

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 20, 2024



EMBRACING
the KINGDOM of GOD

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



Catholic Education Week

October 19 - 26

Join us in celebrating the gift of Catholic Education at the 7 pm Mass, Saturday, October 19.

Sacrament Registration for Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation

Registrations available online, until **October 31**.

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.

Instructors needed to help prepare our children to receive Sacraments. If you would like to share & grow in your faith and help children to grow in theirs please contact Beatriz, ext. 228. All materials and lessons provided.

World Mission Sunday, October 19 & 20 Your prayers and donations assist churches, hospitals, schools and training priests. Donations received on World Mission Sunday help Catholic communities to be self-sufficient and flourish. *Please make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church.*

St. Joseph Refugee Committee welcomed a new refugee on October 9. He is a young Eritrean man co-sponsored by his cousins and the Archdiocese, with help from our committee. We are seeking donations of gift cards to Walmart and Superstore. Household items are NOT needed as they are provided by the co-sponsors.

October 19 - 27 Dates to Remember

Sat. 19: 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice

8 pm, High School Youth Group, St JP II Room

Sun. 20: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon. 21: 9:30 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers,

Liguori Hall

7 pm, K of C COR, St JP II Room

Wed. 23: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room

Thurs. 24: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group,

Tranquille Hall

7 pm, SALT, St JP II Room

Fri. 25: 7 pm, Ultreya, St JP II Room

Sat. 26: 1 - 3 pm, All Saints/Halloween Party,

Tranquille Hall

Sun. 27: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

All Saints/Halloween Costume Party

Saturday, Oct. 26, 1 - 3 pm Dress as your favorite Saint or character (nothing scary please). No charge. *There are currently no volunteers. Please sign up to help by 5 pm Monday, Oct 21, or this event will be cancelled.* Call Kristen, ext. 230

Sandwich Sunday, October 27 K of C makes sandwiches to take to St. Lawrence Centre and the shelters in town. Sign up this weekend to bring sandwich supplies for making sandwiches next weekend. All are welcome to help.

Parish Finances

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

Our 2023 Annual Financial Report is now available on our website or on the Literature Rack in the entrance to the Church.

See our website for donation options.

Sacraments

Beatriz ext 228 sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Fallon Iñigo into our family of faith. We pray that his 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.

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Check the bulletin board in the church.



Grade 3 - 6 youth group

Next gathering: October 24
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
St JP II Room. Volunteers needed.

Mom's Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: October 24

Liturgy of the Word With Children (LWWC) Team

Training - If you are new to this ministry, or did not attend our annual training this spring, please sign up for ONE of the training sessions, at [LWWC Training](#)
Youth: Sat, Nov. 16 after 7 pm Mass, Grouard Room
Sun, Nov. 17, between Masses, Modern Martyrs Room
Adult: Tuesday, Nov 12, 10 am, St JP II Room
Wednesday, Nov 13, 7 pm, Ligouri Hall
Saturday, Nov 16, 10 am, St JP II Room

"The Inn" (La Posada), Sunday, December 22 after 11:00 am Mass. A musical reenactment of the Holy Family's search for room at the Inn. All ages welcome. Costumes available. Watch bulletin for workshops building piñatas and musical shakers. No charge. Many helpers needed: choir, instruments, actors, and planners!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - For children, 3 & 4 years (by June 30/24). A Montessori-based international program for children to grow in relationship with God. For information & registration contact Marie, catechesisgp@gmail.com or go to saintjoseph.ca/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd/

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Youth Ministry 2024-2025 Registration is Open!

To register for our Youth Ministry programs please go to saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth



Grade 7 - 9 1st & 3rd Fridays

7 - 8:30 pm in SJPII Room
Next gathering: Friday, Nov. 1
Join us for faith, friends, food and fun!



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

Next gathering: Sat, Nov. 2
Begins with pizza at 5:30 in the parish office. Singers and musicians are welcome!

HS (High School) Youth Group: Gr. 9 - 12

Saturday, Nov. 2 in SJPII Room, 8 - 10 pm
Wild West Murder Mystery Party
Sign up for your character at [St. Joe's Murder Mystery](#)

Young Adults

@ignitegrandepairie or [StJoesYoungAdults](#)



Young Adults 18+

Bible & Beer, Thursday, Oct. 24, 7:30 - 9 pm at Mr. Mike's Restaurant

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

Mass Intentions

October 21 - 26

✠ -Mass for someone deceased
Mon. 21, 12:15 pm: ✠ Mary Martin
Tues. 22, 7 pm: Claudette Heck
Wed. 23, 12:15 pm: ✠ Brandon Ropcean
7 pm: ✠ Bernardo Bautista
Thurs. 24, 7 pm: ✠ Louise Roy
Fri. 25, 12:15 pm: ✠ Michael & William White
Sat. 26, 9 am: ✠ Pablo Liong

Adult Formation

FORMED: ADVENTURE CATECHISM - WHAT ARE THE



TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS In this episode, the two greatest commandments taught by Jesus are discussed and reveal the importance of Love for God and neighbour.

