

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 22, 2019**

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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.

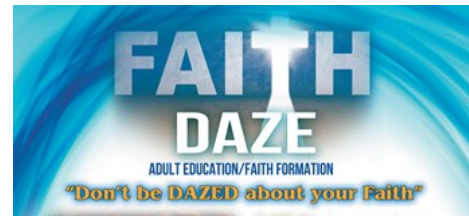
Bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate.

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada

next weekend, September 28/29: Support the Bishops of Canada in proclaiming the Good News
As his term as President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) draws to a close, Bishop Lionel Gendron, P.S.S., Bishop of Saint-Jean-Longueuil, expresses his sincere appreciation for the breadth and abundance of work accomplished by dioceses/eparchies, regional episcopal assemblies, and the CCCB as a national conference. Support of this annual collection for the country's Bishops "will help us achieve our goals, and to proclaim the Good News in Canada." This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. *Please make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church.* Subscribe to CCCB news through the free and confidential e-mail service: <http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/media-room/subscribe-to-news> or follow on Twitter https://twitter.com/CCCB_CECC

SEPTEMBER 22 - 29 DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mon. 23:** 7 - 8:30 pm, Lector Workshop, church
Tues. 24: 10 am, Mother Teresa School Mass, church
3:30 - 5 pm, Lector Workshop, church
Wed. 25: 7:45 pm, Pornography, It Hurts Us All,
Tranquille Hall
Thurs. 26: 1 pm, St. Catherine School Mass, church
Fri. 27: 7 - 9:30 pm, Ultreya, church
7 - 9 pm, EDGE, Tranquille Hall
7:30 pm, Joy of Love, Liguori Hall
Sat. 28: 9 am, Joy of Love, Liguori Hall
8 - 10 pm, CORE, upstairs



7:45 - 9 pm in Tranquille Hall



You have time to attend 7 pm Mass.
September 25:

Pornography, It Hurts Us All

This session is suitable for 14 years
of age & older.

Join us to learn more about this critical issue.

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

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)
Offering Required Weekly \$24,455.00
Offering received last Sunday \$18,494.99
Children's Offering \$167.00
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 MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 229

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



Grade 3 - 5
 Next gathering:
 Friday, October 11
 6 - 9 pm, Tranquille Hall

Register when you arrive.
 \$40 for one child, \$20 for each additional child (this includes children in Youth groups as well)

CORE (Grades 9 - 12)
 HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH Saturdays, 8 - 10 pm
 Following Saturday evening Mass
Next CORE: Saturday, Sept. 28



Youth group for grades 6 - 9
 First gathering: Friday, Sept. 27, 7 - 9 pm
 Upstairs



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

dtp Disturbing the Peace Conference
 October 18 -20 Grades 6 - 12
 \$119 for weekend

Speaker: Jaden Neufeld
 Concert: Jordan St. Cyr, Illusionist/Comedian;
 Jared Hall
Register on-line, dtp2019.eventbrite.ca and join our group: St. Joe's Youth

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/

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



Through the Waters of Baptism we welcome Jillian Fajardo to our faith family. We pray that her journey with our Lord will be filled with 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

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations & Election
 The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is concerned with the "pastoral" needs and direction of the parish and is the most immediate group of advisors to the pastor and pastoral team. More information is available on the parish website. The council meets the first Thursday of each month, 7:45 - 9:15 pm, and for a retreat day in the fall to discern the pastoral theme for the new liturgical year. *The election will be the weekend of October 26/27.* 6 council seats are open. Terms are 2 years. Nominations (by parishioners or self-nomination) are now open. Nomination forms and a list of the needed qualifications are available in the entrance to the church. **Closing date: Wednesday, October 2**

saintjoseph.ca Blog Reflection "A Response to Our Father in this Autumn Season" A group of our very own parishioners contribute bi-weekly to our blog page, "Mustard Seeds". We hope that you will be inspired by their reflections as we journey together in our faith.

ADULT FORMATION

Lectors Workshop If you are a lector (one who proclaims the readings and Prayers of the Faithful at Mass) or would like to begin in this ministry, please plan to attend one of these workshops (even if you have been a Lector for many years). Workshops are in the church.

Monday, September 23, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Tuesday, September 24, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for adults who wish to be baptized, or if baptized in another tradition, be received into the Catholic Church. Brochures available at the Welcome Table. Contact John Witschen at the parish office.

RCIA adapted for families (*for baptism of children 7 years of age and older*) For information please contact Darlene, ext. 228.

Grief as a Journey: Our Walk to Emmaus: a 9 week support program for those grieving a loss. *Mondays in the Modern Martyrs Room, 7 - 8:30 pm. Beginning October 21.* The death of someone we have loved leads us to question life's purpose and meaning. 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.

Ultreya, Friday, Sept. 27, 7 pm, church.

Witness Speaker: Nicole Popek

All are welcome. For info call Marg, 780-832-2637



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, Evergreen Park

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

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

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. What is the Greeting?

A. It is a dialogue between the Priest and the assembly. It begins with "*The Lord be with you*".



SOMETHING'S MISSING

All the divorced, widowed, single or separated: Do you feel like "something's missing" in your life?

Join us for faith and fellowship.

Mondays, 7 - 8:30 pm, Grouard Room.

Call Bernadette, 780-831-8016, thibeaub@telusplanet

The Refugee Committee seeks prayer partners for potential sponsorships. Two *Christian* groups await important interviews with a Canadian visa officer. One sponsorship is for a *Rwandan* family in Zambia and the other is two *Pakistani* adults from Thailand. If you would like to pray for successful interviews for these groups call Helen, 780-532-1071, or Sharon, 780-532-4871.

The Social Justice Committee's annual 100 Mile Dinner - October 6 At this Potluck Dinner all foods come from within 100 miles of Grande Prairie (as much as possible). The goal is to bring awareness of foods available locally, hopefully limiting dependence on foods transported from distant places and reduce our carbon footprint. We can also share recipes and tips for more sustainable living. Call Josy, 780-876-4060, for info.

The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church. Steven Defer will hold a workshop on the papal encyclical and the implications for today's couples Sept. 27 & 28, Liguori Hall. 7:30 pm Friday/9 am Saturday. You **MUST** register **before September 25** <http://tiny.cc/s9gicz>

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 23 - 28

(† Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 23, 7:00 am: † Peter Wiebe

Tues. 24, 7:00 pm: Sheila Rafferty

Wed. 25, 7:00 am: † Fred & Denise Fisher
7:00 pm: † Odoric Beaulieu

Thurs. 26, 7:00 pm: † Peter Guest

Fri. 27, 7:00 am: Tracy Grattan

Sat. 28, 9:00 am: † Patrick Binns

GENERAL INFO

Please pray for

The sick, especially Doug Cook
Edwin Doloroso Ken Kamieniecki
Sonja Duke, cousin of Larry Shepherd

The deceased, especially

Susan Shepherd, sister of Larry Shepherd
Marie Fournier Blair Day

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@cfsgrp.ca



Religious Gift Shop available after Saturday 7 pm Mass & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses, in the library. New merchandise has arrived! Come check out our gift shop.

The Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan is seeking a consultant to develop a fundraising campaign. Find details on their website, archgm.ca or request a copy of the Request For Proposal by calling 780-532-9766 or email exec.agm@live.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-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *The Value of Honesty*

Amos 8:4 - 7. Against greed

1 Timothy 2:1 - 8. Conduct of men and women

Luke 16:1 - 13. The dishonest steward

Key Passage: Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. *Luke 16:10*

Question: Can cheating and deception ever be justified?