



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2013

*Acts 5.28-32, 40-41, Ps 30, Revelation 5.11-14, John 21.1-19*

*"Jesus took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish."*



### Weekday Mass Times Third Week of Easter

**April 15 - April 19**

**Monday** No Weekday Mass, Fr. Rector will be away  
**Tuesday** at the National Federation of Presbyteral  
**Wednesday** Council Meeting in Edmonton, AB, April 15-18  
**Thursday** & at the Blessing of Renovated Church  
**Friday** in Fort Babine, April 19.

### PRAYER LINE...

*Please keep David Brooks, Jane Armstrong, Donny Carefoot, Julia, Francis Schwab, Charlie, Roger, Heava, Meta Bolster, Olindo, Frank & Esther Patrick and the CWL ladies who are attending the Convention in Dawson Creek, in your prayers.*



### Ministry Schedule for SUNDAY, April 20 & 21, 2013 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**Praying the Liturgy of the Hours before Weekday Masses:**  
 Morning Prayer: 8:45am Evening Prayer: 6pm

### Sunday Mass Times 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**April 20 & 21**



**Saturday** 7:00 pm Mass People of the Parish  
**Sunday** 9:00 am Mass + Michelangelo & Concetta Sia  
 + Victorino Pacheco

DATE:	Saturday, April 20	Sunday, April 21
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Gary & Mary H Eileen B	Maria P Jake & Donna M
<b>LECTORS:</b>	Patty Spicer Dylan Delany	Cara Diehl Christine Tessier
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	Willy Koldyk Bob Bresser Janna Delany	Al Bruintjes Tina Bruintjes Foziea Loki
<b>ALTAR SERVERS:</b>	Please check in the Sacristy	Please check in Sacristy



**Tuesday, April 16 @ 7pm - School Council Meeting**



**CATCH THE FIRE** - workshop presentation, **Saturday, May 4, 9:30 am - 3 pm.** in the church foyer. Come and hear first hand what the Catholic Women's League is all about. All women of the parish, as well as League members, are invited and encouraged to attend. Lunch will be served. No charge. For more information, call Eileen at 250-847-3478.

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*"We are the Catholic Community of St. Joseph's Parish, gathered as disciples of Jesus Christ to worship God, to serve others and to grow as loving members of God's family."*

## COLLECTION REPORTS

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**  
**Apr 6/7 - 2nd Sunday of Easter**  
Church \$ 2509.93  
School \$ 231.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

### Celebration of the Sacraments of Confirmation & First Communion

Our Bishop, Most Rev. Stephen Jensen will celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion with our school and parish children on:

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm @ St. Anthony's Parish, Houston**

**Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm @ St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers**

Children who are preparing to receive these Sacraments together with their parents will continue with the Sacramental Preparation on:

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm-5:30pm - Celebration # 5 & Family Retreat**

Fr. Rector's visit/meeting with each of the children and their parents before the reception of the Sacraments has been scheduled from Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30pm-5pm (3:30; 4pm: 4:30pm). Please be guided accordingly.

**NOTE:** There will be a reception and socialization following the celebration of the Mass to celebrate with our children. We ask that you please take note of this date and join our parish and school children in celebrating the day of their reception of the Sacraments.

### Welcome Bishop Stephen Jensen

On the occasion of the reception of the Sacraments of our young children in the parish, we will have an opportunity to MEET, GREET & WELCOME our new Bishop, Most Reverend Stephen Jensen.

**We will have a potluck dinner following the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 5:30pm.** Please mark your calendar and together as a parish community let's all welcome and show courtesy to our new Bishop. See you there!!!



## ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

*School Principal:* Rosemary McKenzie

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

Phone: 250-847-9414



### PLANT FUNDRAISER

Think Spring! We are selling hanging baskets and plants as a fundraiser for the school again this year. If you wish to participate please fill out the form, located at the back of the church, and return it to the office by Monday, April 22. Delivery of plants will be on May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, just in time for Mother's Day. Profits from the sale will go to classroom materials and technology. For more info. please call the school office.

### SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION

The grade 3 Reconciliation Service will be on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome to join us.

### The Parishes of St. Joseph's, Smithers & St. Anthony's, Houston Celebrate the



*"A special time dedicated to understand our Christian Faith and reinvigorate our friendship with Christ. An occasion for Faith Education and New Evangelization."*

In our attempt to provide faith and catechetical formation on this special Year of Faith, that our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI called for from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012 - 24<sup>th</sup> November 2013, Fr. Rector, our pastor, Dennis Gonia, our pastoral assistant in collaboration with the Parish Pastoral Council and other invited speakers, dedicate every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month to study different topics related to our faith, the Church, and the Sacraments, etc.

