

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Hope for a Wounded World

**Second Sunday of Easter
April 8, 2018**

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Next weekend children from our Catholic schools and the parish-based program will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the First Time:

April 14 - 7:00 pm Mass - St. Catherine, St. Kateri & St. Clements

April 15 - 9:00 am Mass - Holy Cross, Mother Teresa
11:00 am Mass - St. Gerard & Parish Based Program
Please join us for a reception in Tranquille Hall after all the Masses. *Please bring a snack to share.*

Please keep all our children receiving sacraments this year, and their families, in your daily prayers.

Through the waters of Baptism at Easter we welcome into our parish family Brad Martin, Gervin Antypowich, Crystal Murray, Anthony Oliver, Russel Willman, Calvin Forsberg, Susan Meyer, Carrie Cole, Shanna English, Jonathan McGunigale, Brayden Tickell, Chanelle Irvine, Finleigh, Kelton & Quinlyn Zhang, Lucas Gariepy, Alyvia, Graycen & Rohnyn Penner, Ethan & Sarah Coers, Hannah Nowicki, Alden, Dylan & Maggie Morales, Taneshia Cole, Dominic Reay, Dakota Gordon, Daniel Bryant, Kaylem Johannsen, and Connor Parnell. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with joy!



Walk with Women of the Bible - Mom's/Women's Retreat, Saturday, April 14, 9 am - 1 pm.

Mom's of all ages welcome! Childcare and lunch provided. Join us to rest and relax with our Lord. Registration deadline: April 12. Contact Joanne, ext. 230, or email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

APRIL 8 - 15 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 8:** After 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall
- Mon. 9:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St. JP II Room
- Tues. 10:** 6 pm, CWL Executive, Grouard Room
- 7 pm, CWL GM, begins with Mass in church
- 7 pm, K of C Meeting, begins with Mass in church
- Wed. 11:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Rm
- 10 am - noon, Mom's Prayer & Play, Tranquille Hall
- Fri 13:** 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room
- Sat. 14:** 9 am - 1 pm, Mom/Women's Retreat, Tranquille Hall
- 7 pm, 1st Eucharist Celebration, Mass
- Sun. 15:** 9 & 11 am, 1st Eucharist Celebration, Mass
- 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Confirmation Class, church



Vacation Bible School

Calling all "coaches", "assistant coaches" and "athletes"!!! Grab your megaphones, lace up your cleats and tune up your horn - it's time for the big game! Whether you're rooting from the stands, marching in the band or hustling to the line, this summer is going to be amazing!! Join God's Team for a week of play, fun, singing and adventure at Game On! VBS. So, Gear up, Get Ready, Game On! July 9 - 13 for VBS 2018! You won't want to miss it!! \$32/child Registration open to kids age 4 to grade 5/6 beginning April 28/29. **Volunteers are needed.** Questions? Contact Joanne, 780-532-2351 (ext 230) or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Family & Childrens
 m i n i s t r y
 Joanne Chiasson ext. 230



Note: for April & May we will meet every 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 10 am - 12 noon in Tranquille Hall.

Next Gathering: April 11

Come when you can for any or all of the time. Fun playtime for the kids & visiting for mom with a short reflection or prayer at 11am.
www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

grades 3 - 5 youth group.



Please note: April 6 SALT is CANCELLED

Next gathering Friday, April 20
 7 - 9 pm, St JP11 Room



YOUTH MINISTRY

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stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



EDGE (Grade 6 - 8)

Next gathering is Friday, April 13, 7 pm, St. JP11 Room



Challenge Girl's Groups (gr. 5 - 8 & 9 - 12)

Next gathering: Monday, April 9
 7:00 - 8:30 pm, meet upstairs.

Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,
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This weekend, through the waters of Baptism we welcome Keagynn Dunphy and Chanz dela Cruz into our faith family. We pray that their journey of faith is filled with joy.

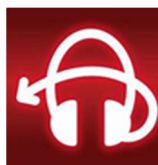
Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. You are welcome to attend while still expecting your child. Pre-registration required. Call Darlene, ext. 228.

Parish Confirmation Classes:
 Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, in the church



Religious Gift Shop

First Communion gifts are now available in the gift shop.



AUDIO EVERYWHERE We are pleased to introduce our new hearing assist system. All that is required is an iPhone or Android smart phone to access our system. Once connected to the Audio Everywhere hearing assist system listen either through ear buds plugged into your phone or wirelessly if your hearing aids are equipped with blue tooth technology. For more information please see Jon or Fr. Remi.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, April 8 following the 9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall. Gluten free available.

