

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Second Sunday of lent
March 17, 2019**

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Parish Feast Day, Solemnity of Saint Joseph Tuesday, March 19 .

Join us in celebrating St. Joseph, our Patron Saint.
Mass - 5:30 pm (7 pm Mass is cancelled)
There are no tickets left for the dinner.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION Sunday, March 17

Please pray for all our children who will be receiving this precious sacrament of healing this Sunday.
1:30 pm: St. Kateri, St. Gerard, Holy Cross, St. Clement
3:30 pm: Parish-based, St. Catherine, Mother Teresa



Liturgy of the Word with Children needs leaders and helpers at 11:00 am Mass.

Currently we need 4 leaders & helpers at the 11 am Mass in order to continue this Ministry.

If you are interested please contact Joanne, ext. 230 or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

During Lent we are not scheduling baptisms.

Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. For the six weeks of Lent we are in the desert preparing for new life - the resurrection. We will resume celebrating baptisms on Easter Sunday, April 21.

Easter Vigil Reception Helping hands needed.

During the Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday, April 20, a number of adults and children will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive their first Eucharist. Following the Mass, a reception will be held in Tranquille Hall. If you are able to help at the reception please contact Sylvia, 780-228-0411 or sylviachabot@gmail.com.

MARCH 10 –17 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 17:** 1:30 pm, 1st Reconciliation Celebration, Church
- 3:30 pm, 1st Reconciliation Celebration, Church
Mon. 18: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
- 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St JP11 Room
Tues. 19: 5:30 pm, Feast of St Joseph Mass, church
Wed. 20: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room
- 10 am - noon, Martha's Prayer Time,
Modern Martyrs Room
- 7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
Thurs. 21: 7:30 pm, Prayers for Healing, church
Fri. 22: 5:45 pm, Lenten Meal & Reflection,
Tranquille Hall
- 6 - 9 pm, SALT, meet in church
- 7 pm, Stations of the Cross, Church
Sat. 23: 9 am - 1 pm, CWL Retreat, church
- 8 - 10 pm, CORE, St JP11 Room
Sun. 24: 4 pm, French Mass, church



Living in the Moment - Women's Retreat, Saturday, April 6, 9 am - 1 pm.

Women of all ages welcome! Childcare and lunch provided. Join us to rest and relax with our Lord. Registration deadline: April 4. Contact Joanne, ext. 230, or email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly	\$24,455.00
Offering received last Sunday	\$20,113.63
Children's collection	\$145.00

Based on 815 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 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



Youth group Grades 3 - 5
 Next gathering: Friday, March 22
 We will be leading Stations of the Cross. Meet at 6 pm in the church

CALLING ALL MOMS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN



1st & 3rd Wednesday,
 10 am - 12 noon
 Come make connections with other moms of the parish. Find encouragement, support, fellowship and joy. Prayer/reflection at 11:15 am. Children welcome and encouraged to attend with mom.

Next Gathering: March 20, Modern Martyrs Room
www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/



Family Movie, Sunday, Apr 7, 3 pm,
Ralph Breaks the Internet
 Join us in Tranquille Hall for the last Family movie of the season. Popcorn and juice provided. Bring something comfy to sit on.

SACRAMENTS Darlene Lemay, x 228



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

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



Youth group for grades 6 - 9
 Next gathering: Friday, March 22
 7 - 9 pm, Liguori Hall

Challenge Girl's Groups (gr. 5 - 6, 7 - 8 & 9 - 12)



Mondays, 7 - 9 pm
 Next gathering: March 18
 St JP II Room. For Information call Anna, 780-831-8338.

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



2nd & 4th Saturdays
 Next gathering: Saturday, March 23, 8 - 10 pm
 St JP II Room

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
 Come check our stock after weekend Masses.

CHURCH PARKING- In order to allow a clear exit from the parking lot for emergency vehicles, or fellow parishioners who have to leave Mass unexpectedly, please do not park along curbs or in laneways.

We appreciate that parking off-site can be a hardship and thank you for your consideration and understanding in helping to eliminate congestion in our parking lot. (For your information: any damage to your vehicle from emergency vehicles, as a result of parking in non-designated areas, is your own responsibility.)

ADULT FORMATION

Our monthly Prayers for Healing are this Thursday, March 21, 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.

Lenten Fridays - Soup, reflection and Stations of the Cross. Each Friday in Lent the CWL serve a simple meal in Tranquille Hall (meatless soup and buns) beginning at 5:45 pm (you are welcome to arrive later). Donations for the meal go to Development and Peace. A presentation organized by the Social Justice Committee begins around 6:10 pm. Stations of the Cross begin at 7 pm in the church. Join us for all three events or whatever your time allows. *March 22 reflection: A Refugee's Experience*, by Rochelle from the Centre for Newcomers

Actors Needed! (No experience necessary!)