For this month of April, please note a change of schedule from 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday to 4<sup>th</sup> Monday due to Fr. Rector's schedule:

**Date & Time:** Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm

**Topic:** The Creed, continuation

**Speakers:** Fr. Rector & Dennis

**Description:** This will be an opportunity for parishioners to understand more about our set of beliefs as Catholics. On this evening, we will continue to discuss the articles of our faith, focusing on the Apostles Creed - "I believe." You may come prepared to raise questions that are related to the faith that we profess as Catholics and hopefully as we finish this topic, your questions will be answered. See you there!

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Administration of the Sacraments

**BAPTISM.** *Baptismal Preparation is held once a month at the Church.*

**CONFIRMATION.** *In our Diocese, Confirmation & First Eucharist are celebrated together in Grade 2. Sacramental Preparations begin in January. Both parents and children are required to participate at the Sacramental Preparations.*

**EUCHARIST.** *Eucharist is celebrated daily, please see front of the Bulletin for specific Mass times. Mass intentions may be offered by contacting the parish office.*

**RECONCILIATION.** *Celebrated by those who have already received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist.) Parish Reconciliation is available every Saturday evening before the Anticipated Mass or by appointment.*

**MARRIAGE.** *Please make an appointment with the pastor, at least six months before the intended marriage date. Marriage Preparation may then be arranged.*

**HOLY ORDERS.** *Any person interested to become a priest, please see the pastor.*

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK.** *Parish care for the sick and homebound, please phone the parish office for a pastoral visit.*

### OTHERS:

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS.** *Please see the pastor for RCIA journey.*

**FUNERALS.** *Please make funeral arrangements directly with the pastor prior to any public notice.*

## PARISH GROUPS

### Catholic Women's League



**Regular Mtg:** Tuesday, April 9, following the 6:15pm Mass. A short video called **Modern Slavery, The Secret World of Trafficking of Women** with Sr. Eugenia Bonetti, CM, a passionate speaker, will be presented and discussed.

**Diocesan Convention in Dawson Creek - Apr 12-14**  
New members are always welcome.

### Bible Sharing



Bible Sharing is held each Tuesday, beginning at 10:15 am in the Parish Centre.

**Everyone is welcome to attend.**

### DEVELOPMENT & PEACE



Thank you for supporting our Development and Peace "Share Lent Collection." One of the many projects that Development and Peace supports is "The Afghan Women's Resource Centre" which uses micro-credit to help Afghan women start small businesses and fight their way out of poverty.

### Organ Donor Awareness Week

April 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>. The Catholic Church approves of transplants and encourages us to register as potential donors. While 85% of the population says they agree with organ donation, only 15% of us are registered donors. The need for transplants continues to grow and many patients will die waiting for a transplant. The *Catholic Health Association of BC* will provide donor registration brochures for any person who wishes to have one - call us at 604-524-3427 or send an email to [smhouse@shawlink.ca](mailto:smhouse@shawlink.ca). You can also register online at [www.transplant.bc.ca](http://www.transplant.bc.ca).



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### BROADWAY PLACE

Broadway Place drop in clients have increase over the last couple of years. To be able to hand out sandwiches, snacks etc. we are in need of canned sandwich fillings such as tuna, packaged snacks, fresh fruit, etc. We appreciate the support that you have given us in the past and thank you for any donations that you are able to make.



### YOUTH GROUP

**We will gather at the School Gym on Wednesday, April 10, 6:30pm.**

See you there!!!



## DIOCESAN NEWS



### Rev. Joseph Lang, R.I.P.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Father Joseph Lang who died in Cleveland on Tuesday, April 2, 2013. He was 73 years of age. Father Lang ministered in the Diocese of Prince George from September 1988 to April 2002 serving in three parishes: the Church of the Resurrection (Fort St. John), Christ our Savior Parish (Prince George) and Sacred Heart Parish (Terrace). While he was in Prince George he also provided chaplaincy for the Prince George Regional Correctional Centre. We offer our prayerful condolences to his family, friends and brother priests in the Diocese of Cleveland.

### Vocations to the Priesthood: Poster Contest

Students in Grades 4-7 are invited to enter the Vocations Poster Contest. Cash prizes to be won: First Prize \$60, Second Prize \$40, Third Prize \$25, Most Original Idea \$20. Create a poster asking young men to answer the call to the priesthood and submit it by email to [gorette14@hotmail.com](mailto:gorette14@hotmail.com) or mail it to Sacred Heart Parish, 4830 Straume Avenue, Terrace, BC V8G 4G3. Deadline is April 18, 2013.

