

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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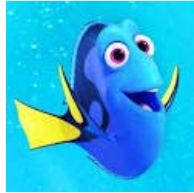
**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 6, 2016**

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**Our Family Halloween Party was a thrilling success!** 187 children and 130 parents enjoyed games, fun, food and friends in a safe and positive environment. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who contributed in any way to making this such a fantastic time. We rock!!!

**Family Movie Time - "Finding Dory"**  
Sunday, November 20, beginning at 3:00 pm, in Tranquille Hall. Juice and popcorn provided. Bring something comfy to sit on.



**Family Advent Wreath Making, November 26**, from 10 am - noon, in Tranquille Hall.  
\$20 per wreath. Space is limited.  
Call Joanne, ext. 230, to register.  
*Deadline: Tuesday, November 22*

### Parish Pastoral Council Elections

We are thankful that many parishioners let their names stand for Parish Pastoral Council. The votes were very close. Elected: Alice Brick, Walter Chledowski and Tina MacDonald

### AVAILABLE IN THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH:

2017 Living with Christ Sunday Missals  
2017 Children's Sunday Missals  
Advent material  
Be sure to pick yours up as soon as possible.

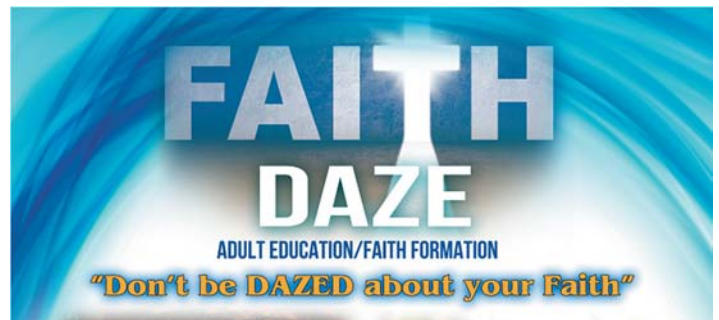
<b>Parish Financial Information</b> (Diane Walker ext. 227)	
Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$21,216.18
Children's collection	\$107.00

### NOVEMBER 6 - 13 DATES TO REMEMBER

**Sun. 6:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall  
**Mon. 7:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall  
**Tues. 8:** 7 - 9:30 pm, GriefShare, St JP II Room  
- 7 - 9:30 pm, CWL GM, begins with Mass, church  
- 7 - 9:30 pm, K of C Meeting, begins with Mass, church  
- 7:30 - 9 pm, Challenge Girl's Group, Modern Martyrs  
**Wed. 9:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room  
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall  
**Fri. 11: Remembrance Day**, 9 am, weekday Mass, church  
7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Tranquille Hall

**Remembrance Day:** On Friday, November 11 the *parish office will be closed:* Weekday Mass will be in the church at 9:00 am.

**Book of Remembrance** It is a long standing tradition in the church throughout the month of November to remember the deceased in a special way. In the foyer of the church a table holds our Book of Remembrance. You are welcome to inscribe the names of your loved ones who have passed on in this book.



Join us at the second session of our Faith Daze "**Practice of Forgiveness**", Wednesday, Nov. 23, beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm. Session to follow in Tranquille Hall until 9:15 pm.



**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. Remember to bring items to contribute to the shoe box.**  
If you haven't registered yet, come anyway. Registration is ongoing.



**The Mom's Group meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month 10:00 am - 12 noon in Tranquille Hall.**

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

**Next gathering: Wednesday, November 16**

Check our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/](http://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 Dominic Weiler, Zakiyah Rita, Raina Kwiatkowski, Odessa Trahey and Cassandra Meadwell 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.



## YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

[stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com)



*Go online to see our upcoming news & events:*

**Youth Alpha is EXPLODING!** Every Thursday 50—70 students are gathering for pizza and video series at St. Joe's High School. We are in need of sponsors for the lunch. If you would like to support them, contact April, ext. 229, at the parish office.



**EDGE (gr. 6 - 9)** Friday, Nov. 11, 7 - 9 pm. Join us in the Tranquille Hall, for faith, friends, food, and fun.

**EDGE (gr. 6-9)** Friday Nov. 18, 7 - 9pm in SJPII Room. We will be packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

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

**Challenge Girls Group (gr. 5 - 8)** November 8, 7:30 - 9:00 pm in the Modern Martyrs Room. 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. Call Anna Friesen, 780-832-4068 or (cell) 780-831-8338.

*From the Social Justice Committee*

"A sober look at our world shows that the degree of human intervention, often in the service of business interests and consumerism, is actually making our earth less rich and beautiful, ever more limited and grey, even as technological advances and consumer goods continue to abound limitlessly.

