

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Hope for a Wounded World

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2018**

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Ash Wednesday (February 14) Schedule

7:00 am, Mass in church

12:10 pm, Mass in church

7:00 pm, Mass in church

Distribution of ashes will be available at all Masses.

The Rite of Election will be the first Sunday of Lent, February 18. Catechumens from 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.



sarah hart

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

FEBRUARY 11 - 18 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun 11:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Reconciliation Class, church
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Eucharist Class, church
- Mon. 12:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Griefshare, church
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girl’s, upstairs
- Tues. 13:** 7 pm, CWL GM, begins with Mass in church
- 7 pm, K of C Meeting, begins with Mass in church
- 7 pm, K of C Shrove Tuesday Supper, Tranquille Hall
- Wed. 14:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies’ Bible Study, St JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- 7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
- Thurs. 15:** 7:30 - 9 pm, Catholics Returning home, Modern Martyrs Room
- Fri 16:** 5:45 pm, Lenten Meal & Reflection, Tranquille Hall
- 7 pm, Stations of the Cross, Church
- 7 - 9 pm, SALT, St JP II Room



Wednesday, February 28, Care for the Caregiver
Begins with Mass in the church at 7:00 pm.
Session to follow in Tranquille Hall until 9:00 pm

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)	
Offering Required Weekly	\$23,718.29
Offering received last Sunday	\$18,163.83
Children’s collection	\$82.00



Meet every 1st & 3rd Wednesday,
10 am - 12 noon in Tranquille Hall.

Next Gathering: February 21

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/



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 Annie Easton and
Winston Temple 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 cele-
brating baptisms on Easter Sunday, April 1.

Parish Reconciliation classes:

Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church

Parish Eucharist classes:

Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

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Go online to see our
upcoming news & events:



EDGE (Grade 6 - 8)

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 12,
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

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



Religious Gift Shop

Come in after weekend Masses & check
out our inventory.



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

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.

ADULT FORMATION

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

Lenten Fridays Soup, reflection and Stations of the Cross. Each Friday in Lent the CWL will serve a simple Lenten meal, meatless soup and buns, in Tranquille Hall beginning at 5:45 pm (you are welcome to arrive later if you wish). Donations for the meal will go to Development and Peace. A presentation organized by the Social Justice Committee will begin around 6:10 pm. Stations of the Cross begin at 7:00 pm in the church. Join us for all three events for whatever your time allows.



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.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 12 - 17

(✠ Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 12, 7:00 am: Conchita Parra
 Tues. 13, 7:00 pm: CWL / ✠ Win Anderson
 Wed. 14 7:00 am: Francisco Parra Sr.
 7:00 pm: ✠ Margaret Martin
 Thurs. 15, 7:00 pm: ✠ John & Mabel McNeil /
 ✠ Stacey Hagg
 Fri. 16, 7:00 am: ✠ Johanna Klein-Gebbinck
 10:30 am: ✠ Frederico Rimando
 Sat. 17, 9:00 am: ✠ Max Teichroeb

Universal days of fasting & abstinence from meat: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.

The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 years of age and older; the law of fasting binds those who are 18 to 59 years of age. The church does not encourage a "black fast" which implies eating nothing. The fast we are invited to observe is to limit ourselves to one ordinary meal (perhaps more simple than usual) and much more simple meals at other times. The purpose of fasting is to learn to discipline ourselves and to be in solidarity with so many around the world who have much less than we have. Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are good days to make an effort to refrain from snacking. Of course, fasting is never intended to harm your health!! If you are pregnant or have a medical condition in which you must eat specific foods at certain times, please continue with what you ordinarily do.

Friday Observances - Throughout the year Fridays are days of penance which usually includes abstaining from meat. However, we have the option of doing special acts of mercy or charity instead. During Lent we try to be more diligent about abstaining from meat on Friday's so that we can be ever more in solidarity with those who have less to eat and are hungry.

Do you have extra bells that you can donate to the parish? The congregation will ring them during the Gloria on Holy Thursday and at the Easter Vigil. Please leave your bells at the parish office.

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

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray For

The sick, especially	Mary -Clare Binns
Michael O'Connell	Helene Ayotte
The deceased, especially	Ted Bohme
Dr. Rosemarie Blum, sister of Jake Blume	
Mary Melnichuk, mother of John Melnichuk	
June Holler, mother-in-law of Sue Holler	

CWL General meeting, this Tuesday, February 13

beginning with Mass in church at 7 pm.

Executive Meeting, 5:30 pm in Grouard Room.

K of C Meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 13, beginning with mass in the church at 7 pm.

Please Note: the Prayers for Healing have been moved to the 4th Thursday this month, February 22 following the 7 pm Mass.

Ultreya, Friday, February 23, 7 - 9:30 pm, Liguori Hall. Speaker: Chris Moore. Please bring a snack to share.

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.

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Models of Christ*

Leviticus 13:1 - 2, 45 - 46. On Leprosy

1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1. Imitation of Christ

Mark 1:40 - 45. Healing of a leper

Key Passage: Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ. *1 Corinthians 11:1*

Question: Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be a Christian? Why or why not?