

# St. Joseph Catholic Church



Hope for a Wounded World

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 2, 2018**

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Grande Prairie CWL  
2nd Annual

**Women,  
Wine &  
the Word!**

**A Night of Hope**

**September 21, 7 - 9 pm  
Tranquille Hall**

When life gets difficult,  
hope lifts us up.

Join the St. Joseph CWL for “Women, Wine & the Word! A Night of Hope” -an evening of reflection, conversation and fellowship.

This event is open to all women 18+.

Tickets are \$20, after all weekend Masses

**PARENT SACRAMENTAL FORUMS WITH REGISTRATION  
FOR Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation  
We're starting early this fall. Be sure to mark  
these dates on your calendar.**

Monday, September 24, 7 - 9 pm

Thursday, September 27, 7 - 9 pm

Saturday, September 29, 10 am - 12 noon

**All sessions are in Tranquille Hall**

Parents only need to attend ONE session. In our diocese children baptized in the Roman Catholic Church celebrate Reconciliation in grade 2, Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6. All children receiving sacraments in the 2018 - 2019 school year, whether they attend Catholic school or otherwise, must be registered at a forum. Plan to be there for the full 2 hours. Bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

**St. Joseph Annual 100 Mile Pot-Luck -**

Sunday, September 23, at 5 pm, Tranquille Hall.

St. Joseph Social Justice group invites all parishioners to a pot luck dinner of locally sourced products. All are welcome. Bring a dish to share which highlights the bounty of our region.

## SEPTEMBER 2 - 9 DATES TO REMEMBER

**Mon. 3:** Labour Day, weekday Mass 9 am, church

**Wed. 5:** 7:30 pm, Choir Practice, church

**LABOUR DAY, Monday, September 3**

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

Weekday Mass will be at 9:00 am.

**Official Blessing and School Opening of St. John Paul II Catholic School/Faculte Jean-Paul II (300 Arbour Hills Boulevard) September 21, at 1:30 pm**  
Please come celebrate this special occasion. School Tours will commence at 3:00 pm.

**Mark Your Calendars!** We are putting together



another pictorial directory to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of our Parish in 2020. Photography sessions are scheduled for October 22 to November 6. Watch for details.

**Archbishop Gerard Pettipas C.Ss.R. cordially invites**

the faithful of the Archdiocese  
to join with him and the clergy for  
the ordination of

**Deacon Emmanuel Ekanem  
to the Holy Order of the Priesthood**

Friday, October 5, 2018, 7:00 pm  
at St. Joseph Catholic Church

A light lunch will follow in Tranquille Hall.

Sunday, October 7, Father Emmanuel will preside at his first solemn Mass at St. Joseph Church at 11 am. A light lunch will be served in Tranquille Hall following the Mass.

**Family & Childrens**  
 m i n i s t r y  
 Joanne Chiasson ext. 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



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

Vacation Bible School was a huge success. **GAME ON!**

150 children and 65 volunteers took part. Thank you to all who helped make this such a wonderful VBS. We were all blessed by your involvement.

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



**First Gathering: September 19**  
 Mom's meet the 2nd & 4th  
 Wednesday, 10 am - 12 noon  
 in Tranquille Hall.

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



**FALL KICKOFF!** Friday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> (Grades 6-12)  
 Bus leaves at **5:30 pm** & returns at **9:30 pm**. WBM is amped up this year - Foam Slip-n-Slides, Giant Water Fights (water guns!), Food Trucks & Concession, DJ's, and an Outdoor Concert from The Young Escape. **You don't want to miss it! Early-bird tickets on Facebook or link on Parish website.**

**SACRAMENTS** Darlene Lemay, x 228



**Through the waters of Baptism** we welcome Jamie Faustino, Bryzen McCorkill, Jacqueline Schadeck, James Shkolny, Aaron Burgess, Paul-Dominic Valiente, Luca Morrison and Owen Haughian to

our family of faith. We pray that 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



**Challenge Girl's Groups**  
 (gr. 5 - 6, 7 - 9 & 10 - 12)  
**First gathering:**  
**Monday, September 17**

7:00 - 8:30 pm, meet upstairs.  
 Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.

**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!



**Religious Gift Shop**  
 Welcome to all our new volunteers. The gift shop carries a large variety of religious articles great for special occasions. Check after Saturday 7 pm Mass & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 3 - 8	
( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)	
Mon. 3,	9:00 am: †Napoleon Rimando
Tues. 4,	10:30 am:
	7:00 pm: †Jose Polidario/ † Felina Basilia
Wed. 5,	7:00 am: †Sebastina, Lawrence & Lucas Nunes
	7:00 pm: †Alice Sempwich
Thurs. 6,	7:00 pm: †Jerry Panasiuk
Fri. 7,	7:00 am: †Blanca Rosa Guimarey Laca
	10:30 am: Craig Driedger
Sat. 8,	9:00 am: †Max Teichroeb

## ADULT FORMATION

**Parish Ambassadors for School Events** In an effort to make St. Joseph Parish more visible at school events in our Catholic district we are in the process of putting together parish displays. We would like parishioners to bring the displays to the schools and be present during various occasions (meet the teacher nights, Christmas concerts, kindergarten registration). You do not need to be an expert in any topic just willing to talk to people about our parish and hand out available brochures. For more information please contact Fr. Remi, 780-532-2351 or [remicssr@gmail.com](mailto:remicssr@gmail.com).

