

### The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada is next weekend, September 28/29:

Support the Bishops of Canada in proclaiming the Good News. 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.

### Sacrament Registration for Reconciliation, **Eucharist & Confirmation**

Registrations is now available online, until October 31, 2024. To register go to saintjoseph.ca/sacrament.

In our archdiocese, 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 2024/2025 school year, whether they attend Catholic school or otherwise, must be registered online. You need to provide a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

# FOUNDATIONS for life

Fall Banquet, Oct. 5, 5 pm at Bear Creek Golf Club -Supper, program, live and silent auction. \$50/ticket or \$350/table of 8 Questions? Email office@myfoundations.ca or myfoundations.ca for information or to purchase tickets.

**NEW Information Centre in the church** (in the window to the right of the main doors). This Centre has replaced the Welcome Table. If you are new, or know of any newcomers/visitors to our parish, have any questions, or need information, please see our helpful volunteers at the Centre. Stickers are available for children!

#### September 21 - 29 Dates to Remember

Sat. 21: 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice 8 pm, Youth Group, St JPII Room

**Sun. 22:** After 9 & 11 am Mass, Sandwich Sunday Tranquille Hall

3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel

Mon. 23: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

Wed. 25: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JPII Room 7:45 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall

Thurs. 26: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group,

Tranquille Hall

Fri. 27: 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church

7 pm, Ultreya, St JPII Room

Sun.29: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

#### **Mass & Adoration**



#### Friday, September 27, 7 - 8:15 pm

Join us for this sacred time to pray in the Real Presence of Jesus.

Mass: 7 pm followed by Adoration Beginning in October, Adoration will move to the first Friday of the month.

### **Parish Finances**

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 sjc-finance@gpcsd.ca

Donation options: Envelopes

Tap to Give! in the entrance to the church PAP (Personally Approved Payments): monthly automatic withdrawal from your bank account

Credit Card: monthly donation

Online donation through our website

E-transfer: email to sic.etransfer@gmail.com

### **Sacraments**

Beatriz ext 228 sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Marcus Laban, Noah Cheyeski and Adelaine Morla 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 <u>saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/</u> or call Beatriz at the parish office, ext. 228.

### Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 229 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca



Grade 3 - 6 youth group

Beginning October 10 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm St JPII Room. Volunteers needed.

**Mom's Group:** Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: September 26

Liturgy of the Word With Children (age 4 - grade 3) at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses! Children gather during Mass to hear the Gospel proclaimed, then discuss it together. Youth and adult leaders and helpers are needed (screening and training provided).

**Children's Bookshelf** - enjoy our collection of faith-based books during Mass. Volunteers needed to tidy and maintain books.

#### **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

### **Youth Ministry**

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday

Pizza: 5:30 pm. Practice: 6 pm. *Next gathering:* September 21

St. Joe's Youth Group Grade 7 - 12 1st & 3rd Saturday

8 - 10 pm in St JPII Room

Next gathering: September 21

**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!

## **Young Adults**



Young Adults 18+
@ignitegrandeprairie

Bible & Beer-Thurs, Sept. 26

Join us upstairs at Mr. Mikes from 7:45-9 pm

### **Mass Intentions**

September <u>23 - 28</u>

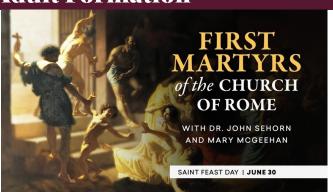
<sup>↑</sup> -Mass for someone deceased

Mon. 23, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Peter Wiebe Tues. 24, 7 pm: ⊕ Wade Kaczkielo Wed. 25, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Michael Long

7 pm: ⊕ Hank Scheunhage Thurs. 26, 7 pm: ⊕ Florence Beaulieu Fri. 27, 12:15 pm: ⊕ John & Mary White

7 pm: ⊕ Douglas Gage Sat. 28, 9 am: ⊕ Bernard Bautista

### **Adult Formation**



FORMED: FIRST MARTYRS OF THE CHURCH OF ROME -**CATHOLIC SAINTS** Join Dr. John Sehorn and Mary McGeehan to discuss the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. Killed under Emperor Nero in AD 64, the First Martyrs offer us a powerful witness of fidelity to Christ.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

The Gospel of Mark Bible Study Wednesdays,



7:45 pm, in Tranquille Hall. This Lectio series uses the MARK Church's rich tradition of Lectio Divina to help us better

understand and pray with the Gospel of Mark. Everyone is welcome even if you have not attended before.

