

St. Joseph Catholic Church



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

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 10, 2017

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Ask not what your church can do for you but what you can do for your church. Calling all inspired adults (males too!) and mature older teenagers: We **NEED** you to lead and assist with Liturgy of the Word with Children at the weekend Masses. All materials and training provided - minimal preparation by you - so simple that it could almost teach itself, however God requires **OUR** participation to share His love with our children. Contact Joanne, ext. 230

The Grande Prairie CWL Presents

Women,
Wine &
the Word!

An Evening of Gratitude

It is easy to take things for granted – like our job, our family or friends. It is important for everyone to count our blessings, be thankful and show gratitude. Join the St. Joseph CWL for “Women, Wine & the Word! An Evening of Gratitude” – an evening of reflection, conversation and fellowship.

September 22, 7 - 9 pm in Tranquille Hall

This event is open to all women 18+.

Tickets are \$20, available after all weekend Masses

Anchor Points in a Changing World,

Monday, Sept. 11, 7:00 pm, Tranquille Hall

Special Presentation by Moral Theologian

Fr. Mark Miller, C.Ss.R. Phd.

Conscience Formation; Inclusion in a Multi-Cultural Society; Care Giving

No charge. Refreshments. Please Bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

Sponsored by Catholic Family Services: *Counselling for all!*

SEPTEMBER 10 - 17 DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun. 10: after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

Mon. 11: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girl's Group, Grouard Room
- 7 pm, Anchor Points Presentation, Tranquille Hall

Tues. 12: 7 pm, CWL Mtg, begins with Mass, church
- 7 pm, K of C Meeting, begins with Mass, church

Wed. 13: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall

Fri. 15: 7 pm, Adoration, church



Kitchen Volunteers Needed!

Disturbing The Peace (DTP) is an annual local youth conference happening on **October 13 - 15**. Our

parish is responsible for the organization of the meals for this conference, and is looking for any volunteers who are willing to give a few hours of their time to help prepare the meals on **Saturday, Sept. 14th**. If you are interested or available to help in any way, **contact April, 780-532-2351 ext. 229**.

Parish Blog: Visit our web page, saintjoseph.ca and sign up on the homepage under “Subscribe” to receive each newly posted blog. A team of parishioners take turns to submit a new reflection every two weeks. August 29th blog: *Be Still*

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$20,043.54
Children's collection	\$47.00
Balance on School Foundation loan as of August 31:	\$138,311.01



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



Meet every 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 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. www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

Next Gathering: Wednesday, Sept 20

SALT (Sharing And Learning Together) grades 3 - 5 youth group. **Registration and Kick-Off** will be Friday, September 29, in Tranquille Hall, 6 - 9 pm. Beginning in October, we will meet the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, 7 - 9 pm, in the St. JPll Room.

SACRAMENTS Darlene Lemay, x 228



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.

PARENT SACRAMENTAL FORUMS WITH REGISTRATION FOR Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation In Tranquille Hall

Parents only need to attend one session. Bring a copy of their Baptism certificate.

Monday, November 20, 7 - 9 pm

Thursday, November 23, 7 - 9 pm

Saturday, November 25, 10 am - 12 noon

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 2017 - 2018 school year, regardless of the school they attend, Catholic or otherwise, must be registered at a forum. Plan to be there for the full 2 hours.

IF YOU HAVE A CHILD WHO IS NOT ATTENDING CATHOLIC SCHOOL RECEIVING A SACRAMENT THIS YEAR, OR WHO MISSED RECEIVING A SACRAMENT (including children in Catholic School) contact Darlene, x-228.



YOUTH MINISTRY
April Fogle, x 229
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Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



WATER BALLOON MANIA

Friday, Sept. 15, 5:30 pm

We're Team Blue this year!

Prizes for most creative outfit! Meeting at St. Joseph

Church at 5:30 pm and taking a bus out to Peace River Bible Institute in Sexsmith. We begin with a rally in their new Gymnasium facility, and follow with a giant water balloon fight (Capture-the-flag-style), and snacks. Bring a change of WARM clothing!

Disturbing the Peace Youth Conference

October 13 - 15, grades 6 - 12.



Cost is \$75 (before Oct.2) for entire weekend including Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast. This awesome weekend is full of music,

games, awesome speakers, entertainment and tons of fun. Register at www.disturbingthepeace.ca



Challenge Girl's Groups

(gr. 5 - 8 & 9 - 12)

Join us Mondays from 7 - 8:30 pm, Grouard Room. Come to meet

new friends, and grow in your faith.



Alpha

Once again, we will be running Youth Alpha at St Joseph High School.

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.

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!

ADULT FORMATION

Can you spare 15 minutes before and after Mass?

Sacristans needed for every weekend Mass. You would be responsible once every 4 or 6 weeks. Call Thérèse, 780-532-1531, or email therese2@telus.net

Can you spare a couple of hours every 4 - 6 weeks?

