

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Be humble. Live in mercy. Experience joy.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 23, 2016

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Family Halloween Party



On October 29, from 12 noon to 3:00 pm we are having our annual family party. Games, snacks, prizes and lots of good, clean fun!

RSVP not required. Call Joanne, ext. 230, or email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca if you can help.

PARENT SACRAMENTAL FORUMS WITH REGISTRATION FOR

Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation NOVEMBER 1, 3 or 5, in Tranquille Hall

In our diocese children baptized in the Roman Catholic Church celebrate Reconciliation in grade 2, Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6. All children receiving sacraments in the 2016 - 2017 school year, regardless of the school they attend (Catholic or otherwise), must be registered at a forum. **IF YOU HAVE A CHILD WHO MISSED RECEIVING A SACRAMENT OR WHO IS NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOL** contact Darlene, x-228, at the parish office.

The Parent Sacramental Forums this year will be held all in one week:

Tuesday, November 1, 7 - 9 pm

Thursday, November 3, 7 - 9 pm

Saturday, November 5, 9 - 11 am

Parents only need to attend one session.

Bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$19,740.48
Children's collection	\$112.00

OCTOBER 24 - 30 DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon. 24: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

Tues. 25: 7 - 9:30 pm, GriefShare, St JP II Room

Wed. 26: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall

- 7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall

Fri. 28: 7 - 11 pm, Youth Halloween Party, Tranquille Hall
- 7:30 - 9:30 pm, Ultreya, church

Sat. 29: 10 am - noon, Altar Server's practice, church

- noon - 2 pm, Altar Server's practice, church

- Noon - 3 pm, Family Halloween party, Tranquille Hall

"Massive Exchange" Parent night with Michael Chiasson, October 25, 7 - 8 pm at St. Joe's High School. Parents, come find out the top 7 things most teens wish you knew.

Today is World Mission Sunday.

Along with Catholics throughout the world, we are called to offer our prayers and generous financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Jesus. Your gift on World Mission Sunday helps:

- People in remote villages, towns and cities through the witness and work of missionaries and local priests.

- Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick and orphans through the service of Religious Sisters and Brothers.

- to bring the Gospel to the poorest of our human family

- Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace that only Christ can give.

Please offer prayers for the work of the Church in the missions today - The Pacific Islands, Latin America, Africa and Asia. If you missed contributing to the collection you may drop your donation at the parish office this week during office hours. *Make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church*



Please Note: The next SALT (gr. 3 - 5) is Friday, November 18, from 7 - 9 pm, in St. JPll Room.

We will be packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

If you haven't registered yet, come anyway. Registration is ongoing.



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our upcoming news & events: www.saintjoseph.ca/youth



Help needed for Youth Alpha at St Joseph High School. We invite individuals, families, parish ministries or other interested groups to sponsor lunch for the participants. 8 weekly sessions with 50 - 70 participants. If you are able to donate to this important initiative, contact April, ext. 229, at the parish office.

EDGE (gr. 6 - 9) Friday, Oct. 28, 7 - 10 pm.



Halloween Dance & Haunted House

Bring your costumes for a night of fun with a dance, bouncy castle, snacks, and our haunted-house-style zombie zone.

Cost: \$5 or bring a snack or a food bank item.



(gr 9 - 12) XLT - October 23, 7 - 9 pm.

Join us for Adoration with contemporary worship music in the chapel.

Social to follow.

Sunday, Oct. 30, 6 - 9pm:

Once Upon a Murder Mystery

Potluck and fairy tale murder mystery party. Text or call April 780-882-4091 to RSVP and receive your role.

SEARCH High School Retreat Weekend: Gr. 10 - 12 Nov. 18 - 20, in St. Albert. Registration and info found on parish website. Cost: \$45. *Deadline: November 1* We are sending a bus so register early to get a spot!

Girl's Night Bible study, (gr. 10 - 12), Thursdays after 7 pm Mass. Contact April for info, 780-882-4091.

