

# St. Joseph Catholic Church



Hope for a Wounded World

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 4, 2018**

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**Come one! Come all! to our 6th Annual Mardi Gras Masquerade** on Friday, February 9, at 7 pm.



## Mardi Gras

snacks and refreshments. Free tickets available at the door. Bring your whole family out for this great mid-winter celebration!

**Mardi Gras helpers needed** to decorate, set-up, take-down, kitchen, and assorted help throughout the evening. Call Joanne at the office, ext. 230.

**The Rite of Election will be the first Sunday of Lent, February 18.** Catechumens from the different parishes in the diocese gather for Mass at 1:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in McLennan. The Church, through Archbishop Pettipas, affirms the catechumens as having been chosen by God or “elected” for the reception of the sacraments of initiation. The catechumens record their names in the Book of the Elect to indicate their readiness to accept God’s invitation. Please pray for our catechumens, Alyvia, Graycen, Rohnyn, Alden, Dylan, Maggie, Ethan, Sarah, Taneshia, Chanelle, Brayden, Quinlyn, Kelton, Finleigh, Lucas, Hannah, Jonathan, Carrie, Anthony, Calvin, Russel, Shanna, Brad, Susan, Gervin, Crystal, their families and the RCIA team traveling to McLennan for the Rite of Election.

**2017 Income Tax Receipts** will be available in the entrance to the church next weekend, Feb. 10/11.

### FEBRUARY 4 - 11 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun 4:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Reconciliation Class, Church  
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Eucharist Class, church  
**Mon. 5:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall  
- 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Griefshare, church  
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girl’s, upstairs  
**Wed. 7:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies’ Bible Study, St JP11 Room  
- 10 am- noon, Mom’s Prayer & Play, Tranquille Hall  
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall  
- 7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall  
**Fri 9:** 7 - 11 pm, Mardi Gras, Tranquille Hall  
**Sat. 10:** 9:30 am - 1 pm, Share Lent Workshop, Liguori Hall  
**Sun 11:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall  
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Reconciliation Class, church  
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish-based Eucharist Class, church

**Join us for a unique opportunity in our Parish Saturday, March 3, 10 am to 3 pm** - a retreat given by **SARAH HART** that will be woven with humour, songs, prayer, personal stories and discussion. Sarah is a singer, songwriter and motivational speaker. She most recently completed her tenth album, “Sacrament”, as a solo artist. Don’t miss it! Tickets available next weekend after all Masses and from Diane at the office during regular office hours. Cost \$10 (includes lunch). Check her out on Facebook or at [sarahhart.com](http://sarahhart.com)

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

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$18,321.52
Children’s collection	\$97.00
From January 1 - December 31, 2017 total costs:	
Power - \$33,979.60	Heat - \$20,540.93
Water & Sewer - \$7,467.13	



**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.

**Next Gathering: February 7**

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/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/)



grades 3 - 5 youth group.

**Next gathering Friday, February 16,**

7 - 9 pm, St. JPll Room



**Family Movie, Sunday, February 11**

at 3 pm in Tranquille Hall. Popcorn  
and juice supplied. Bring something  
comfy to sit on.

## SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,  
x 228



**Through the waters of Baptism** we  
welcome Emma Lucia, Kian Canlas  
and Sully Kaczmarek 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.

During Lent we are not scheduling baptisms. Lent has  
two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism  
and emphasizes a spirit of penance. For the six weeks  
of Lent we are in the desert preparing for new life -  
the resurrection. Baptism is when we first encounter  
new life with Jesus. Therefore, it is not appropriate to  
celebrate baptism *during* Lent as we are *preparing* for  
baptism. We will resume celebrating baptisms on  
Easter Sunday, April 1.

**Parish-based Reconciliation classes:**  
Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church  
**Parish-based Eucharist classes:**  
Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church



**YOUTH MINISTRY**

April Fogle, x 229

[stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com)

Go online to see our  
upcoming news & events:



**EDGE (Grade 6 - 8)**

**Friday, Feb. 9, 7 - 9 pm, Goin' to Mardi**

**Gras!** Bring your masks and costumes and  
be prepared to have a good time.

There will be NO EDGE on Feb. 16 in lieu of the high  
school ski trip.



**Challenge Girl's Groups**

(gr. 5 - 8 & 9 - 12)

**Next gathering: Monday, Feb 5,**

7:00 - 8:30 pm, meet upstairs.

Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.



**ARCHGMYOUTH Ski Trips:**

Jasper (ages 16 - 19 yrs) Feb. 16 - 19

**For information please contact**  
[archgmyouth.com](http://archgmyouth.com)

**Looking for families to host National Evangelization  
Team (NET) team members from April 5 - 8.** Please  
call April, ext. 229, for more information.



