

Healing Our Wounds in Joyful Service

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time November 3, 2019

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Parish Pastoral Council Elections Many thanks for all who assisted in the PPC election last Sunday and a special thanks to those who let their name stand for election. On Monday, October 28, the election committee (Alice Brick and Walter Chledowski) along with Therese Chauvin counted the ballots. 468 ballots were cast - 5 where spoiled ballots.

Those elected to PPC for a two year term are

Miroslaw Bator Pasqualino (Pat) De Luca

Tracy Fogle Sue Farrell Holler, Devan Jaeger **Dennis Morin**

100th Anniversary Dinner Tickets available for



purchase following all weekend Masses and during the week at the THE JOURNEY with entertainment will be held at

Evergreen Park, May 3, 2020, to commemorate this momentous occasion. Tickets \$50 each

Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass, *Monday, November 4, 7:00 pm* During the month of November we remember and pray for those who have died. On November 4 we celebrate our annual memorial Mass for parishioners who died in the past year. This Mass is also a wonderful way to remember and pray for loved ones who have died in past years, even though their names will not be read

aloud. Everyone is welcome.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE It is a long standing tradition in the church to remember the deceased in a special way during the month of November. Our Book of Remembrance will be on a table in the entrance to the church for the entire month. You are welcome to inscribe in it the names of your loved ones who have died.

NOVEMBER 3 - 10 DATES TO REMEMBER

Sun. 3: after 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall

Mon. 4: 9 am - 3pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall 7 pm, Mass of Remembrance, church

Tues. 5: 7:45 - 8:30 pm, Conquer Series, Tranquille Hall 7 - 8:30 pm, Chosen Girls' Group, St. JPII Room

Wed. 6: 7 - 9:30 pm, RCIA, Liguori Hall

9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, Modern Martyrs Rm 10 am - noon, Martha's Prayer Time, Tranquille Hall

7:45 - 9:30 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall

7:30 pm, Choir, church

Fri. 8: 7 - 9 pm, SALT/EDGE, St JPII Room

Sat. 9: 8 - 9 pm, CORE, St JPII Room



"Blessing Bags" -Special Youth Event, Friday, November 8, 7 - 9 pm, St. JPII Room This annual service project for SALT & EDGE youth groups create

bags filled with necessities for those who visit St. Lawrence Centre here in Grande Prairie. They are always very touched by this thoughtful and practical gift. We welcome donations of gloves (mostly men's), warm socks, hand warmers, candy, and large ziplock bags. Please drop them at the parish office during office hours.

Parish Financial Information (Diane Walker ext. 227)

Offering Required Weekly \$24,455.00 \$22,411.59

Offering received last Sunday Children's Offering \$107.00

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.





Grade 3 - 5 Next gathering: Friday, Nov. 8, 7 - 9 pm, St. JPII Room

St. Lawrence Centre. Remember to bring supplies. All are welcome.



FOR MOMS & PRE-SCHOOL

10 am - 12 noon

Next gathering: November 6, Tranquille Hall www.facebook.com/groups/momsprayerandplay.gp.ca/

SACRAMENTS

Darlene Lemay, x 228



Through the Waters of Baptism we welcome Jhayzel Entredicho to our faith family. We pray that her 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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 4 - 9

(⊕ Signifies a Mass for someone deceased)

Mon. 4, 7:00 am: ⊕ Cornelia Fritsma

Wed. 6, 7:00 am: ⊕ Dave Hallick

7:00 pm: ⊕ Art Walker

Thurs. 7, 7:00 pm: ⊕ Mabel, John & Michael McNeil/

7:00 am: Irene Biegel Fri. 8,

9:30 am: Fulton Bodnark

9:00 am: ⊕ Richard Hunt Sat. 9,



YOUTH MINISTRY April Fogle, x 229

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Go online to see our upcoming news & events:



(Grades 9 - 12) HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH Saturdays, 8 - 10 pm Next gathering, Nov. 9, 8 - 10 pm, St. JPII Room.



Youth group for grades 6 - 9 Next gathering, Friday, Nov. 8, 7-9 pm, St. JPII Room. Making Blessing Bags for St. Lawrence Centre Remember to bring supplies.

Chosen Girl's Groups (formerly Challenge Girl's) Grade 8 - 12, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7 - 8:30 pm in St. JPII Room

First gathering of the year: Grade 8 - 12 November 5 Questions? Call Anna 780-831-8338.

