

St. Joseph Catholic Church



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

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5, 2017**

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Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass, Monday, November 6, (Note: not the 7th as advertised in the Grapevine) 7:00 pm

During the month of November we remember and pray for those who have died. On November 6 we will celebrate our special memorial Mass for parishioners who died in the past year. We will read their names aloud during the Mass. All are welcome to join us.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE It is a long standing tradition in the church that throughout the month of November we remember the deceased in a special way. In the entrance to the church there is a table with our Book of Remembrance. You are welcome to inscribe the names of your loved ones who have passed on in this book.



**"Blessing Bags" -
Special Youth Event,
Friday, November 24,
7 - 9 pm, Tranquille Hall**
SALT & EDGE youth
groups will be working
together on a local

service project. They will be creating bags filled with necessities for our neighbours at St. Lawrence Centre here in Grande Prairie. Items to bring: gloves (mostly men's), warm socks, hand warmers, candy, and large ziplock bags.

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| Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227) | |
| Offering Required Weekly | \$23,718.29 |
| Offering received last Sunday | \$17,703.89 |
| Children's collection | \$107.00 |

NOVEMBER 5 - 12 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mon. 6:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 pm, Mass of Remembrance, church
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girl's, St JPII Room
- Wed. 1:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JPII Room
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- 7:30 pm, Bible Exploration, Tranquille Hall
- Fri. 10:** 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, SALT, St. JPII Room
- Sun. 12:** after 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

PARENT SACRAMENTAL FORUMS WITH REGISTRATION FOR Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation

In Tranquille Hall Parents only attend one session. Plan to be there for the full 2 hours.

Bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

Monday, November 20, 7 - 9 pm or

Thursday, November 23, 7 - 9 pm or

Saturday, November 25, 10 am - 12 noon

Children celebrate Reconciliation in grade 2,

Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6

All children receiving sacraments in this school year, regardless of the school (Catholic or other) that they attend, must be registered at a forum.

Do you have a child that missed receiving a sacrament? Wants to receive a sacrament but not attending Catholic School? Contact Darlene, x-228.



**Grande Prairie and District
Catholic Schools**

Today is Catholic Education Sunday. Be sure to read the letter from the Catholic Bishops of Alberta on the literature rack in the church, on our website, or the Catholic School website: gpcsd.ca

Family & Children's ministry

Joanne Chiasson ext. 230



Next Gathering: Wed., Nov. 15
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 at 11 am.
www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

SALT (Sharing And Learning Together) grades 3 - 5 youth group. *Next gathering: Friday, Nov. 10* in St JPll Room 7 - 9 pm. Watching a movie - bring a friend.
November 24 SALT: details on front of bulletin



Family Movie, Sunday, Nov. 19,
3 - 5 pm in Tranquille Hall: **CARS 3**
Bring something comfy to sit on.
Popcorn & juice provided.

JOIN THE TEAM! LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN LEADERS AND HELPERS ARE NEEDED.
This ministry is unable to continue without more volunteers. Adults (males too!) and mature older teenagers are required. 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. Call Joanne, ext. 230, during office hours.

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,
x 228



Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome Aria Ruether, Tyler Petricevic and Rory & Angelica McKenna to our family of faith. We pray that their journey with our Lord 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 required. Call Darlene, ext. 228.



YOUTH MINISTRY
April Fogle, x 229
stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our
upcoming news & events:



EDGE (Grade 6 - 8) Friday, Nov. 10,
7 - 10 pm, in Liguori Hall.
November 24 EDGE: see front of bulletin
for details.



Challenge Girl's Groups
(gr. 5 - 8 & 9 - 12)
Monday, Nov. 6, 7:00 - 8:30 pm,
in St JPll Room

Make new, lasting, friendships. Grow in your faith.
Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.



UC27 High School Youth Group
(Grade 9 - 12) Sunday, Nov. 5,
7 - 9 pm. **Laser Tag!** Meet at the
church. Bring \$5



Alpha Youth at St. Joseph High School
Join us in the "black box" from 11:30 am -
12:30 pm for free pizza and religion
service hours.

Discovery Youth Retreat (grade 7-9), Dec. 1 - 3
at St. Joseph High School



Registration available at the parish
office, school offices or our webpage.
Registration deadline Nov. 17th.



Kitchen Volunteers needed:
Prep helpers for 3 hour shifts (or
longer). Contact April, 780-882-4091.



