

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 27, 2019**

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## St. Joseph Parish Pilgrimage: *Blessed Are* This Sunday, January 27, 7 - 9 pm

Join us on the journey! This most unique pilgrimage takes place throughout our entire church building,

and will take you to locations most unexpected! We promise!

This year, six parishioners will take us on a journey, sharing their insights to help us unravel the meaning of the Beatitudes and understand their relevance to our everyday lives. We'll supply the passport. No need to pack a suitcase, just an open heart! The event is free.



**A huge THANK YOU to the Knights of Columbus** for providing a delicious lunch on Saturday during our parish retreat, "Mary in a Martha World". Thank you to everyone who came to join us. It was a wonderful time to reflect on spiritual balance.

## **Amy Florian's Prayer from the Parish Retreat Saturday, January 19, *Mary in a Martha World*:**

Lord, Heal me where I am most in need of healing, and help me not pass on my hurts to others.  
Grant that I might serve you with my life.  
Give me all that I need to do your will.  
Help me be an effective instrument of your healing and loving power.  
Give me eyes that see, ears that hear, and most of all, the courage to follow. Amen

### **JANUARY 27 - FEBRUARY 3 DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Sun. 27:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Eucharist class, church  
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Reconciliation class, church  
- 7 - 9 pm, Parish Pilgrimage, church
- Mon. 28:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall  
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girls, St JP II Room
- Wed. 30:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room  
- 7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall  
- 7 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- Thurs. 31:** 7:30 pm, Men & Retirement, Tranquille Hall
- Fri. 1:** 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room
- Sat. 2:** 7 - 10 pm, Youth Choir & Movie Night, church
- Sun. 3:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Eucharist class, church  
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Reconciliation class, church

**2019 Income Tax Receipts** will be available in the entrance to the church next weekend, Feb. 2/3

### **"Men and Retirement: Dignity without Loss"**

A special evening presentation Thursday, Jan. 31, 7:30 pm (after 7:00 pm Mass) in Tranquille Hall. Come hear and discuss the thoughts and concerns men have around retirement and dealing with what happens when they are no longer working. The presentation will be lead by Russ Snoble, a retired Catholic school teacher, Religious Education Consultant, School Principal and now a certified professional Life Coach.

**Parish Financial Information** (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$24,455.00
Offering received last Sunday	\$18,415.68
Children's collection	\$137.00

*Please mark envelopes with the amount enclosed.*

**Family & Childrens**  
**ministry**  
 Joanne Chiasson ext. 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



**Youth group**  
**Grades 3 - 5**  
**Next gathering:**  
**Friday, February 8**



7 - 9 pm, Tranquille Hall  
 Join us at Nerf Wars: Please bring your own nerf gun (darts provided)

**CALLING ALL MOMS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN**  
 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 10 am - 12 noon



Come make connections with other moms of the parish. Find encouragement, support, fellowship and joy. Prayer/reflection at 11:15 am. Children welcome and encouraged to attend with mom.

**Next Gathering: February 6, Modern Martyrs Room**  
[www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/)

**SACRAMENTS**

**Darlene Lemay,**  
 x 228



**Through the waters of Baptism we welcome** Ava Bell and Rhett Bennett to our family of faith. We pray 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. Contact Darlene, ext. 228

**Parish-based Eucharist & Reconciliation sessions:** Sundays, from 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church. If your child is not in Catholic school or missed preparation for either sacrament, please contact Darlene, ext. 228.



**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
 April Fogle, x 229  
[stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com)

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



**Youth Choir & Movie Night**

(Grades 6-12)  
 Saturday, February 2, starting with youth choir at 7 pm Mass.  
 Movie: Incredibles 2  
 Snacks to follow.



**Youth group for grades 6 - 9**  
**Next gathering:** Friday, Feb. 8, Tranquille Hall  
**NERF WARS:** Please bring your own nerf gun (darts provided.)



**Challenge Girl's Groups (gr. 5 - 6, 7 - 8 & 9 - 12)**



Mondays, 7 - 8:30 pm  
 Next gathering: Monday, Jan. 28  
 St JPll Room. Questions?  
 Call Anna, 780-831-8338.



**High School Youth Group:** (Grades 9 - 12).  
 Next CORE join us at NERF WARS on Friday, Feb. 8th

**The NET Ministries Team will be visiting** our parish from March 1st - 22nd and we are in need of host/billet homes for the young adults: accommodations for 2 (or more) girls or guys for 1, or more, weeks. For information/details please contact April, 780-882-4091, or email [stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com)

**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

### St. Joseph 100th Anniversary, April 26, 2020

We are excited about celebrating the 100th Anniversary of St. Joseph Parish in Grande Prairie. To help us prepare, please send any suggestions/ideas to Fr. Remi on how we might celebrate this wonderful occasion.

