

### We're Hiring

We are looking for a practicing Catholic with knowledge of church sacraments for the position of *Sacramental Preparation Coordinator*. The successful candidate will need strong organization skills, computer skills and the ability to minister within the context of the parish team. The primary responsibilities of this position include: lead baptismal preparation sessions for infant baptism, coordinate OCIA Adapted for Families, liaise with the Catholic school sacramental preparation and coordinate sacramental preparation for students who do not attend Catholic schools.

Complete job description available on the <u>parish</u> <u>website</u> or from the office. Resumes accepted until November 15, 2024 at 5 pm or the position is filled. Submit resume, with 3 references (including a reference from current parish priest if you are not from St. Joseph Parish) to Fr. Charles Duval, C.Ss.R. Resume may be submitted to the parish office or electronically to <u>charlesduval@gpcsd.ca</u>

### 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 announced. All are welcome.



Next Sunday, November 3, Oaylight-Saving at 2:00 am turn your clocks back one hour to be sure to get that extra hour of sleep!

### October 26 - November 3 Dates to Remember

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

Tranquille Hall

**Sun.27:** 10 am, K of C Sandwiches, Tranquille Hall 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon. 28: 9:30 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers,

Liguori Hall

Wed. 30: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JPII Room

Thurs. 31: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group,

Tranquille Hall

Fri. 1: 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church 7 pm, EDGE, St JPII Room 8:30 pm, Ignite, St JPII Room

**Sat. 2:** 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice 8 pm, High School Youth Group, St JPII Room

Sun.3: 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.

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.

## **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

### Sacrament Registration for Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation, until October 31

Register <u>online</u> at 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.

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Caira Callado, Yazmine Guittap and Austin Gannaban 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.

# Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Check the bulletin board in the church.



### **Grade 3 - 6 youth group**

Next gathering: November 14

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: October 31

### Liturgy of the Word With Children (LWWC) 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 <u>LWWC Training</u>

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 JPII Room
Wednesday, Nov 13, 7 pm, Ligouri Hall
Saturday, Nov 16, 10 am, St JPII Room

## **Youth Ministry**

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

### Youth Ministry 2024-2025 Registration is Open!

To register go to saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth



Overnight Youth Retreat: Nov 29- Dec 1 Grades 7 - 9 at St. Joseph High School. This weekend is a great opportunity to make new friends with fun activities, games, prayer, and great food!

Register at saintjoseph.ca/discovery



### 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**

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Young Adults 18+

Adoration & Social, Friday,

November 1, 7 pm, church

## **Mass Intentions**

October 28 - November 2

⊕ -Mass for someone deceased (SH) Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon. 28, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Rita Elliot

Tues. 29, 7 pm: ⊕ Gus, Marie & Mark Jantz Wed. 30, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Florence Beaulieu

7 pm: ⊕ Ma Sheung Tak

Thurs. 31, 7 pm: ⊕ Peter Ingle Fri. 1, 10:30 am (SH): ⊕ Alex Claud

12:15 pm: ⊕ Titus Nunes Sat. 2, 9 am: ⊕ Louise Roy

## **Adult Formation**



**FORMED:** Remembering the dead in purgatory, celebrating the Saints, and the Catholic perspective on Halloween.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca



7 pm Mass, followed by Adoration Friday, November 1, 7 - 8:15 pm Join us for this sacred time to pray in the Real Presence of Jesus.

**COR:** Men's group study, 3rd Monday of the month 7 - 9 pm, St JPII Room Forms & strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation & fraternity. Contact <a href="mailto:Patdeluca9@gmail.com">Patdeluca9@gmail.com</a>

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/

Catholics Returning Home - Thursdays, November 14 - December 19, 7:30 pm, Grouard Room. Have you been away from the church, have family or friends who no longer come to church or have questions about the Catholic faith? Join us for this informal, 6 week program. Brochures are available on the literature rack at the entrance of the church and on our website. For more information please contact the parish office, 780-532-2351. (Registration is not required. You may also just show up at the first meeting.)

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

## **General Information**

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially
Wilfred Wanihadie
Arlene Logan
Cecile Thibeault
Joan Piebiak
Laurie Sluymers
Peter Leduc
Judy Whiteside, Sister of Alice Brick

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.

### CWL Afternoon Tea & Bake Sale, Saturday, Nov. 16,



Tranquille Hall, 2 - 4 pm. Donations of baking would be appreciated. Bring your contribution between 6 & 8 pm Friday, Nov 15, or Saturday morning, 9 - 11 am.

K of C Sandwich Sunday, October 27, 10 am in Tranquille Hall. Making sandwiches to take to St. Lawrence Centre and the shelters in town. All are welcome to help.

**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.

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.

"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!

Men's Cursillo Weekend, November 8 - 11. Rector: Jean-Marc Guenette. Candidate applications available on the <u>Cursillo website</u>. Cursillistas, please talk to the friends you have been praying about inviting. *If there are not 10 candidates by November 4, it will be cancelled.* 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.

## **Sunday Readings**

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### The Eyes of Faith

Jeremiah 31:7 - 9. The restoration

**Hebrews 5:1-6.** Jesus, the high priest

Mark 10:46 - 52. The blind Bartimaeus

**Key Passage:** Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way. *Mark* 10:52

### Question:

What have your eyes of faith helped you see in a new way?

Children: What do you like most about the story of Bartimaeus? Why?

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# **Frequently Asked Questions**

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

### **Sunday Masses**

Saturday evening 7:00 pm Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am

**Daily Masses** (September - June)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
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

**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

**Information Centre in church** New? Know of any new-comers/visitors to our parish? Questions/need information? On weekends see volunteers at the Centre.

**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.