

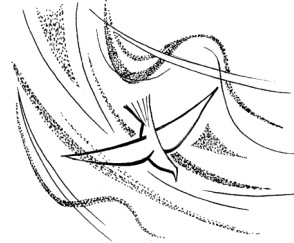
Secretary: Linda Potter	ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH Box 454 Smithers, B.C. V0J 2N0 (250) 847-2012 www.stjosephsmithers.com	Pastor: Fr. Rectorino Tolentino, Jr.
		Pastoral Assistant: Carol deGelder

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

Tuesday: 6:30pm - Mass
 Wednesday: 9:00am - Mass
 Thursday: 11am - Liturgy at the Bulkley Lodge
 Saturday: 7:00pm - Liturgy of the Word with Communion
 Sunday: 9:00am - Liturgy of the Word with Communion



Fr. Rector will be in Victoria for Canadian Catholic Schools Trustees' Association Convention from June 4 - 7th.

Pentecost Sunday
May 31, 2009

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS</u>	
CHURCH :	PAPAL CHARITIES (TO DATE):
\$1958.00	\$ 346.00
REFUGEE: (total pledged) \$ 58,740.00	(to date): \$1403.00
<i>(pledges received) \$ 44,607.17</i>	
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



JUNE
 2nd - Roy Hann, RIP
 3rd - James Marrion, RIP
 4th - 7th - NO MASS

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>Saturday, June 6, 2009</u>	<u>Sunday, June 7, 2009</u>
<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Lay President: Attending workshop	Lay President: Attending workshop
Reflection:	Reflection:
Lector 1: Vigil Overstall	Lector 1: Brian Burrill
Lector 2: David Hemenway	Lector 2: Linda Rosner
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
Michael Spicer	Mary Stroet Clara Moore
Willy Koldyk	Al & Tina Brintjes
Nathan Verbeek	Bob Bresser Nicki Pederson
Greeters: Jim & Margaret G, June P	Greeters: Pete & Mary S, Johanna H
Coffee/Juice: Greeters	Coffee/Juice: Greeters
Altar Servers: Cr Patty M/C Aimee C. Nolan	Altar Servers: Cr. Samantha M/C John C. Bradley
	Children's Liturgy: Kaillyn, Megan, Ashley



LEJAC ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE July 10,11,12, 2009

This annual diocesan pilgrimage celebrates the faith and example of ROSE PRINCE, a First Nations Carrier woman, whose simple life has attracted much attention. Devotion to ROSE PRINCE and interest in her canonization has increased over the years, and now many people gather each year at Lejac (Fraser Lake) for this special pilgrimage. Details of the various events during the three days can be found on the poster on the bulletin board.

PASTORAL ASSIGNMENTS

Father Kenneth Uwaoma: Pastor of Christ the King Parish, Kitimat

Father Rectorino Tolentino: Pastor of St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers and St. Anthony's, Houston

Father John Garden: Extended study leave

Father Pier Pandolfo: Leave for personal renewal and then assigned as Rector of Sacred Heart Cathedral

Father Venerando Sabacan: Pastor of Our Lady of Peace Parish, Chetwynd, Holy Cross, Tumbler Ridge and St. Theresa's, Moberly Lake

Father Roger Lavoie: Pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows, Fort Nelson and missions. The Bishop of Whitehorse is very short of priests and has asked us if we could be of help. We have entered into a three-year agreement to provide a priest for Fort Nelson, an agreement that can be renewed.

Detta Smith: Pastoral Life Director of St. Patrick's Parish, McBride

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

- ◆ To Susan Campbell, of the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, for facilitating our Sunday Celebration of the Word workshop on Friday evening. Thank you also to everyone who took time to attend.
- ◆ To David Hemenway for constructing the beautiful cross for the back of the church. Below the cross, there is a prayer box for any prayer requests you may have.

STUDY BAGS Every year the school and parish make up study bags for high school students taking exams. If anyone would like to donate items such as pop, small bags of chips, water bottles, licorice, granola bars or donate money to help purchase some of these items, it would be greatly appreciated. They may be dropped off at the school or parish office.

