

FATHER LEONARD VAN TIGHEM SCHOOL

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FLVT NOVEMBER 2021

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Ken Sampson,
Superintendent
https://
blog.holyspirit.ab.ca/
Greg Kostiuk, Principal
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DATES TO REMEMBER

NOV. 4 — Picture Retakes

NOV. 7—Daylight Savings Ends (Fall Back)

NOV. 11 — No School

(Remembrance Day

NOV. 12—No School (non-operational day)

NOV. 15 — Q 2 begins

NOV. 19—Elem. Report Cards

NOV. 19—Conference Manager opens for booking Interviews

NOV. 24 & 25—Grade 1-9 Parent/ Teacher Phone Interviews

NOV. 25 & 26

⇒ K—EYE <u>Phone</u> Interviews



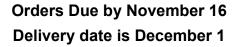
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School Council Winter Fundraiser

Beautiful holiday Poinsettias and Arrangements for yourself, family and friends.





Funds raised will support the Father Leonard Van Tighem HAWKS Virtues as well as the School Community Meal Plans.



Thank you for your support!



VIRTUE VOUCHERS

When staff members notices a student displaying one of our Van Tighem Virtues, they can give that student a Virtue Voucher. The student can then fill it out and enter their name in the office for a monthly draw to receive a \$20 indigo gift certificate. There will be three draws; K-3, 4-6 and 7-9. All names collected throughout the year will also be eligible for an end of the year draw of a \$50 Amazon card (one for each division).

September and October winners were:

Aubrey D. (3K) Cruze S. (1P) Corson V. (4CC)

Sumbo (4LC)

Braxton G. (7T)

Kden T (7G)

CONGRATULATIONS
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PICTURE RETAKES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

If you would like retakes, please bring your proof portrait sheet and form to the photographer on this day. Order after you see your new portrait; no payment is required on retake-day



Disposable cups create a huge amount of waste in the landfill.

Please make sure your child is bringing a reusable water bottle to school. Refill stations are available but drinking fountains are not.



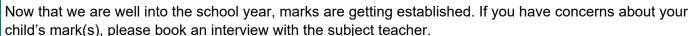


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PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Gr. 1—9

Booking starts—November 19
Phone Interviews—Wednesday & Thursday,
November 24 & 25 — 4:30—7:30 p.m.



Elementary Report cards will be sent home November 19.

Junior High will not receive report cards. Marks are most up to date on PowerSchool. Book your interview online @ https://vantighem-leth.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf starting November 19.

JUNIOR HIGH PARENTS: To access student marks and attendance, go to the FLVT website and click on the "P" (top right corner of page) You would log in using the same username & password you used to register your child for school. You can also download the "PowerSchool Mobile" app. This app is very user friendly and gives you more information.

IMPORTANT: When booking a time, please <u>include your phone number</u> in the comments portion.

This is the phone number the teacher will call you at for the designated time slot.

Please note: If the teacher you would like to see is booked up or you are not able to make the available times, please email the teacher directly to make alternate arrangements.

KINDERGARTEN INTERVIEWS

Booking starts—November 19
Phone Interviews — November 25 & 26



Please remember to book an interview as there will not be a written report card given out at this time. At your interview the teacher will discuss the results from the Early Years Evaluation—Teacher Assessment (EYE-TA.) This is a checklist to evaluate the learning of our Kindergarten students that our School Division has implemented. A written report card will be given for the March and June reporting periods.

Interviews can be booked online at https://vantighem-leth.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf starting November 19.

IMPORTANT: When booking a time, please <u>include your phone number</u> in the comments portion.

This is the phone number the teacher will call you at for the designated time.

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ANNUAL AWARDS 2020-2021

Our awards at Father Leonard Van Tighem will be celebrating in a similar manner as last year. The school will be honouring the students on site. There will be no formal evening due to pandemic restrictions.

These students will receive their awards for having exemplified our HAWK virtues, excelled academically, demonstrated perseverance, and leadership qualities.

