



CATS WEEKLY



HOME EDITION: May 18-22, 2026

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, May 18:

- ★ Victoria Day Long Weekend, no classes for students or staff

Tuesday, May 19:

- ★ Track and Field for Junior High
- ★ Slo-Pitch practice @ Queen Mary Park
- ★ EISA Homework Club for students that are registered @ 3:00

Wednesday, May 20:

- ★ STEM Club for students that are registered @ 3:00
- ★ Slo Pitch Practice @ Queen Mary Park

Thursday, May 21:

- ★ Have a wonderful Thursday!
- ★ Grade 9 ELA Provincial Achievement Test (Morning)
- ★ Half day of instruction for students

Friday, May 22:

- ★ Grade 6 ELA Provincial Achievement Test (Morning)
- ★ Gr 3's & EAL Class at Edmonton Zoo
- ★ Badminton Open Practice

LITURGY AND PRAYER

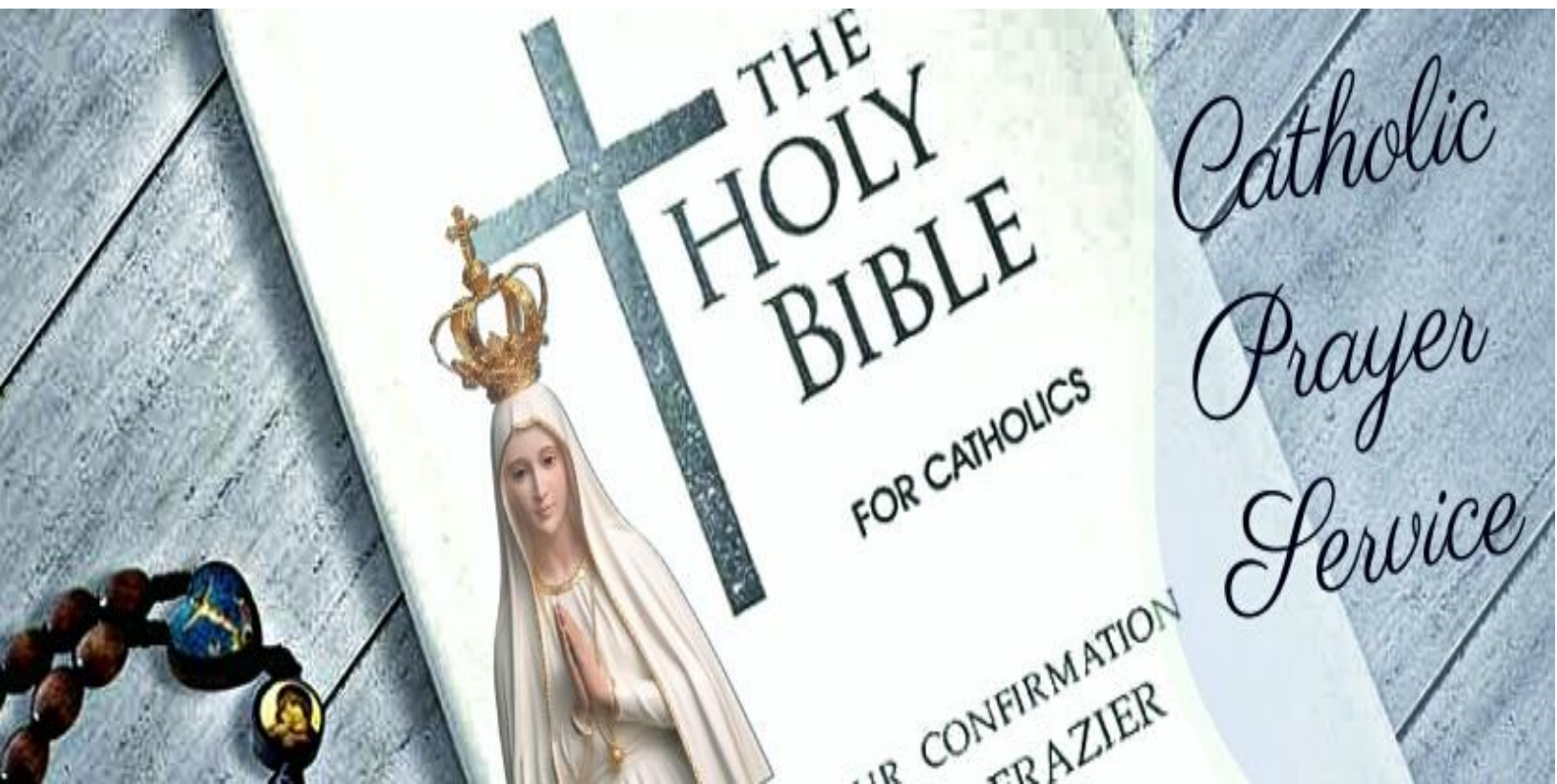
A Morning Prayer to Start Each Day

God, this is the day that you have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. With gratitude, I thank you for preserving my life for one more day. With gratitude, I thank you for your ultimate gift of love for me, in the form of your son and the sacrifice of his life on my behalf. Because of this overwhelming gift that I often cannot comprehend, I humbly submit to you. I know Lord, that I am a mere human and cannot instruct you, but you Lord can instruct me. So teach me your ways that I may rely on your faithfulness. Teach us to number our days and to use our time wisely.

