



Remembrance Day

Monday, November 11 Parish office closed. Weekday Mass is at 9:00 am.

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>

Advent Wreath Workshop

Saturday, November 30, 2 to 4 pm, in Tranquille Hall Learn about and create your own Advent Wreath.



Register at Advent Wreath

\$25/wreath/family

Payment: on-line at saintjoseph.ca/donate(choose Wreath Making Workshop); e-transfer to sjc.etransfer@gmail.com; cash or cheque.

November 10 - 17 Dates to Remember

Sun. 10: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel 10 am, Sandwich Sunday, Tranquille Hall

Mon. 11: Remembrance Day, parish office closed 9 am: Weekday Mass

Tues. 12: 7 pm, CWL Meeting, begins with Mass 7:30 pm, K of C Meeting, Liguori Hall

Wed. 13: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JPII Room

Thurs. 14: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group,

Tranquille Hall

5:30 pm, Games Night, Tranquille Hall

7 - 8:30 pm, SALT, St. JPII Room

7:30 pm, Catholics Returning Home, church

Fri. 15: 7 - 8:30 pm, EDGE, St JPII Room

Sat. 16: 2 - 4 pm, CWL Tea & Bake Sale, Tranquille Hall 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice

8 pm, High School Youth Group, St JPII Room

Sun. 17: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel



The Dignity of Life

November 20, 7:45 pm Tranquille Hall Even with the many advances in

medicine, death remains an inevitable reality.
Rather than see it as the great enemy, our Catholic faith sees it as an important journey. Indeed, our faith in Jesus Christ has much to teach us about living well until the end of life. We will reflect on how our Catholic faith changes our perspective on both palliative care and medical assistance in dying.

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 Kuina Flores and Eubert Pasion 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 2nd & 4th 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: November 14

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

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/

"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!

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. 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. 15 Join us for faith, friends, food and fun!



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

Next gathering: Sat, Nov. 16 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. 16 in SJPII Room, 8 - 10 pm

Young Adults

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Origins of Catholic Social Teaching Tuesday, Nov. 19 8:30 pm, St JPII Room

Mass Intentions

November 11 - 16

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

Tues. 12, 7 pm: CWL/⊕ Raymond Eherer Wed. 13, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Joseph Vavrek

7 pm: 廿 Warren Pinto Thurs. 14, 7 pm: 廿 Jeffrey Flynn

12:15 pm:

↑ Mabel & John McNeil & Stacey Hagg

Sat. 16, 9 am: 🕆 Florence Beaulieu

Adult Formation

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 available on the literature rack at the entrance of the church and on our website. Registration not required - you may just show up at the first meeting. For information please contact the parish office, 780-532-2351.

COR: Men's group study - Forms & strengthens Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation & fraternity.

Contact Patdeluca9@gmail.com for information.

Encounters on the Road to Bethlehem: Peace Retreats Advent Retreat. November 30, 9:45 am -3:45 pm in the St JPII Room. Explore how God spoke to the major players leading up to the birth of Jesus and still speaks to us today. Led by Sheila Shepherd and Allan Forsberg. Bring a bag lunch; snacks are provided. Cost: cash donation or a Food Bank item.

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

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.

Canadian Missions Collection is this weekend Our Canadian missionaries and the Catholics they serve need our prayers and support. *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.

General Information

PLEASE PRAY FOR The sick, especially

Wilfred Wanihadie

Laurie Sluymers Cecile Thibeault Judy Whiteside, Sister of Alice Brick

The deceased, especially

Alice Chrenek Toni McKenzie

CWL November General Meeting, Tuesday, Nov.12, 7 pm, beginning with Mass in church.

K of C Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 7:30 pm, in Liguori Hall.

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.

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

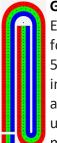
Catholic Family Services Christmas Hampers

Contact Catholic Family Services, 780-532-9381, to find out the many ways that you may donate. Drop off donations at CFS, 10105 102 St, 9 am - 4 pm, Monday, Wednesday or Friday or call them. Thank you for helping make Christmas wishes come true!



K of C Sandwich Sunday, Nov. 10, following 9 am Mass. Please consider helping to assemble sandwiches.

Games Night, Thursday, November 14



Everyone is welcome to come for supper followed by games.

5:30 pm Supper (sponsored by Kili Landscaping): Traditional Czech meal of pork, dumplings and fried cabbage. Games begin after dinner until 8:30 pm. Cost is by donation to support meals for local shelters.

Donations needed for our new refugee. A young Eritrean man arrived in our city in early October. He is co-sponsored by his cousins and the Archdiocese, with help from our committee. Donations of gift cards to Walmart and Superstore would be greatly appreciated. Household items are NOT needed as they are provided by the co-sponsors.

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 deceased loved ones.

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

Items Needed for Samaritan's Basket Warm gloves/ mitts, warm socks and toques, toiletries (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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Giving From Our Need

1 Kings 17:10 - 16. Elijah and the widow **Hebrews 9:24 - 28.** The sacrifice of Jesus

Mark 12:38 - 40. Hypocrisy of the scribes, and the widow's mite

Key Passage: [Jesus said], "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." *Mark* 12:43 - 44

Question:

What do you give out of love for God that is a hardship for you, or what are you willing to give? *Child:* What would you be willing to give up for someone else?

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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 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

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 newcomers/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.