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Look for @stjoespastor

ADULT FORMATION

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

Welcome Table volunteers needed. Do you desire to help build our parish community? Feeling welcome is key. Time commitment minimal: just a few minutes after Mass to chat with people. Volunteer screening not needed. Contact Joanne, ext. 230.

MENTOR COUPLES play an active role in preparing couples to marry in the church. All couples preparing for marriage through St. Joseph Parish are required to meet with a mentor couple. Mentor Couples are not expected to be experts in relationships. As a Mentor Couple you will meet 4 or 5 times with a couple assigned to you by the parish. These meetings are intended to be conversational. The content follows a book provided by the parish. Meeting with a mentor couple is often one of the highlights for couples as they prepare for marriage. The next workshop is Saturday, April 28 at 11 am, in Liguori Hall. For details please contact Fr. Remi

The CWL would like to thank all those who provided soup, buns, margarine and crackers for the Lenten soup suppers that took place in Tranquille Hall on Fridays during Lent. Thanks also to those who attended and listened to the talks organized by the Social Justice group. We had a record breaking attendance of 490 people during the 6 weeks and raised \$2,615.50 to support Development and Peace.

Grande Prairie Kairos, an ecumenical Social Justice group, is collecting ankle length skirts in support of Walking with our Sisters, a Commemorative Art Installation in honour of Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women which is taking place at the Art Gallery in June. These skirts will be used during the sacred ceremony. The skirt is the same shape as the tipi - the tipi represents the home and women are keepers of the home. If you have a modest ankle length skirt you could donate, please call Helen, 780-532-1071.

A special thank you to our parish community for your generous donation of personal care items for Saint Lawrence Centre, collected during the Mass of Our Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. If you want to get involved or learn more please check them out on FB or at www.slcp.ca. They need our support!

The Billings Ovulation Method® is a natural way to conceive, avoid pregnancy, and/or monitor reproductive health. *Coming to St. Joseph Church:* **Free Introduction to the BOM®** May 18, 7 - 9:30 pm: All are invited to learn more about how natural fertility regulation works.

Basic Teacher Training Workshop (Part 1)

May 18 - 20: Join Alberta's team of Accredited BOM® Teachers! Candidates will be trained to provide personalized fertility education to women in every stage of reproductive life, from menarche to menopause. This workshop is the first step required for Accreditation, a second workshop and supervised practicum are also required. Visit billingslife.ca for more information and to register.

Parishioners who boarded the bus to attend the Chrism Mass in McLennan extend a **HEARTFELT THANKS** to the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus who chartered the bus, making this journey possible. To our driver, Lyle, five stars! Thank you so much!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 9 - 14

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 9,	7:00 am:	† Marie Jantz
Tues. 10,	7:00 pm:	CWL / † Maria Solecki
Wed. 11,	7:00 am:	Andre Lees
	7:00 pm:	† Raphael Mascarenhas
Thurs. 12,	7:00 pm:	Ken / † Marlene Kamieniecki
Fri. 13,	7:00 am:	Lucille Pratt
	10:30 am:	† Dominador Rimando
Sat. 14,	9:00 am:	† Pat Kimpe

saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: "A Lesson from the Pascal Mystery" 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 Allan Hallowes
Zofia Grzesko, mother of Stefania Qualizza
The deceased, especially Gwen Glaser
Carolyn Jacobson, wife of Fr. Joseph Jacobson
Sage Lowry, cousin of Laura Tapson

CWL April meeting, this Tuesday, April 10, beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm. Meeting to follow in the Grouard Room.

CWL Executive meeting, 6 pm in the Grouard Room.

K of C monthly meeting, this Tuesday, April 10 begins with Mass in the church at 7 pm. Meeting to follow in Liguori Hall.

Grief to Grace: Healing the Wounds of Abuse: The Diocese of Nelson is sponsoring a 4-day retreat to help those who have endured physical, emotional and/or spiritual abuse April 19-22 at Seton House of Prayer in Kelowna, BC. For information, call 250-878-7603; email g2gkelowna@shaw.ca; visit www.GriefftoGrace.org.

Development & Peace Regional Assembly, May 4 - 6, Mount Carmel Spirituality Centre, Edmonton. This year's theme: A Church Seeking Peace and Justice: Nothing is Impossible with God. Register: <https://goo.gl/n4Cntj> or call 1 844 480 3387.

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, alyseska@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.

Second Sunday of Easter - *Following the example of Jesus*

Acts 4:32 - 35. Life of the Christians

1 John 5:1 - 6. Belief in Jesus Christ

John 20: 19 - 31. Appearance to the disciples

Key Passage: The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. *Acts 4:32*

Question: What could you do this week to inspire your family to resemble the early Christians more closely?