



**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH**  
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**Administrator:**  
 Fr. Rectorino  
 Tolentino, Jr.

**Secretary:**  
 Linda Potter

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the People of God, in St. Joseph's Church, united with each other and our Pastor as members of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, do hereby come together to form a Parish Pastoral Council. We do so knowing that every one of us is a living member of the mystical body of Christ, and that in this body, "there are different gifts, but the same spirit: different ministries, but the same Lord." (1Corinthians 12:4-5)

### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday: 7:30am - Morning Prayer at Sister's house (3884 Alfred Ave)  
 9:00am - Liturgy of the Word (Johanna)  
 Tuesday: 8:30am - Morning Prayer  
 Wednesday: 8:30am - Morning Prayer  
 9:00am - Eucharist  
 Thursday: 8:30am - Morning Prayer  
 11:00am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge  
 Friday: 8:30am - Morning Prayer  
 9:00am - Eucharist  
 Saturday: 7:00pm - Eucharist  
 Sunday: 9:00am - Eucharist

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 6:00—6:30pm

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, April 19, 2008**

**Lector 1:** Moira McMillan

**Lector 2:** Patty Spicer

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Willy Koldyk

Barbara MacDougall

Nathan Verbeek

**Greeters:** Jim & Marie Z, Kellie W

**Coffee/Juice:** Greeters

**Altar Servers:** M. Travis

CR. Meghan V.A C. Tinka V.A

**Sunday, April 20, 2008**

**Lector 1:** Monica Sargent

**Lector 2:** Gemma Gillis

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Al & Tina Bruintjes

Rita Ricketts Clara Moore

Rob Onstein Carol deGelder

**Greeters:** Malbeufs, Eileen B

**Coffee/Juice:** Greeters

**Altar Servers:** M. Dylan

CR. Lindsey C. Darcy C. Tanner

**Children's Liturgy:** Kristi P, Kate R



**4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

April 13, 2008



**APRIL:**

Apr. 16th +Wilf Higginson  
 18th +Afra Hekkert

*If you wish to have a Mass offered for a Special Intention, please call the Parish Office.*

**Upcoming events:**

**April:**

**20th** - Mission Presentation  
 7pm

**23rd** -Refugee Meeting 7pm



*Please keep Jean, David & Richard in your prayers.*

*If you would like a name added to the Prayer Line please contact Lu Blackburn @ 847-2135.*

### Sunday Collection

**Church** - \$ 4094.00

**School** - \$ 296.00

**Refugee:**

((total pledged) \$ 58,740.00

(pledges received) \$ 37,611.15

## PARISH LIFE

### Parish Pastoral Council:

Rob Onstein 847-0134

### Finance Committee:

Arlene deGelder 846-9890

### St. Joseph's School:

Gord Higginson 847-9414

### Youth Group:

Claudia Hayhurst 847-3280

### Life Teen:

Gord Higginson 847-9414

### Catholic Women's League:

Cecilia Midnight 847-1840

### Refugee Committee:

Tim Hicks 847-2881

### Liturgy Committee:

Carol deGelder 847-2935

### Altar Servers:

Nancy Verbeek 847-1538

### Social Justice:

Vigil Overstall 846-5424

Marj Coupe 846-9239

## Thank You

- ◆ We would like to thank all the parishioners who helped in any way to make our Easter Triduum Celebrations a great success. We could not have done it without your help.  
May God bless you all. Liturgy Committee
- ◆ A Huge THANK YOU to everyone involved in Fr. Frank's farewell potluck. The turn out was amazing! Your hard work and dedication was very much appreciated.

### **ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT —Wednesday, April 16th @ 7pm.**

This will be the last get together. Our de Mello topics this session are "How to be Real" and "How to Love" - lots of food for thought for the summer. Come join us!! For more information please call Mabel Hicks at 847-2881.

## ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

### **TEACHING OPPORTUNITY AT ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, SMITHERS**

St. Joseph's School is seeking a full-time Learning Resource Teacher (LRT) beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. The role of the LRT includes learning assistance across the grades; individual education planning for learning challenged, gifted, and special needs students; collaboration with the administrator and teachers; supervision and support of student education assistants; student testing and evaluation; collaboration with specialists and parents. A background in learning support and special education, strong interpersonal skills, and computer skills will be highly valued for this position. Applicants must hold, or be eligible for a British Columbia College of Teachers Certificate. A commitment to Catholic Education is essential. For further information about this position contact Gordon Higginson, Principal, at 250-847-9414 or email [stjosephs@telus.net](mailto:stjosephs@telus.net)

A letter of application accompanied by supporting documents and the names of three references, including your Pastor, should be forwarded by April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 to the following address:

St. Joseph's Smithers  
Learning Resource Teacher Position  
c/o Superintendent of Schools  
Catholic Independent Schools  
Diocese of Prince George  
Box 7000, 6500 Southridge Avenue Prince George BC V2N 3Z2



## **REFUGEE OUTREACH UPDATE**

There is no news regarding Augustina's appeal except that the process is long and difficult and most appeals are being rejected. We should know Augustina's appeal outcome within six months. Regarding our new application, we have not been assigned a family yet. The difficulty is that refugees from Ethiopia and Congo have fled to Kenya and the Nairobi Immigration office has a small staff. We can expect a two to four year wait. Closer to home, your Refugee Committee will be **meeting April 23 at 7:30pm** to discuss the sharing of some collected furniture and other items with a refugee family who are taking up residence in Smithers May 1.