On behalf of our school staff, we would like to congratulate these students as well as all of our students who have worked hard and persevered through these extreme times. We commend you and encourage you to continue to work hard and stay positive.

Congratulations to all the award winners and thank you to our school community for their continued support.







This year, an Elementary
Christmas Concert
Video will be sent out the last
week in





Registration is Now Open!

Eligibility:

Children (18 years and under) are eligible to receive gifts Families living in Lethbridge and area.

Register online at www.lfsfamily.ca

Registration Open

October 4 - November 30, 2021



Contact:

Lethbridge Family Services Rosie Digout Phone: 403–327–5724 Email: rdigoutelfsfamily.ca



About Angel Tree for Kids Campaign: At Lethbridge Family Services, we collect new, unwrapped toys during November and December and distribute them to children and youth in Lethbridgand area whose families need help at Christmas.



Winter Order Form



All orders are placed online at: fatherleonard.growingsmilesfundraising.com

(all unspent money will be carried over to the next school year)



6.5" Premium Poinsettias

A holiday favourite! Brighten up any room this winter with a vibrant poinsettia. Available in red, white, and pink, the 6.5" poinsettias are perfect for your home, hotels, restaurants and banks over the holidays.



Tropical Indoor Planter

Add a festive look to your table with a mixed tropical planter. There are four different, live plant varieties included with holiday decor in a rectangular tin. Planter container designs do vary and cannot be requested.



Holiday Wreath

The popular wreath is getting an upgrade! A large, plaid bow is featured in the middle of fresh noble, cedar and juniper. Frosted pinecones and red berries complete the new look - ready to welcome guests at your door!



Size of Poinsettias in a 6.5" pot

Approx. 14 - 16" tall and 13 - 16" wide



Hanging Greenery Bough

Celebrate with a merry bough of greenery! A fun, vintage, burlap bag holds premium greens, red ilex berry branches and an array of novelty decorations. This hangs outside on your front door or leans on the patio.



Outdoor Greenery Arrangement

Welcome guests to your home in-style with a deluxe greenery arrangement. This large, outdoor planter stands over 2 feet tall with beautiful, premium holiday greens, red ilex berry branches and decorations.

* All items may not be exactly as shown. We have a variety of plant/greenery mixes, containers, and holiday features. *



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Meet Your School Council



Monique Atkins has held several School Council positions in the past, and she currently serves as the Chair. Monique and her husband Darren have three children attending FLVT, Asher in grade four, Anderson in grade six and Avery in grade seven. Monique enthusiastically volunteers within the school because it's her belief a strong bond between home and school is key for a child's success. Go Hawks!



Asheley Cowie has been a part of School Council for six years. She has held three positions on School Council including her current role as Vice Chair. Asheley and her husband, Greg, have two boys at FLVT, Liam in grade six and Gray in grade four. Asheley loves being a part of School Council, it creates fantastic connections between her family and the school community.



Sheryl Benson-Loman is serving in her second year as School Council Treasurer. Sheryl and her husband, John, have two boys that attend Father Leonard Van Tighem. Her oldest son is in grade eight and her younger son is in grade six. She has volunteered at the school for many years in various capacities. Prior to joining School Council, she attended as many meetings as she could. She encourages any parent to attend School Council meetings as they are very informative and attendance enhances a sense of community with the school and fellow parents.



Sabra Roberts is very excited to be serving her first year on School Council as Communications Coordinator. Sabra and her husband, Shawn, have two children currently attending FLVT. Maizy is in grade one and Ellie is in pre-k. Sabra is looking forward to many years serving on School Council to help foster and strengthen the bond between parents and the greater school community.



Tania Crabbe, has had children attending FLVT for almost 15 years. She has been a part of School Council for three years; starting off as a parent rep, moving to vice chair and now sits happily taking notes as the secretary. Her daughter is in grade eight and they're nearing the end of their time at FLVT. "Our school is fortunate to have a group of parents and teachers so committed to making sure our kids have the best school experience possible and I love being a part of that."

