

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 12, 2023



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Parish Office closed: Monday, November 13 in lieu of Remembrance Day. Weekday Mass is at 9:00 am.

Canadian Missions Collection is this Sunday, November 12. Our Canadian missionaries and the Catholics they serve need our prayers and support. If you missed donating you may drop your contribution in the collection basket next weekend. *Please make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church.*

Collection for Catholic Family Services next weekend, November 18/19. Make cheques payable to "Catholic Family Services". This collection is sent directly to Catholic Family Services. Please put your name and address on the envelope as your income tax receipt will come from them.

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.

Communion Ministry to the Hospital and Homebound: We are forming a team of people to take Communion to people who are sick in the hospital and another team for people who cannot make it to Mass due to illness. If God is calling you to this ministry, please call the parish office.

Advent material available. Check the table in the entrance to the church. Suggested donation: \$3.00 As well, formed.org has Advent resources for individuals and families. Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

November 12 - 19 Dates to Remember

Sun. 12: Following 9 & 11 am Masses, St Lawrence Sandwich Making, Tranquille Hall

Mon 13: Lieu day Remembrance Day

9 am, weekday Mass, church

Tues 14: 7:30 pm, CWL GM, begins in church

7:30 pm, K of C Meeting, Liguori Hall

Wed 15: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room

Thurs 16: 10 - 11:30 am, Mom's Group

7:30 pm, Prayers for Healing, church

Fri. 17: 5:30 - 8 pm, K of C Lasagna dinner,

Tranquille Hall

7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church

7 - 8:30 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room

Sat. 18: 2 - 4 pm, CWL Tea & Bake Sale,

Tranquille Hall

3 - 4:30 pm, Lector Workshop, church

5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice, parish office

8 pm, High School Youth, St JP II Room

2023/2024 Sunday Missals & Children's Missals are available in the entrance to the church, by donation.

Screen Volunteers Needed

Our "Tech Team" operates our projector screens at each of the Sunday Masses. The time commitment is approximately once per month. Minor tech experience required - training provided.

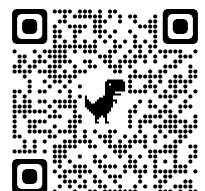
If you are interested in joining our team email stjoesmediagp@gmail.com

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227

sjc-finance@gpcsd.ca

Donation options can be found on our website.



SACRAMENTS

Beatriz Fernandez ext 228 sjc-sacraments@gpcsd.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Isana Zenner, Theodore Hoisington, Lennox Pearson and Brooks Campbell into our family of faith. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with joy!

Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. For information check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/ or call Beatriz at the parish office, ext. 228.



If you have expressed interest in Family & Children's Ministries (including Welcome Table, Offertory Gift Bearers, and Coffee & Cookies) and have not received an email from Kristen, please accept my apologies. Please phone the office or email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca. Let's make sure we talk!

Mom's Group (formerly known as Ladies Walk With Me) Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: November 16, St. JP II Room

Offertory Gift Bearers needed! This is a great way for families to get involved.

Salt (Grade 3 - 6 youth group)
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
Volunteers needed
Registration forms at Welcome Table
Next gathering: November 23

Liturgy of the Word With Children (age 4 - grade 3)
Children gather during Sunday Mass to hear the Gospel and discuss it. Youth, adult leaders & helpers needed (screening required). Training provided.



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 232

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
Pizza: 5:30 pm. Practice: 6 pm.
Next gathering: November 18



Gr. 9 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
8 - 10 pm in St JP II Room
Next gathering: November 18



(Gr. 7 - 9) 1st & 3rd Fridays
7 - 8:30 pm in the St JP II Room
Next gathering: November 17

Programs at St. Joseph HS

Music & Muffins: Tuesdays at Focus in the chapel
Encounter (faith leadership): Tuesday at Lunch in room 141

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Thursdays at lunch: (formerly known as Encounter) focuses on social justice and building awareness within the school and community.

Hosts for NET Ministries Needed

March 9 - 31: NET (Nation Evangelization Teams) will be in our diocese providing retreats for our youth and schools. We are looking for people willing to billet/host missionaries. You would provide food and a place to sleep for 2 guys or 2 girls for any amount of time within their visit to GP (3 days - 3 weeks). For more information contact April at the parish office.



Young Adults 18+

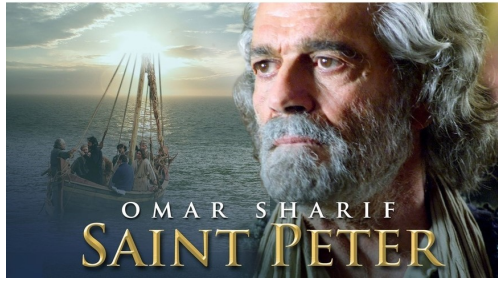
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Adoration & Laser Tag,

November 17 - Mass & Adoration

at 7pm. Lasertag to follow at Ace Of War Laser Tag. See Facebook for more details.

ADULT FORMATION



FORMED - Saint Peter Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

Prayers for Healing, Thursday, Nov. 16, 7:30 pm following Mass. The Prayer Team prays for all types of healing: mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and even through a proxy for someone not present. All are welcome to attend Mass and stay for prayer.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday, Nov. 17, following 7:00 pm Mass. Join us at Mass and stay afterwards for this quiet & personal time of prayer with the Blessed Sacrament.