Coming Soon: Challenge Girls (gr. 5 - 8) This group is designed to help girls grow in knowledge of their Catholic faith, deepen their friendship with Christ and make a positive impact on their families, friends and their world. This team based, teen led approach is service driven, virtue centered and age specific. Weekly meetings will start November 7th, *(time and location: TBA)* Call Anna Friesen, 780-832-4068 or (cell) 780-831-8338.



The Mom's Group meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:00 am - noon in Tranquille Hall. Come

when you can for any or all of the time. Fun playtime for the kids and visiting for mom including a short reflection or prayer time at 11:15 am. Join us anytime!!

Next gathering: Wednesday, November 2

Check our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/



Operation Christmas Child:

Shoe boxes are available in the entrance to the church.

Take your filled boxes to the Alliance Church the week of November 14 - 20.

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay, x 228



Through the waters of Baptism we welcome Bennett Sheppard and Peter Stikker to our faith family.

We pray that their journey of faith is filled with joy.

Parents are required to complete a Baptism Course for each of their children. You are welcome to attend while still expecting your child.

Pre-registration is required. Call Darlene, ext. 228, at the parish office.

ADULT FORMATION

Development and Peace Fall Action Workshop

Theme - At the Heart of the Action:

Celebrating 50 years of Solidarity in Action!

Presenter: Anu Ranawana, Alberta D&P Animator

Where: Modern Martyrs Room

When: Saturday, October 29

Time: 9:30 am - 1 pm Lunch will be provided.

Contact/Register: Mia, 780-354-2108

(miklge@telus.net) or Josy, 780-518-1378

Struggling with Grief? - *The death and loss of a spouse, child, parent, relative or friend?*

Come to Griefshare, a nondenominational, companioning group gathering

Tuesdays at 7 pm upstairs in the St. John Paul II Room. Video, discussion groups, homework booklet, prayer and fellowship. \$15 for booklet (Cost of booklet should not impede anyone from attending.)

For info or to register call

Cam, 780-532-2972, (cell) 780-933-5374, or Allan, 780-538-1851.



St Joseph Parish Mission 2017

Sunday, March 26 – Wednesday, March 29

Times will be confirmed closer to the date.

Mission Preacher: Father Eugene "Red" O'Reilly, C.Ss.R. Father "Red" O'Reilly is a Redemptorist who brings to his mission preaching a sense of humour and compassionate understanding of people and the complex world we live in. He has a special interest in music and has composed a number of religious songs, some of which we sing on Sundays.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 24 - 29

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 24,	7:00 am: †	Emiliana D. Averion
Tues. 25,	7:00 pm: †	Mike Silvanuk
Wed. 26,	7:00 am: †	Dominique Dika
	7:00 pm: †	Frank Stang
Thurs. 27,	7:00 pm: †	Roger Marcotte
Fri. 28,	7:00 am:	Special Intention
Sat. 29,	9:00 am: †	Gus Jantz

Living Well and Leaving Well Workshop, at Oliver's Funeral Home on Wednesday, October 26, 7 pm.

Issues covered: Power of attorney and personal directives, The facts about probate and your estate, Cremation and burial pre-planning, Simplifying your Executor's job.

Remembering the Faithful Departed Our annual memorial Mass for those in our parish who have died in the last year is **Wednesday, November 2 at 7 pm in the church**. The names of all who were buried from our parish in the last year will be read aloud. As well, if you have an immediate family member (parent, sibling or child) who died in the past year but not from our parish, please call the office *before Friday, October 28 at 12 noon* so that we can have their names included in the program and read aloud. All are welcome to join us at this Mass.

Retrouvaille: Marriage Help - this ministry helps married couples at all stages of marriage. For info or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend on Nov. 18 - 20**, email info@helpourmarriage.ca, call 587-598-4357 or check www.HelpOurMarriage.ca

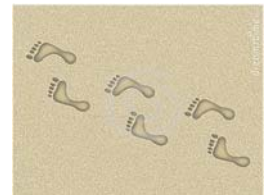
St. Joseph Parish Pilgrimage

Sunday, March 5, 2017, 7 - 9 pm

(Social to follow). Yearn for the opportunity to just "step out" of the "noise" and the hectic-ness

around you? A lot on your mind? Heavy hearted and need to be up-lifted? Wish to embark on a deeper relationship with God? Join us on "the journey".