Discovery Retreat Weekend



Nov. 29 - Dec. 1, St. Joseph High School for grades 7 - 9. Cost \$60 On-line registration: go to saintjoseph.ca/discovery Registration deadline: Nov. 18th

Kitchen Help needed. Signup on-

https://signup.com/go/aPKRsoU



Religious Gift Shop available after Saturday 7 pm Mass & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses, in the library. Come check our new stock of Christmas merchandise.

After 19 years Diane Walker, our finance person, has announced that she is retiring at the end of this year. We thank Diane for all her years of dedicated service to our parish. Congratulations and God bless you on the next stage of your journey!

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ADULT FORMATION

Helpers/Volunteers Needed Are you looking for a place to volunteer on occasion in the church? We are looking for cleanup crews for the events that are being held in the parish. The team would come towards the end of the event, relieving the event hosts. Ideally, teams of 4 - 5 would be created and the commitment would be just a few times a year. For information or to sign up contact Bernadette, 780-831-8016 or thibeaub@telusplanet.net.

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.* 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 information, contact Debbie, 780-518-5763.

Parish Ambassadors for School Events In an effort to make St. Joseph Parish more visible at events in our Catholic schools we are in the process of putting together parish displays. We would like parishioners to bring the displays to the schools and be present during various occasions (meet the teacher nights, Christmas concerts, kindergarten registration). You do not need to be an expert in any topic, just willing to talk to people about our parish and hand out the available brochures. Please contact Fr. Remi, 780-532-2351 or remicssr@gmail.com.



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.

3rd Monday of month 7 - 8:30 pm, Grouard Room. Next gathering, November 18. Contact Bernadette, 780-831-8016, or thibeaub@telusplanet.net

Bulletin Q & A - Mastering the Mass

Q. What is the Liturgy of the Word? A.This is the part of the Mass where the people listen to readings from Sacred Scripture. It also includes silence, the homily, the Creed and the prayer of the faithful.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Workshop - Monday, Nov. 18, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

- Tuesday, Nov. 19, 3:30 5:00 pm
- Saturday, Nov. 23, 2:00 3:30 pm

If you would like to be involved in this ministry, or already are, please attend one of these workshops. **Qualities:** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion serve in a unique and privileged way.

Since you are ministering in the name of the Church we ask that you have these qualifications:

- possess a respectful love of the Blessed Sacrament and Precious Blood
- live a life consistent with the teachings of the Catholic Church (Mass attendance, regularly celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, married in the church if you are in a relationship)
- a person of good standing in the community.
- able to hold the chalice and ciborium (the dish that holds the Blessed Sacrament)
- able to consume the Precious Blood

Conquer Series Tuesdays, until Nov. 12, 7:45 - 8:30 pm, St. JPII Room.

A 5 week video follow-up to our most recent Faith Daze, "Pornography - It Hurts Us All." Deepen your awareness of the harmful effects of pornography. Bring your teenager (14+). It may be a good way to begin an important conversation.



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.

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GENERAL INFO

Please pray for

The sick, especially

Kendra McKenna Susan Tom

Florence McCarron, grandmother of Chris Chiasson

The deceased, especially Lou Albinati

Frank Kirkwood, cousin of James Fotheringham

Quilting Bee-Levers are looking for new members.

No sewing skills required. Training will be provided. Lots of fun and fellowship while helping to heal the wounded world we live in. Mondays, 9 am - 3 pm, in Liguori Hall. Call Jacqueline, 780-933-8426

Christmas Festival Sale

Thursday - Saturday November 21 - 23



At the Museum, Muskoseepi Park Thursday & Friday: 10 am - 9 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 6 pm

Purchase fairly traded products for Christmas gifts

Entertainment by local musicians

Sponsored by GP Kairos

Arctic Visions Calendar 2020 - Help support the Roman Catholic Missions of the western Canadian Arctic. This high quality, coil-bound wall calendar features stunning landscape photography by Bishop Jon Hansen, C.Ss.R, who lives and ministers in the Arctic. The calendars can be purchased for \$20 each after Mass beginning next weekend (Nov 9/10). Your support is greatly appreciated.

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

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time: Welcoming the Sinner

Wisdom 11:22 - 12:1. Digression on God's mercy 2 Thess. 1:11 - 2:2. Exhortation to faithfulness Luke 19:1 - 10. Zacchaeus the tax collector

Key Passage: Then Jesus said of [Zacchaeus], "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost." Luke 19:9 - 10

Question: During the next week, what could you do to welcome someone who usually feels excluded?

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