

#### Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

### Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 1, 2019

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#### Labour Day, Monday, September 2

Parish office closed.
Weekday Mass - 9:00 am, church



#### SOMETHING'S MISSING

Do you feel like "something's missing" in your life?
All the divorced, widowed, single or separated:
Join us this fall for a time of faith and fellowship. First gathering:
Monday, Sept. 16, 7 - 8:30 pm,

Grouard Room. Contact Bernadette, 780-831-8016, thibeaub@telusplanet.



We were established as a parish April 26, 1920.

Join us for Mass on our 100th Anniversary:

Sunday, April 26, 2020.

Other centennial festivities include:

Parish Mission: March 29 - April 1

Mission Preacher is Fr. Jack Kingsbury

Parish Dinner: May 3, at Evergreen Park

St. Joseph Day in the Park: Sunday, June 14,

Muskoseepi Park, Mass at 11 am followed by family fun in the park.

100th Anniversary Committee Members: Fr. Remi, Fr. Leo, Darlene Brausen, Annette Dechant, Dan Gorman, Dennis Grant, Helen MacDonald, Diana McConachie, Paulette Patterson, Russ Snoble, Szabi Stikker, Laura Tapson, Diane Walker, Kevin Walker, April Weavell

#### **SEPTEMBER 1 - 8 DATES TO REMEMBER**

Mon. 2: Labour Day

9:00 am, Weekday Mass, church

**Sun. 8:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast,

Tranquille Hall

## PARENT SACRAMENTAL FORUMS WITH REGISTRATION FOR Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation Mark these dates on your calendar:

Monday, September 30, 7 - 9 pm Thursday, October 3, 7 - 9 pm Saturday, October 5, 10 am - 12 noon

#### All sessions are in Tranquille Hall

In our diocese children baptized in the Roman Catholic Church celebrate Reconciliation in grade 2, Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6. All children receiving sacraments in the 2019 - 2020 school year, whether they attend Catholic school or otherwise, must be registered at a forum. Plan to be there for the full 2 hours. Parents only need to attend ONE session. Bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.



September 20 6:30- 9 pm Tranquille Hall Guest speaker: Carmen Moores

Join us for a beautiful and inspiring

evening of Joy! Music, fellowship, prayer, catered appetizers and desserts, raffles, draws, coffee, tea, music, sparkling juice and WINE! Tickets \$30 each, available after Mass, online through Eventbrite or contact Joanne at the office.

Please note: This is an 18+ event, as wine is served.





Grade 3 - 5 We're back! Friday, Sept. 13, 6 - 9 pm, Tranquille Hall

Registration forms will be available for sign-up. \$40 for one child, \$20 for each additional child (this includes children in Youth groups as well)



# Urgent! Liturgy of the Word with Children Leaders & Helpers needed. Volunteer screening is necessary. Contact Joanne, ext. 230.



### FOR MOMS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 10 am - 12 noon

www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/ Watch for start-up date in October.

#### SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay, x 228

THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM we welcome Jakub



Grabas, Theo Peralta, Mélanie Michaud, David Stikker and Xena-Lynx MacWilliams-Bovenlander. We pray their journey with our Lord is filled with great joy.

Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. You may attend while still expecting your child! Contact Darlene, ext. 228



#### YOUTH MINISTRY April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



# WATER BALLOON MANIA

**FALL KICKOFF!** Friday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> (Grades 6-12) Bus leaves at **5:30 pm** & returns at **9:30 pm**. Bring a change of clothes and money for food trucks. Foam Slip-N-Slide, the best Grande Prairie Food Trucks, a concession, DJ's on the mic, and an outdoor concert by Manic Drive. Tickets: **\$15** Contact April. *You don't want to miss it!* 



#### Youth Choir & Movie Night

(Grades 6-12)
Saturday, September 7, starting with youth choir at 7 pm Mass Movie "Captain Marvel" & snacks to follow in Tranquille Hall.

**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!

#### To St. Joseph Parish,

Thanks for your prayers, love and support especially these last 3 years of Lou's journey. God bless,

Wilma Kilarski and Family

#### saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection "Coming Home"

A group of our very own parishioners contribute bi-weekly to our blog page, "Mustard Seeds". It is our hope that you will be inspired by their reflections as we journey together in our faith. Be sure to check it out.

