of us can relate stories of how the Holy Spirit has touched us in some special way – through the steadfast faith of a family member that all would be well when little light seemed to escape the darkness encompassing us; or the wisdom of a teacher or colleague to trust God completely; or the kindness of a friend during times of trouble or illness.

Bishop's Message

And what about the colours of green and gold?

Well, in the Ukrainian Catholic tradition, another name for Pentecost is Green Holydays, *Zeleni svjata*. Our churches and homes are decorated with the greenery of branches and such in celebration of the Feast. Green is a symbol of the newness of life – divine life – brought to us by the Holy Spirit. The priests even wear green vestments for the Feast of Pentecost!

And gold? Well, we were created in the image and likeness of God the Father. By living in the love of Christ, we gradually grow into this image and likeness. We call this process theosis, deification or divinization. The colour of the Divine is gold. And it is the Holy Spirit who helps us grow in the divine life, into holiness, sanctity.

Green and gold. Pentecost. The Divine Life.

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life, come and dwell within us; cleanse us of all that defiles us, and O Good One, save our souls (Prayer to the Holy Spirit).

Bishop David Motiuk
Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton