



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
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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)
 Tuesday: 6:30pm - Mass
 7:00pm - **Stations of the Cross**
 Wednesday: 9:00am - Mass
 Thursday: 11:00am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge
 6:30pm - Mass
 Friday: 9:00am - Mass
 7:00pm - **Stations of the Cross**
 Saturday: 7:00pm - Mass
 Sunday: 9:00am - Mass
Reconciliation: Saturday 6:00—6:30pm



3rd Sunday of Lent
1st Scrutiny
 March 15, 2009

 During Lent, the Rosary will be prayed before Mass Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, (6pm) and after Mass on Wednesday & Friday (5min after Mass).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 21, 2009

Lector 1: Monica Sargent
Lector 2: Vigil Overstall
Eucharistic Ministers:
 David Hemenway
 Willy Koldyk
 Michael Spicer
Greeters: Jim & Margaret G, Monica S
Coffee/Juice: Greeters
Altar Servers: Cr Patty M/C Travis

Sunday, March 22, 2009

Lector 1: Kristi Pederson
Lector 2: Mabel Hicks
Eucharistic Ministers:
 Rob Onstein Clara Moore
 Lu Blackburn Bob Bresser
 Theo Sikkes ?
Greeters: Wayne & Andrea C, Eileen B
Coffee/Juice: Greeters
Altar Servers: Cr. Samantha M/C John
 C. Amanda
Children's Liturgy: Jaylee, Lindsey, Ashley



MARCH

17th -
 18th -
 19th -
 20th - Sr. Bernadette Gioux,
 f.c.j. RIP
 21st - People of the Parish
 22nd - +Concetta &
 Giuseppe Sia, RIP

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

Kindergarten Registration

We are holding registration for next year's Kindergarten for members of our parish, school families and now open to the public. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age by December 31st, 2009 please call the school office at 250-847-9414 to set up an appointment with Miss Forbrigger.



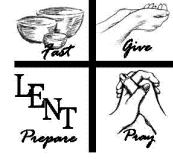
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING SALE

There will be a Children's Clothing Sale on March 28th from 9:30 - 11:30am at the St. Joseph's gym. If you would like to book a table or for more information please phone Shannon Malbeuf at 250-847-1857 or Lorina Groot at 250-847-3389.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	
CHURCH : \$1868.00	SCHOOL: \$90.00
REFUGEE: (total pledged) \$ 58,740.00 (pledges received) \$ 46,330.05	
DIOCESAN APPEAL: Parish Goal \$ 25,147.00 Actual to Date \$ 27,970.00 Amount <u>exceeding</u> Goal \$ 2823.00	

Stations of the Cross

Station 7: Tuesday, March 17 - Filipino & Canadian Society
Station 8: Friday, March 20 -



A sign up sheet is available at the back of the church for those of us who would like to volunteer and lead the prayer and reflection.

For those who would like to pray the complete Stations of the Cross in 1 night, you are invited to come join the RCIA group on March 30th at 7pm. If you would like to pray the Stations of the Cross on your own time, you are welcome to come to the church anytime during the week.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE: Wednesday, March 25th at 7:00pm

PARISH DONATION BOX

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Thank you to Theo Sikkes for constructing our beautiful Donation Boxes in the church foyer! They look amazing! The Donation Box is divided into three parts . One part is for donations of non-perishable food items, another is for donations to the Broadway House, and the third one is for any miscellaneous donation items that we are collecting for any particular month (eg. Blankets for Lejac). Each section is labeled for your donated items.

**PRAYING THE PSALMS
LENTEN RETREAT DAY IN HOUSTON
March 28th**

St. Joseph's Parish Community is invited to attend this Lenten Retreat in Houston on March 28th. If you are planning to attend, and have extra space in your vehicle for a passenger, please contact the parish office.



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
 Our school website: www.stj.homestead.com

WEEKEND MASS

We are looking for children who'd like to be part of a weekend Mass on Saturday and Sunday, April 25th and 26th. Please phone the school if your child would like to be a part of this.

50TH ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES

"HALL OF FAME"

As part of the St. Joseph's School 50th Anniversary celebration this year, we would like to have an Alumni "Hall of Fame". We are asking for suggestions of names for this purpose so that we can send out biographical questionnaires and request photos. If you know of anyone who attended our school and "did St. Joseph's proud" please provide us with their name and contact information so that we can contact them. Information can be dropped off at either the Parish or School office.

NOTES ABOUT LENT

CHRISM MASS

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Chrism Mass on **Monday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Cathedral**, followed by a reception. A pamphlet prepared by Fr. John Garden on the meaning of the Chrism Mass is available from the parish office. In this celebration we gather from around the diocese as one family. We recall our baptismal anointing as priest, prophet and king; we give thanks for the gift of the ordained priesthood and we receive the sacred oils that will be used during the year for baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick and ordination.



It is a most joyful event of our Diocesan Family - plan to take part!

March 19 is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron of the universal church, principal patron of Canada. Mass will be offered at its usual time, 6:30 in the evening.

Prayers to St. Joseph: *O great St. Joseph, who heeded most faithfully the call of God and who protected with the utmost care the Christ-child and His holy mother, we beg you to help young men and women to answer generously the call of the Master, and to protect the vocation of those who have already entered the priestly or religious life. Amen*

St. Joseph, patron of the universal Church, watch over the Church as carefully as you watched over Jesus; help protect it and guide it as you did with your adopted son. Amen

RCIA and RCIC

We had a beautiful celebration of the Rite of Election last week with Bishop Gerald Wiesner, OMI, thank you Bishop Gerry for welcoming our Catechumens and Candidates. We also thank the following: all parishioners who came to celebrate, Mary Spicer who did the music, CWL for hosting the reception afterwards, and all people involved in preparing our sisters and brothers who are seeking full initiation into the Church.