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#### **ADULT FORMATION**

Searching for RCIA Sponsors for the adults preparing for full initiation (baptism/confirmation and Eucharist) or full reception into the church. The basic quality of a sponsor is someone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith and who is comfortable enough with their faith to accompany someone else on their faith journey.

For information contact John Witschen, ext. 232.

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

#### Grief as a Journey: Our Walk to Emmaus

The death of someone we have loved leads us to question life's purpose and meaning. We find ourselves asking many questions: Where is my life headed? What is its true meaning? How do I assess the rightness of my decisions? What is real and true? When the answers are unclear, we can lose the confidence that we once had about where all this was leading us.

Grief as a Journey: Our Walk to Emmaus a nine-week support program for those grieving a loss. The two disciples on that ancient road to Emmaus did not have a known destination; in many ways the personal experience of grief is precisely like that. This program offers help, fellowship, and the support of the Church community. For more information, contact Debbie, 780-518-5763.

#### 100 Mile Dinner - September 2019

Every fall, the Social Justice Committee hosts a Potluck Dinner, a meal where all foods come from within 100 miles of Grande Prairie (as much as it is possible). This is to encourage us to consume local foods, whether purchased or home-grown. Our goal is to limit dependence on foods transported to us from distant places, thereby reducing our carbon footprint on the Earth, and to bring awareness of all that is available locally. Another happy side-effect of this meal is that it helps to build community eating together, sharing recipes and tips for more sustainable living on our planet. Call Josy, 780-876-4060, for info.

**Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass** 

**Q.** Who is in the Entrance Procession?

A.Normally the celebrant, co-celebrants, deacon, cross bearer and candle bearers are in the procession. The deacon or, in his absence, a lector solemnly carries the Book of Gospels.

#### **Letter from Development & Peace Caritas Canada**

On behalf of Development and Peace-Caritas Canada, thank you for sharing the journey with all those who have been forced to flee their homes due to conflict, climate change, land exploitation and extreme poverty.

This past Lenten season, we asked you to support our mission of creating sustainable, long-lasting change by transforming communities around the world so that all can live in dignity. From everyone at Development and Peace, thank you for responding to our call.

Our movement is anchored by donors and members across Canada, and our work would not be possible without your support and engagement. Together, we are building a world of justice. Thank you for giving generously.

In peace and solidarity,
Serge Langlois, Executive Director

**Knights of Columbus Breakfast** 

Sunday, September 8, following the 9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall. Gluten free available.

St. Joe's youth groups serving to

fundraise for furniture in the new upstairs space.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2 - 7

( <sup>⊕</sup> Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 2, 9:00 am: 🕆 Jack & Joyce Mann

7:00 pm: 

Mabel, John & Michael McNeil

Wed. 4, 7:00 am: ⊕ Jack & Joyce Mann

7:00 pm: ⊕ Victorino Ventic

Thurs. 5, 7:00 pm: ⊕ Orest Woychuk

Fri. 6, 7:00 am: ⊕ Joe & Alice Sempwich 10:30 am: ⊕ Sebastian Nunes

Sat. 7, 9:00 am: ⊕Doug Marshall

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#### **GENERAL INFO**

Please pray for

The sick, especially

Doug Cook Rose-Mae Laframboise

Felipa Llanto, mother of Irene Llanto Amos, Morin, father of Steve Morin

**The deceased, especially**Roselyn Cordero

Bertha Meyer
Luciana Gudio

**Pictorial Directory** - Available at the parish office during office hours. If you would like to purchase one they are \$12.50

**The Knights of Columbus** are accepting applications from High School graduates for one of **three \$500 scholarships**. Application forms are available at the church office.

Application Deadline extended: September 15



**Religious Gift Shop** available after Saturday 7 pm Mass & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses, in the library.

Catholic Family Services is seeking an experienced, dynamic leader to join their team as Executive Director. CFS is a non-profit charitable organization in Grande Prairie promoting healthy families through education and support. CFS also provides counselling services for individuals and families seeking support. The successful applicant will operate and manage the association in a proficient and well organized manner, while working within the policies of the organization. Please email your resume to careers@cfsgp.ca

#### **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 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**

Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Seeking Humility

**Sirach 3:17 - 20, 28 - 29.** Humility **Hebrews 12:18 - 19, 22 - 24a.** God the judge; Jesus the mediator **Luke 14:1, 7 - 14.** A lesson in humility

**Key Passage:** Jesus said, "But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind. And you will be richly blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid a the resurrection of the righteous."

Question: Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?

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