Religious Gift Shop
Volunteers needed after all weekend Masses.
Please phone Theresa, 780-532-2299.

ADULT FORMATION

Church decor sets the tone for our prayer.

We are looking for a Coordinator for the Environment Committee. The primary task is to gather the team and coordinate decorating the church for the various liturgical seasons. Creativity and an interest in liturgy are valuable for this ministry. For more information please contact Fr. Remi.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Workshop - Monday, Nov. 27, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
 - Tuesday, Nov. 28, 3:30 - 5:00 pm
 - Saturday, Dec. 2, 10:30 am - 12 Noon

If you would like to be involved in this ministry, or already are, *please attend one of these workshops.*

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

For Prayer Chain requests, please note: Alyeska will now be coordinating this ministry. Please email prayer requests to alyseska@degen.ca or contact her at 780-532-5659. Confidentiality assured.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 6 - 11

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

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| Mon. 6, | 7:00 am: † Wayne Campbell |
| Tues. 7, | 10:30 am: † Shirley Parenteau |
| | 7:00 pm: † Geraldo & Corazon Esmer |
| Wed. 8, | 7:00 am: † Clem Jaeger |
| | 7:00 pm: † MA Saeung Tak |
| Thurs. 9, | 7:00 pm: † Luis Joa |
| Fri. 10, | 7:00 am: Ken Ginger |
| | 9:30 am: Lucille / † Rosario Normandeau |
| Sat. 11, | 9:00 am: † Vern Volden |

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

Do you attend St. Joseph High 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. Join the team. Talk with Mrs. Gorman at the school or Fr. Leo at the church. WE NEED YOU!!



Gifts With a Story - 10 Thousand Villages Festival Sale

November 15 - 19, GP Museum, Muskoseepi Park
Empowering artisans around the world.

Wednesday 15, 10 am - 7 pm

Thursday 16 & Friday 17, 10 am - 9 pm

Saturday 18, 10 am - 6 pm

Sunday 19, 1:15 - 5:15 pm

Sponsored by Kairos Grande Prairie Interchurch Committee for Social Justice (780-532-1077)

Are you a Catholic woman interested in developing leadership skills? **The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation (CWLF)** is accepting applications for its initial Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For info about CWLF, the Leadership Program, or to complete an application form, visit www.cwlfcanada.ca. *Application deadline is November 15, 2017.*

The Redemptorist 2018 Calendars which were on sale in the church last weekend have all been sold. If you are still interested in purchasing one, contact Fr. Jon via email jonhansencssr@gmail.com. There will be an additional postage charge.

From St. Joseph Social Justice Committee

This past year, thanks to your support of Development & Peace, you have empowered a local partner in Ecuador by providing over \$230 000 to implement food sovereignty projects. This has helped residents become more self-sufficient through rural indigenous women's work, and to set up small family gardens. **May Peace be with Her!** *Source: D&P Annual report 2015-2016 P11*

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray For

The sick, especially Jeannie Valen

The deceased, especially Pablo Lianto

Robert Hewlett, husband of Michelle Hodder

CWL Christmas Bazaar, Tea & Bake Sale Saturday, Nov. 18, 1 - 4 pm. This is the major fundraiser for the year, which in turn 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, November 17, from 7 - 8 pm in Tranquille Hall, or Saturday, Nov. 18, between 10 am & 1 pm.

Catholic Family Services is now accepting donations for their Christmas Hamper Program for families in need. Please drop donations of cash, gift cards and IGA budget savers at the CFS office, 10105-102 St. For info or to sponsor a family please call 780-532-9381.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

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

Gluten-free pancakes

St Joseph Challenge Girl's Youth
Group will be serving.

Thank-you everyone for your prayers and overwhelming support for us and our daughter-in-law Sharon. It's a miracle that she survived and is now at home from the hospital. She is functioning well and slowly continuing to improve.

God Bless All of You!!! Larry & Sheila Shepherd

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 Alyeska, alyeska@degen.ca or 780-532-5659

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

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time: *SINCERITY OF HEART*

Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8 - 10. Punishment for imperfect sacrifices **1 Thess. 2:7 - 9, 13.** Paul's sincerity

Matthew 23:1 - 12. Hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees

Key Passage: [Jesus said], "...therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach." *Matthew 23:3*

Question: Is there an area of your life in which you sometimes feel like a hypocrite?