



CATS WEEKLY

HOME EDITION: September 14-18, 2026



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, September 14:

- ★ Have a marvelous Monday!
- ★ Girls soccer meeting 3:00 – 4:30

Tuesday, September 15:

- ★ Girls soccer away game vs. STA

Wednesday, September 16:

- ★ U of A Dentistry Visit for those students who are notified
- ★ SAC Meeting for Parents in the staff room at 5:00 p.m. Please join us to find out more about our school community
- ★ Girls soccer practice 3:00 – 4:30
- ★ Boys soccer home game vs Holy Cross

Thursday, September 17:

- ★ 1/2 DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Friday, September 18:

- ★ Have a fabulous Friday!



PRAYER

LITURGY AND PRAYER

Division Video:

[Here is a link to download the video.](#)

Please enjoy the Little Liturgy with Father Glenn and Father Julian below:

Sunday, Sept 13, 2026 - <https://youtu.be/s2u72bi5paI>

Father Julian's reflection on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross: https://youtu.be/Uz2wXCp_Bsk



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HOT LUNCH:

Our first hot lunch of the year will be held on Friday, October 2nd. We will be having Tim Horton's delivered to ELEMENTARY students who place orders before Sunday, Sept 27th at midnight. All orders and payments must be made online at <https://healthyhunger.ca/index.php>. Be sure to select St Catherine School. **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING:

The School Advisory Council (parent council) provides a wonderful opportunity for parents and guardians to learn more about our school, share ideas, and help shape the educational experiences of our students. Your voice, perspectives, and involvement are important to us.

We look forward to connecting with you and working together to support the success of our St Catherine students.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community!

We hope to see you there on Wednesday, September 16 at 5:00 p.m. in our staff room.

PICK UP OF STUDENTS:

It is very important if you are picking up your child/children before dismissal that you come to the office and sign them out. Also, if you are picking up your child after school, go to their designated door and wait there. Our kindergarten parents should wait at the doors by the school bus until the dismissal bell rings. **For the safety of everyone, we are discouraging parents from entering the school prior to the bell.**

ALSO, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT PARENTS ARE PICKING UP STUDENTS AND DROPPING OFF STUDENTS IN THE DESIGNATED AREAS. FOR THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE, THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE STAFF PARKING LOT.

MESSAGE FROM ONE WORLD ONE CENTRE:

Edmonton Catholic School's One World...One Centre is inviting newcomer families to a special information evening on Wednesday, September 23, 2026 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Lumen Christi Catholic Education Centre (9405 50 Street).

This event is a great opportunity for families who are new to Canada to learn more about Edmonton Catholic Schools and the supports available.

You will receive information on:

- Intercultural Services
- Community Partnerships
- School Procedures
- PowerSchool
- Busing
- Resources for English Language Learners

Meet community partners and attend breakout sessions with Intercultural Liaisons on topics critical for new families to integrate into schools - available in 10 languages: Amharic, Arabic, Chinese, English, Filipino/Tagalog, French, Spanish, Tigrinya, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions, meet ECSD staff and community partners, and learn about the support available.

Light snacks and refreshments will be served, and on-site childcare from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Please register by September 11, 2026, by clicking [here](#) or by calling 780-441-6060.

For more information visit Newcomer Information Night

We look forward to welcoming you!

BUSPLANNER APP:



For the 2025-26 school year, Transportation Services office will send late bus notifications via the Division website [BusPlanner Alert](#) for delays. There is also an APP for your cellphones that will provide you with alerts for delays. The App is available for both Android and iPhone. Below are instructions on how to do this or visit [Yellow Bus Delays](#) click on **How do I set up Bus Planner Delays App?**

Download the free **Bus Planner Delays App** through the respective App Store on your phone.

Once downloaded:

1. Open the App, select the wrench at the top, select Edmonton Catholic Schools, and click next.
2. Under setup, select My Child's Bus to receive alerts.
3. Select the school(s) you would like to receive notifications and click + after selecting each school. Once you finish selecting schools, click next.
4. Select the applicable bus run(s) and click +. If you wish to receive notifications for more than one bus, repeat the process for each bus. Once you finish, click Done and the App will return to the main screen:

Please make sure notifications for the Bus Planner Delays App are turned on within your phone settings. Also, ensure your phone software is up to date. Note: Data usage and rates will occur while using the Bus Planner Delays App.

BUS DELAYS APP:

- Please check that you have all 3 runs added for the specific bus route. You must add AM (morning run), PM (afternoon run) & THURS (Thursday afternoon)
- Delays are also posted on the Bus Planner website
<https://ecsd.mybusplanner.ca/Alerts>
- Please note if the student's route number has changed, you must update the app with the new information. It will not be automatically updated.

PARKING IN THE COMMUNITY:



Again, this year, The City of Edmonton traffic enforcement will be monitoring parking violations and driving in the area. They receive phone calls from community members about unsafe parking and driving. If you have any questions about this, please contact the City of Edmonton at 311.

We are blessed to have an increase in the number of staff at our school. This means that we have fewer parking stalls available.



PARENTS, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE STAFF PARKING LOT. WE ASK THAT YOU USE THE ANGLE PARKING BESIDE THE PARKING LOT.

SCHOOL BUS RIDERS:



If your children are being picked up on occasion and not going on the bus that day, please ensure that the student lets the staff member at their bus know that they are going to be picked up. This saves us from trying to find the student that is supposed to be on the bus and avoiding bus delays.

Parents, if you could also call the office to let them know that your child/children are being picked up on that day, that would be very much appreciated.



UPCOMING DATES

September 22: Cross Country Run for those elementary students who have joined

September 25: Terry Fox School run

September 28: Picture retake day

September 29: Orange Shirt Day (in honour of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation)

September 30: Truth and Reconciliation Day (no classes for students or staff)

October 2: Tim Hortons Hot lunch for elementary students who ordered

October 5: Read In Week (we will be having several guest readers in the school to celebrate the gift of reading with everyone)

October 9: Thanksgiving Celebration at 9:00 am

October 9: Half day of instruction for students. FALL BREAK BEGINS

October 26: Classes resume

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