**Lectors Workshop** If you are a lector (one who proclaims the readings and Prayers of the Faithful at Mass) or would like to begin in this ministry, please plan to attend one of these workshops (even if you have been a Lector for many years). Workshops are in the church.

Saturday, September 15, 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Monday, September 17, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Tuesday, September 18, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

### RCIA Sponsors

We are in need of parishioners to be sponsors for the adults preparing for full initiation (Baptism/ Confirmation & Communion) at the Easter Vigil Mass or adults preparing for full reception into the church. The basic quality of a sponsor is someone who is comfortable enough with his/her faith to accompany someone else in his/her faith journey.

The next workshop for sponsors in Saturday, September 22 at 11 am in the church.

For information contact John Witschen, ext. 232.

**Helping Hands** We are looking for volunteers to assist in the kitchen preparing tea and coffee at various functions and meetings. If you can spare a few hours every so often (days and evenings) please contact the parish office.

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

**“Cleanliness is Next to Godliness”** A tidy church is a sign of hospitality. If you and/or your family can stay for a few minutes after Mass to straighten the hymn books and tidy the pews please let the office know. Even if you are not able to remain after Mass, it would be greatly appreciated if you could tidy the area around where you sit.

### Catholicism 101: What Do Catholics Believe?

Do you desire to grow in your knowledge and practice of the Catholic faith? Whether you are thinking about membership in the Church, considering return to the practice of your faith, or just want to know more about Catholic beliefs and practices, Catholicism 101 may be for you!

*Beginning September 17* we'll be meeting on Monday evenings to ask questions and discuss the Catholic faith.

Please contact Lauri Friesen for all the details [lauri.friesen@gmail.com](mailto:lauri.friesen@gmail.com) or 780-446-9037.

**French Mass Sunday, Sept. 30 at 4:00 pm** in the church. Choir members needed. If you would like to assist at this Mass by singing in the choir, please contact Paul, 780-607-5012.

Watch for future French Mass dates.

**Altar Server Training** Interested in becoming an Altar Server? Two training sessions will be offered this October & November. Altar Servers must have received their First Reconciliation and First Communion and be in at least grade 4. Please contact the Altar Server team before September 10 at [murrdonn@telus.net](mailto:murrdonn@telus.net) to confirm, or reconfirm, your interest in being an Altar Server. If you have any questions, or concerns, leave a message with the coordinator, Donna Mostowy, 780-532-3668. Registration forms available in the Altar Server drawer outside the sacristy. Place completed forms in the envelopes provided and leave in the drawer or bring to the parish office.



For info or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend Nov. 16 - 18** call 587-589-4357, email [info@helpourmarriage.ca](mailto:info@helpourmarriage.ca), or check [www.HelpOurMarriage.ca](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.ca)

## GENERAL INFO

### Please Pray for

#### The sick, especially

Ray Cunningham                      Peter Ingle  
Iva Burris, mother of Rob Burris  
Bonifacio Bartido, father of Nimfa Amor Bartido

#### The deceased, especially

Emile Brien                      Thomas Donaldson  
Tom Mickanuck                  Margaret Lizotte  
Joyce Mann, mother of Bev Silvester

**Save the Date!** Join Archbishop Pettipas for his annual Archbishop's Dinner on Friday, November 9, 2018 at the Rycroft Community Hall. He will speak on "Prairie Spirituality". All funds raised will go to the needs of the Archdiocese. The committee is looking for donations of items, large or small, for the Silent Auction. Some suggestions:

- If you own a business, a gift certificate
  - An item of interest which you no longer need but could generate funds, i.e. picture, painting
  - Provide a service, i.e. bookkeeping, painting
  - Donate funds towards a larger silent auction item, i.e. trip?
- Please contact Brenda, 780-518-6274, or Cecile, 587-202-8887, concerning donations.

#### **saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: "Always Becoming"**

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

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Office Hours:** Mon. - Fri, 8:30 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm

#### Regular Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 am  
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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  
Contact Irene, 780-380-9540.

## Sunday Readings

### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: DOERS OF THE WORD

**Deuteronomy 4:1 - 2, 6 - 8.** Advantages of fidelity                      **James 1:17 - 18, 21 - 22, 27.** Response to God's gift  
**Mark 7:1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23.** Jesus and the Pharisees

**Key Passage:** Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. *James 1:21 - 22*

**Question:** How do you welcome the words of Jesus into your heart?