Kaleigh Rey is in her first year of School Council, serving as the Activity Coordinator. Kaleigh and Tony's two children are currently in kindergarten and in grade three. Kaleigh believes that it takes a community to raise a child and is excited to be a new member of our team to enhance the community presence at FLVT.



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'I will restore you to health and heal your wounds, declares the Lord.' Jeremiah 30:17



November 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The fourth wave of this pandemic continues to challenge us. In the midst of illness, uncertainty and insecurity, these prophetic words of Jeremiah resonate deeply: "I will heal your wounds," says the Lord. "I will restore you to health." These words offer comfort and hope to our Catholic school communities here in Alberta as they celebrate Catholic Education Sunday on November 7, 2021. In solidarity with our fellow Ontario Catholic educators, we embrace the theme: Catholic Education: Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together.

The difficult circumstances of these past two years have placed upon our families the heavy burden of worry and uncertainty as they strove to support the educational learning of their children. Our Catholic schools worked closely with parents through the dedicated efforts of trustees, superintendents, teachers and staff, all deeply committed to fulfilling the vision of Catholic education for more than 183,500 students in 450 schools across the province of Alberta. The many acts of sacrificial love made for the sake of our students give witness to our faith, and serve to rebuild, restore and renew Catholic education. Together, our parish and school communities encourage parents to continue to choose a Catholic school for their children. We are grateful for the treasure that is Catholic education, and are eager to share it.

Catholic Education Sunday is an annual event that serves to celebrate the important and critical role that our Catholic schools play in the province of Alberta. It provides us with an opportunity to recognize the vibrant faith that is the foundation of our Catholic schools, and encourages us to reflect with gratitude on the countless blessings to be found within the Catholic educational community. Catholic Education Sunday also serves to challenge each of us to step forward as advocates, inspired and emboldened to ensure the future of Catholic education as an essential dimension of the mission of the Church.

We, the Bishops of Alberta, recognize the vital role of Catholic education in the life and future of the Church and society. We are deeply committed to ensuring the integrity of our Catholic schools and the gift of faith offered to our students and their families. With hope and boldness, we must rebuild, restore and renew together the wonderful legacy of Catholic education.

As the pandemic continues to challenge us, we encourage all who have worked tirelessly to promote Catholic education to stay strong, continue your good work, pray for inspiration and guidance, and be strengthened in the promise offered to all believers: "And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast". (1Peter 5:10)

In this Year of St Joseph, during May's Catholic Education Week, we consecrated all of Alberta's Catholic schools to the loving care of St Joseph. As we continue to ask for the intercession of our patron saint, we call all the faithful across our province to unite in a novena prayer for our Catholic Schools. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AStZtrZHjFCgLJEBd-x F4WeioS96MA0/edit

Publicly funded Catholic education is a gift which must not be taken for granted. Our commitment to Catholic education is steadfast. Together with the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA), the Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta (CCSSA) and Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education (GrACE), we shall continue our efforts to ensure the future of Catholic education in our province.

United in prayer, let us humbly and confidently ask our loving God to rebuild, restore and renew all of our Catholic schools through His providential care.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Catholic Bishops of Alberta and NWT

Most Reverend Richard W. Smith

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Archbishop of Edmonton

Most Reverend David Motiuk

Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton

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Most Reverend Paul Terrio

Bishop of St. Paul

Most Reverend William T. McGrattan

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Bishop of Calgary

Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR

Archbishop Grouard-McLennan

Most Reverend Jon Hansen CSsR Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith

Together on the Journey

"Desire therefore my words; long for them and you will be instructed. Resplendent and unfading is Wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her."

Wisdom 6:11-12



ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

Catherine was born around 287 in Alexandria, Egypt. She was of noble birth, possibly a princess. She was educated and an avid scholar. When the emperor Maxentius began persecuting Christians, Catherine visited him to denounce his cruelty. Maxentius summoned fifty orators and philosophers to debate her. However, Catherine was moved by the power of the Holy Spirit and spoke eloquently in defense of her faith. Her words were so moving that several of the pagans converted to Christianity and were immediately executed. Catherine was eventually ordered to be executed on a breaking wheel. When Catherine was presented before the wheel, she touched it and a miracle occurred that caused the wheel to shatter. Unable to torture her to death, the emperor simply ordered her beheaded. One account claimed that angels took her body to Mt. Sinai. In the sixth century, the Emperor Justinian ordered a monastery established in her name. The monastery, Saint Catherine's, remains to this day and is one of the oldest in the world.