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:

- Saturday, Nov. 18, 3 – 4:30 pm
- Monday, Nov. 20, 7 – 8:30 pm
- Tuesday, Nov. 21, 3:30 – 5 pm

MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 13 - 18

✠ -Mass for someone deceased

- Mon. 13, 9 am: ✠ Dave Hallick
- Tues. 14, 7 pm: CWL / ✠ Betty Lou Lynch Noonan
- Wed. 15, 12:15 pm: ✠ Frederico & Agueda Rimando
- 7 pm: ✠ Jeffrey Flynn
- Thurs. 16: ✠ Zbigniew & Maria Solecki
- Fri. 17, 12:15 pm: Marie Guest
- 7:00 pm: ✠ Lucienne Bryzgorini
- Sat. 18, 9 am: Donald LeGoffe

GENERAL INFO

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

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| Willard Logan | Helen Hobley |
| Roland Maillet | Cecile Thibeault |
| John Zintel | Millie Wrzosek |
| Lucy Kolebaba | Wilfred Wanihadie |
| Scarlette Pieper, granddaughter of Nicole Lafleur | |
| Kevin Moeller, grandson of Ellen Gerk | |
| Reena Siemensma, sister of Ivan Romkes | |

The deceased, especially

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| Nora Marquis | John Melnichuk |
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CWL November General Meeting, Tuesday, Nov 14, 7 pm, begins with Mass in church.

Knights of Columbus November meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 14, 7:30 pm, Liguori Hall.

Quilting Bee-Levers Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm in Liguori Hall. All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Please contact the office for information.

Ladies' Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11 am, St. JP II Room. All ladies welcome.

CWL Afternoon Tea & Bake Sale, Saturday, Nov. 18, Tranquille Hall, 2 - 4 pm. Donations of baking would be appreciated. Bring your contribution between 6 & 8 pm Friday, Nov 17, or Saturday morning, 9 - 11 am.

Knights of Columbus Lasagna Dinner, Friday, Nov 17. Tickets on sale after weekend Masses. \$15/person \$40/family

Creating Advent Wreaths, Saturday, Nov. 26, 2 - 4 pm
Join us as we design and make our own personal Advent Wreaths. \$20/wreath. Register after weekend Masses, cash or cheque please.



Please be mindful of our church neighbours:
Do not park in driveways or in the Hillcrest Church's parking lot.



BLESSING BAGS

Family & Children and Youth Ministries are collecting for this annual service project for St. Lawrence Center.

Donations of warm mittens & socks, gloves, scarves, toques, hand warmers and candy are needed. Please bring donations labelled "Blessing Bags" to the parish office, or to Family & Children's events. *Deadline for donations: Nov. 17*

Catholic Family Services Christmas Hampers

Options for donating:

- Cash
- Purchase gifts, gift cards or food
- Adopt an entire family. We provide the number of children, ages, and gender and a grocery list of the minimum number of groceries for each hamper. All donations gratefully accepted! Questions? Please call Harmony or Natasha, 780-532-9381. Thank you for helping make Christmas wishes come true!

Salvation Army Christmas Kettles: Want to volunteer to man a Kettle? For dates and times email kofc3241gp@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Event

Tuesday, Nov 21, 7 pm in the St JP II Room. With the Knights you can address your family's insurance needs while supporting an organization that contributes to charities that align with our shared Catholic faith. Everyone is invited. Email Martin Garreau, to confirm your attendance, mrgarreau@gmail.com

Sunday Readings

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Actions & Consequences*

Wisdom 6:12 - 16. The availability of wisdom to those who seek

1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 18. Resurrection of the dead

Matthew 25:1 - 13. Parable of the ten virgins.

Key Passage: [Jesus said] "Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." *Matt 25:13*

Question: When have you regretted that you did not look ahead and foresee the consequences of an action?

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Gift Shop Volunteers needed after all weekend Masses. If you are interested in helping, contact Theresa, threejtr@telusplanet.net

Covenant Health Foundation Lottery 2023

Support seniors and Catholic Health care in Alberta. Help ensure the best possible care for our parents, grandparents and elders today and innovate seniors care that will benefit all of us as we age. The lottery closes November 22. For information or to buy a ticket go to covenantfoundationlottery.ca

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Office Hours: Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm

Regular Mass Schedule (September - June)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:15 pm

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

2nd Friday - Wild Rose Manor

3rd Friday - Pioneer Lodge

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)

Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help at Wednesday Masses.

Baptism for Infants & Young Children:

saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/ or contact Beatriz 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 begin preparation *at least 8 months* prior to their wedding date.

Call Darlene, ext. 224, or email sjc-marriage@gpcsd.ca

Interested in joining the church or completing sacraments? Contact ext. 224, or email

sjc-ocia@gpcsd.ca

Religious Gift Shop/Library: Open after weekend Masses

Prayer Chain Requests: Confidentiality assured. stjosephprayers@gmail.com, or call the parish office.

Parish Pastoral Council: st.joes.ppc@gmail.com