BROADWAY PLACE

Broadway Place is very thankful for the support of our parish. List of items that they will put to good use are on the inside of the collection box lids. Items that they would find very useful which we haven't mentioned before are **slippers, back packs, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, regular household cleaners, blankets and sleeping bags.** Items that they are always running low on are **slippers, pajama bottoms, and sweat pants.** Thank you again for your support.

PRO-LIFE NEWS

Saturday **June 6 is the Smithers Pro-Life Garage Sale at St. Joseph school gym.** Door opens at 7 a.m. Items may be dropped off on Friday June 5 at the gym after 5 p.m. For more information, or to volunteer please phone Hermina 847-3666 or Jenny 846-9158 No clothing please! Thank you, your support is appreciated!



Thank-you to each of the people who donated a dessert to the Smithers Pro-Life Dessert Auction. Thanks also goes to those who paid \$2910.00 for the desserts auctioned off. This was our best ever dessert auction thanks to you.

CWL NEWS

All women of the parish are invited to St. James Anglican Church on Monday June 8th at 6pm for a pot luck dinner. Bring your favourite dish and plan to attend!!



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Our school website: www.stj.homestead.com

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

We are holding registration for next year's Kindergarten. 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

The Monday, Wednesday, and Friday class have been filled but there are still spots left in the Tuesday and Thursday class. The cost for this class is \$55.00 a month with a \$10.00 library book and \$10.00 notebook fee. Please call the school office for more information.



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May 30, 2009
Pentecost Sunday

My Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph's and St. Anthony's Parish,

Peace be with you!

It is with gladness that I would like to share with you the letter that I receive from our Bishop, Most Rev. Gerald Wiesner, OMI. In his letter dated May 19, 2009, the day after my 2nd Anniversary of Priesthood, Bishop Gerry now appoints me as Pastor of St. Joseph's Parish and the Mission of St. Anthony's in Houston. I am very grateful for the trust and confidence that our Bishop gives me. I therefore, ask for your constant support and encouragement, much more your spirit of collaboration and your fervent prayers so that I may effectively minister and perform the tasks that are entrusted to my care.

With this letter also I would like to inform all of you about some personnel matter. On November 30, 2008, Ms. Detta Smith marked her 9th year of ministry as our Pastoral Assistant in St. Anthony's Parish, on the same date, she submitted her letter of resignation and it will take effect this coming Summer 2009. She recently received a new appointment and she will be serving as Pastoral Life Director at St. Patrick's Parish, Mc Bride. I would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for the varied ways Ms. Detta shared her ministry in the parish. Ms. Detta, on behalf of both parishes, we thank you for journeying with us!

In relation with this, I together with Bishop Gerry, Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council of both parishes, worked together to have a replacement that will help me in terms of pastoral work in our respective parishes. Last March 22, 2009, I wrote you a letter informing you that since Fall of 2008, I have been working to have a Pastoral Assistant to be shared by both parishes. At the same date, with my personal invitation, Mrs. Carol deGelder, immediately assumed the responsibility of being a Pastoral Assistant at St. Joseph's on a part time basis. Thankfully, with Bishop's guidance and approval we now have successfully filled the position for a full time pastoral work. Thus, this coming June 7, 2009, Mr. Rogelio Cruz, pastoral worker from the Philippines, will come to work with us mainly at St. Anthony's Parish, Houston but also will be serving at least one and a half days a week at St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers. Let us welcome Mr. Rogelio "Ronnie" Cruz in our parishes. We thank Mrs. Carol deGelder for her generosity of time serving as a part time pastoral assistant but at the same time for having expressed that she is still willing to be part of the staff as a volunteer.

Moreover, I also would like to inform you that our parish has been chosen to host a seminarian from June to August of this year. Bishop Gerry asks me if I can help Seminarian Rene Antonio, also coming from the Philippines, in terms of acclimatizing himself here in Canada. I agreed to it for I believe that with his presence in our community, he will also help us in our effort to attract and invite young people to respond to the call of vocation to the priesthood and religious life.