### Stepping Stones & Stumbling Blocks

Tuesday, Feb. 19, 9:30 am - 3 pm, Grouard Room  
*A Lenten Retreat for Men & Women* introducing the Christian Roots of Twelve Step Spirituality with the Way of the Cross Presenter: Sheila Shepherd  
 Cost: \$20 Please bring a bag lunch  
 Sponsored by Peace Retreats

### Cursillo Weekends this Spring:

Men's Cursillo, March 7 - 10, Rector: Chris Chiasson  
 Women's Cursillo, March 28 - 31, Rectora: Candice Edey  
 Cursillistas please keep the weekend in your prayers and consider candidates for the weekend.

**FYI - the ashes on Ash Wednesday come from the Palms used on Palm Sunday last year.** In preparation for Ash Wednesday we invite you to bring your old palm branches to church before **Sunday, February 22** so that we have time to burn them before Ash Wednesday.

### DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS

**Arch GM Youth Ski Trip** Ages 12 - 15  
**March 2 - 3**, Peace River \$132 all inclusive  
 Register @ [archgmyouth.com](http://archgmyouth.com) or 780-532-9766  
 Earlybird - Register by Feb 1  
 Deadline February 15

**Transcend Events Ski Trip** Ages 16 - 19  
**March 15 - 17**, Jasper, AB \$280/participant  
 Register @ [transcendevents.ca](http://transcendevents.ca) or 780-532-9766  
 Early Bird - Register by Feb 10  
 Deadline February 28

### Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

**Q.** What is the significance of the Paschal Candle?  
**A.** The paschal candle is the Easter candle marked and lit at the beginning of the Easter Vigil celebrated the evening of Holy Saturday. We light the candle during the entire Easter season, for baptisms and for funerals, symbolizing our new life in Christ.



### Billings Ovulation Method Teacher Training

**Correspondence Course: Part 1** Webinar Series Begins February 2019 Begin training to become an Accredited Teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method® from the comfort of home! Part 1 will be offered in a series of interactive Webinars from February - August. Successful completion of Part 1 is a pre-requisite to attend the Part 2 Workshop planned for Fall 2019! Registration Deadline for webinars: February 4. For more details about the Teacher Training process and to register, visit [billingslife.ca](http://billingslife.ca)

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 2

( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 28, 7:00 am: Ellen Doucette  
 Tues. 29, 7:00 pm: † Peter Wiebe  
 Wed. 30, 7:00 am: † Sig Halwa  
 7:00 pm: Sharon & Bernie Griffin  
 Thurs. 31, 7:00 pm: † Marie & Robert Ames  
 Fri. 1, 7:00 am: † Emerenciano Lugao  
 10:30 am: Mrs. Yvette Robertson  
 Sat. 2, 9:00 am: † Albert Vant Erve

### saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection

Sign up under "Subscribe for special parish updates and reflection blog" on the home page to receive notification for each new blog.

## GENERAL INFO

### Please pray for

**The sick, especially** Noel Keerthikumar  
Brenda Jerome, daughter of Mary Smichura

**The deceased, especially**  
Lanie Bautista, daughter of Herb & Lydia Rix

**CWL 2019 membership fees are due.** Envelopes are available in the CWL drawer in the hallway outside the Sacristy.

**Catholic Family Services is in need of volunteers** for February 7- 10, to sell ticket at the Dream Home. Call Catholic Family Services, 780-532-9381, to sign up.

**WINTER PARKING-** During months when there is snow it is difficult to see lines for parking spaces. In order to allow a clear exit from the parking lot for emergency vehicles, or fellow parishioners who have to leave Mass unexpectedly, please do not park along curbs or in laneways and leave adequate space at the end of rows (at least 3 car widths for vehicles to turn corners). We appreciate that parking off-site can be a hardship and thank you for your consideration and understanding in helping to eliminate congestion in our parking lot. (*For your information:* any damage to your vehicle from emergency vehicles, as a result of parking in non-designated areas, is your own responsibility.)



### Religious Gift Shop

Come in after weekend Masses & check out our inventory.

### 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

#### **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:** Sundays, 3:30 - 6 pm  
Contact Irene, 780-380-9540.

## Sunday Readings

### *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Accepting Responsibility*

**Nehemiah 8:2b - 4a, 5 - 6, 8 - 10.** Ezra reads the Law

**1 Corinthians 12:12 - 30.** Analogy of the body

**Luke 1:1 - 4; 4:14 - 21.** Beginning of Jesus' preaching

**Key Passage:** [Jesus] unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor." *Luke 4:17b - 18a*

**Question:** What do you believe that the anointing you received at baptism requires you to do?