

*St. Joseph
Catholic Church*

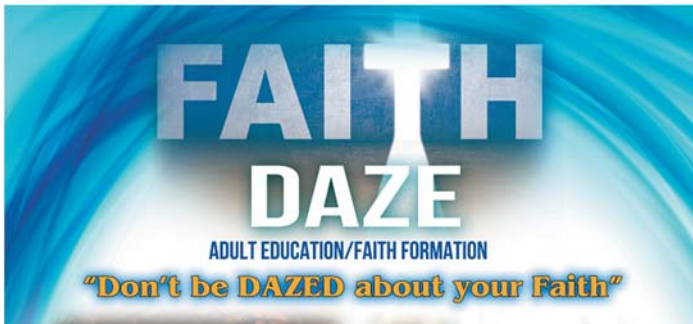


Through worship, compassion, and perseverance
we strengthen our faith community.

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 5, 2017**

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Join us at the third session of our Faith Daze
"Managing Grief", Wednesday, February 22,
beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm.
Session to follow in Tranquille Hall until 9:15 pm.

"Living in the Image and Likeness of God" This
three part DVD presentation takes us through the
scriptures and the writings of theologians to help us
truly understand our created nature and to live with
the "Divine Fire" within us. Fr. Ron Rolheiser teach-
es with warmth, humor and wisdom. Come for
lunch, watch the DVD (1 hour) and enjoy some in-
formal discussion afterwards.

Sundays in Tranquille Hall from noon - 2:00 pm.
Part 2: February 5 Part 3: February 19

Discovery Youth Retreat March 17 - 19

Kitchen Volunteers needed:

Prep helpers for 3 hour (or longer) shifts.
Please contact Tracy Fogle, 780-518-3392.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,816.35
Offering received last Sunday	\$24,102.73
Children's collection	\$102.00
FYI: In 2016 we paid the Archdiocese for	
Cathedraticum -	\$149,070
Archdiocesan Priest's Pension Fund -	\$57,334.62
for a total of	\$206,404.62

FEBRUARY 5 - 12 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 5:** noon - 2 pm, Fr. Rolheiser DVD, Tranquille Hall
- Mon. 6:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- Tues. 7:** 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls' Group, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, Griefshare, St JP II Room
- 7 pm, Parent Reconciliation Meeting, Tranquille Hall
- Wed. 8:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- 7:30 - 9:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
- Fri. 10:** 7 - 9 pm, Edge, St JP II Room
- Sat. 11:** 11 am, Marriage Encounter Meeting,
Grouard Room
- 7:30 pm, Cupid's Ball, Tranquille Hall
- Sun. 12:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

Reconciliation Parent Meeting

Tuesday, February 7, at 7 pm in Tranquille Hall
for all parents who have a child receiving the
Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Come one! Come all! to our 5th Annual Mardi Gras
Masquerade** on Friday, February 24, at 7 pm.



Mardi Gras

Full costume or just a
mask, all ages welcome!
There'll be something
for the whole family – a
bouncy castle, games for
all ages, a DJ and all
manner of fun, plus
snacks and refreshments. Free tickets available
after weekend Masses beginning next weekend.
Bring your whole family out for this great mid-
winter celebration!

Mardi Gras helpers needed to decorate, set-up,
clean up, kitchen, and assorted help throughout the
evening. Call Joanne at the office, ext. 230.



Family & Children's
m i n i s t r y
Joanne Chiasson ext. 230



YOUTH MINISTRY
April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



(gr. 3 - 5) Next gathering is Friday, February 17, in the St. JP II Room. Movie Night! Bring a friend.

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



Hero Central - Vacation Bible School 2017



Monday to Friday, July 10 - 14.
Volunteers: mark your calendars! Our enrollment continues to grow each year, but we are limited to the number of children we can accommodate by the number of volunteers. Help us to accept all the children who desire to come by joining us that week from 8:30 - noon. Please call Joanne, ext. 230. *(Truthfully, as a volunteer, you will get more out of this than the kids. Just don't tell them that...)*



The Mom's Group meets 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 any-time!! **Next gathering: Wednesday, February 15.** Check our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,
x 228



Through the waters of Baptism we welcome Kenzi Cotton and Anastasia Sanele to our faith family. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with great joy.

Parish-based Reconciliation sessions: Sundays, from 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church.

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 required. Call Darlene, ext. 228, at the parish office.



EDGE (gr. 6 - 9) The next gathering is Friday, February 10, from 7 - 9 pm in the St JP II Room.

Note: There is no EDGE on February 17.



Challenge Girl's Group (gr. 5 - 8)
Tuesday, February 7, 7 - 8:30 pm, in Liguori Hall.



Discovery Youth Retreat
March 17 - 19, St. Kateri School
Registration available at the parish office, school offices or our webpage. **Registration Deadline: March 3**
Register ASAP as it fills up fast!



For more information on these ski trips visit archgmyouth.com or call Jocelyne, 780-837-1335:

Sr. High - Ski Marmot. Explore Jasper. Adore Christ. Feb. 17, 3:30 pm - Feb. 20, 5:30 pm

Jr. High - Adore. Restore. Ski Whispering Pines, AB Feb. 24, 4 pm - Feb. 25, 7:30 pm.

