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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

Thursday: 11am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge
 Saturday: 7:00pm - Mass
 Sunday: 9:00am - Mass

Fr. Rector will be away in Jasper for Priests' Assembly from May 11-15th.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS</u>	
CHURCH :	SCHOOL:
\$2536.00	\$291.00
REFUGEE: (total pledged) \$ 58,740.00	(to date) : \$ 1403.00
(pledges received) \$ 44,607.17	
DIOCESAN APPEAL:	
Parish Goal \$ 25,147.00	Actual to Date \$ 27,970.00
Amount exceeding Goal \$ 2823.00	
Amount received back in parish (to date) \$ 1573.00	



Fifth Sunday of Easter
 May 10, 2009



MAY
 16th - +Lauren Maillot, RIP
 17th - +Concetta & Michelangelo Sia, RIP

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<p>Saturday, May 16, 2009</p> <p>Lector 1: Patty Spicer Lector 2: David Hemenway Eucharistic Ministers: Bob Bresser Michael Spicer Willy Koldyk Greeters: Heinbeckers, Sheila C Coffee/Juice: Greeters Altar Servers: Cr Patty</p>	<p>Sunday, May 17, 2009</p> <p>Lector 1: Trevor Brintjes Lector 2: Brian Burrill Eucharistic Ministers: Al & Tina Brintjes Carol deGelder Tim Hicks Janna Delany Le Blackburn Greeters: Eileen B, The Bolens Coffee/Juice: Greeters Altar Servers: Cr. Darcy M/C Dylan C. Nadine Children's Liturgy: Hillary, Lisa, Katelynn</p>
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SPECIAL COLLECTION - POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS
 May 17th, 2009
 Please see explanation about this Special Collection at the back of the bulletin.

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

LIBRARY CART

If you are interested in **taking over** the Library Cart on the first and third weekend of each month, please contact the parish office. New ideas or suggestions are always welcome!



C.W.L. NEWS

The next CWL meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12th at 7:00pm. Installation and reception of new members will take place at that time.

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION

THANK YOU to everyone who donated money to the Holy Childhood Association (the container is located at the front of the church). The total amount collected, (over 2 years), was \$755.98!!!!

Your generosity is gratefully appreciated.



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Our school website: www.stj.homestead.com

YEARBOOK ADS

If you would like to run an ad in our yearbook, we will need it by Friday, May 22. The prices are as follows: \$50 for a half page, \$30 for a quarter page, and \$20 for a business card size. You may drop your ad at the school office or give it to Susan Forbrigger or Joanne Boot. Thank you.

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 or know someone who is interested in attending, please call the school office at 250-847-9414 to set up an appointment with Miss Forbrigger.

PRE K REGISTRATION

This will be held on Friday, May 15th at 8:30 am. There will be a Monday, Wednesday, and Friday class for \$75.00 and a Tuesday and Thursday class for \$55.00. There will be a \$10.00 library book fee and a \$10.00 supply fee for the year. This is a first come, first serve basis. Please bring in your child's care card for registration.

GIFT CERTIFICATE SALES

A major fundraiser for our school is selling gift certificates for Bulkley Valley Wholesale, Extra Foods and Safeway. You may purchase these certificates at the school office for face value and the school receives a percentage from the retailer. This is a great way to help our school raise money to help with our daily operations.

Certificates will be available to purchase after EVERY Mass

Parish Pastoral Council Highlights

- ◆ Thank you to Bulkley Valley Wholesale for their generous donation towards our Pancake Breakfast.
- ◆ 2nd rebate from the Annual Diocesan Appeal was received. To date we have received \$1578.00 Ideas are now being gathered as to where the next year's excess Diocesan Appeal money should go towards.
- ◆ Next social event being planned is a Mass/BBQ at Tye Lake on June 21st. Watch bulletin for more information.
- ◆ Person needed to take over the Church Library Cart.
- ◆ Everyone is invited to an evening Mass on May 18th at 6:30 to celebrate Fr. Rector's 2nd Sacerdotal Anniversary.
- ◆ May 29 - 30th - Lay Presiders' Workshop with Susan Campbell.

PRO LIFE NEWS

- ◆ Smithers Pro-Life **Annual Spring Dinner and Dessert Auction** to be held at the Canadian Reformed Church banquet room on Friday May 15. Mr. Paul Chamberlain will be speaking on "Final Wishes: another look at euthanasia & assisted suicide". Doors open at 6pm - dinner served at 6:30pm. Come for the best desserts in the valley!!

In Love and Appreciation of our Mother

(An offering of Blessing)

Holy God,

You compared your own love for your people to the love of a mother for her children. Look with kindness on our mother who has shared in your creating love by the gift of her children.

We thank you for the joy and sorrows of her life, the giving and sharing, and, especially for your love that has formed us in your image.

Listen to our prayers and bless the mother who has nurtured and sustained us. Give her patience in abundance and let her find joy and satisfaction in all her work.