On Good Friday, St Joseph Church puts on an annual dramatization of the Stations of the Cross. We are looking for people to participate in this beautiful prayer. Rehearsal schedule is as follows:
 Sunday, March 31, 1:00-3:00
 Saturday, April 6, 1:00-3:00
 Sunday, April 7, 1:00-3:00
 Sunday, April 14, 1:00-3:00
 Good Friday April 19, 6 pm dress rehearsal & 8 pm presentation.

Contact Erin Lynch, lynche@telus.net or Donna de Bruin, donnareads14@gmail.com for information.

There will be also be a youth choir. If any youth would like to join us please contact April at stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com for a schedule of choir rehearsals.

Parish Penitential Service, Monday, April 8, 7 pm.

Each time that we use the long form of the Penitential Act we pray the words "I have sinned in what I have done and in what I have failed to do." Ponder these words in the next weeks and make an effort to join the parish as we gather together to celebrate God's mercy.

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. What is the Purificator?

A. This is a folded rectangular piece of linen draped over the chalice. The paten is placed on top of it. Purificators are also used to wipe the rim of the communion cups during the distribution of Holy Communion.

***The Gift of Sacred Stillness*" CWL Spiritual Retreat**

Saturday, March 23, St. Joseph Church, Grande Prairie, Liguori Hall. 9 am - 1 pm, beginning with Mass in the church. Please RSVP to Joanne, ext. 230, sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Women's Cursillo, March 28 - 31, Rectora: Candice Edey. Cursillistas please keep the weekend in your prayers and consider candidates. *Help needed in the kitchen* If you are interested in signing up for a 4 hour shift please contact Candice, 780-933-0893. **Please note: There will be no community Mass at the end of the Cursillo weekends.**

March for Life, May 9, Edmonton

This annual march takes place on the second Thursday of May in Edmonton. The Alberta Bishops encourage each of us to attend. Beginning with Mass at the Basilica at 10 am, the March itself and speeches take place between 12:30 to 2:30 pm at the Alberta Legislature and/or the city hall (Churchill Square). More information is available on the March website <https://albertamarchforlife.com/> On the same day, there is a National March in Ottawa. Please keep both events in your prayers.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 17 - 23

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 18, 7:00 am: † Margaret Mascarenhas

Tues. 19, 5:30 pm: Celestina Shaba

Wed. 20, 7:00 am: Shane Lee & Dylan Glaser

7:00 pm: † Anna & Frank Blaszcak

Thurs. 21, 7:00 pm: † Sig Halwa

Fri. 22, 7:00 am: † Bohden Guerrette

Sat. 23, 9:00 am: † Anna Kosyk

GENERAL INFO

Please pray for

The sick, especially

Ernie Gnass Bertha Meyer
Raymond Moberly, brother of Irene Latterly

The deceased, especially

Lori Brix, niece of Ruth Gardner

Friday Observances - Throughout the year Fridays are days of penance which usually includes abstaining from meat. However, we have the option of doing special acts of mercy or charity instead. During Lent we try to be more diligent about abstaining from meat on Friday's so that we can be ever more in solidarity with those who have less to eat and are hungry.

2019 assigned envelopes available in the parish office during office hours, Monday - Friday. Please do not use envelopes from a previous year. We reassign them if they have not been used.

Not currently using envelopes and would like to start? Contact the parish office.

Knights of Columbus Open House & Fraternal

Benefits Day Saturday, March 30, 11 am - 3pm, Liguori Hall. Open to all Knights and any interested parishioners. Discussing what the Knights of Columbus do in our community and worldwide. We will also have a presentation on Wills and Estates from KMSC Law and a presentation on Funeral planning from Oliver's Funeral Home. **No charge.** Refreshments and snacks will be served. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Pat Deluca to confirm attendance, pat.deluca@kofc.org or call 780-263-1064.

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

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 Masses.

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. Contact Ana, 780-978-4966

El Shaddai Prayer Group: Sundays, 3:30 - 6 pm
Contact Irene, 780-380-9540.

Sunday Readings

Second Sunday of Lent: Transformed by Christ

Genesis 15:5 - 12, 17 - 18. The covenant with Abram **Philippians 3:17 - 4:1.** Christ our goal
Luke 9:28b - 36. Jesus transfigured

Key Passage: But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 3:20*

Question: How are your priorities affected by your faith in Jesus Christ?