

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)  
April 28, 2019**

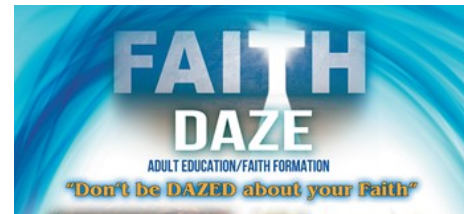
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### APRIL 28 - MAY 5 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 28:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Confirmation Class, church
- Mon. 29:** 7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St JP11 Room  
7 pm, Cursillo School of Leaders, Modern Martyrs Room
- Wed. 1:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room  
10 am - 12, Martha's Prayer Time, Modern Martyrs Rm  
7:45 pm, Faith Daze, Tranquille Hall
- Sat. 4:** 9:30 am, CWL Prayers for Palliative Care, church  
12 noon - 1:30 pm, Usher Workshop, Grouard Room
- Sun. 5:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Confirmation Class, church



Wednesday, May 1, 7:45 - 9 pm in Tranquille Hall (you have time to attend 7 pm Mass!). Topic: **Redemptorists. Who are these Men?** Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.



### St. Joseph Parish 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The countdown is on. We were established as a parish April 26, 1920. In one year our parish celebrates 100 years. Be sure to attend Mass on our anniversary, Sunday, April 26, 2020. Other centennial festivities include:  
Parish Mission: March 29 - April 1, 2020  
Mission Preacher is Fr. Jack Kingsbury  
Parish Dinner: May 3, 2020 at Evergreen Park

### Vacation Bible School

Gas up the all-terrain vehicle and head out on a wilderness adventure like no other!! Get up close and personal with elephants, polar bears and penguins. The adventure of a lifetime awaits! During this year's program kids will have "Amazing Encounters with Jesus". So grab your camera, wild encounters are coming! July 8 - 12 for VBS 2019! You won't want to miss it!! \$32/child Registration open to kids age 4 to grade 5/6 beginning May 1, at the parish office.

### Volunteers are needed.

Questions? Contact Joanne, 780-532-2351 (ext 230) or [sjc-family@gpcsd.ca](mailto:sjc-family@gpcsd.ca)

### Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering received April 14	\$22,288.58
Children's collection	\$72.00
Offering received Easter	\$26,662.03
Children's collection	\$262.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	\$9,130.00

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.



**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, May 10,  
7 - 9 pm, St JPll Room

*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: May 1, Modern Martyrs Room**  
[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 Finley and Molly Coyle, Jaxson Hayes, Jan Rodriguez, Alivia Lungul, Owen Schmidt, Auston Spencer, Toromchi Enwerem, Samuel &

Sébastien Boucher, Finn O'Toole, Allyza Castellones, Tristan & Cain Vollick, Lilianna Comeau, and Luke Wheeler. We pray that their journey of faith is 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

**Parish-based Confirmation Classes:**  
Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the church



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

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



**Youth group for grades 6 - 9**  
Next gathering: Friday, May 10, 7 pm  
Liguori Hall



**Challenge Girl's Groups**  
(gr. 5 - 7, 8 - 12)  
Mondays, 7 - 9 pm  
Next gathering: April 29

5 - 7 age group only, St. JPll Room. There will be no gathering for the 8 - 12 age group this Monday. Questions? Call Anna, 780-831-8338.



Note: Moved from May 4 to May 11  
**Grade 6 - 12**  
Join us in the choir for 7 pm Mass, with movie and snack to follow in St JPll 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!

**Through the waters of Baptism at Easter we welcome into our parish family** Kevin Bain, Curtis Chayeski, Treena Regnier, Marissa Sutherland, Nikita Vincent, Ruby & Claire Stelmaschuk, Nicholas Sawchuk, Ava Schmidt, Jaden Hayes, Minseo Seo, Jaxxon Lungul, Marcella Hovestad, Autumn Nadeau and Jayden Nadeau-Merrier  
We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with joy!



