



Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2025

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Attend a Redemptorist Priests and Brothers Come & See Weekend, January 24, Grande Prairie

Are you or someone you know considering the priesthood? This is for all men (in Grade 12 or older) open to religious life. For information go to their website, www.redemptoristvocations.ca or speak to one of our priests. Register with the QR code or at vocations@redemptorists.ca



Catholicism Series with Bishop Robert Baron

Wednesdays until March 12, 7:45 pm, in Tranquille Hall. Join us as we discover the richness and full meaning of our faith through this video series. Come for one or all evenings. All are welcome!

Faith in Action Men's Conference, January 25 "We love because He first loved us"

For all men 16+
Exploring the topic of marriage.
Presenters: Fr. Charles Duval, C.Ss.R.,
Justice Kevin Feehan & Dr. Mona-Lee Feehan
\$35/person includes lunch, refreshments and door prizes. Contact Hervey, herveychabot@gmail.com
Deadline for tickets: January 20
Hosted by Knights of Columbus

The Church's 2025 Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope"

began on Christmas Eve. We will be holding a number of events in our parish in the coming months to celebrate our loving God's grace and mercy. There are Jubilee prayer cards available in the entrance to the church. Please pick some up for your family. Take extra and share them with friends!

Christmas environment clean-up in the church, Sunday, January 12 at 2 pm. Many hands make light work. Helpers needed to clean up after the Christmas season. Students can get service hours

"Italian (K)Night" - Pasta Two Ways, Friday, Jan. 17

Everyone welcome! Doors open at 5:30 - 8 pm
Pay at the door: \$15/person, \$40/family
Fettuccini Chicken Alfredo or Penne Chicken Cacciatore, Caesar Salad, Garlic Toast, Dessert.
Prepared by the Knights

Women's Cursillo weekend, Friday, Feb. 14, 6 pm - Monday, Feb. 17, 5 pm. Calling all Cursillistas! Now is the time to invite your friends and family to attend this weekend of sharing, faith, laughter, building community, and good food (prepared by someone else!) For applications and sponsor forms go to www.cursillo.archgm.ca/cursillo-application

Parish Finances

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

2025 Donation envelopes available in the Grouard Room until the end of January or stop by the office during office hours.

Automatic Bank & Credit Card withdrawal donators: Special Collection envelopes available in Grouard Room or from the office.

Donation options: Envelopes
Tap to Give! in the entrance to the church
PAP (Pre-Approved Payments): monthly automatic withdrawal from your bank account
Credit Card: monthly donation
Online donation through our website
E-transfer: email to sjc.etransfer@gmail.com

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Check the bulletin board in the church for Family & Children events.



Grade 3 - 6 youth group
2nd & 4th Thursdays
7 - 8:30 pm

Next gathering: January 23

Mom's Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: January 16



Catechesis of
the Good Shepherd
Association of Canada

For children, 3 & 4 years old. Thursdays 10 am - noon. It will also be available on Saturdays beginning later this month. 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/

Sacraments

sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca or 780-532-2351(parish office)

Parents are required to complete **Baptism preparation**. For information call the parish office or check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/

Mass Intentions

January 13 - 18

✠ - Mass for someone deceased
Mon. 13, 12:15 pm: ✠ Rita Elliot
Tues. 14, 7 pm: CWL / ✠ Agatha Vavrek
Wed. 15, 12:15 pm: Anne Long
7 pm: ✠ Mike Kosyk, Sr.
Thurs. 16, 7 pm: ✠ Nunes family
Fri. 17, 12:15 pm: ✠ Rita Pineau
Sat. 18, 9 am: ✠ Lech Kwiatkowski

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Check out our programs for youth at saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth



Grade 7 - 9: 1st & 3rd Fridays
7 - 8:30 pm

Next gathering: Friday, January 17



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

Next gathering: Saturday, January 18.
Begins with pizza at 5:30 in the parish office.
Singers & musicians welcome!

HS (High School) Youth Group: Gr. 9 - 12, 8 - 10 pm
Saturday, Jan. 18, St JP II Room (following 7 pm Mass).

