



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## March 20, 2011

### Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12.1-4, Psalm 33, 2 Timothy 1.8-10, Matthew 17.1-9

**"This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"**

#### Daily Readings

Monday, Mar 21

Daniel 9.3, 4-10

Psalm 79

Luke 6.36-38

Tuesday, March 22

Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31

Psalm 50

Matthew 23.1-12

March 23

Jeremiah 18.18-20

Psalm 31

Matthew 20.17-28

Thursday, March 24

Jeremiah 17.5-10

Psalm 1

Luke 16.19-31

Friday, March 25

Isaiah 7.10-14; 8-10

Psalm 40

Hebrews 10.4-10

Luke 1.26-38

Saturday, March 26

Micah 7.14-15, 18-20

Psalm 103

Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

Sunday, March 27

3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 17.3-7

Psalm 95

Romans 5.1-2, 5-8

John 4.5-42

#### Sacraments

##### BAPTISM:

Baptismal preparation sessions are held each month at the Church. If you are interested in having your child baptized, please call the parish office to register.

##### CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION:

In the Diocese of Prince George, Confirmation and First Communion are celebrated together in Grade 2. Our sacramental preparation begins in January. Please watch the bulletin for further information.

##### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please make an appointment with the pastor, at least 6 months before the intended marriage date.

##### PARISH CARE FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND:

For a pastoral visit, please call the parish office.

##### FUNERALS:

Parishioners should make funeral arrangements directly with the pastor prior to any public notice.

#### PARISH 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

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES Mar 22 to Mar 25

Tuesday	6:30pm	Mass	✠ Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	9:00am	Mass	✠ Ed Hudson
Thursday	11:00am	Mass at the Bulkley Lodge	✠ Joe Watson
Friday	9:00AM	Mass	People of the Parish
	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross	

#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES Mar 26 and Mar 27

Saturday	7:00pm	Mass	Rob & Kathie Onstein, Int
Sunday	9:00am	Mass	Karen Doyle, Int



### Upcoming Events

Tuesday, March 22	7:00pm	Finance Committee Mtg.
Wednesday, March 23	3:15pm	Children's Catechism
	7:00pm	RCIA
Friday, March 25	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross

*Our sincere condolences to the Higginson family on the passing of Nora this week.  
"May she rest in eternal peace"*

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

### Saturday, March 26, 2011

**Lector 1:** Gemma Gillis

**Lector 2:** Sr. Elizabeth

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Bob Bresser

David Hemenway

Willy Koldyk

**Greeters:** Liesel Cleveland

Jim & Marie Ziegler

**Coffee/Juice:** Greeters

**Altar Servers:** (CR.) Amanda

(M.) Melissa

### Sunday, March 27, 2011

**Lector 1:** Kristi Pederson.

**Lector 2:** Linda Rosner

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Clara Moore      Lu Blackburn

Theo Sikkes      Foziea Loki

Bob Bresser      Mary Stroet

**Greeters:** Jake & Donna Martens

Mary Vandermaal

**Coffee/Juice:** Greeters

**Altar Servers:** (CR) Emily M

(M) Fraser (C) Olivia

### MARCH 12 / 13

**CHURCH:** \$ 1518.69

**SCHOOL:** \$65.00

**DIOCESAN APPEAL: Parish Goal:** \$21,953.00

**Total Pledged:** \$20,550.00

*Thank you for your generosity!!!*

*Please pray for:*

Bill, John, Noah, Vanessa,  
Anita, Irene, Nicholas, Flo,  
Maggie, Susan, Joy, Jane &  
Vicky.



The Prayer Line is for anyone who requires extra prayers, and would like to be prayed for. (eg: sick, tough time in life, illness, etc).

*If you would like a name added to the Prayer Line please contact Tina Bruintjes @ 847-9836, Johanna Habjan @ 847-4504, Marie Ziegler @ 847-2574 or the Parish Office @ 250-847-2012.*

### PRAYER FOR THOSE THAT ARE CELEBRATING THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



God, our Father,  
bless those who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary this month of March.