Volunteers needed to wash and iron Mass linens. This is done in your own home. Call Thérèse, 780-532-1531 or email therese2@telus.net

Workshops for Lectors: In the church
Monday, September 25, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Tuesday, September 26, 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Saturday, September 30, 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Retreat: "A Day with Hildegard"

Saturday, Sept. 16, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Presenter: Sr. Maureen Wild
Location: Grande Prairie Museum, Cost: \$20
Feast Day: September 17, Canonized: May 10, 2012, Proclaimed Doctor of the Church: October 7, 2012
Please bring a bag lunch
For more information contact Arlene:
aflogan@telus.net or text 780-831-8657
Sponsors: Peace Anam Cara, Kairos & Peace Retreats

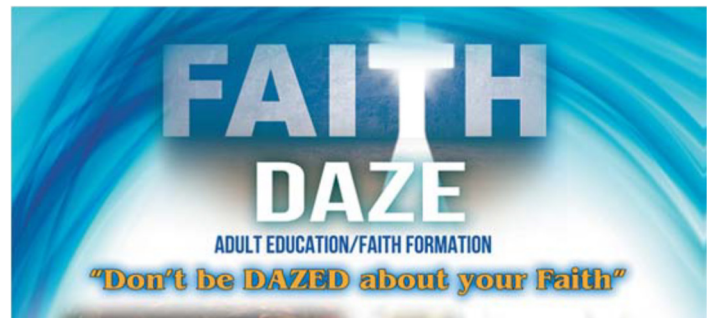


Do you attend St. Joseph Haigh school?

Are you 16 years or older and practicing your Catholic faith. St Joseph school invites you to consider the ministry of extraordinary minister of Eucharist at the school. Consider joining the team. Talk with Mrs. Gorman at the school or Fr. Leo at the church. WE NEED YOU!!

Bible Exploration - an 8 week study on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians begins Wednesday, Oct. 4, 7:30 pm in Tranquille. A great opportunity to learn more about the Bible. Beginners welcome! The first evening is a video and explanation of the study. For information call Angele or Roger, 780-532-7529, Vince, 780-532-4055 or Bill, 780-532-7367.

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



September 27: *Struggling for Faith in My Family - how do I find peace?*

November 29: *Care for Our Common Home - the vision of Pope Francis*

February 28: *Care for the Caregiver*

May 2: *A Better Understanding of Mass*

Each evening is 7:45 - 9 pm, in Tranquille Hall, following 7:00 pm Mass

No charge. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Salvation Army Food Bank.

Adoration, Friday, Sept. 15, begins with Mass, 7 pm in the church

From the Social Justice Committee

In today's second reading St. Paul reminds us of our duty as Christians to love our neighbors. God's unconditional love and infinite mercy is the source of all goodness, and a call to care for one another as true brothers and sisters. Development and Peace and its members across Canada work together to influence decision-makers to bring about changes to policies and structures that affect communities in the global south - all the way from Colombia to Afghanistan. It is a true sign of love turned into action! Join us in this journey. Visit www.devp.org and become a D&P member.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 11 - 16

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 11, 7:00 am: † Dan McRae
Tues. 12, 7:00 pm: CWL / † Mervyn Reynolds
Wed. 13, 7:00 am: Jennie Croken
7:00 pm: † Jean Chagnon
Thurs. 14, 7:00 pm: † Duncan Bain
Fri. 15, 7:00 am: † Dallas Gerk
10:30 am: † Frank Anderson
Sat. 16, 9:00 am: † Trevor Blais

GENERAL INFO

CWL meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 12, beginning with Mass in the church at 7:00 pm.

CWL Executive meeting, 6 pm, Grouard Room

K of C meeting, Tuesday, Sept. 12, beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm.

The Panasiuk family would like to thank Fr Sterzer, Dave Hartman and St. Joseph Music Ministry, the CWL, and countless other members of the parish for their efforts in providing such a lovely service to honour the memory of Jerry Panasiuk on August 15. We also want to express tremendous gratitude for everyone's prayers, as well as all the gestures of kindness, support, and help during such a difficult time. May God bless you.

Check out these Catholic Podcasts/Websites/Apps

The Fr. Mike Schmitz Podcast and Youtube

Audience: College students primarily but great for all ages. Description: Faith, pop culture, and headline reflections. Also watch short videos of Fr. Mike Schmitz and others on www.ascensionpresents.com

The Art of Catholic Podcast with Matthew Leonard

Audience: Adults primarily but fine for teens. Description: Joyful, passionate explanations of the deep truths of the faith, as well as interesting interviews with Catholic luminaries. Also check out www.matthewleonard.com for additional resources.



Religious Gift Shop

Available after Saturday 7:00 pm Mass & Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses. Come check out our selection of merchandise.

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: Available 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

Sunday Readings

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time: *HELPING OTHERS GROW*

Ezekiel 33:7 - 9. The prophet a watchman

Romans 13:8 - 10. Love fulfills the Law

Matthew 18:15 - 20. Fraternal correction

Key Passage: Jesus said, "If a brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone." *Matthew 18:15*

Question: What have you been able to overcome because others patiently loved you??

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