

St. Joseph Catholic Church



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

**4th Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2017**

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Come soar with us at
Hero Central Vacation Bible School!
July 10-14, 9am - 12 noon

Calling all children in preschool, age 4 to grade 5!

Registration begins May 12/13 after Mass.

This superhero adventure experience includes music that will energize your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, delicious snacks, great games and more.

Adult volunteers: This is an awesome experience for the adult leaders as well. An uplifting and invigorating experience, some leaders comment that they get more out of the week than the children. *Headquarter Leaders needed for:* Recreation, Crafts, Science, Pre-school, Guides for age groups and assistants for all areas.

Youth volunteers: Too old to register but still want to be a part of all the SUPER fun at Hero Central VBS?

Contact Joanne, sjc-family@gpcsd.ca
780-532-2351, (ext 230) for more details.

Don't miss this epic adventure!!!

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)	
Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$21,640.23
Children's collection	\$229.00

MAY 7 - 14 DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon. 8: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church
Tues. 9: 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church
- 7 - 9:30 pm, K of C meeting, Liguori Hall
Wed. 10: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St. JP II Room
Fri. 12: 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, St. JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, SALT, Tranquille Hall
Sat. 13: 4:30 pm, Mass in French, church
Sun. 14: after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

The entire parish is welcome to join in both Confirmation Masses, with Archbishop Gerard, the children being confirmed and their families.

The Confirmation Masses are at 7:00 pm on

Monday, May 8:

St. Gerard, St. Kateri & St. Clement Schools

Tuesday, May 9:

St. Patrick, Holy Cross, Mother Teresa, St. Catherine Schools and St. Joseph Parish

If your family is unable to attend the date of the celebration allocated for your school, you are welcome to attend the other celebration.

Please keep all our children receiving sacraments this year, and their families, in your daily prayers.

Mass in French, Saturday, May 13 at 4:30 pm

Join us for a beautiful celebration in the language of Molière. Please bring your favourite snack to share afterwards in Tranquille Hall. For more information call Beatriz at 780-532-6335. Venez célébrer avec la communauté francophone de Grande Prairie!



(gr. 3 - 5) Please note: Next gathering is Friday, May 12, 7 - 9 pm, in Tranquille Hall. Bring a friend.



The last gathering before summer:
May 17

10 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.

Check our Facebook page:

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

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,
x 228



Through the waters of Baptism we welcomed Lewis McLean, Olivia-Marie Iqualdo, Sloan Canavan, Gabrielle Valasco, Natasha & Natalie Miral, Everlee

Anderson and River & Willow Ries. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with great 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 required. Call Darlene, ext. 228.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, May 14 following the 9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall.

Gluten free available.

Challenge Girl's Group serving.



YOUTH MINISTRY

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Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



(gr. 6 - 9) Next gathering is Friday, May 12, 7 - 9 pm in the St JPII Room



Youth Choir & Movie Night (gr. 6 - 12)

Saturday, May 12 Join us in the choir at the 7 pm Mass and then enjoy a movie in the St JPII Room from 8 -10:30 pm

Watching Star Wars: Rogue One



Grades 6 - 9, EDGE Group: Friday, May 19, 7 - 9 pm. You **must** RSVP online at

saintjoseph.ca/events/nerfwars

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!

Youth Alpha at St Joseph High School needs your help. The Youth Alpha Team invites individuals, families, parish ministries or other interested groups to sponsor lunch for the participants. Alpha is 10 weekly sessions with about 20 participants. If you are able to donate to this important initiative, please contact April, ext. 229, at the parish office.

Parish Blog: A team of parishioners submit a new reflection every two weeks. Sign up on our website saintjoseph.ca (on the homepage under "subscribe") to receive each new posting or pick one up on the literature rack in the narthex of the church.

FOLLOW ST. JOSEPH PARISH ON TWITTER.

Look for @stjoespastor

ADULT FORMATION

Adoration - 7:00 pm, Friday, May 12, following Mass in the church.

Calling All Cursillistas!!

Come join us in a *Cursillo of Cursillos*, Grande Prairie June 1 - 4, at Grande Prairie Regional College.

Meet Cursillistas from across Canada, the U.S. and Europe. Renew old friendships from weekends past.