Glory and praise to you, loving God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, and who reigns with you in the glory of heaven, for ever and ever. Amen.

To all the Moms,
HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!!!



CAMP MORICE NEWS

- ◆ A list of various camps and dates is located on the bulletin board at the back of the church.
- ◆ **CAMP MANAGERS NEEDED!!** For full information and job description, refer to their website: www.campmorice.com

BILL C-300

Bill C-300 on the corporate social responsibility of Canadian mining companies operating abroad was passed in the House of Commons on April 22, with a vote of 137 for to 133 against. "We are very excited" reports Ryan Worms, Education Materials Officer for Development and Peace, "this victory is without a doubt due to the hard work of our members across Canada." Bill C-300 will now go to a consultative committee and to the Senate for another vote.

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<p>SCHEDULE of LITURGIES WEDNESDAY MAY 14, 2009 NO MASS</p> <p>*****</p> <p>SUNDAY MAY 17, 2009 Mass at 11:30am Intention: ??</p> <p>LECTOR: 1. Liz Gerei 2. Jane Wardrop</p> <p>EMCs: Adrian and Jo Meeuwissen</p> <p>SERVERS: + Nicole B/C VOLUNTEER C ??</p> <p>GREETERS: Bill Goold Tammy Hiebert</p>	<p>DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY May 3</p> <table><tr><td>23 envelopes</td><td>\$575.00</td><td>Holy Childhood</td><td>\$5.75</td></tr><tr><td>loose</td><td>\$ 43.00</td><td>Elevator Fund (1 envelope)</td><td>\$50.00</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>\$ 618.00</td><td>Elevator Fund (Apr. Janitorial)</td><td>\$162.00</td></tr></table> <p>In order to meet our projected expenses, we need to realize a monthly Sunday Collection of \$3000.00. Last month (April: 4 weeks) we donated \$2074.00</p> <p>ELEVATOR FUND: We need to raise \$104,000.00 To date we have raised \$93,979.97 including Fund Raising, Grants & Donations.</p>	23 envelopes	\$575.00	Holy Childhood	\$5.75	loose	\$ 43.00	Elevator Fund (1 envelope)	\$50.00	Total	\$ 618.00	Elevator Fund (Apr. Janitorial)	\$162.00
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MOTHERS' DAY

Today we honour and celebrate all mothers-those living and those who have died. We pray in thanksgiving for these women, called to reflect Christ's love through their witness and service to their families. Please see the card in the Entrance Way from Connie Basa and Espie Villaverde.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: The next regular CWL meeting will be on Tuesday May 14 at noon. Bring a bag lunch!

FINANCE COUNCIL/PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The next meeting will be on Thursday May 21, following Mass at 2pm. If you have any additions for the agenda, please contact Tammy (845-2066) before May 13. Your input and involvement is valued and appreciated.

PRO-LIFE

Houston Pro-Life is sponsoring a Dessert Evening with speaker PAUL CHAMBERLAIN Ph.D. who will inform us on the Euthanasia issue that is currently facing our nation. Please join us for an evening of informative discussion on Saturday May 16 at 6pm at the Christian Reform Church. (Admission is free but a free-will offering will be taken at the end of the evening.)

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 (13-18yrs.) and for families. Please see the poster on the bulletin board. Brochures/registration forms will be available soon or you can register on-line at www.campmorice.com Questions can be directed to the Camp Managers (250) 996 7881

GARDEN PARTY 2009: It was decided at the last PPC meeting that the Annual Parish Garden Party will be held on June 14, 2009. Watch the bulletin for ways you can offer to help this important community event. Call Tammy (845-2086) for more information.

HOME RELIGION REGISTRATION

Recognizing that parents are the first educators of their children in the ways of faith, St. Anthony's offers a home-based religion programme to assist them with this great honour and responsibility. This past year, 9 families (13 children) from our parish were involved. "Home Religion" is a Lectionary/Scripture based programme that follows the Sunday Gospel readings. It begins at the Pre-School level and continues up to Grade 9. The new programme will begin in the Fall but we need to let the publishers know SOON how many we need to order so that they can publish enough copies. (children are expected to have been involved with the programme for at least one year prior to any sacramental preparation.) Registration forms are available on the Home Religion Families bulletin board. For more information or for answers to any concerns, please call Dawn Bishop (845-3335).

SPECIAL COLLECTION: May 17, 2009

Each year at this time, Canadian Catholics are asked to give generously to **The Pope's Pastoral Works**. This annual papal collection is passed on the Holy Father for his use among those who are stricken by natural disasters: floods, earthquakes, fires, tornadoes etc. Through your generosity, Pope Benedict is able to offer financial help to people in need, displaying Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer. If you would like to contribute and are not presently using weekly donation envelopes, put your donation in a plain envelope marked POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS and place it in the Collection Basket. If you would like to receive a tax-receipt at the end of the year, please also write your name on the envelope.

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