School: St. Catherine



The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

St. Catherine was known for her wisdom which is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. These gifts are bestowed on the faithful when they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The gifts allow the faithful to become God's special instruments in this world.

Isaiah foretold that the Holy Spirit would rest upon the promised Messiah, Emmanuel, and that he would possess wisdom and understanding, counsel and fortitude, knowledge, fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2), and piety. As Jesus was blessed with these gifts by his Father, every believer is blessed with the same gifts by the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:8-10).

Wisdom is the first gift of the Holy Spirit. It is the ability to exercise good judgment. It is grounded in common sense and comes from life experience, thoughtful reflection, and learning life's lessons in "The School of Hard Knocks." Wisdom distinguishes between right and wrong, seeks and upholds truth and justice, and balances personal good with the common good.

Understanding is the gift of intelligence and enlightenment. It is the ability to perceive, comprehend, and interpret information; to have insight and discern meaning.

Counsel is good advice. It is the ability to teach and inform, guide and direct, warn and admonish, recommend and encourage. The Holy Spirit offers this special gift to parents, teachers, coaches, mentors, advisors, supervisors, elders, and the like. Counsel is not only the ability to give good advice, but to receive it as well.

Fortitude is an unwavering commitment to God or a proper course of action, and it shows itself in moral strength, courage, determination, patient endurance, long-suffering, a resolute spirit, stamina, and resiliency.

Knowledge is the ability to study and learn; to acquire, retain, and master a wide spectrum of information; and to put it to good use for constructive purposes.

Fear of the Lord is awe, reverence, and respect for God. It downplays human self-sufficiency and acknowledges that everything comes from God. Consequently, those who "Fear the Lord" gladly offer their praise, worship, and adoration to God alone.

Piety is the only gift not part of Isaiah's original list. Piety is personal holiness, the ability to live a decent life, free of sin, devoted to God, and obedient to God's will.

is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you."

- James 1:5

Click here to view a larger image of The Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Together on the Journey



School: St. Catherine

Feast Days and Celebrations November 2021

- 1 All Saints' Day
- 2 All Souls' Day
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 14 World Day of the Poor
- 25 Memorial of St. Catherine of Alexandria
- 28 1st Sunday of Advent

As you journey with St. Catherine this month...

WEEK ONE

The internet provides us with access to great knowledge and some of the world's best teachers. Take some time to learn more about St. Catherine and her life. What is something that you've learned about St. Catherine that you didn't know before?



WEEK TWO

In her time, St. Catherine spoke against cruelty and stood up for those who were being persecuted. In our day, we pause this week to remember the sacrifices of those who have served our country, for those who have been victims of aggression and inhumanity, and to pray for peace. Take time this week to make a note and pray about how you can participate in bringing God's peace into the world.

WEEK THREE

God answered Catherine's prayers, but not always in ways she expected. Are we prepared to receive God's answers to our prayers, even when they're not what we're expecting? If we are, we will receive, like Catherine, even more joy than we imagined. Write a prayer, or say a prayer in your heart asking God for His help with any problems you are having.



The first Advent candle symbolizes hope. Each time a candle is lit we are one step closer to Christmas. We await with hopeful anticipation the celebration of the birth of Jesus. As we light the first Advent candle, may we put aside all worry and stress and allow our hearts to be open for the day when we celebrate Jesus' birth. What are you hopeful for this Advent season?