Registration limited, so register as soon as possible at: <http://cursillocanada.org/registration/>

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

Pentecost Sunday The liturgical colour for Pentecost is red. All parishioners are invited to participate in this special feast in the life of the church by wearing red to Mass on the weekend of June 3/4.

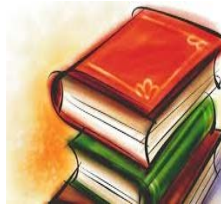
Do YOU enjoy cooking or visiting with friends and sharing your culture through traditional food? Please come be a part of the annual International **Festival of Food on June 3 & 4**, in celebration of the Feast of Pentecost. In the past few years many people have participated and we hope to continue to add to the number of nationalities represented. Volunteers are needed to help on the day of the event and people interested in preparing and serving food. If you are interested in taking part in any way please contact calida@rpsi.ca or call 780-532-2772.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 8 - 13

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 8,	7:00 am: †	Fred & Denise Fisher
Tues. 9,	7:00 pm:	CWL / † Joan Grant
Wed. 10,	7:00 am: †	Shayla Salacki
	7:00 pm: †	Marcel Garant
Thurs. 11,	7:00 pm: †	Mabel & John McNeil
Fri. 12,	7:00 am: †	Roy, Alma & Gary Gianiorio
	9:30 am: †	Juliana Belyan
	7:00 pm: †	Peregrina Wagayan
Sat. 13,	9:00 am: †	Dallas Gerik

St Joseph Church Faith Book Exchange, June 4th, after 11:00 Mass. As you dine and dash, why don't



you grab and go with a book from our selection? Our Catholic School librarians are collecting faith-filled books for all ages. Consider dropping off a book or picking up a new one to read.

Billings Ovulation Method Basic Teacher Training Workshop (Part 1): July 14 - 16

Candidates will be trained to offer personalized education to couples facing infertility, wishing to postpone pregnancy, and/or monitor reproductive health. Training involves 2 workshops and a supervised practicum. This Part 1 Workshop will be held in Liguori Hall. Register at billingslife.ca!

Mayor's Interfaith Breakfast, Friday, May 12, Theresa Sargent Hall, Montrose Cultural Centre.

Registration 7:30 am Breakfast: 8 am

Join Mayor Bill Given for a morning of good food, fellowship and conversation as we celebrate the important contributions that people of faith and faith-based groups make to our city. Tickets \$25 may be purchased from Revolution Place Box Office, 780-538-0387 or tickets.revolutionplace.com

From the Social Justice Committee

'If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God.' Despite the many obstacles faced by those working for peace and justice in regions affected by conflict, many continue to perform their good works all the same. In East Africa, famine and civil conflict have led to widespread death, displacement and hunger. Development and Peace is working to support its partners in the region, including the local Caritas network, to address this humanitarian crisis. To learn more and to make a financial contribution, please visit www.devp.org or contact our Western Region office at 1-844-480-3387.

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray for

The sick, especially, Clem Jaeger
Corey Johnson Lou Kilarski

The deceased, especially

Elsie Sedgwick Pauline McGee
Marie Jantz, mother of Karen Backmeyer

The May K of C meeting is this Tuesday, May 9,
beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm.

Welcome Table volunteers needed. Do you desire to help build our parish community? Feeling welcome is a key part. Time commitment minimal: just a few minutes after Mass to chat with people. Volunteer screening is not needed. Contact Joanne, ext. 230.

Projection Screens in the church?

If you are interested in participating in the discussion of the possible installation of screens in the church, please come to an information night on Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30pm in Tranquille Hall.

How Can I Keep from Singing

A musical presentation by Voice in the Wilderness and Quintessential Winds. Sunday, May 7, 7:30 pm in the church. **Free admission**



Religious Gift Shop

Confirmation gifts available.

Open after 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

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???

Fourth Sunday of Easter: *Called to be Shepherds*

Acts 2:14a, 36b - 41. Peter's discourse

1 Peter 2:20b - 25. For the slave

John 10:1 - 10. The Good Shepherd

Key Passage: [The Shepherd] goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

John 10:4

Question: How are you a shepherd to those in your care?

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