



Fr. Harold Danielson

First Pastor and Founder | 1978-1980

Fr. Harold grew up in California and joined the Salesians in 1956. He studied theology at the Salesian University in Rome and was ordained a priest on December 22, 1966. He became director of St. Mary's School in Edmonton in 1973. He gradually became involved with the new St. Dominic Savio Parish, established in 1970, and later St. John Bosco. Archbishop Joseph MacNeil officially established the St. John Bosco parish community on September 1, 1978. A house was purchased to provide meeting rooms and offices. For several years, weekday Masses were celebrated in the basement. Sunday Masses were celebrated at St. Elizabeth Seton School. Fr. Harold's main objective was "to form the parish community into a family." Fr. Harold founded the Legion of Mary. He worked closely with the first three Catholic Schools in the area: St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Maria Goretti, and Anne Fitzgerald. In the spring of 1980 Fr. Danielson was asked to go to Rome to prepare himself for his new appointment in vocation ministry and seminary formation.

St. John Bosco is a Roman Catholic parish serving Edmonton, Alberta.

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News from the Don Bosco Salesians of Canada and USA

November 13-19

October 28, 2025

Please pray for Alexandria Foos, a Salesian Lay Missioner (SLM) who currently serves at Salesianos de San Pedro Sula in Honduras.

November 6-12

October 28, 2025

Please pray for Emily Durr, a Salesian Lay Missioner (SLM) who currently serves at Don Bosco Palabek in Uganda.

East Boston: Bulletin Boards and All Saints Day

October 28, 2025

By Bro. Bob Metell, SDB (East Boston, Mass. - October 28) - October has been rapidly flying by, with Halloween and All Saints Day right around the corner. [...]

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News from the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

Nicene Creed Series: 'I confess one baptism'

October 29, 2025

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October 24, 2025

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October 23, 2025

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