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Pastoral
Assistant:
Carol deGelder

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: 5:00pm - **Mass & Confirmation and 1st Holy Eucharist**
Wednesday: 9:00am - Mass
Thursday: 11am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge
6:30pm - Mass
Friday: 9:00am - Mass
Saturday: 7:00pm - Mass
Sunday: 9:00am - Parish/School Mass



Divine Mercy Sunday
April 19, 2009

Reconciliation: Saturday 6:00 - 6:30pm

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

CHURCH :
Holy Thursday:
\$860.00

Easter:
\$4645.50

REFUGEE:
(total pledged) \$ 58,740.00
(pledges received) \$ 44,607.17

DIOCESAN APPEAL:
Parish Goal \$ 25,147.00

SCHOOL:

\$350.00

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE
(to date): \$1403.00

Actual to Date \$ 27,970.00
Amount exceeding Goal \$ 2823.00



APRIL

21st - 26th: +Cecilia
Garcia, RIP
26th - All living and
deceased member of the
CWL

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 25, 2009

Lector 1: Parish/School children

Lector 2: Parish/School Children

Eucharistic Ministers:

Jean Moisey

Nathan Verbeek

Michael Spicer

Greeters: Monica S, Sheila C, June P

Coffee/Juice: Greeters

Altar Servers: Cr Patty M/C. Travis

Sunday, April 26, 2009

Lector 1: Parish/School children

Lector 2: Parish/School children

Eucharistic Ministers:

Lu Blackburn Mary Stroet

Johanna Habjan Janna Delany

Al & Tina Bruintjes

Greeters: Theo & Corry S, Maria P

Coffee/Juice: Greeters

Altar Servers: Cr. Megan M/C Seb
C. Bradley

Children's Liturgy: Jaylee, Lindsey

C.W.L.

A reminder to
CWL members
to save their
Canadian Tire
Money for Mater
Care. The box is
located on the
ledge below the
CWL bulletin
board.

Thank you!

PARISH LIFE

Parish Pastoral Council:

Rob Onstein 847-0134

Finance Committee:

Arlene deGelder 846-9890

Liturgy Committee:

Gemma Gillis 847-4074

Youth Group:

Claudia Hayhurst 847-3280

Social Justice:

Vigil Overstall 846-5424

Marj Coupe 846-9239

Catholic Women's League:

Johanna Habjan 847-4504

Refugee Committee:

Tim Hicks 847- 2881

St. Joseph's School:

Susan Forbrigger 847-9414

Altar Servers:

Nancy Verbeek 847-1538

Diocesan Appeal /Social Committee:

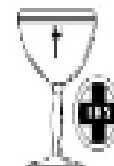
Alex Bussmann 847- 1781

Michael DesHarnais 847 - 6688

SACRAMENTS

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

Confirmation and First Eucharist will take place at 5pm on Tuesday, April 21st. All are invited to come and celebrate with our children who will receive Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Our final session will be on Sunday, April 26th during mass.



I would like to thank all the people that have helped me over the past seven and a half years, to make all the celebrations so very special. It has been a great pleasure working with you all. This past Easter Triduum was wonderful, thank to all of YOU. The people behind the scenes who worked so hard to prepare the different services, and also the parishioners who donated plants, flowers and food. I have enjoyed my time as your representative on PPC as the Liturgy Committee Chairperson. I am pleased to announce that Gemma Gillis has agreed to take over for me on PPC as Liturgy Committee Chairperson. I look forward to serve in a different capacity as your Pastoral Assistant (in training). May God Bless, each and everyone of you.

Carol deGelder

INDIA PRESENTATION

Christine Tessier will be putting on a slide presentation about her recent trip to India. This will take place in St. Joseph's School library on Tuesday, April 28, beginning at 6:30pm. Christine will be sharing her experiences in that country as part of a group of Girl Guide leaders from this area. EVERYONE WELCOME!!



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Our school website: www.stj.homestead.com

GARAGE SALE

Don't forget us during your Spring cleaning. Grade 7 will be having a Garage Sale in May, items can be dropped off at the school at any time.

"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.

Support for Bill C-300 on Corporate Accountability for the Activities of Mining, Oil or Gas in Developing Countries

Disappointed by the Canadian government's recent refusal to firmly address the corporate social responsibility of Canadian mining companies operating abroad, Development and Peace asks Canadians to urge their Members of Parliament to support Bill C-300. There is clear evidence that several Canadian companies are severely harming the environment and the health of the people living in the communities in which they operate. While the current Canadian government proposes voluntary actions only and displaces the blame for irresponsible behavior from mining companies to developing countries, Bill C-300 will ensure Canadian mining companies respect Canada's commitment to international human rights standards. After second reading Bill C-300 will be submitted to a committee for review and will return to the House for voting.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE (DYC)

May 1,2,3, 2009

DYC is our annual event for youth. The theme for this year's conference is *Lord of Our Dance*. Brad Henning of Life Resources is returning as keynote speaker. Brad talks about good relationships and is very much in demand across Western US and Canada. Youth from across Northern BC and other parts of Western Canada come to DYC to pray, think about important things in life, meet other people, renew friendships and have other good experiences. DYC is for youth Grades 8 to 12. If you are interested in attending this conference, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

LOOKING AHEAD!