Finally, being appointed as your Pastor, I would like to repeat the words that I already shared with you when I first arrived here, that I come to you as a brother, a fellow disciple, a priest, and a friend. Therefore, I trust that we will continue to work together as people of God with the vision of transforming our relationship of pastor-parishioners to friends.

May we be so filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday.
Happy Pentecost Day!

I remain,

Rev. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.
Pastor

Pastoral Assistant:
Detta Smith

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<p align="center">SCHEDULE of LITURGIES THURSDAY JUNE 4, 2009 No mass</p> <p align="center">*****</p> <p align="center">SUNDAY JUNE 7, 2009 <i>Liturgy of the WORD, with Communion</i></p> <p>Lay President: Garry Beaudette Reflection: Detta Lector: 1. Barb Jarvis 2. Liz Gerei Servers: 1. Jonathon 2. Alicia Greeters: Bill Goold Tammy Hiebert</p>	<p align="center">DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY May 24</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>21 envelopes</td> <td>\$330.00</td> <td>Holy Childhood</td> <td>\$3.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>loose</td> <td>\$ 10.00</td> <td>Elevator Fund (4 envelope)</td> <td>\$210.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>\$ 340.00</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>ELEVATOR FUND: We need to raise \$104,000.00 To date we have raised \$94,334.97 including Fund Raising, Grants & Donations.</p>	21 envelopes	\$330.00	Holy Childhood	\$3.48	loose	\$ 10.00	Elevator Fund (4 envelope)	\$210.00	Total	\$ 340.00		
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<p>CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE June 1 to 6 Sherry, Carm</p>

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SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

The Feast of Pentecost is sometimes referred to as *The Birthday of the Church*. The Christian Church is 'born' as the followers of Jesus, infused with his Spirit, begin to spread the Gospel message. The word "Pentecost" means fiftieth: it is the fiftieth day after Easter and marks the end of the Easter Season. The Paschal Candle which has journeyed with us since Easter Sunday will be extinguished at the end of Mass today and will be placed next to the Baptismal font. Starting next Sunday, the Gospel Candles will once again be used during the proclamation of the Gospel. The double ALLELUIA from the Easter Celebration will be used for the last time as part of the Dismissal and its response.

SEQUENCE: The Sequence, which is sung today, is a hymn of joy. It is written in the form of a liturgical poem set to music which grew out of ALLELUIA (Gospel Acclamation). During the Middle Ages, sequences became quite popular with some 5000 being composed for Sundays and Feastdays. Today, four sequences remain in our liturgical celebrations throughout the year: Easter Sunday, Pentecost, Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Sorrows. (The latter two are optional.) The Pentecost Sequence sung today calls upon the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with Divine Light and to cleanse us from sin.

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JUNE SCHEDULES

Altar Servers, EMCs, Greeters and Lectors for the month of June are asked to take their copy of the schedule from the small bulletin board.

MASS TIME CHANGE
MASS ON SUNDAY JUNE 21ST WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 9AM

DIOCESAN APPEAL REBATE

A cheque for \$643.00 was recently received from the Diocesan Appeal Office. This represents monies received in excess of our goal. There will be another rebate in July and in September. In the letter which accompanied this cheque, we were reminded that the rebate is to be applied to our "chosen project". Therefore this amount will be earmarked for a special parish project and will not be included in our general revenue.

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ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH 5TH ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY
 *****A COMMUNITY EVENT FUNDRAISER*****
 St. Anthony's Parish is holding its 5th Annual Garden Party on Sunday June 14, 2009 from 12:30 to 3:30pm. We would appreciate any donations for the Silent Auction. (New or re-gifted items only). Items for donation can be dropped off at the Church. Volunteering and supporting this event is imminent to its success. Please contact any Parish Pastoral Council member with any questions.
CHECK OUT THE SILENT AUCTION ITEMS ON DISPLAY IN THE BASEMENT

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).