Sign up for **FORMED** on our website: saintjoseph.ca

Order of Christian 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. Contact Karen G, 780-532-2351, ext. 224, for information.

OCIA Companions needed: If you would like to learn more about our Catholic faith and are comfortable enough with your faith journey to accompany someone else on theirs we would love for you to join us. Call Karen G for information.

COR: Men's group study, starts Monday, Oct. 21, 7 - 9 pm, St JP II Room COR exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation & fraternity. All men of the parish are invited. Upstairs in the St JP II room - Bring your Bible & a pen. To register please contact Pat Deluca 780-263-1064, Patdeluca9@gmail.com

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - If you distribute communion at Mass, or would like to start, please plan to attend a workshop. All existing and new Extraordinary Ministers need to attend one session to update and renew your understanding of this important ministry: Sat, Oct. 19, 2:30 - 4:30 pm
Monday, Oct. 21, 7 - 9 pm

Ultreya, Friday, Oct. 25, 7 pm, St JP II Room (upstairs)
Looking for connection? Join us for faith sharing and community. All are welcome.

General Information

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Joan Piebiak	Chelsea Kent
Arlene Logan	Laurie Sluymers
Cecile Thibeault	Peter Leduc
Judy Whiteside, Sister of Alice Brick	

The deceased, especially

John Noonan, brother of Vince Noonan
Elzbieta Urbanowicz, aunt of Agnieszka Wiszowaty

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, in the hospital and senior's homes. Please call the parish office for details or to sign up.

Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass *Tuesday, November 5, 7:00 pm*

At our annual memorial Mass the name of anyone whose funeral was celebrated in our church will be read aloud. If you have an immediate family member (parent, sibling or child) who died in the past year, please call the office with their name *before noon on Wednesday, October 30* to include them. If you have loved ones who have died in past years, this Mass is a way to remember and pray for them, though their names will not be announced. All are welcome.

Quilting Bee-Levers: Mondays, 9:30 am - 3 pm. All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the parish office for information.

2024 Archbishop's Dinner - Friday, Nov. 8 at the Holy Family Catholic Conference Center, Peace River (10307 99 St) Hosted by Deanery Two.
Doors open: 6:00 pm. Speaker: Archbishop Pettipas
Trivia Show, live & silent auctions. Tickets \$35/person
To purchase, contact the Chancery Office, 780-532-9766, or any of the parishes in Deanery Two: Peace River, Fairview, Grimshaw and Manning.

Men's Cursillo Weekend, November 8 - 11. Rector: Jean-Marc Guenette. Candidate applications available on the [Cursillo website](#) Cursillistas, please talk to the friends you have been praying about inviting. We need to know as soon as possible how many to plan for. Please pray for the team and candidates.

Screen Volunteers Needed

Our "Tech Team" operates our projector screens at each of the Sunday Masses. Minor tech experience required - training provided. Time commitment is approximately once per month. If you are interested in joining our team, email stjoesmediagp@gmail.com

Samaritan's Basket This ministry helps those in need in our community. Now that winter is approaching warm gloves/mitts, warm socks and toques are needed. Toiletries regularly requested: regular or travel-size shampoo & conditioner, soap/body wash, toothpaste/brushes, deodorant, feminine hygiene products. Please drop off at the parish office during office hours.

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

Sunday Readings

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Quiet Sacrifice

Isaiah 53:10 - 11. The suffering servant

Hebrews 4:14 - 16. Jesus, compassionate high priest

Mark 10:35 - 45. Ambition of James and John

Key Passage: [Jesus said,] "Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all." *Mark 10:44*

Question:

Why is it hard to do good works if you will not be acknowledged for them?

Children: Are you willing to do a good deed even if no one knows that you did it? Why?

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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:

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 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: 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

Event Promotion: Fill in a Request to Promote form on our website saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/. Bulletin submissions due noon Wednesdays. Maximum poster size 8.5 X 11. All requests subject to approval.