During this unique, one-evening spiritual pilgrimage open your heart to a transformational experience. Be inspired and re-energized as you journey with other pilgrims on the "road" to know God more personally. The pilgrimage will take place inside the church. No need to pack a suitcase... just an open heart!



From the Social Justice Committee

In his encyclical, *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis says "Christian spirituality proposes an alternative understanding of the quality of life, and encourages a prophetic and contemplative lifestyle, one capable of deep enjoyment free of the obsession with consumption." He goes on to say we need to have "the conviction that less is more".

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray for

The sick, especially Rob Wiebe, Marc Jodoin, & Einar Vanden Broecke

The deceased, especially

Emiliano Bancale, brother of Nina McDonald

Immaculate Conception Church, Sexsmith,

Fall Supper, October 29, 5 - 7 pm.

Family, \$40 Single \$20 Seniors \$15 All are welcome.

Catholic Family Services is now coordinating its

Christmas hamper Program. Your generosity helps provide hampers to families in need. Donations of cash and gift cards will be accepted at the CFS office, 10105-102 St. Also collecting IGA budget savers. For info or to sponsor a family please call 780-532-9381

CWL Christmas Bazaar, Tea & Bake Sale Saturday, Nov. 19, 1 - 4 pm. This is the major fundraiser for the year, which in turn helps to support many needs in our parish and local community.

Ladies of the parish, please help to make this a huge success by donating craft items and baked goods. Bring your contribution to the set-up on Friday, Nov. 18, from 7 - 8 pm in Tranquille Hall, or Nov. 19, between 10 am & 1 pm.

ULTREYA - a time for prayer, music, reflection and fellowship. Re-affirm friendships made on Cursillo; receive support & encouragement on your walk in Christ. *Friday, October 28 @ 7:30 pm, in the church.* Witness Speaker: Kathy O'Connell. Please bring a snack to share. If you can help in any capacity, contact Tessie, 780-978-2106 or Debbie, 780-532-5423.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri, 8:30 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm

Regular Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 am

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Saturday 9:00 am

Senior's Lodge Masses at 10:30 am:

1st Tuesday - The Gardens

1st Friday - Heritage Lodge 3rd Friday - Pioneer Lodge

At 9:30 am: 2nd Friday - Wild Rose Manor

Sunday Masses

Saturday evening 7:00 pm

Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am

Confessions: Saturday evenings, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, or by appointment (call the parish office)

Morning Prayer: Mon - Fri, 8:45 am, in Chapel.

Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help at Wednesday Mass.

Baptism for Infants & Young Children: Contact Darlene at the Parish Office (even prior to the birth of your child) about Baptism Preparation for parents.

Marriage: Couples wishing to be married in a Catholic Church must contact the Parish Office *at least 8 months* prior to their wedding date.

Religious Gift Shop/Library: Open after the Saturday 7:00 pm & Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses.

Prayer Chain Requests: Confidentiality assured. Contact Cliff, cliff.joyce.mitchell@gmail.com

Spanish Prayer Group: Saturdays, 8 - 10 pm, in the Modern Martyrs Room. Ana, 780-978-4966

El Shaddai Prayer Group: After Saturday 7 pm Mass, Grouard Room. Irene, 780-380-9540 or Gilbert, 780-978-8006

???Question of the Week???

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Reward of Humility

Sirach 35: 15 - 17, 20 - 22. The God of justice

2 Timothy 4:6 - 8, 16 - 18. Reward for fidelity

Luke 18:9 - 14. The Pharisee and the tax collector

Key Passage: [Jesus said,] "I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, but whoever humbles himself will be exalted. *Luke 18:14*

Question: When have you felt self-satisfied in observing the mistakes of someone else? What should we remember at such times?