

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Third Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2019**

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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 at the parish office.

Volunteers are needed.

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

25 Years of Priestly Service- Come & Celebrate:

On May 27, Fr. Leo celebrates his 25th anniversary of priesthood. Join the parish in celebrating and giving thanks to God. The anniversary celebration is Sunday, May 26 following the 11:00 am Mass, in Tranquille Hall.

The entire parish is welcome to join in both Confirmation Masses, with Archbishop Gerard, the children being confirmed, and their families.

The Confirmation Masses are at 7:00 pm on

Monday, May 7: St. Joseph Parish, Holy Cross, Mother Teresa & St. Catherine Schools

Tuesday, May 8: St. Gerard, St. Kateri & St. Clement Schools

If your family is unable to attend the date of the celebration allocated for your school, you are welcome to attend the other celebration.

Please keep all our children receiving sacraments this year, and their families, in your daily prayers.

MAY 5 - 12 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. 5:** 3:30 - 4:30 pm, Parish Confirmation Class, church
- Mon. 6:** 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting BeeLevers, Liguori Hall
7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church
7 - 9 pm, Challenge Girls, St JP11 Room
- Tues. 7:** 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church
- Wed. 8:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room
7 - 9 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall
- Fri. 10:** 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church
7 - 9 pm, SALT, St JP11 Room
7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Liguori Hall
- Sat. 11:** 7 pm, Youth Choir & Movie, church
- Sun. 12:** after 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall



St. Joseph Parish 100th 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

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering required weekly \$24,455.00

Offering received last Sunday \$20,647.99

Children's collection \$124.00

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 15, Modern Martyrs Room
www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay,
 x 228



Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome Cassandra & Louise Valdez, Arizona Hughes, Eli Head and Sebastian Camacho. 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 Class:
 Sunday, May 5, 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the church



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, May 10, 7 pm
 Liguori Hall



Challenge Girl's Groups
 (gr. 5 - 7, 8 - 12)
 Mondays, 7 - 9 pm
 Next gathering: May 13

Questions? Call Anna, 780-831-8338.



Note: Moved 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!

SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY"

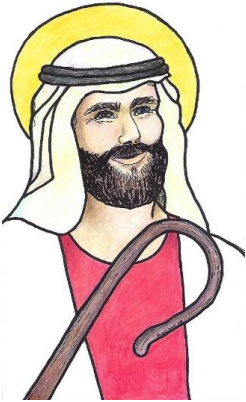
We all want to be at our best when we come to Our Lord's House. For some people, that means using their own special perfume or aftershave. Some of our hairsprays can be heavily scented as well. Unfortunately, there are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or even allergic, to the scents that 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.

ADULT FORMATION

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: 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

Place: Grouard Room

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

Coffee & light snacks provided.

To register call Pat,

780-228-1946 780-532-1338

Poster and brochures at the back of the Church.

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

Mass with Anointing of the Sick, Thursday, May 16 at 1:00 pm - a special opportunity for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. In the past this sacrament was called *Extreme Unction* and was reserved for those who were approaching death. Today, the Sacrament of the Sick is available for anyone who has a serious illness: the elderly whose frailty is becoming more pronounced, major surgery/serious medical tests, an uncontrollable and chronic illnesses (arthritis, diabetes, etc.), mental illness. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this sacrament or is homebound because of infirmity, please help them to attend this Mass.

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. What is the significance of Incense?

A. The burning of incense in religious ceremonies is a symbol of prayer and worship of God that goes back to ancient times. Sacred objects are often incensed during our liturgies, e.g. the altar, the people, the body of a deceased person at funeral Masses, the Easter candle, the Book of Gospels.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, May 12: *Mother's Day* following the 9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall.

Gluten free available.

Diocesan Youth Group serving.

Mass followed by Adoration of the blessed

Sacrament: Friday, May 10, 7 pm, church. All are welcome to attend.

Cursillo Annual General Meeting, Wednesday, May 15,

after 7 pm Mass, in the Grouard Room. Join us at Mass to begin. Electing new board members.



Religious Gift Shop

Come check our stock after weekend Masses.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 6 - 11

(✠ Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 6, 7:00 am: ✠ Maurice & Antionnette
Desharnais

Tues. 7, 10:30 am: ✠ Joanne Letemplier
7:00 pm: ✠ Shayla Salacki

Wed. 8, 7:00 am: ✠ Thérèse McCaffrey
7:00 pm: ✠ Orest Woychuk

Thurs. 9, 7:00 pm: ✠ Donalda Friesen

Fri. 10, 7:00 am: ✠ Margaret Lizotte
9:30 am: ✠ Brady Grattan
7:00 pm: ✠ Marlene Kamieniecki

Sat. 11, 9:00 am: ✠ Robert Pardell

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GENERAL INFO

Please pray for

The sick, especially Crystal Bates
Lucien Garant, brother of Rolande Lemay

The deceased, especially Frank Appel
Mary Prior, sister of Josy O'Connor
Marcel Guenette, father of Jean-Marc Guenette
Margaret Surprenant Marie Ricafort Domingo

If you are using envelope #422, please contact the parish office.

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.
Become a part of the discussion about the importance of Catholic Education in Alberta. Everyone is welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 and leave adequate space at the end of rows (at least 3 car widths for vehicles to turn corners).

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.)

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

Third Sunday of Easter: *Feed My Sheep*

Acts 5:28 - 32, 40b - 41. Disciple's second trial before the Sanhedrin **Rev. 5:11 - 14.** Praise to the Lamb

John 21:1 - 19. Appearance at the Sea of Tiberias

Key Passage: When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

John 21:15

Question: In what ways are you answering Jesus' command to Peter to "feed my seep"?