We thank you for their long and happy marriage,  
for the children they have brought into the world,  
and for all the good they have done.

As you blessed the love of their youth, continue to bless their life together with gifts of peace and joy.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### YOUTH GROUP

March 9 was the last YG for this year. Kristy and Cameron would like to thank everyone for participating in YG this year, including all the hard working parents that supplied snacks and assisted at meetings. They had a wonderful time getting to know everyone and hope to see you all again next year.



### CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF BC BURSARY FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS

The board of directors of the *Catholic Health Association of BC* is pleased to announce that it will grant two bursaries in 2011—each in the amount of \$250, to graduating students. Interested students are invited to submit a 500 word essay to the Association by March 31, 2011, that demonstrates an awareness and understanding on the significance of *Spirituality in Health Care*.

Please see bulletin board for more information.

### Development and Peace

The theme for Share Lent this year is "Building a World of Justice". On the fifth Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday, we will be having our Share Lent Collection which is the main fundraiser for the ongoing work of Development and Peace. Over the next four weekends find an insert in the parish bulletin describing partners of Development and Peace and the work they are doing. If you would like more information there are Share Lent magazines available in the foyer.



ST. JOSEPH'S

Our school website: [www.stjosephsschool.ca](http://www.stjosephsschool.ca)

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration is ongoing. It is now open to general public. We have four spaces available. Please call the school office to set up an appointment with Mrs. McKenzie to register your child. Children must be 5 years of age by Dec. 31, 2011 to register for Kindergarten.

# SEASON OF LENT

(Adopted from the ORDO)

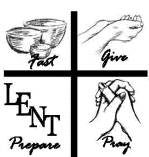
**LENT** is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. During Lent, the liturgy prepares catechumens to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by the various stages of Christian initiation. It also prepares the faithful for Easter as they recall their baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest feast of the year.

LENT has two major purposes: It recalls us or prepares for baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's word and of more fervent prayers, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Lenten instructions stress these baptismal and penitential themes.

During Lent, it is important to teach the social consequences of sin as well as the fact that the heart of the virtue of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God.

The church encourages penitential practices that are external and social, reflecting the circumstances of individuals and communities, as we pray and do penance for sinners.

## Stations of the Cross - Friday's at 7pm



April 1	Finance Council
April 8	St. Joseph's School
April 15	Catholic Women's League

### PARISH LENTEN MISSION 2011

On the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent (April 9<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>),

Fr. Lucien Larre will be with us to facilitate a Parish Lenten Mission. Fr. Rector and the PPC strongly encourage you to make this part of your Lenten observance. Basically, Confession, Mass and Mission talks are in the **evening (6pm-8pm)**. Please mark your calendar.

More information to follow at our next week's bulletin...

### Rite of Election

On March 19, at 7pm anticipated Mass the following Catechumens (**RCIA: Crystal Adams Children's Catechism: Elka desHarnais, Damien Dudoward, Kloe Barry**) were received by Fr. Rector on behalf of Bishop Gerald Wiesner, OMI. As they give their "pledge of fidelity" to the church, their names are now inscribed in the Book of Enrolment. Through the Rite of Election, the church now declares its approval or acceptance of candidates for full initiation. They are now called Elect and they will join us at the Lord's Table this Easter Vigil.

As the Elect in our parish approach their final preparation for their full initiation into the Church, let us continue to pray and show support to them!

The following were also presented at the same celebration: *Maryssa Grayer; Liliana Jackson; Sarah Pashkewicz*. We continue to pray for them as they complete their initiation process to the Catholic Church.

### Thank YOU!

Fr. Rector and the PPC thank the following for the events that took place this past week:

- ⇒ Thanks to the C.W.L. for the reception after the Mass with Sacrament of Anointing on Wednesday. Thanks also to all who participated at the Sacrament of Anointing.
- ⇒ Thanks to all men of the parish who gathered for breakfast last Friday. It was a good start for us to form a group that will continue to support our parish church!
- ⇒ Thanks to our School kids and staff who assisted us on the celebration of the Anticipated Feast of St. Joseph on Friday. Thanks to all parishioners too who came and honour St. Joseph!
- ⇒ Thanks to all who participated at the evening prayer in honour of St. Joseph. Thank you all for your attendance and participation during the celebration of the Solemnity of St. Joseph and Ministry Appreciation Evening! Your presence and support are well noted and appreciated!!! God bless...

