

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Hope for a Wounded World

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 7, 2018**

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Thanksgiving Day, Monday October 8

Parish office closed.

Weekday Mass is at 9:00 am



Annual Family Hallowe'en Party - Helpers Needed

Saturday, Oct. 27, 12 noon to 3 pm
Adults and youth are needed for
set-up, games, kitchen and cleanup.

Call Joanne, ext. 230, or email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca.

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.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$23,816.34
Offering received last Sunday	\$19,791.03
Children's Offering	\$13400

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

OCTOBER 7 - 14 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mon. 8, Thanksgiving:** 9 am, Weekday Mass, church
Tues. 9: 7 pm, CWL Meeting, begins in church
-7 pm, K of C Meeting, begins in church
Wed. 10: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room
- 7 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall
- 7:40 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
Thurs. 11: 7:30 pm Prayers for Healing, church
Fri. 12: 7 - 9 pm, SALT, Tranquille Hall

What is Liturgy of the Word with Children?

This program is for children age 4 to grade 3 at which they hear the Word of God proclaimed and explained on a level appropriate to their age. *Children must be at least 4 years old to attend.* The children gather after the Opening Prayer and are dismissed by the presider with their leaders. Liturgy of the Word for Children is a component of the ritual prayer of Mass just as it is for adults. It is not separate from the Mass even though the children are elsewhere; it is to enhance their inclusion in the liturgy, not separate them from it. For the majority of the time the children should be with the assembly at Sunday liturgy. The children return from Liturgy of the Word with Children right after the Prayers of the Faithful in order to be present for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

We are always in need of leaders and helpers for this program. Currently we need 4 leaders at the 11 am Mass in order to continue this Ministry. Contact Joanne, ext 230 or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca if you are interested in getting involved.

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Family & Childrens
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 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. \$20 for each additional child



Next Gathering: October 17
 Mom's meet the 1st & 3rd 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/

SACRAMENTS Darlene Lemay, x 228



Through the waters of Baptism we welcome Emory Van and Ruth Yohann to our faith family. We pray that 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 Darlene, ext. 228

MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 8 - 13	
(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)	
Mon. 8,	9:00 am: † Dominique Dika
Tues. 9,	7:00 pm: CWL / † Gwen Glaser
Wed. 10,	7:00 am: † Magdalena Heck
	7:00 pm: † Jean Emile Caouette
Thurs. 11,	7:00 pm: † Mary Wild
Fri. 12,	7:00 am: † Gwen Glaser
	9:30 am: † Pearl & Norm Tabor
Sat. 13,	9:00 am: † Mary Wild



YOUTH MINISTRY
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Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



Challenge Girl's Groups (gr. 5 - 6, 7 - 8 & 9 - 12)
 Next gathering: Monday, Oct. 15, 7- 8:30 pm, meet upstairs.

Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.



DtP Youth Conference, Friday, October 12 - Sunday, Oct. 14. Grades 7 - 12, at GP Alliance Church.

Speaker: Caleb Barkman. Worship led by Hopeful-Son. Concert: Royal Foundry. Comedy: Slap Happy Comedy. More info at disturbingthepeace.net.



Youth group for gr. 6 - 9
 No EDGE Friday, October 12 due to DtP. Next gathering Oct. 19, 7 - 9, St JP II Room
 Remember to register \$40/child, \$20 for each additional child



High School Youth Group: (Grades 9 - 12).

HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month, 8 - 10 pm, in St JP II Room following Saturday evening Mass. No CORE on October 13 due to DtP.

Next CORE October 27: *Murder Mystery*

Contact April for your role. Must RSVP

saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection: "How Lovely to Let Go" **Next week:** "Psalm 139" Sign up under "Subscribe for special parish updates and reflection blog" on the home page to receive notification for each new blog.

ADULT FORMATION

Our October Prayers for Healing are this Thursday, Oct. 11, 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.

“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.

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.

Welcome Table volunteers are needed at the Saturday evening Mass and 11 am on Sunday morning. Contact Joanne, ext. 230 or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

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.

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. Why do we bless ourselves with holy water when we enter the church?

A: Making the Sign of the Cross with holy water calls us to remember our own baptism. As you bless yourself, consciously say the words: In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Remember Christ has claimed you through baptism and you are part of the family of God.

Bible Exploration will resume on Wednesday, Oct 10, at 7:40 pm in Tranquille Hall, with a review and an explanation of the program. Last year they looked at the first 11 lessons of the Bible Timeline of the Old Testament. They will resume with Lesson 12. This program is open to all members of the parish. Beginners are welcome! Join them as they begin to look at the era of the Divided Kingdom in the Book of Kings.



For info or to register for the program beginning with a **weekend on November 16 - 18** call 587-589-4357, email info@helpourmarriage.ca, or check www.HelpOurMarriage.ca

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

Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass, Monday, November 12, 7:00 pm

During the month of November we remember and pray for those who have died. On November 6 we will celebrate our special memorial Mass for parishioners who died in the past year. We will read their names aloud during the Mass. If you have an immediate family member (parent, sibling or child) who has died in the past year but is not from our parish, we invite you to call the office *before Friday, Nov. 2 at 12 noon* so that we can include their names in the program and read them aloud as well. All are welcome to join us.



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

Donalda Friesen, mother of Carla Mercier

The deceased, especially

Iva Burris, mother of Rob Burris

Alberto Tamula, father of Arlene Lessard

The monthly CWL Meeting is this Tuesday, October 9 beginning with Mass at 7 pm in the church.

CWL Executive meeting, 6 pm, Grouard Room

CWL Diocesan Education Workshop October 20, in Bezanson. If you are planning to attend, please call Lauraine, 780-978-1664, before October 17.

The October K of C Meeting is this Tuesday, Oct. 9, beginning with Mass in the church at 7 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. 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!

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
Contact Irene, 780-380-9540.

Sunday Readings

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: CHILDLIKE FAITH

Genesis 2: 7ab, 15, 18 - 24. Second story of creation, the creation of woman

Hebrews 2:9 - 11. Jesus' exultation through abasement

Mark 10:2 - 16. Question of divorce and Jesus blessing the children

Key Passage: Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." *Mark 10:15*

Question: What could keep you from embracing the kingdom of God like a little child?