



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 26, 2025

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are hiring for two positions – with flexibility!!

We are looking for two dynamic individuals to coordinate:

- Sacramental Preparation for children
 - Infant Baptism/OCIA Adapted for Families.
- You must be a practicing Catholic with knowledge of church sacraments and strong organization skills coupled with the ability to minister within the context of the parish team.

Complete job descriptions available on the parish website or from the office. Resumes accepted until January 29, 2025 at 5pm or until the positions are filled. If you are interested in filling both positions, please indicate when you submit your resume. Submit resume, with 3 references (including a reference from current parish priest if you are not from St. Joseph Parish) to Father Charles Duval, C.Ss.R. Resume may be submitted to the parish office or electronically to CharlesDuval@gpcsd.ca

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

Catholicism Video 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!

K of C Sandwich Sunday, February 9. Sign up to bring sandwich supplies next weekend, February 1/2 after all the Masses.

Archdiocesan Jubilee Marian Pilgrimage of Hope
Visit Marian churches, grottos and/or any Marian statues or icons in the Archdiocese and offer the prayer chaplet "Mary: Exemplar of Hope". The Archdiocese has prepared a "Pilgrim's Passport", which includes the list of Marian churches and grottos, as well as the prayer chaplet. Copies may be found at the Information Centre in the church, at the parish office or print your own copy at www.archgm.ca/jubilee. Through the intercession of Mary, may we all be "Pilgrims of Hope" this Jubilee year.

February 9 is World Marriage Day. During the Sunday celebrations that weekend, we will have a special blessing of married couples and a surprise. Come with your spouse.

Parish Finances

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

2025 Donation envelopes - After this weekend they are available from the parish office during office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am - noon and 1:00 - 5:00 pm.

2024 Income Tax receipts will be available mid-February.

Donation options: Envelopes
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
Tap to Give! in the entrance to the church

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: February 13

Moms' Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: January 30

2025 Mardi Gras - Friday, Feb. 28, 7 - 10 pm

Theme: Radical Roam All-ages costume party!

Join us in Tranquille Hall. Bring your friends.

Deejay, dancing, door prizes, games, snacks, photobooth, Bouncy Castle (7 - 8 pm).

Costume ideas: If you could go anywhere or any time, what would you wear?

Free tickets after Masses in February.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Association of Canada

For children, 3 & 4 years old. A Montessori-based international program for children to grow in relationship with God.

Please note: this program has been put on hold for the present. It will resume in the fall on Saturdays from 10 - 11:30 am.

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/

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

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

DTP (Disturbing The Peace) Citywide Youth Event at McLaurin Baptist Church, Friday, February 7, 7 - 9 pm Both **EDGE (Grade 7 - 9) & HS Youth Group (Gr. 9 - 12)** are attending. We will meet up with other churches around the city for music, games, snacks, & worship. *7 pm drop off at 10913 107 Ave,* (look for St. Joe's Youth group wearing green). The event is free, but please email April stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com to let us know you are coming.



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

Next gathering: February 1

Begins with pizza at 5:30 in

the parish office. Singers & musicians welcome!

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

@ignitegrandepairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Bible & Bear, Thursday, Jan 30, 7:45 pm, upstairs at Mr. Mike's Restaurant.

January 26 - February 2 Dates to Remember

Sun. 26: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon. 27: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

Wed. 29: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study,

St JPII Room

7:45 pm Catholicism Series, Tranquille Hall

Thurs. 30: 10 am, Moms' Group, Tranquille Hall

Fri. 31: 7 pm, Ultreya, Liguori Hall

Sat. 1: 5:30 pm, Youth Choir pizza & practice

Sun. 2: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Adult Formation



FORMED: True Reformers - St. Francis de Sales

Determined from his youth to pursue the priesthood, Saint Francis de Sales lived a storied life as a priest and missionary before settling down to the duties of a small-town bishop in the foothills of the French Alps.

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.

Live Your Best Life in Love - Half-Day Couples Retreat

Saturday, Feb. 15, 11:15 am - 3:30 pm Free!

Presentations (via video link) followed by discussion time with your partner. Grow in Faith and love!

Whether engaged or married, this retreat offers a peaceful, prayerful environment to enrich connection within your relationship. For questions or to register email sjc-marriage@gpcsd.ca or in the back of the church after weekend Mass.

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.

Mass Intentions

January 27 - February 1

✠ - Mass for someone deceased

Mon. 27, 12:15 pm: ✠ Milly Wrzosek

Tues. 28, 7 pm: ✠ Jennifer Wrzosek

Wed. 29, 12:15 pm: ✠ Donna Petiot
7 pm: Charlene Loxam

Thurs. 30, 7 pm: ✠ Betty Crowshaw

Fri. 31, 12:15 pm: ✠ Rita Pineau

Sat. 1, 9 am: ✠ Joe & Ann Slanina

General Information

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

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

Ladies' Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11 am, St. JP II Room. All ladies welcome.

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 - Check it 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.

St. Joseph CWL 2025 Membership Fees are due by January 31. Please submit \$39.50 cash or cheque to the CWL mailbox in the parish office or e-transfer to cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com. Contact Helen M. if you aren't sure if you have paid.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially	Ivan Romkes
Eyleene Joachin	Al Luck
Kendra McKenna	Annette Bouchard
Tessie Foster	Gaetanne Monfette
Wilfred Wanihadie	Cecile Thibeault
Archbishop Gerard Pettipas, C.Ss.R	
Judy Whiteside, sister of Alice Brick	

The deceased, especially	Teresa Kramer
Stanislawa Smiechowski, former parishioner	
Redemcion Pasia, mother of Mary Grace Pasia	

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 griegtograckelowna@gmail.com or call 250-808-6403.

Oliver's Funeral Home: National Flag Day Flag Retirement Ceremony, Thursday, Feb. 13. Once a year, Oliver's lays retired flags to rest during a ceremony at Grande Prairie Cemetery. Flags can be dropped off at Oliver's year-round. For information and the schedule go to oliversfuneralhome.com

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.

Sunday Readings

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Accepting the Call

Nehemiah 8:2 - 4a, 5 - 6, 8 - 10. Ezra reads the law
1 Corinthians 12:12 - 30. Analogy of the body
Luke 1:1 - 4; 4:4 - 21. Beginning of Jesus' preaching

Key Passage: [Jesus] unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor." Luke 4:17b - 18a

Question:

Adult: What do you believe that the anointing you received at baptism requires you to do?

Child: What could you do this week for someone who has less than you?

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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 for adults? 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

Knights of Columbus: kofc3241gp@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.