Sunday Gospel Readings

Nov. 7th/32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 12:38-44

Nov. 14th/33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 13:24-32

Nov. 21st/34th Sunday in Ordinary Time John 18:33b-37

> Nov. 28th/1st Sunday of Advent Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



Sources: Daily Lessons from the Saints by Fr. Brice Higginbotham St. Catherine of Alexandria. Catholic Online

What Are the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis



Accident insurance for the unexpected



Accidents happen, especially where children are involved. For just pennies a day, Student Accident Insurance helps you protect your family from costs not covered by your provincial health plan or employee benefits if your child is injured. Whether an accident happens on campus property, during school-sponsored activities, playing in a park or even your own backyard, we've got you covered.

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\$13 /YEAR	\$25 _{/YEAR}	\$33 /YEAR
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Summary of Benefits	LITE	PLUS	PREMIUM
	\$13 /YEAR	\$25 /YEAR	\$33 /YEAR
24-hour, year-round coverage	~	✓	✓
Unlimited accidental dental	10 years	10 years	10 years
Eyeglasses or contact lenses needed due to injury	Full cost	Full cost	Full cost
Paramedical	\$500	\$500	\$800
Emergency Transportation	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance	Full cost of ambulance fees or \$350 taxi in lieu of ambulance
Total & permanent disability	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$350,000
Critical Illness	\$9,000 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations	\$9,000 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations	\$12,500 nursing expenses + \$3,000 accommodations
Loss of limb/loss of use	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Accidental death benefit	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$30,000
Hospital room expenses	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Medical appliances and expenses	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
Fracture/dislocation benefit	Up to \$750	Up to \$750	Up to \$1,000
Out-of-province/country emergency medical	n/a	n/a	\$200,000
Trip cancellation and emergency return flight	N/A	N/A	\$1,000 each
ADDITIONAL: Hospital cash benefit	\$100/day	\$100/day	\$100/day

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for this insurance, your child must reside in Canada and be more than 6 months old and less than 27 years old.

Children 14 years of age and older must be full-time students in the 12 months prior to a claim, at any time during coverage. A full-time student is defined as one who is enrolled in a minimum of three courses at the same time during any four-month period.

Please note that this is only a summary of benefits. The full policy wording is the legal binding agreement.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Picture Retake Day Beautiful Blue Day	5	6
	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4	Pancakes & Sausage \$4	Chicken Burger \$4	Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50	
7 Daylight Savings Ends	8	9	10 Quarter 1 Ends	11 No School	12 No School	13
Fall Back	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4	Bold Black Day Chicken Burger \$4	Remembrance Day	Non- operational Day	
14	15 Quarter 2 Begins	16 School Council Mtg. 7 p.m. Winter Fundraise orders due	17	18 Groovy Grey Day	19 Elementary Report Cards Interview bookings start	20
	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4	Loaded Nachos \$4	Chicken Burger \$4	Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner	
21	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	23 Pre-order Taco in a Bag \$5.25	Gr. 1-9 Telephone Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:30 -7:30 Mini Cheese Pizza \$4	Wintry White Day Gr. 1-9 Telephone Parent/Teacher Interviews 4:30-7:30 Kindergarten 4-7:30 Chicken Burger \$4	Kindergarten Telephone Parent/ Teacher Interviews 8:30—12:00 Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50	27
28	29	30	1			
First Sunday of Advent	Advent Celebration		Fundraiser Plant Pick-up 3—5 p.m.			
	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4				





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			Fundraiser Plant Pick-up 3—5 p.m.	Super Silver Day	AM Kindergarten	
				Chicken Burger \$4	Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Second Sunday of Advent	Advent Celebration	School Council Mtg. 7 p.m.		Glittering Gold Day	PM Kindergarten	
	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Mini Pepperoni Pizza \$4		Chicken Burger \$4	Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Third Sunday of Advent	Advent Celebration		Christmas Hat/Sweater Day	Red and Green Day		
Elementary Christmas Concert Video to be sent out this week	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4	Cheesy Garlic Fingers \$4		Chicken Burger \$4	Smoothies \$3 Kraft Dinner \$2.50	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Fourth	No School	No School	No School	No School		
Sunday of Advent	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation	*	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Boxing Day	No School	No School	No School	No School	un.	
	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation	Christmas Vacation		