Save your Bottles for our Youth Groups: Drop them at any Bottle Depot with this information on them: St. Joseph Youth Group #1479-2351. Your donations and assistance are greatly appreciated!

Did You Know? - The ashes on Ash Wednesday are from the Palms used on Palm Sunday the previous year. Please bring your old palm branches to church before **Sunday, February 19** so that we have time to burn them before this coming Ash Wednesday.

ADULT FORMATION

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

Come to Griefshare, Tuesdays 7 - 9 pm, in the St. JPll Room. This nondenominational, companioning group includes video, discussion groups, homework booklet, prayer and fellowship. \$15 for booklet (Cost 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.

Interested in Religious life? Contact Fr. Leo English, C.Ss.R. at the parish office, ext. 222.

Marriage Encounter - We are interested in having Marriage Encounter in Grande Prairie. An initial meeting to explore this possibility is Saturday, Feb 11 at 11:00 am in the Grouard Room. Join us if you have some experience with ME and can share some of your wisdom, or if you would like to be involved.

During the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity **at the Ecumenical Prayer Service on January 23rd** in our church you contributed a huge amount of food and \$1240.90 in the free will offering for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Building a better world one relationship at a time! Kudos to you.



Religious Gift Shop

New selection of jewelry!
Saturday evening 7:00 pm Mass &
Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses.

SOCK SUNDAY THANK YOU! Sock Sundays were a tremendous success. All donations were distributed among Rotary House, Oasis Warming Shelter, Salvation Army, HIV North, Sunrise House Youth Shelter, Odyssey House, The Friendship Center, Community Village, Red Cross, St Lawrence Center and our own Walk-In Ministry. A very special thank you to all of our schools who so generously participated and made this a special service project. You all made a difference! Like the Star in the East, your kindness is a shining example of the Christmas message of Peace, Hope and Joy.



St. Joseph Pilgrimage

Join us for an unforgettable journey to a sacred destination. On Sunday, March 5 we invite you to participate in a pilgrimage experience right here in our parish. With each step on this unique journey, you will grow in your understanding of Jesus' presence in our lives. See you Sunday, March 5 from 7 - 9 pm!



St Joseph Parish Mission 2017

Sunday, Mar 26 - Wednesday, Mar 29

Mission Preacher -

Fr. Eugene O'Reilly, C.Ss.R.

Come to be recharged and get to know God in a new & fresh way!

Fr. Eugene has a compassionate understanding of people and the complex world we live in. He also has a great sense of humour, and is a gifted musician and composer. Be sure to join us.



Retrouvaille - A lifeline for troubled marriages! Is your marriage in crisis? Communication problems?

helpourmarriage.ca, 587-598-4357, or info@helpourmarriage.ca

Edmonton Program starts **March 17 - 19**

Marriage Encounter - Make your good marriage better! Marriage enrichment!

wwme.org, 780-464-2874, or gvankup@telus.net

Next Edmonton program starts

June 4 - 7



MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 6 - 11

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 6,	7:00 am: †	Jack Unger
Tues. 7,	10:30 am:	Mrs. Lucy Pratt
	7:00 pm: †	Francesca Canavan
Wed. 8,	7:00 am: †	Frank Blaszcak
	7:00 pm:	Sr. Marie Therese
Thurs. 9,	7:00 pm: †	Annie Catherine Campbell
Fri. 10,	7:00 am: †	Angelo Floreani
	9:30 am: †	Frank Anderson
Sat. 11,	9:00 am:	Special Intention

GENERAL INFO



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, February 12 following the
9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall.

Cupid's Ball -Saturday, Feb 11, 7:30 pm, in Tranquille Hall. Semi-formal, social dance with late evening snacks. Share good times with friends. Tickets \$ 30.00 available at Eternity Fine Jewellery on 9918- 100 Ave, between 10 - 5 pm week days. Cash or cheque please. Questions? Call Beata, 780-532-8427. Bring friends, great shoes, and have fun!

Mark your calendars: **Catholic Family Services Annual Spring Fling** , March 18, 2017.

2017 Sunday Donation Envelopes - over 100 assigned envelopes have not been picked up. They are available from the parish office during office hours. ***If you still have unused envelopes from a previous year please do not use them. Discard them.*** We reassign envelopes and we want to be sure that donations are credited to the correct person.

Catholic Family Services Volunteers Still Needed

CFS is one of the recipients of the proceeds from the Dream Home Lottery. They need assistance to man the DREAM HOME Lottery Booth at the Prairie Mall April 3 - 9, Saturday- Wednesday, noon - 6 pm; Thursday and Friday, noon - 9 pm. Minimum 2 people required per 3 hour shifts. Call Ric Moreau, 780-882-2758, for information or to sign up.

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???

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: SPREADING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Isaiah 58:6 - 10 True fasting

1 Corinthians 2:1 - 5. Preaching on Christ crucified

Matthew 5:13 - 16. The similes of salt and light

Key Passage: [Jesus said,} "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." *Matthew 5:16*

Question: In what way might you be hiding the light of Christ from others What could you do to improve this?