**Religious Gift Shop**  
Come check our stock after weekend Masses.

## ADULT FORMATION

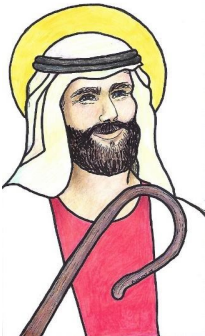
**Prayer for Palliative Care - The CWL invites** all parishioners to join them on May 4 after the 9 am Saturday Mass to pray the rosary as a witness to the sanctity of life. This coincides with National Hospice Palliative Care Week. All are welcome.

**The Knights of Columbus family fraternal evening:** Friday, May 3, Spaghetti Supper followed by board games in Tranquille Hall. Bring your appetite and your favourite board game for an evening of food, fraternity, families and friends.

**Usher Workshop** The next meeting for all ushers (including new people to this ministry) is *Saturday, May 4 beginning at 12 Noon*. We will begin with a lunch and some social time in the Grouard Room then conclude with a meeting in the church. The meeting will finish before 1:30. For information please contact Heinz Wolfram, [axiomfsi@gmail.com](mailto:axiomfsi@gmail.com) or call Fr. Remi at the parish office, ext. 223. This is a great way to serve your parish.

### 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.



### The Good Shepherd

*A Spring Retreat exploring the metaphor of the Good Shepherd*

Presenter: Pat Hunt

Date: Thursday, May 23

Time: 9:30am – 3:00pm

Place: Grouard Room

Cost: \$20.00. Please bring your Bible and a bag lunch. Coffee & light

snacks provided. To register call Pat 780 532 1338  
Poster and brochures at the back of the Church.

### Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

**Q. What is the Thurible or Censer?**

**A.** This is a vessel for burning incense. It has a bowl containing hot charcoal and both the bowl and its lid are suspended from chains. It is gently swung to create the most smoke.

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

### SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY"

We all want to be at our best when we come to Our Lord's House. For some people, that means using their own special perfume or aftershave. Some of our hairsprays can be heavily scented as well. Unfortunately, there are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or even allergic, to the scents that make the rest of us feel so good. These "scensitive" people at times have had to stand in the entrance to the church in order to attend Mass - some have even had to leave. In an effort to accommodate all of our Parish family, please consider cutting back on the amount of scented products that you wear to church, or, if possible, refrain from wearing any at all. Thank you for your understanding.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 29 - MAY 4

( † Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 29, 7:00 am: Robert Mascarenhas

Tues. 30, 7:00 pm: † Rob Pardell

Wed. 1, 7:00 am: † Agnes Hartman

7:00 pm: † Gus & Marie Jantz

Thurs. 2, 7:00 pm: † Iva Burris

Fri. 3, 7:00 am: Cory Johnson

10:30 am: Tim Guest

Sat. 4, 9:00 am: † Brady Grattan

**saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection "Come Home"** Sign up under "Subscribe for special parish updates and reflection blog" on the home page to receive notification for each new blog.

## GENERAL INFO

### Please pray for

<b>The sick, especially</b>	Frank Appel
<b>The deceased, especially</b>	Terra O'Connor
Doris McDonald	Peter Watt
Margaret Surprenant	Larry Olson

### GrACE Community Consultations (Grateful Advocates for Catholic Education)

#### May 15, 7 pm, Tranquille Hall

Hosted by Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools Trustees & Archbishop Gerry Pettipas, C.Ss.R.

The session will be about 1.5 hours.

Trustees will lead the session. The Superintendent will be present. Please consider attending. You will be actively engaged in a process where you will be asked:

- Why do you Support Catholic Education?
- What Good News stories can you share?
- How to affirm that Catholic Schools are unique & different.
- Sharing your Good News & the Good News of others
- How Catholic schools are efficient stewards of financial resources and how Catholic schools increase educational achievement for both Public and Catholic school students.
- How you can continue to become more aware of the value of a Catholic education in Alberta.

For information please contact the Catholic Education Centre, 780-532-3013.

Please Register in Advance: Online Registration Form <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PNPYJXF>

## 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](mailto: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 Easter: *Living without fear*

**Acts 5:12 - 16.** Signs and wonders

**Rev. 1:9 - 11a, 12 - 13, 17 - 19.** First vision

**John 20:19 - 31.** Appearance to the disciples; Thomas

**Key Passage:** He placed his right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive forever and ever." *Rev. 1:17b - 18a*

**Question:** When has your faith in the living Christ helped you overcome fear?