

# Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School

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## January 2017 ABJ Monthly Happenings

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our cherished friend, leader and servant of Christ, Tony Sykora. Tony passed away on January 1st surrounded by his family and friends who loved him immensely. Tony was a man of great faith, great love and lived a life full of these blessings with his family; wife Debbie and children Holly and Stephen and extended family members and friends.

A legacy of leadership in Catholic Education, Tony was governor and leader in his role as a Trustee and former Board Chair with EICS, President of the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association, and Vice-President of the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association. His deep and authentic relationship with our Catholic faith will be remembered by everyone he has touched locally, provincially and nationally.

Those of us who were privileged to spend time with this great man will miss his gentle manner and laugh and the marvelous way that he made you feel as if you were the most significant person in this vast world as he spoke with you.

Debbie and the entire Sykora family are inviting people to come share in the celebration of Tony's life with a prayer service and funeral mass at his parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church beginning this Friday, January 6th, 2017.

*"Our loved ones have not disappeared into dark nothingness: Hope assures us that that they are in God's good and strong hands. Love is stronger than death." Pope Francis*

### Location:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish: 13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, Alberta

Map: [OLPH Parish](#)

Prayers: Friday, January 6, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Funeral Mass: Saturday, January 7, 2017

10:00 a.m.

### **Parent School Council (PSC)**

Your next Parent School Council meeting will be **TBA in the new year 2017** – If you'd like to be active with the PSC please contact the school or e-mail [talockhart@shaw.ca](mailto:talockhart@shaw.ca)

Important Dates to remember and [put on your fridge calendar](#), [Google Calendar](#) or calendar of choice:

### **January 2017**

- 7 Ukrainian Christmas (Greek Orthodox Calendar) **щасливого Різдва**
- 9 First day of classes for all students

**\* Formal enforcement (SOFT – warnings for first week) of new parking program between ABJ and Emerald Hills**

11 Early Dismissal at 2:11pm

18 Last day of regular classes for Term 1

16-30 Final Exams – final schedule is posted on school web site <https://abj.eics.ab.ca/download/89546>

19-27 Text Book return to library beginning at 8:30am and finishing each day at 3:30pm

**Diploma / PAT Exams:**

31 Semester Break - PD Day – No classes for students

**February 2017**

1 Early Dismissal at 2:11pm

9-10 Teachers Convention – no classes

17 Professional Development Day – no classes for students

20 Family Day – no classes / school closed

22-24 Scots Cup Basketball Tourney

**March 2017**

1 Ash Wednesday Mass Celebrations / Early Dismissal at 2:11pm

3 Professional Development Day – no classes for students

15 NAIL Improv Club Competition at Ziedler Hall 7:30pm

24 Spring Break – No school including Friday, March 24 – Sunday, April 2

**April 2017**

3 First day back to school

5 Early Dismissal at 2:11pm

11-12 ABJ Three Way Conferences

14 Good Friday – no classes / school closed

16 Easter Sunday - Христос Воскрес Christ Has Risen Le Christ est Ressuscité

17 Easter Monday – no classes / school closed

20 Easter Mass / NAIL Improv Competition at Ziedler Hall 7:30pm

25-29 Band Tour to Nashville-Memphis

28 Professional Development Day – no classes

**May 2017**

3 Early Dismissal at 2:11pm

9 Grade 9 LA – PAT Part A

10 ABJ Spring Band Concert

11 Grade 9 FLA – PAT

19 Professional Development Day – no classes

22 Victoria Day – school closed

26 Grad Blessing at school

27 Grad Mass at OLPH Parish

28 Grad Ceremony and Banquet at the Shaw Conference Centre

30-June 1 Drama 30 Production



**"I know in whom I place my trust" 2 Tim 1:12**