Young Adults

@ignitegrandepairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Young Adults 18+

Check their Facebook page for the next gatherings.

January 12 - 19 Dates to Remember

Sun. 12: 2 pm, Christmas Church clean-up, church
3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon. 13: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

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

7:45 pm Catholicism Series, Tranquille Hall

Thurs. 6: 10 am, Mom's Group, Tranquille Hall

Fri. 17: 5:30 pm, Italian (K)Night, Tranquille Hall
7 - 8:30 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room

Sat. 18: 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice
8 pm, Youth Group, St JP II Room

Sun. 19: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Adult Formation



FORMED: A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the Mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your baptism.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

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

Contact Patdeluca9@gmail.com for information.

Prayers for Healing, Thursday, January 16, after 7 pm Mass in church. The Prayer Team prays for all types of healing: mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and even for someone not present, through a proxy. Attend Mass and stay for prayer!

Ultreya, January 31 from 7 - 8 pm, Liguori Hall.

Everyone is welcome to join us for an inspirational witness talk, a time of sharing, prayer, fellowship and refreshments.

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

Sacristans Urgently Needed! Want to use your talents for God but prefer to be behind the scenes? Sacristans set up the vessels before Mass and clean them afterward. It's easy, training is provided and you will be partnered with a seasoned sacristan. Contact Bev, puddytat.b@gmail.com

General Information

CWL January meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 14, beginning with Mass in the church at 7 pm.

St. Joseph CWL Youth & Young Adult Funding for Christian-based volunteer work. For information contact Lorraine, marting6@telus.net
Deadline: January 15

K of C January meeting, Tuesday, January 14, 7:30 pm, Liguori Hall

Available in the church:

2024/2025 Sunday Missals - \$4.50

Volunteers needed to launder and iron the small linens and towels used in Mass. Training provided. Contact Bev, puddytat.b@gmail.com

Quilting Bee-Levers, Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm

All are welcome. No sewing skills required. If you are interested in joining contact the office for formation.

Gift Shop - Advent/Christmas articles at cost! Check them out after Saturday evening 7 pm Mass and Sunday morning, 9 & 11 am Mass.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Hannah Gnass Denise Kruchten
Allison Deluca Tessie Foster
Archbishop Gerard Pettipas, C.Ss.R
Gaetanne Monfette Kaylyn Score
Peter LeCerf, brother of Judy Riddle
Wilfred Wanihadie Cecile Thibeault
Siemie DeBoer, sister of Sylvia Romkes
Judy Whiteside, sister of Alice Brick

The deceased, especially

Joe Vandal, nephew of Olivia Desjarlais

Grief to Grace, May 20- 25, Kelowna - Through a 5 day program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. For more information please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or call 250-808-6403.

Please be mindful of our church neighbours:

Do not park in driveways or in the Hillcrest Church's parking lot (south of our parking lot).

Church Parking Lot - Do not park along curbs or in laneways to allow a clear exit from the parking lot for emergency vehicles, or parishioners who have to leave Mass unexpectedly. Leave adequate space at the end of rows - at least 3 car widths for vehicles to turn corners. *FYI:* damage to your vehicle from emergency vehicles, as a result of parking in non-designated areas, is your responsibility.

SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY" There are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or allergic, to the scents that make the rest of us feel so good. In an effort to accommodate all of our parish family, please consider cutting back on the amount of scented products that you wear to church, or refrain from wearing any at all.

Sunday Readings

Baptism of the Lord

Pleasing to God

Isaiah 42:1 - 4, 6 - 7. The servant of the Lord

Acts 10:34 - 38. Peter's discourse; the good news of peace

Luke 3: 15 - 16, 21 - 22. Baptism of Jesus

Key Passage: And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." *Luke 3:2*

Question:

Do you think God was "well pleased" by your actions in recent weeks? Why?

Child: What good thing could you do this week that would be pleasing to God?

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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 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

Catholic Women's League: cwlstjosephgp@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.