We seem to think that we can substitute an irreplaceable and irretrievable beauty with something which we have created ourselves."

Pope Frances, Encyclical Laudato Si

## ADULT FORMATION

### USHER WORKSHOP -

**Saturday, Nov. 19, 3 - 4 pm** in the church.

Ushers serve our parish by assisting parishioners in the church and with the collection. This meeting includes current Ushers, new people to this ministry and those who indicated in the seat census that they were interested. All ushers need to complete the Archdiocesan screening process.

### **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.

### **Mentor Couples for couples preparing for marriage:**

Mentor couples play an integral part of the parish marriage preparation program. These parishioners, who themselves live the sacrament of marriage, meet with the couple preparing for marriage three or four times. All existing mentor couples and any couples interested in learning more about this ministry are invited to attend a workshop on Saturday, November 26 at 11 am in Liguori Hall. Please register with Fr. Remi, remicssr@gmail.com



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](mailto:info@helpourmarriage.ca), call 587-598-4357 or check [www.HelpOurMarriage.ca](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.ca)

### **Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Com-**

**munion** - Saturday, Nov. 19, 10:30 am - 12 Noon

- Monday, November 21, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

- Tuesday, November 22, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

If you are already involved in this ministry or would like to be involved, *please plan to attend one of these workshops*. It is always important to update and renew our understanding of our ministry, even if you have been involved for a number of years.-

**Qualities:** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion serve in a unique and privileged way. Since you are ministering in the name of the Church we ask that you have these qualifications:

- *possess a respectful love of the Blessed Sacrament and Precious Blood.*

- *live a life consistent with the teachings of the Catholic Church (Mass attendance, regularly celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, married in the church if you are in a relationship).*

- *a person of good standing in the community.*

- *able to hold the chalice and ciborium (the dish that holds the Blessed Sacrament).*

- *able to consume the Precious Blood*

### **Journaling, A Tool for Working Through Grief**

Small group retreat day,

*Thursday, Dec. 1, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, in Peace River*

As Christmas approaches, we miss anew our loved ones who have died and won't be with us. Even if they died years ago, you may not have given yourself time to grieve. "Grief is a deep wound and it takes time to heal." Brochures are on the bulletin board in the church or contact Sr. Louise, 780-624-9211.



**Religious Gift Shop** open following:

Saturday evening 7:00 pm Mass

Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses.

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 7 - 12**

( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 7,	7:00 am: †	Ted Vant Erve
Tues. 8,	7:00 pm:	CWL / † Juliana Belyan
Wed. 9,	7:00 am: †	Sr. Pauline Kruchten
	7:00 pm: †	Luis Toa
Thurs. 10,	7:00 pm: †	Vera DesBarres
Fri. 11,	9:00 am: †	Ted Vant Erve
Sat. 12,	9:00 am: †	Vern Volden



## GENERAL INFO

### Please Pray for

<b>The sick, especially</b>	Agnes Boisvert
Joseph Steele	Ira Stanley
Carol White	Bill Atkinson
Madonna Lee, aunt of Joanne Chiasson	
<b>The deceased, especially</b>	
Rob Wiebe	Elsie Heisler

**The November CWL GM is this Tuesday, November 8,** beginning with Mass at 7 pm in the church.

**This month's K of C Meeting is this Tuesday, November 8** beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm.

**CWL Christmas Bazaar, Tea & Bake Sale Saturday, Nov. 19, 1 - 4 pm.** This is the major fundraiser for the year which 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.

**Ten Thousand Villages Fair Trade Festival Sale** Sponsored by Kairos, "*It's a Wonderful World*" November 16 - 20, GP Museum in Muskoseepi Park. Purchasing from Ten Thousand Villages directly supports marginalized communities around the world. Wed. - Fri. 10 am-9 pm; Sat. 10 am-6 pm; Sun. 1-5 pm.

**Catholic Family Services is coordinating its Christmas hamper Program.** Your generosity helps provide hampers to families in need. Donations of cash and gift cards 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.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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

#### **Regular Mass Schedule**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 am  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:00 pm  
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???

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Dead Will Rise**

**2 Maccabees 7:1 - 2, 9 - 14.** Martyrdom of a mother and her sons

**2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5.** The Gospel versus empty fables      **Luke 20:27 - 38.** The resurrection of the dead

**Key Passage:** [Jesus said,] "And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now He is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to Him all of them are alive." *Luke 20:37 - 38*

**Question:** How does your belief in the resurrection of the dead affect the way you live?