May 1st, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, MINISTRY APPRECIATION NIGHT

The Parish Pastoral Council together with Fr. Rectorino has decided to choose May 1st, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker as our Parish Feast Day being that our patron saint is St. Joseph. This year we would like to celebrate it by having Eucharistic Celebration at 6:30pm followed by community socialization.

As far as community socialization is concern we will have "Wine and Cheese" for the night. This night is intended to be a "MINISTRY APPRECIATION NIGHT." It is our way of recognizing and thanking every parishioner especially those who are involve in the different ministries of the parish. Please plan to come and celebrate with us on this very special day in the life of our parish.

CHURCH SPRING CLEANING - SATURDAY MAY 2 @ 10AM

SPRING HAS ARRIVED!!

On Saturday, May 2 at 10am, we invite parishioners to join us at the church (with buckets & rags) to give our church a good spring cleaning! Sign up sheets will be available next weekend at the back of the church. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!



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Detta Smith

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<p>SCHEDULE of LITURGIES THURSDAY APRIL 23 Mass at 2:30pm Intention:??</p> <p>SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2009 Mass at 11:30am Intention: ?? LECTOR: 1. Shirley Collins 2. Jane Wardrop EMCs: Barb Jarvis Corrie Goold SERVERS: + Nicole B/C Nick C Nate GREETERS: Liz & Frank Gerei</p>	<p>DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY April 12</p> <table><tr><td>20 envelopes</td><td>\$390.00</td><td>Holy Childhood</td><td>\$8.41</td></tr><tr><td>loose</td><td>\$ 94.00</td><td>Elevator Fund (3 envelope)</td><td>\$120.00</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>\$ 484.00</td><td>Holy Land/Good Friday(to date)</td><td>\$255.00</td></tr></table> <p>ELEVATOR FUND: We need to raise \$104,000.00 To date we have raised \$93,497.97 including Fund Raising, Grants & Donations.</p> <p>COLLECTION COUNTERS April 26 Susan</p>	20 envelopes	\$390.00	Holy Childhood	\$8.41	loose	\$ 94.00	Elevator Fund (3 envelope)	\$120.00	Total	\$ 484.00	Holy Land/Good Friday(to date)	\$255.00
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<p>CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE April 20 to 25 Raquel, Ana, Fernanda</p>

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
The 2nd Sunday of Easter is designated as Divine Mercy Sunday. It is an opportunity for us to rejoice in and give thanks for God's unconditional love and mercy. This mercy is revealed to us through the Resurrection of Jesus and is promised to us when we faithfully live our baptismal commitment.

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RELIGIOUS ARTICLES
Crucifixes, Rosaries, Rosary Cases, Visor Clips, Holy Medals, chains, Holy Water Fonts, Bibles etc are available for purchase from the display case in the Entrance Way. If you are looking for something in particular, please see Detta. We may be able to special order for you. Catalogues are available.

SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION and FIRST EUCHARIST
On Wednesday May 6th Bishop Gerry will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation and celebrate the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time with ISABELLE GRELSON and MADALYN SLANEY. This is a great blessing for our parish and all are encouraged to celebrate and pray with our bishop and their candidates.
MASS WILL BE AT 5pm, followed by a Pot-Luck Supper

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SUPPORT FOR BILL C-300
More information about this Bill is available inside this bulletin as well as from your bulletin board.

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AN IMPORTANT REMINDER.....
If you or a family member are admitted to hospital and wish to have a visit from the Church, please be sure to contact the parish office to make this request known. (Privacy legislation restricts the information that hospitals are allowed to release, and we have no other way of knowing you are in hospital.)

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PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION
On May 14, 1964, the Canadian Parliament legalized abortion.
On January 28, 1988, the law was removed and since that date, Canada has had no law which protects the unborn child.
Please sign the petition in the Entrance Way calling upon Parliament to pass legislation for the protection of human life from the time of conception (fertilization) until natural death.
The petitions will be forwarded by the Houston Pro-Life Association in these weeks leading up to the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 14, 2009. It is hoped that pro-life MPs will stand up in the House everyday until the March for Life and say: "I have received a petition from concerned Canadians calling upon Parliament to pass legislation for the protection of human life from the time of conception until natural death."

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