### Church teaching on the environment

The Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) has released a statement outlining eight central themes regarding the Church's teaching on the environment. These reflect on how a Catholic approach to economic questions, social justice and environmental questions are necessarily viewed in relation to each other. The statement can be found by following the links on the CCCC website, [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca).

### PRO-LIFE—SMITHERS

*Back To Life*



From April 28 - May 9th 25 courageous women will walk from the Morgentaler clinic in Montreal to the Supreme Court of Canada in Ottawa.

They are walking because of 25 years of unrestricted abortion in Canada at tax payers expense.

We would like to invite you to be a part of this historic journey for life in Canada.

You can donate, sign up for prayer and/or action alerts at [www.backtolifecanada.com](http://www.backtolifecanada.com)

**March For Life in Smithers** will take place on Saturday, **May 11th, starting at 10am** at the St. Joseph's parking lot.

## PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

### Pastor

Rev. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.

### Staff

*Pastoral Assistant:* Dennis Gonia • *Secretary:* Linda Potter

### Parish Pastoral Council

*Chairperson & Diocesan Appeal Coordinator:*

Michael desHarnais

*Vice Chairperson & Social Coordinator:* Vacant

### Members:

*Liturgy:* Gemma Gillis • *Youth Ministry:* Vacant

*Development & Peace:* Marj Coupe • *Fundraising:* Juan Alvarado

*Refugee:* Brian Burill • *Catholic Women's League:* Mary Ellen Kallio

*School Council Co- Chairperson:* Rob Blackburn/Trevor Bruintjes

### Parish Finance Committee

*Chairperson:* Laura Bolster

*Vice Chairperson:* Wayne Callison

*Maintenance:* Pete Stroet • *Co-Maintenance:* Garry Heinbecker

*Collections:* Rita Coupe

### Other Areas of Ministries:

*RCIA & Children's Catechism:* Carol de Gelder & Dennis Gonia

*Children's Liturgy Coordinator:* Taryn Lowe

*Altar Servers:* Nancy Verbeek

*Music:* Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer

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Visit to the Sick at Home: by appointment.



## SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am



### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Rev. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.  
*Pastor*

Dennis Gonia  
*Pastoral Assistant*

Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee Members  
*Eric Bishop · Corrie Goold · Gail James · Barbara Jarvis ·*



**Sacraments of Confirmation & First Holy Communion:** Tiffany Kopas, one of the children in our parish, will soon receive these Sacraments. We ask everyone to include Tiffany and her family in your prayers as she get closer to the reception of the

Sacraments. More information about the date and time can be found in the inside section of the bulletin.

### Adult Faith/Year of Faith Session @ St. Anthony's:

No Adult Faith Session this coming Thursday as Dennis will be away travelling with Fr. Rector from Monday - Friday. Please see front page of bulletin for Fr. Rector & Dennis travel details.

**Diocesan Gatherings:** We pray for the safe travel of those who were gathering at Notre Dame Parish, Dawson Creek attending the Diocesan CWL Annual Convention this weekend. We also pray for renewal and safety of all the youth of our Diocese gathered in Prince George for the Diocesan Youth Conference.



*Mother's Day Raffle*

**Catholic Women's League:** Just a reminder that tickets for the Mother's Day raffle are still available. Please approach one of the CWL members if you would like to buy tickets.

Draw date will be on Sunday, May 12, 2013.

### Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2013 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

LECTORS:	Adrian M, Vic J
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Gail J, Jo M
ALTAR SERVERS:	C. Alicia B, C. Lucas B,
GREETERS:	Susan H, Nicole H
Collection Counter (Apr 21)	Adrian M
Church Cleaning (Apr 15 - Apr 19)	Tammy

### DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY MARCH 31, 2013

Envelopes	\$ 8.00	Catholic Reading	\$ 14.00
Loose	<u>\$ 630.00</u>		
Total	\$ 638.00		

*" Thank you for your continued support"*



**Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Council Meeting:** Fr. Rector is calling for a meeting on **Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>** after the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Members, please make an effort to be at

the meeting. Thank you!

### Camp Morice 2013 Schedule

The following are the dates for camps at Camp Morice this summer:

- July 7-12: Teen Camp
- July 14-17: Leadership Camp
- July 21-26: Tween Camp
- July 28-August 2: Kids Camp
- August 4-10: Cana Camp
- August 11-16: Cana Camp
- August 18-23: Tween Camp
- August 23-25: Young Adult Retreat



For more information or to register visit their website at [www.campmorice.com](http://www.campmorice.com).