St Andrews Parish Mass Times -<https://standrew.caedm.ca/>

There are many Mass times available from which to choose - for regular workers, shift workers, families, visitors and the elderly (wheelchair accessible.)

- ***Weekend Mass times:*** Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m., 11 a.m., & 5 p.m.
- ***Weekday Mass times:*** Monday to Saturday 9 a.m.
- ***First Friday of the Month:*** 7 p.m.
- ***Sacrament of Reconciliation:*** Monday-Saturday 8:30-8:50 a.m., First Fridays 6:00-6:50 p.m., Saturdays: before & right after the morning Mass and from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon or by appointment



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

THE IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP:

With the days getting longer and summer getting closer it could be harder for children and adults to be getting the proper amount of sleep. Please see the link below about the importance of sleep and some tips!

<https://www.mayoclinichealthsystem.org/hometown-health/speaking-of-health/sleep-an-essential-element-of-success-for-children>

FOOTBALL OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS:

Please see information below about the Edmonton Sea Hawks Football Club



Spring training begins in May
Games begin in August/September

TACKLE REGISTRATION DISCOUNT
SEAHAWKSTACKLE

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED
U11, U13 AND U16
EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

QR code for registration



TRY TACKLE FOOTBALL

REGISTER

FOOTBALL TRY IT DAY

9 JUNE TUESDAY 6:00 PM

CASTLEDOWNS PARK
11524 153 AVE
EDMONTON, AB

TRACK AND FIELD - RESCHEDULED:

Due to today's wet and windy weather, our Junior High Track and Field Day has been rescheduled to **Tuesday, May 19th** in the morning. Please make sure your child dresses for the weather!

THINGS TO DO NOW THAT THE WEATHER IS NICER:

View and download the calendar at [ecsd.net/calendar](https://www.ecsd.net/calendar)

The City of Edmonton offers a variety of outdoor adventure programs for youth, families and groups. Learn more about the day camps, drop in outdoor programs and the available activities found in parks by clicking the link below.

https://www.edmonton.ca/activities_parks_recreation/outdoor-adventure-programs

UPDATED 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR:



Edmonton Catholic Schools has updated the 2026-2027 Division year-round school calendar. While the total number of instructional and operational days remains the same, a few dates have changed.

There will be no classes for all ECSD students on Monday, October 19, 2026, as the province conducts a scheduled referendum and Elections Alberta has requested that schools not be in session that day. Fall Break will now take place from October 12 to 23, 2026. View and download the calendar at [ecsd.net/calendar](https://www.ecsd.net/calendar)

OFFICE HOURS:

Please note that our office hours are 8:00 – 4:00. Though we have many staff members here before and after those hours, phones are answered during these hours. Thank you.

Phone Calls For Students During The Day:

Please see below a reminder of our Cell Phone Policy:

Cell phone usage is not permitted during school hours, 8:10 a.m. – 2:46 p.m. This is in respect of student and staff safety and to avoid instances of: cyber-bullying, privacy (unauthorized photos), threats (to students or staff) and the belief that a student's focus should be on learning in the classroom. The school will not be responsible for lost/missing/stolen cell phones.

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Students should not be calling anyone during the school day using their cell phone. If they are needing to use a phone they are to come to the office.

LUNCHES: We are strongly encouraging families to send lunches with their children **IN THE MORNING.** We have many lunches being dropped off in the morning and it can get very busy having to distribute them.

ALSO, WE ARE ASKING FAMILIES TO NOT ARRANGE FOR SKIP THE DISHES ORDERS TO BE DROPPED OFF AT THE SCHOOL.

Students learn best when they feel their best! If your child is feeling unwell, please keep them home to rest and recover. This helps support a healthy learning environment for everyone. If your child needs to miss school due to illness, please contact our office.

SCHOOL FEES:

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All families should have received notice about their child's school fees. Please visit PowerSchool to pay your school fees as soon as possible. If you need support with this, please do not hesitate to call the office



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.

SNACK, BREAKFAST PROGRAM AND CONCESSION:

Please ensure that your children have lunch packed each day. Our junior high students often come without lunch, and we are unable to provide lunch for all students that forget theirs. The concession is available for our **junior high students** who can purchase it. If your child forgets their lunch, we will be calling you to please drop one off for them. Thank you for your understanding.

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.

Thank you for your understanding.

SCHOOL BUS RIDERS:



*If your child/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.***

ST. ANDREW CHURCH:



*Our school Parish is **St. Andrew**. Please visit their website for Mass times and Parish information. Here's the link for St. Andrew's Parish <https://standrew.caedm.ca/>. Father Andrew Bogdanowicz and the St Andrew Parish Community would love to have our St Catherine School Community come and celebrate with the community*

UPCOMING DATES

May 27: *Fluoride Treatment*

May 29: *Badminton Open Practice*

Jun 1: *4B Away Inquiring Minds -City Hall*

Jun 2: *Yona Concert Road to Joy*

Jun 5: Gr 9 Farewell @ St. Andrew Church

Jun 9: Gr 9 ELA Part B PAT/ Gr 9 K& E ELA Part B

ECSD DIVISION WEBSITE:

<https://www.ecsd.net/>

ST. CATHERINE WEBSITE:

<https://stcatherine.ecsd.net/>