

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 7, 2019**

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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.



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.

Today is Solidarity Sunday

Each year during Lent, Canadian Catholics are invited to stand in solidarity with communities in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East who are struggling for dignity and justice. We have so much love to give. By opening our hearts during the Lenten season, we can contribute to building a world rooted in justice, equality, compassion and love. By sharing with the world's poorest people, we are walking the path that Jesus walked. Please donate generously to D&P's "**Share Lent**" Campaign and help build the Kingdom of God. If you missed contributing to the collection you may bring it to the parish office this week during office hours. *Make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church.*

Splitting Palms for Palm Sunday - Saturday, Apr 13 after 9:00 am Mass (about 9:30 am) in Tranquille Hall. Volunteers needed for about 2 hours. Please call Thérèse, 780-532-1531, for information.

APRIL 7 - 14 DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun. 7: 1 - 3 pm, Stations Rehearsal, church
3 pm, Family Movie, Tranquille Hall
3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Confirmation Class, church
Mon. 8: 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St JP11 Room
7 pm, Parish penitential Service, church
Tues. 9: 7 - 9 pm, CWL GM, begins with Mass, church
7 - 9 pm, K of C meeting, begins with Mass, church
Wed. 10: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room
7:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
Thurs. 11: 7 pm, Cursillo Board meeting, Tranquille Hall
Fri. 12: 5:45 pm, Lenten Meal & Reflection,
Tranquille Hall
7 pm, Stations of the Cross, Church
7 - 9 pm, SALT, St JP11 Room
7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Liguori Hall
Sat. 13: 8 - 10 pm, CORE, St JP11 Room
Sun. 14: 1 - 3 pm, Stations Rehearsal, church
3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Confirmation Class, church



Good Friday Liturgy of the Word with Children, April 19 at 11 am.

This liturgy is to help children understand why we celebrate on Good Friday - Jesus' passion for us, through his death on the cross. *Communion is not distributed at this liturgy.*

We would like to have as many children involved as possible: readers, choir, cross-bearers, etc. If your child is interested contact Joanne, ext. 230.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)
Offering Required Weekly \$24,455.00
Offering received last Sunday \$20,370.13
Children's collection \$129.50
Based on 815 donors an amount of \$30/week per donor is needed to meet our annual budget. Please mark your envelope with the amount enclosed.



Youth group Grades 3 - 5
Next gathering: Friday, May 10.
Please note:
There is no SALT April 26

Martha's & prayer time

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: April 17, Modern Martyrs Room

www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

Liturgy of the Word with Children Leaders & Helpers Needed in order to continue this ministry for the children of our parish. Here are some common myths debunked:

- *You do not need to be an expert in the Bible!*
- Training is provided.
- All lessons and materials are prepared and provided for you each week.
- You are never alone with the children; we teach as a team.
- Each session lasts approximately 25 minutes, with only about 5 minutes of lesson time – the remainder of the time is scripted or the children are doing their activity.
- You are not required every Sunday. Your schedule is accommodated – you only serve when you are available and sign up is online.
- A volunteer screening is required at no cost to you.

On April 6/7 **a short training session** will follow all weekend Masses in Modern Martyrs Room. Please contact Joanne, ext 230 or sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our
upcoming news & events:



Youth group for grades 6 - 9

Next gathering: Friday, April 12

7 - 9 pm, Liguori Hall

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

Mondays, 7 - 9 pm

Next gathering: April 8

St. JP II Room. Questions?

Call Anna, 780-831-8338.



High School Youth Group:

(Grades 9 - 12).

2nd & 4th Saturdays

Next gathering: Sat, Apr 13, 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!

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

Parish-based Confirmation Classes:

Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the church

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.

ADULT FORMATION

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.

April 12 reflection: "Women Who Dig"

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.

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:
 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.

CWL 82nd Annual Diocese Convention - April 27
 Valleyview. Guest Speaker: Maureen Wild, SC.M.Ed Internationally, she is an educator, speaker and retreat guide with a primary focus on themes of Spiritual Ecology. Bring a friend. To register & car pool contact Lauraine Grzanich, 780-978-1664
Deadline: April 24 Fee: \$25

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. What is the Paten?

A. It is a precious metal plate that holds the large host for the consecration of the bread. Some patens are large and deep enough to hold some of the hosts consecrated for distribution of Holy Communion.

To Everything There is a Season, a musical presentation Sunday, April 14, 7:30 pm, in the church.

Prayer for Palliative Care - The CWL invites all parishioners to join them on May 4 after the 9 am Saturday Mass to pray the rosary as a witness to the sanctity of life. This coincides with National Hospice Palliative Care Week. All are welcome.

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.



Religious Gift Shop

Come check our stock after weekend Masses.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 8 - 13

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 8, 7:00 am: † Gus & Marie Jantz
 Tues. 9, 7:00 pm: CWL/ † Margaret Lizotte
 Wed. 10, 7:00 am: † Marie Jantz
 7:00 pm: † Raphael Mascarenhas
 Thurs. 11, 7:00 pm: † Orest Woychuk
 Fri. 12, 7:00 am: Haylee Mathias
 10:30 am: † Dominador Doming
 Sat. 13, 9:00 am: † Gwen Glaser

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