**Knights of Columbus Breakfast**

Sunday, February 11 following the

9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall

Gluten-free pancakes. Serving:

St. Joe's High School Dry Grad



**Religious Gift Shop**

Come in after weekend Masses & check  
out our inventory.

## ADULT FORMATION

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner**, hosted by Knights of Columbus, February 13, 5 - 6:30 pm in Tranquille Hall. \$5 per person. Join us for pancakes with a variety of toppings to choose from. Socialize with fellow parishioners. We hope to see many of you on February 13.

### “Growing God – A Journey to the Heart”

A Lenten Retreat for Men and Women  
Ligouri Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm  
Presenter: Sheila Shepherd Cost: \$15  
Please bring a bag lunch. Coffee & snacks provided  
To register call Sheila, 780-532-7231 or Pat, 780-532-1338 or email sheilamcshepherd@gmail.com  
*Sponsored by Peace Retreats*

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

### Cursillo Weekends this Spring:

Men’s Cursillo, March 8 - 11, Rector: Wayne Olsen  
Women’s Cursillo, April 5 - 8, Rectora: Liz Richard  
Interested in attending a Cursillo? Please call either Wayne, 587-297-9770, or Liz, 780-933-6635.  
Cursillistas please keep the weekend in your prayers and consider candidates for the weekend. The Men’s Cursillo Team needs musicians and kitchen workers. Both weekends need people for set-up and take-down. Is God calling you? Please call Wayne or Liz if you can help. *“For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10*

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 5 - 10

( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 5,	7:00 am: † Pauline McGee
Tues. 6,	10:30 am: Shaba Family
	7:00 pm: † Jack Unger
Wed. 7	7:00 am: † Tony Protz
	7:00 pm: † Annie Catherine Campbell
Thurs. 8,	7:00 pm: † Max Teichroeb
Fri. 9,	7:00 am: † Jennie Croken
	9:30 am: † Norm Tabor
Sat. 10,	9:00 am: † Vern Lizotte



*You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.* **GriefShare** is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Every Monday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm until mid-May. \$15.00 fee for workbook. Contact Debbie, 780-518-5763 for information.

**The Great Adventure Bible Study** - Wednesday evenings beginning after the 7 pm Mass. Reviewing some of the books of the Old Testament. Learn more about the people, events and themes of the Bible - the “Big Picture” of **your** salvation history. Everyone welcome. Please call Roger or Angele, 780-532-7529, for information.

**CWL Spiritual Workshop, February 10**, St Rita’s church in Valleyview Registration begins at 9:30 am  
Theme: Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary (bring rosary)  
Cost: \$20 To register and car pool call Lauraine, 780-978-1664 before Feb 6.



The Billings Ovulation Method® is a natural way to conceive, avoid pregnancy, and/or monitor reproductive health. You are invited to a free Introduction to the BOM® on May 18 from 7 - 9:30 pm in Liguori Hall. Learn more about how natural fertility regulation works. Basic Teacher Training Workshop (Part 1) runs May 18 - 20. Candidates will be trained to provide personalized fertility education to women in every stage of reproductive life, from menarche to menopause. Visit [billingslife.ca](http://billingslife.ca) for information and to register.

#### **saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: “Grace in the Space”**

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** John Glodek  
Yvonne Horseman Brian Horseman  
Pete Sowan Ted Bohme

**The deceased, especially**  
Marjory Jepson, mother of Allan Forsberg

**2018 assigned envelopes available in the parish office** during office hours, Monday - Friday. Please do not use envelopes from a previous year. We reassign them if they have not been used. Not currently using envelopes and would like to start? Contact the parish office.

**The Knights of Columbus are seeking donations of live and silent auction items** to be auctioned at this year's Lobster Fest on May 4. Please contact Sir Knight Keith Redl, 780-832-1184 to donate. This is the Knights largest fundraiser for the year.

**Development & Peace Share Lent Workshop: *Together for Peace***, Saturday, Feb. 10, 9:30 - 1 pm, Ligouri Hall. Hosted by the Social Justice Committee. Facilitator: D&P animator Monica Nino. No cost. Lunch provided. Contact Mia, miklge@telus.net if you wish to attend.

**Catholic Family Services Spring Fling Gala - March 17** Live & silent auctions, Art Walk & cutting edge entertainment: World Famous Dueling Pianos! All proceeds benefit affordable professional counselling through Catholic Family Services. Call the CFS office for information, 780-532-9381, or for tickets, \$50, available at the end of January at their office 10105-102 St. Tables can be reserved with the purchase of 8 tickets.

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

## Sunday Readings

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Comfort for the Sorrowful*

**Job 7:1 - 4, 6 - 7.** Job's first reply      **1 Corinthians 9:16 - 19, 22 - 23.** Paul's recompense

**Mark 1:29 - 39.** Cure of Peter's mother-in-law and other miracles

**Key Passage:** That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. *Mark 1:32 - 34*

**Question:** When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?