

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Hope for a Wounded World

**Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 6, 2018**

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The entire parish is welcome to join in both **Confirmation Masses**, with Archbishop Gerard, the children being confirmed, and their families.

The Confirmation Masses are at 7:00 pm on

Monday, May 7:

St. Gerard, St. Kateri & St. Clement Schools and St. Joseph Parish

Tuesday, May 8:

Holy Cross, Mother Teresa & St. Catherine Schools
If your family is unable to attend the date of the celebration allocated for your school, you are welcome to attend the other celebration.

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

GEAR UP! GET READY! GAME ON!

Registration open to kids age 4 to grade 5/6 at the parish office. \$32/child

Calling all “coaches”, “assistant coaches” and “athletes” for this summer’s Vacation Bible School. 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!!

Volunteers needed. Questions? Contact Joanne, 780-532-2351 (ext 230) or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

MAY 6 - 13 DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun. 6: 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Confirmation Class, church

Mon. 7: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St. JP II Room
- 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church

Tues. 8: 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church
- 7 - 9:30 pm, K of C Meeting, Liguori Hall

Wed. 9: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies’ Bible Study, St JP II Rm
- 10 am - noon, Mom’s Prayer & Play, Tranquille Hall
- 7 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall

Thurs. 10: 1 pm, Mass with Sacrament of the Sick,
church

Fri. 11: 7 - 9 pm, SALT, St JP II Room
- 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Liguori Hall

Sun. 13: after all Masses, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

The Collection for the Pope’s Pastoral Works is this Sunday, May 6. One Third of the funds collected is for the Pope’s charitable contributions to those most in need. Two-thirds is to support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church. If you missed contributing you may bring your donation to the parish office this week, during office hours. Please make checks payable to *St. Joseph Church*.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,816.34
Offering received last Sunday	\$19,443.09
Children’s collection	\$102.00

Based on 769 donors an amount of \$30/week per donor is needed to meet our annual budget

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



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

Next Gathering: May 9

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
Next gathering Friday, May 11
 7 - 9 pm, St JP II Room



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



EDGE (Grade 6 - 8)

Next gathering is Friday, May 11, 7 pm, Liguori Hall



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

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

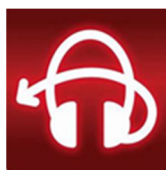
Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.

SACRAMENTS Darlene Lemay, x 228



This weekend, **through the waters of baptism, we welcome** Kenrhys Ramos, Asher Connor, Benjamin & Lucas Kim and Chloe & Ethan Lee into 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.



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.



Religious Gift Shop

Come in and check out our selection of gifts and religious articles.
Volunteers are needed for all Masses.

SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY"

We all want to be at our best when we come to Our Lord's House. For some people, that means using their own special perfume or aftershave. Some of our hairsprays can be heavily scented as well. Unfortunately, there are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or even allergic, to the scents that make the rest of us feel so good. These "scensitive" people at times have had to stand in the entrance to the church in order to attend Mass - some have even had to leave. In an effort to accommodate all of our Parish family, please consider cutting back on the amount of scented products that you wear to church, or, if possible, refrain from wearing any at all. Thank you for your understanding.

ADULT FORMATION

Mass with Anointing of the Sick, Thursday, May 10 at 1:00 pm - a special opportunity for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. In the past this sacrament was called *Extreme Unction* and was reserved for those who were approaching death. Today, the Sacrament of the Sick is available for anyone who has a serious illness: the elderly whose frailty is becoming more pronounced, major surgery/serious medical tests, an uncontrollable and chronic illnesses (arthritis, diabetes, etc.), mental illness. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this sacrament or is homebound because of infirmity, please help them to attend this Mass.

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.



Marriage in crisis? Communication problems? Experience renewed love and forgiveness. Call 587-598-4357, check helpourmarriage.ca, or info@helpourmarriage.ca. Edmonton Program starts August 17 - 19

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

saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: "Created in God's Image" Sign up under "Subscribe for special parish updates and reflection blog" on the home page to receive notification for each new blog.

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.

French Choir: Do you speak French and love to sing? Join the choir for the French Masses. Contact Paul, 780-607-5012 or Beatriz, 780-390-0990. *The next French Mass is on June 16.*



Knights of Columbus Breakfast Mother's Day

Sunday, May 13 following the 9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall. Gluten free available.

Charles Spencer School Interact Club Serving

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 7 - 12

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 7,	7:00 am: † Pearl Tabor
Tues. 8,	7:00 pm: CWL / † Gladys Van Roestel
Wed. 9,	7:00 am: † Douglas Crerar
	7:00 pm: † Raoul Tremblay
Thurs. 10,	7:00 pm: † Pearl Tabor
Fri. 11,	7:00 am: Haylee Mathias
	10:30 am: † Win Anderson
Sat. 12,	9:00 am: † Mary McHale

Mayor's Interfaith Breakfast, Friday, May 11, \$25

Theresa Sargent Hall, Montrose Cultural Centre
Registration 7:30 am, Breakfast 8:00 am
Purchase tickets from Revolution Place Box Office, 780-538-0387, cityofgp.com/interfaithbreakfast
Deadline for tickets: May 7

GENERAL INFO

Please Pray For

The sick, especially

Ricardo Rodriguez, father of Monica Rodriguez

The deceased, especially

Apolonja Popek

Allan Hallowes

Applications for the **CWL Frances Pronovost Scholarship** are being accepted until June 30. Please call Lorraine, 780-539-4766, for information.

Communications Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan.

Half-time (20 hours/week) at the chancery office, Grande Prairie. Requirements:

- Skillful communicator who thrives on meeting people, easily engaging them in meaningful conversations
- Excellent written and spoken English; able to clearly develop and deliver a message (French a real asset)
- Ability to use technology, especially websites and social media platforms, to communicate with diverse publics
- Interested in developing a consistent image for communication materials, products & tools. Make the most of standard computer software to design/create
- Good knowledge of the Catholic Church's structure, practices and teachings
- Alberta class 5 license. Own reliable vehicle.

Send application to Lauri Friesen, Executive Assistant, by email, exec.agm@live.ca, fax, 780-532-9706, or mail 10301 102 Street, Grande Prairie AB T8V2W2

Application deadline: Friday, May 18

FOLLOW ST. JOSEPH PARISH ON TWITTER.

Look for @stjoespastor

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.

Sunday Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter: *Love of Your Neighbour*

Acts 10:25 - 26, 34 - 35, 44 - 48. Peter in Caesarea **1 John 4:7 - 10.** God's love and ours
John 15:9 - 17. A disciple's love

Key Passage: [Jesus said,] "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

John 15:12

Question: How is love of others connected to love for God?