

St. Joseph Catholic Church

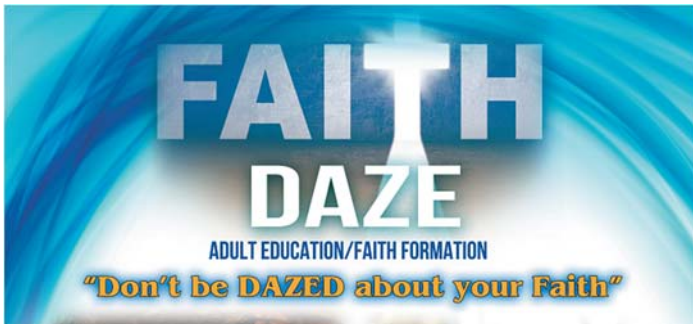


Through worship, compassion, and perseverance
we strengthen our faith community.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 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.

2016 DONATION RECEIPTS will be available in the
back of the church after Masses for the next two
weekends Sat/Sun Feb. 18/19 and 25/26.

Catholic Family Services special collection was this
weekend. If you missed contributing, you may drop
off your donation at the parish office during office
hours. We will forward them to Catholic Family
Services. CFS will provide income tax receipts.
Make cheques payable to "Catholic Family Services

Discovery Youth Retreat March 17 - 19

Kitchen Volunteers needed:

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

"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.

Part 3: Sunday, February 19, noon - 2:00pm

FEBRUARY 12 - 19 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 12:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall
- Mon. 13:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- Tues. 14:** 6 - 7 pm, CWL Executive Mtg, Grouard Room
- 7 - 9:30 pm, CWL GM, begins with Mass in church
- 7 - 9:30 pm, K of C Mtg, begins with Mass in church
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girls' Group, Modern Martyrs Rm
- 7 - 9 pm, Griefshare, St JPII Room
- Wed. 15:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JPII Room
- 10 am - noon, Mom's Prayer & Play, Tranquille Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- 7:30 - 9:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
- Fri. 17:** 7 pm, Adoration, begins with Mass in church
- 7 - 9 pm, SALT, St JPII Room
- Sun. 19:** noon - 2 pm, Fr. Rolheiser DVD, Tranquille Hall

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. 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.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,816.35
Offering received last Sunday	\$22,395.73
Children's collection	\$69.00



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

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 Jaxon Pfefferle and Trey Shanks to our faith family. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with great joy.

Parish-based Reconciliation sessions: Sundays (Note: not February 19), 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.



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



Note: There is no EDGE on February 17.



Challenge Girl's Group (gr. 5 - 8)

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 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!



SKI • VENTURE

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

Adoration - 7 pm Friday, February 17, beginning with Mass in the church.

Catholics Returning Home. -Is it time to Re-member your Catholic roots? A six week refresher program on the Catholic faith and practices will be held during Lent, on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm beginning March 2 . Please call 780-532-2351 to register or just come the first night.

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. JP II 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.

World Day of Prayer 2017 - March 3, 7 pm at St Paul's United Church. The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. Their motto of "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year. This year's prayers "Am I Being Unfair to You?" are written by the women of the Philippines. *Everyone* is welcome!

From Development & Peace - Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the need to refrain from acts of anger and violence. South Sudan has been overwhelmed by conflict since 2011. Development and Peace – Caritas Canada supports Caritas South Sudan in its efforts to foster peace and reconciliation. For more information <http://www.devp.org/en/emergencies/south-sudan>



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**

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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 13 - 18

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 13,	7:00 am: †	Magdalene Wardrobe
Tues. 14,	7:00 pm:	CWL / Elizabeth Alfonso
Wed. 15,	7:00 am: †	Johanna Klein-Gebbinck
	7:00 pm: †	Mabel & John McNeil
Thurs. 16,	7:00 pm: †	Margaret Mascarenhas
Fri. 17,	7:00 am: †	Juliana Belyan
	10:30 am: †	Frank Anderson
	7:00 pm:	Thanksgiving/Special Intention
Sat. 18,	9:00 am: †	Rene Lejeune

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray for

The sick, especially Tessie Foster
John Latos Owen O'Connell

The deceased, especially
Ernesto Marin, father of Elias Marin

CWL February Meeting, this Tuesday, Feb. 14, beginning with Mass in the church. **Executive meeting** from 6 - 7 pm, in the Grouard Room. Thank you to all who paid their 2017 memberships.

Reminder: 2017 membership fees are due now.

K of C Meeting, this Tuesday, February 14, beginning with Mass in the church.

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

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.

Grandmother to Grandmother Coffee Party

Tuesday, February 14th from 10 am - 12 noon
In support of African Grandmothers.
Hosted by St. Paul's United Church Women in the Friendship Room at St. Paul's Church
ALL ARE WELCOME!



Religious Gift Shop

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

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???

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: IMPLICATIONS OF THE NEW LAW

Sirach 15:15 - 20. Man's free will

1 Corinthians 2:6 - 10. True wisdom

Matthew 5:17 - 37. The old Law and the new

Key Passage: [Jesus said,] "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift." *Matthew 5:23 - 24*

Question: When in your life have you been able to keep the spirit as well as the letter of God's law?