

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 8, 2019**

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## **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](mailto:thibeaub@telusplanet).

## **SEPTEMBER 8 - 15 DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Sun. 8:** after 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall  
**Tues. 10:** 7 - 9 pm, CWL, begins in church  
**Wed. 11:** 7:30 - 9 pm, Choir Practice, church  
**Thurs. 12:** 1 pm, St Kateri School Mass, church  
**Fri. 13:** 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church  
6 - 9 pm, SALT, Tranquille Hall  
**Sat. 14:** 8 - 10 pm, CORE, meet at church  
**Sun. 15:** 4 pm, French Mass, church

**The Fall start-up of Quilting Bee-Levers has been delayed** due to the construction upstairs. Watch the bulletin for updates.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Only bring *NON-PERISHABLE* food items to Mass to donate to the Foodbank (no dairy, bread, fruit, vegetables, etc.)

## **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**

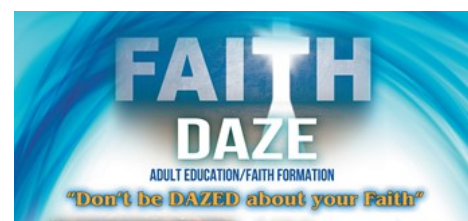
In our diocese children baptized in the Roman Catholic Church celebrate Reconciliation in grade 2, Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6. All children receiving sacraments in the 2019/2020 school year, whether they attend Catholic school or otherwise, must be registered at a forum. Plan to 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.



7:45 - 9 pm in Tranquille Hall (you have time to attend 7 pm Mass).

September 25, *Pornography, It Hurts Us All*

(suitable for 14 years of age & older)

November 27, *Saints*

February 19, *A Catholic Understanding of Marriage & Divorce*

May 6, *Forgiveness*

**Family & Childrens**  
 m i n i s t r y  
 Joanne Chiasson ext. 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



**YOUTH MINISTRY**

April Fogle, x 229

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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.

*Martha's & prayer time*

**FOR MOMS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN**  
 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 10 am - 12 noon  
**Fall start-up: October 2**  
[www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/)

**SACRAMENTS** Darlene Lemay, x 228



This weekend, **THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM** we welcome Zachary Walsh, Lainey Meyaard and Mavis Brownell. 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

Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



**CORE** (Grades 9 - 12)  
 HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month  
 8 - 10 pm, following Saturday evening M  
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**Next CORE: Saturday, Sept. 14**  
 Progressive Fast Food Dinner. Bring \$10

**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!



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 - 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

**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.

## 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.

**Laughter: A Vacation for the Soul:** Monday, September 16, 3 - 4:30 pm, Grouard Room. Brother Raymond Pierce, C.Ss.R. is coming to share some of his favorite stories. His signature story is a fractured fairy tale about "Cinderella and the Handsome Prince" or "Dincerella and the Pandsome Hrince." Join us for an entertaining afternoon. Bring a friend.



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

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

**Q.** What happens when the Procession reaches the Altar?

**A.** Those in the procession show respect for the altar. The Book of Gospels is placed on the altar. The cross and the candles are placed in the sanctuary. The Priest kisses the altar and may incense it. This veneration takes place before the Priest goes to his chair.

### **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.



### **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 9 - 14**

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 9, 7:00 am: Juliana Bamgbala

Tues. 10, 7:00 pm: CWL / † Bertha Meyer

Wed. 11, 7:00 am: † Napoleon Rimando  
7:00 pm: † Audrey Trepanier

Thurs. 12, 7:00 pm: † Mal Menzies

Fri. 13, 7:00 am: Krystle

9:30 am: † Madonna Kelly

7:00 pm: † Lou Kilarski

Sat. 14, 9:00 am: † Patrick Binns