We continue to pray for our Elect and Candidates as they approach their final preparation for their full initiation into the Church: (RCIC) James Follows, Brendan Alexander Gamble, Chloe Gamble (RCIA) Dan Ford, Rachel Lecker, Carol Meeuwissen, Opal Thompson and Candidates Karin Koppits and Erica West.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation is one of the seven sacraments in our Church. In our community, we celebrate this sacrament in Grade 3. If you have a child in Grade 3 outside of our school, and interested in celebrating this sacrament, please let us know as soon as possible. You can contact the parish office (847-2012) to get the information. Just a reminder - your child needs to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist before celebrating First Reconciliation.

**CONFIRMATION / FIRST EUCHARIST
CELEBRATION #3 - Sunday March 29, 2009 (10:15am - 11:00am.)**

The theme of our gathering will be "The Rite of Gathering!".
Please complete pages 25 - 50 in the Family Books **before the Celebration.**



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<p>SCHEDULE of LITURGIES THURSDAY March 19 NO MASS ***** SUNDAY MARCH 22, 2009 Mass at 11:30am Intention: ???</p> <p>LECTOR: 1. Liz Gerei 2. Adrian Meeuwissen EMCs: Gail & Vic James SERVERS: + Nicole B/C Lucas C Jonathon GREETERS: Tammy Hiebert Bill Goold</p>	<p>DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY MARCH 8</p> <table border="0"><tr><td>17 envelopes</td><td>\$ 295.00</td><td>Holy Childhood</td><td>\$ 8.00</td></tr><tr><td>loose</td><td>\$ 28.00</td><td>Elevator Fund (6 envelope)</td><td>\$ 380.00</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>\$ 315.00</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> <p>ELEVATOR FUND: We need to raise \$104,000.00 To date we have raised \$92,853.97 including Fund Raising, Grants & Donations.</p>	17 envelopes	\$ 295.00	Holy Childhood	\$ 8.00	loose	\$ 28.00	Elevator Fund (6 envelope)	\$ 380.00	Total	\$ 315.00		
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<p>PRAYING THE PSALMS LENTEN RETREAT DAY: March 28th</p> <p>The Parish Pastoral Council has invited Sr. Donna Dolan rscj from the Domano Renewal Centre in Prince George to lead us in a Lenten Day of Reflection on Saturday March 28th from 10am to 3pm. The retreat day will include some input on the Psalms as well as listening to, praying and personally reflecting on different kinds of Psalms. The day will include time for sharing and even a bit of humour. A regular practice of encountering God in the Psalms can help revitalize, sustain and nourish our prayer-life through the different seasons of our lives. Lunch will be provided. There is no cost for those who participate in the retreat day. You may make a donation if you wish to help defray the expenses incurred.</p> <p>This Day of Reflection is open to all parishioners, both at St. Anthony's and St. Joseph's. You are encouraged to make it part of your Lenten journey.</p>													
<p>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER</p> <p>This annual Inter Church Service will be hosted by St. Clement's Anglican Church on Tuesday March 17, 2009 at 3pm. The World Day of Prayer is observed annually in Lent. It is an Invitation for all Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. Each year it recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. This Day of Prayer is celebrated in approximately 165 countries.</p>													
<p>PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE</p> <p>The penitential discipline of Lent makes this an appropriate season for a communal celebration of Penance/Reconciliation. Fr. Rector will be with us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday April 2 at 6pm.</p>													
<p>RECONCILIATION PREPARATION</p> <p>Last week ALICIA BISHOP, NICOLE HAK and COLE RENNIE began their preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They will celebrate this sacrament for the first time at the Parish Lenten Reconciliation service. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.</p>													
<p>CAMP MORICE: Summer Camps. Check the poster on the bulletin board for the dates of this year's Camps.</p>													
<p>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</p> <p>DEVELOPMENT and PEACE: Each week during Lent there will be an attachment and/or insert with your bulletin containing information from Development and Peace. The focus of this year's D and P campaign is the impact that mining in certain 3rd World Countries is having on those who live there. Attached to your bulletin is a letter from Bishop Gerry endorsing and encouraging our support of the Share Lent collection.</p> <p>CHRISM MASS. The Mass of Chrism is celebrated annually by the bishop and priests of the diocese. It is a sign of the unity and communion of the priests with the bishop. During Mass, the bishop blesses the Oil of Catechumens (<i>used in the Sacrament of Baptism</i>), and the Oil of the Sick (<i>used in the Sacrament of Anointing</i>). The Oil of Chrism (<i>used in the Sacraments of Infant Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders</i>) is also consecrated at this Mass. Parishioners from across the diocese (Prince Rupert to Prince George to Fort St. John) are invited and encouraged to gather at the Cathedral Church to share in this diocesan celebration. It is appropriate for parishioners to receive the Oils from the bishop and to bring them back to their respective parishes. (Detta will be able to take 2 or 3 people with her. Accommodation will be taken care of.)</p> <p>The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Monday March 30 at 7:00pm.</p> <p>SUNDAY READINGS: Although the Liturgical Year is currently following the readings assigned to Year B (Gospel of Mark), on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent, the Presider has the option of using the readings from Year A due to their powerful Baptismal emphasis. Fr. Rector has decided to use this option. The readings can be found in the Sunday Missal.</p> <p>3rd Sunday: Christ is the Living Water 4th Sunday: Christ is the Light of the World 5th Sunday: Christ is the Resurrection and the Life.</p>													