In the meantime, thank you for your patience, and persistence in prayer for hope and compassion for all refugees.

## **Mission Presentation**

Shanualea will be sharing with us pictures and impressions of her recent mission to India. This slide presentation will be in the St. Joseph's Church at 7:00pm on Sunday April 20th. Refreshments, tea, etc will be available in the foyer after. All parishioners are welcome to this invitation to mission.

### **49<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress**



**49<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL  
EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS  
QUEBEC CITY, CANADA  
June 15 to 22, 2008**  
*The Eucharist, gift of God  
for the life of the world.*

What is an International Eucharistic Congress?

*It is a gathering of the universal Church, celebrating Jesus alive and present in the Eucharist, the source and summit of evangelization and centre of the life of the Church.*

How will we as a parish community prepare to celebrate this event?

Every two weeks until the Congress there will be a question to ponder.

#### **April 13, 2008 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that "he came that we may have life and have it abundantly."

*In what ways do we experience this "abundant life" in living our vocation each day?*

*How can we help young women and men to discern the Shepherd's voice calling them to their specific vocation in life?*

## **4th Sunday of Easter**

Doing the right thing does not always feel good. You might take a stand for what you believe. You might go out of your way to assist someone in need. But even in these circumstances, something can still go wrong. Others do not appreciate your sacrifice. You suffer ridicule. You experience loss. You know it is right to do good, but unfairly you do not always feel good. The first letter of Peter says, "If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called."

The good we do is already a sign of our progress in the spiritual life, even if it does not feel that way. In the past, we may have avoided what is good if it seemed to threaten peace. We might have kept quiet about injustice in the workplace, the offenses of a neighbor, or the inappropriateness of derisive humor. Our silence gave consent. We were like sheep going astray.

But in Christ we know better. We do what is right even if it is unpopular. We speak up for the oppressed. We take time to defend human rights. We act with boldness we did not know before. We obtain this strength for doing good from the Shepherd of sheep, who guides and protects the flock. Faith in Christ brings comfort and courage. It makes us feel loved, confident, and strong to suffer for doing what is good, even when it is unpopular.

**SUNDAY  
EUCARIST**

11:30am

**ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH**

Box 819

Houston, B.C. V0J 1Z0

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Residence: (250) 845-2877

Administrator:

Fr. Rectorino

Tolentino, Jr.

**RECONCILIATION:**

1st Sunday of each  
month, after Eucharist

Pastoral Assistant:

Detta Smith

**SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY APRIL 20**

**LECTORS:** 1. Gail James 2. Vic James  
**EMCs:** Barb Jarvis Corrie Goold  
**ALTAR SERVERS:** + Nick B/C Malerie C Jonathon  
**GREETERS:** Jane Wardrop Bill Goold

**CHURCH CLEANING CREW** April 13 to 19: Sherry, Carm

**DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY APRIL 6**

19 envelopes	\$ 595.00	Holy Childhood	\$ 23.25
loose	\$ 70.00	Elevator Fund (5 envelopes)	\$355.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$665.00</b>		

In order to meet our projected expenses, we need to average a monthly Sunday Collection of \$3000.00.

Last month, (March, 5 weeks) we donated \$2728.75

**ELEVATOR FUND:**

We need to raise \$80,000.00

To date we have raised **\$68,689.48** including Fund Raising & Donations & Grants.

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**SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION and FIRST EUCHARIST**

On Tuesday April 15th Bishop Gerry will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation and celebrate the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time with ALICIA BISHOP, DYLAN CARON, and COLE RENNIE. This is a great blessing for our parish and all are encouraged to celebrate and pray with our bishop and these candidates.

**MASS WILL BE AT 5pm, followed by a Pot-Luck Supper**

**VOCATION SUNDAY**

Today, the 4th Sunday of Easter, is often called "Good Shepherd Sunday" or "Vocation Sunday". Christians throughout the world are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for an increase in vocations. *It is the responsibility of the whole Christian community to foster vocations. Families with a lively spirit of faith, love and reverence contribute greatly to this work, as do parishes which are spiritually alive and active* (Ordo 2007-2008)

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**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC DIOCESAN CONFERENCE**

**"BELOVED, USE YOUR HOLY FAITH"** (Jude 20)

The Conference will be held on May 2 and 3, Sacred Heart Parish in Terrace.

Rev. John Paul Joyce of the Intercessors of the Lamb is the guest speaker. Registration: Friday May 2 at 7pm.

The conference ends on Saturday evening. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** For more information please take a brochure from the bulletin board or contact Anita 635-6451 [acpage@telus.net](mailto:acpage@telus.net)

**CAMP MORICE**

This camp which is sponsored by the Diocese is located on Stewart Lake, near Fort St. James. During the months of July and August, week-long camps are offered for Children (6-12 yrs). Teens having completed Grade 8 (13-18 yrs) and for families. Brochures/registration forms are available from the bulletin board or you can register on-line.

Check out the website at [www.campmorice.com](http://www.campmorice.com).

Questions can be directed to the Camp Managers (250) 996-7881

**TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING**

We are planning a Parish Garage Sale to be held here at St. Anthony's on Saturday May 10 from 9 to noon. Anyone who has items to donate is asked to call Eric (845-3335) or Detta. We will be able to store your donations.

**PPC MEETING**

Sunday April 20, after Mass