COMING SOON: COR - Men's group study



COR exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation and fraternity. All men of the parish are invited. For more information or to register please contact Pat Deluca, Patdeluca9@gmail.com

Ultreya, Friday, September 27, 7 pm, St JPII Room (upstairs) Looking for connection? Join us for faith sharing and become a part of our community. You need not have attended a Cursillo weekend to join us; this gathering is open to everyone.

### **General Information**

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially Chelsea Kent Shannon Carson Arlene Logan **Ruth Gardner** Josephine Bangale Judy Whiteside Nicole Walsh

The deceased, especially

Marilyn Tom-Fortich

Steve Woychuk, stepson of Fely Woychuk Lorraine Taraska, cousin of Larry Shepherd

**Christian Meditation** Sundays at 3 pm in the chapel. Everyone is welcome for this prayer of silence, stillness, and simplicity. Contact Mia at miklge@telus.net for more information.

Know someone who can't come to Mass due to illness or infirmity? Our Communion Team take the Blessed Sacrament to those who are homebound and in the hospital and senior's homes. Please call the parish office for details.

### Order of Christina Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

is the process by which adults formally join the Catholic Church. If you are

- Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church
- · Not baptized, but recognize a need for spirituality in your life
- Baptized into another Christian denomination but wish to join the Catholic Church
- Married to a Catholic and attend Mass but want to take the next step to become a Catholic
- Baptized Catholic but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation

Then OCIA is for you. A new session begins the end of September. Contact Karen G, 780-532-2351, ext. 224, for information.

Quilting Bee-Levers, Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm. All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the parish office for information.

Please note: Clergy and parish staff NEVER solicit donations or gift cards through email or text.

#### Samaritan's Basket

As a very important part of our Outreach Programs, Samaritan's Basket helps those in need in our community. Gift cards and toiletries are in demand. Some of our clients do not have access to a kitchen, so gift cards for Tim Horton's, McDonald's, DQ, etc. (maximum \$25) would be very helpful. As well, we often have requests for toiletries: regular or travel-size shampoo & conditioner, soap/body wash, toothpaste/toothbrushes, deodorant and feminine hygiene products. Please drop off at the parish office during office hours.

**Gift Shop:** available after 7:00 pm Mass on Saturdays and after 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses on Sundays. Come check out our selection of merchandise.

Parish Event Promotion: If you are having a parish event and would like the parish office to promote it through our bulletin, bulletin board, website and/or Facebook, please fill in the Request to Promote form under Contact at <a href="mailto:saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/">saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/</a>. Submissions for the bulletin must be received by noon on Wednesday. Posters for our bulletin board should be no bigger than 8.5 X 11. All requests/submissions are subject to approval.

### **Sunday Readings**

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **Godly Power**

Wisdom 2:12, 17 - 20. The wicked speak

James 3:16 - 4:3. True wisdom and worldly desires

Mark 9:30 - 37. Healing of a deaf-mute

**Key Passage:** He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." *Mark 9:35* 

#### Question:

Adult: What evidence do you see in the world around you that many do not accept Jesus' teaching on power and ambition?

*Child:* Why is it wrong to feel envy for what belongs to another?

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### **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:**

<u>saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/</u> 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 Karen G, ext. 224, or email sjc-marriage@gpcsd.ca

Interested in joining the church or completing sacraments? Contact Karen G, ext. 224, or email sjc-ocia@gpcsd.ca

**Religious Gift Shop/Library**: Beginning Sept. 7/8, after Saturday 7 pm & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses.

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

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