

# St. Joseph Catholic Church



Hope for a Wounded World

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 16, 2018**

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**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.

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Friday, Sept 21 from noon -3pm.** We will be attending the **official Blessing and School Opening of St. John Paul II Catholic School/Faculte Jean-Paul II** (300 Arbour Hills Boulevard) Celebration will begin at 1:30 pm. Please join us. School Tours at 3:00 pm.

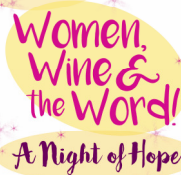


The first of our Faith Daze will be Wednesday, Sept. 26, 7:45 - 9 pm in Tranquille Hall (you have time to attend 7 pm Mass). At **"Hope for a Wounded Church"** we will discuss the sexual abuse crisis in the church in an effort to bring healing and hope. **Future Faith Daze:** Wednesdays, November 28, February 27 and May 1

**SEPTEMBER 16 - 23 DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Sun. 16:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall
- Mon. 17:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall  
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Lector's workshop, church  
- 7 - 8:30 pm, Challenge Girl's, St JP II Room  
- 7 - 9, Catholicism 101, Library
- Tues. 18:** 3:30 - 5 pm, Lector's Workshop, church
- Wed. 19:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room  
- 10 - noon, Mom's Prayer & Play, Tranquille Hall
- Thurs. 20:** 7:30 pm, Prayers for Healing, church
- Fri. 21:** 7 - 9 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room
- Sat. 22:** 10 - noon, Altar Servers' Practice, church  
- 8 - 10 pm, CORE, St JP II Room

Grande Prairie CWL  
2nd Annual



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

When life gets difficult, how do we pick us up. Join the St. Joseph CYCOP "Women, Wine & the Word! A Night of Hope" - an evening of reflection, conversation and fellowship. This event is open to all women 18+. **Get your tickets soon. 60% are already sold!** Tickets are \$20, after all weekend Masses

<b>Parish Financial Information</b> (Diane Walker ext. 227)	
Offering Required Weekly	\$23,816.34
Offering received last Sunday	\$20,832.78
Children's Offering	\$84.00
<i>Based on 769 donors an amount of \$30/week per donor is needed to meet our annual budget</i>	



**Family & Children's**  
m i n i s t r y  
Joanne Chiasson ext. 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



**Grades 3 - 5 youth group**  
Kick-off: October 12th, upstairs  
from 7 - 9 pm  
Register that night.

\$40/child. Families, \$20 for each additional child



**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/)

**SACRAMENTS** Darlene Lemay,  
x 228



**Through the waters of Baptism** we  
welcome William Rautenstrauch  
and Jannteo Cabanban to our faith  
family. We pray their journey of  
faith will be 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. Contact Dar-  
lene, ext. 228

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 17 - 22	
( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)	
Mon. 17, 7:00 am:	† Peter Guest
Tues. 18, 7:00 pm:	† John & Mabel McNeil / † Stacey Hagg
Wed. 19, 7:00 am:	† Tracey Grattan
7:00 pm:	† Geraldo & Corazon Esmer
Thurs. 20, 7:00 pm:	† Helma Fletcher
Fri. 21, 7:00 am:	† Julianna Belyan
10:30 am:	Don Johnson
Sat. 22, 9:00 am:	† Peter Wiebe



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

Go online to see our  
upcoming news & events:



**Youth group for gr. 6 - 9**  
Friday, Sept. 21, 7 - 9, St JP11 Room  
**Welcome Party Escape Room**  
Brief parent information meeting  
and child registration. \$40/child,  
\$20 for each additional child

**Introducing High School Youth Group revamped:**  
**CORE** (Grades 9 - 12). New time and day: 2nd & 4th  
Saturday of the month starting Sept. 22, 8 - 10 pm,  
in St JP11 Room following Saturday evening Mass .



**Challenge Girl's Groups**  
(gr. 5 - 6, 7 - 9 & 10 - 12)  
First gathering: **"Spa Night"**  
Monday, Sept. 17, 7- 8:30 pm,  
meet upstairs. Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.

**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.  
Following the Mass a light lunch will be served in  
Tranquille Hall.

**saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: "Encountering God  
in the Autumn Season"** Sign up under "Subscribe  
for special parish updates and reflection blog" on  
the home page to receive notification for each new  
blog.

## ADULT FORMATION

**The first Prayers for Healing this Fall are Thursday, Sept. 20,** following the 7 pm Mass in the church. The Prayer Team prays for all types of healing: mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and even for someone else through a proxy. Everyone is welcome to attend Mass and stay for prayer.

**Parish Ambassadors for School Events** In an effort to make St. Joseph Parish more visible at our Catholic school events we are 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.

**LISTEN... Can you hear it????** Is God calling to you to proclaim His Word? Commitment is 1 Mass a month. Consider joining this wonderful ministry.

**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.

Monday, September 17, 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Tuesday, September 18, 3:30 - 5:00 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 from October 22 to November 6. Bookings accepted until

November 4. Remember: First come first served. Two days are almost fully booked. "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thess 5:16-24) What a great way to thank God for our parish family!

### Catholicism 101: What Do Catholics Believe?

Thinking about membership in the Church? Considering returning to the practice of your faith? 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, 7 - 9 pm, in the library to ask questions and discuss the Catholic faith. Please contact Lauri Friesen for all the details lauri.friesen@gmail.com or 780-446-9037.

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

**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.

**"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.



### Religious Gift Shop

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.

## GENERAL INFO

### Please Pray for

**The sick, especially** Lucille Normandeu

Iva Burris, mother of Rob Burris

**The deceased, especially**

Robert Pardell

**K of C Breakfast Sunday, September 16**, after the 9 & 11 am Masses, Tranquille Hall

**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.

### **St. Joseph Annual 100 Mile Pot-Luck Dinner - Sunday, September 23**

Due to our geographic location, the expense and energy it takes to transport most of our food cannot be avoided. At this time of year a greater variety of food is available closer to home. The Social Justice Committee invites you to a 100 Mile Dinner to better understand how easy it is to eat locally sourced food. For details email Josy, [josyburrough@gmail.com](mailto:josyburrough@gmail.com) or call 780-539-4060.

### 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](mailto: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

### *24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: FAITH AND WORKS*

**Isaiah 50:5 - 9.** Salvation through the Lord's servant

**James 2:14 - 18.** Faith and good works

**Mark 8:27 - 35.** First teaching of the paschal event and the doctrine of the cross

**Key Passage:** So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith. *James 2:17 - 18*

**Question:** Why should faith always lead to good works?