## PARISH GROUPS

### SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

**Broadway Place (Smithers Homeless Shelter)** Thank you to all of you who have been donating, you are making a difference. Packaged snacks, whole fresh fruit, gloves, (a constant need) and backpacks are items needed at this time. Other new and used items (clean and in good condition) are also appreciated. Please place items in the wooden boxes in the foyer.



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

- NEXT MEETING will be held on Tuesday April 5th following the 6:30pm Mass.

**YOUTH GROUP** Youth Group is down done for the year. A HUGE THANK YOU to Cameron & Kristy Orr for all your time spent ministering to our youth. See you all next year!!



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**MASS TIME: 11:30am**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY MARCH 27, 2011

**LECTORS:** 1. Shirley C 2. Jane W

**EMCs:** Adrian & Jo M

**SERVER:** Cole R (+), Nic O (b), Nate O (b)

**GREETER:** Bill G

### COLLECTION COUNTER

**March 27**

Robert P

### CHURCH CLEANING

**Mar 21 - Mar 25**

Dawn & family

### DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY March 13, 2011

Envelopes	\$ 320.00	CRP	\$24.00
loose	\$ 21.25	HCA	\$14.02
Total	\$ 341.25	HALL RENTAL	\$ 50.00

*Thank you for your generosity!!*

## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

*(Adopted from the ORDO)*

The Bishop's of Canada endorse the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Each Lent, in co-operation with other churches, they continue to bring the needs of the Third World before the people of our country and encourage all to respond to God's generosity by supporting the works of CCODP.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, a collection is taken up for developing countries. Christians are urged to share their goods with others and thus express in a concrete way their desire to come closer to God and all God's children as a result of their Lenten efforts. The offering should reflect the money saved through penitential fasting and set aside for God's people.

While the importance of this action for others should be emphasized, it should be kept within the framework of Lenten practice. External and social penance is encouraged by the Church and can be expressed through this collection.

### ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick within the regular Sunday Eucharistic Celebration on the **3rd Sunday of Lent, Mar 27, 11:30am**. If you know of any parishioners who would like to celebrate this Sacrament, please extend this invitation to them. For any sick that will not be able to come to Church, please let us know so that Fr. Rector can make a schedule to visit them at home at their most convenient time.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS - EVERY FRIDAY EVENING OF LENT

This prayer focuses on the journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. As part of our Catholic Tradition, we make this meditation as an important aspect of our Lenten journey through Easter. We encourage you therefore to make this devotion as part of your family prayer time. Please come and pray the Stations of the Cross at our parish church every Friday of Lent, 7pm. The following are the schedule to be observed of those who will lead the Stations:

**March 25 - CWL**

**April 1 - Home Religion Families**

**April 8 - PPC & Finance Committee**

**April 15 - Ronnie**



### DVD on Marriage & Family Life "FAMILY BECOME WHO YOU ARE"

#### VIEWING AND DISCUSSION

On **March 17th, 24th, 31st**, we are inviting parishioners for viewing and discussion with regards Christian Marriage & Family Life. We will view a video and have some discussions after. All are invited to come - single, widowed, married couples, engage couples. See you there!!!

### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

**Catholic Women's League** The next CWL regular meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 22 at 12 noon**. Please bring your own bag lunch.

**Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee** PPC & Finance meeting will be on March 24 after the DVD viewing.

### LOOKING AHEAD: DIOCESAN UPCOMING EVENTS

⇒ **Chrism Mass** is scheduled on **Monday, April 11, 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George**. More information to follow at our next week's bulletin.

⇒ **Diocesan Youth Conference** will be held on **April 29 - May 1, 2011**. All youth of the parish are welcome to come and join this gathering. Please contact Ronnie for more information.