

## St. Joseph's Parish

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#### SUNDAY BULLETIN

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent March 3, 2013

Exodus 3.1-8, 13-15, Ps 103, 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12, Luke 13.1-9 "Unless you turn your back to God, you will perish as they did."





#### Weekday Mass Times Third Sunday of Lent

March 4 - March 8

Monday No Mass

Tuesday6:15pmMassWednesday9:00amMass

Thursday 11:00am Mass @ the Bulkley Lodge

Friday 9:00am Mass

#### Praying the Liturgy of the Hours before Weekday Masses:

Morning Prayer: 8:45am Evening Prayer: 6pm Station of The Cross: Every Friday of Lent at 7pm.

### Sunday Mass Times 4th Sunday of Lent





Saturday 7:00 pm Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 9:00 am Mass People of the Parish



Monday, Mar 4 @ 6:15pm - Sacramental Preparation #2

7:30pm - Music Practice for Easter Triduum

Tuesday, Mar 5 @ 7pm - PPC Meeting

Wednesday, Mar 6 @7pm - Year of Faith Session Thursday, Mar 7 @ 7pm - Baptismal Preparation Friday, Mar 8 @ 7pm - Stations of the Cross

#### 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."

#### PRAYER LINE...

Please keep David Brooks, Jane Armstrong, Donny Carefoot, Julia, Francis Schwab, Charlie, and Roger in your prayers.



# Ministry Schedule for SUNDAY, March 9 & 10, 2013 4th Sunday of Lent

DATE:	Saturday, March 9	Sunday, March 10
GREETERS:	Gary & Mary H June Philpot	CWL CWL
LECTORS:	Christine Tessier CWL Anaise Labonte	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Willy Koldyk David Hemenway ?  CWL  ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	
ALTAR SERVERS:	CR. Piper M. Emily B C.	CR. Abby M. Samuel C. Damian/Gabe

#### Prayer for Pope Benedict XVI:

All praise and glory are yours, almighty and eternal God. You created this earth and all it contains and placed creation within our care so that by the work of human hands we might share in your creative power and build up human society.

Look with kindness upon Pope Benedict who has contributed so greatly to the Church and who has retired. Allow him the time to survey all that he has accomplished and give him satisfaction and fulfilment for all his labours, as you did on the seventh day.

when you rested and saw that all you had made was good.

Grant him peace in this period of adjustment, reassure him of your love and may his many gifts continue to benefit your holy Church.

We praise you, God of love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **COLLECTION REPORTS**

## SUNDAY COLLECTION Feb 23/24 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

Church \$ 1889.80 School \$ 250.00 Thank you for your generosity!

#### LITURGY & SACRAMENTS

## Celebration of the Sacraments of Confirmation & First Communion

The Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist will be celebrated here at St. Joseph's on Thursday May 9, 2013 with Bishop Stephen Jensen.



Celebration #2 will take place on Monday March 4th, at 6pm.

## LENTEN MISSION

#### Parish Lenten Mission with Fr. Doug Jeffrey, OMI

On the weekend of March 9 & 10, Fr. Doug Jeffrey, OMI, pastor of St. Joseph's Parish Vanderhoof, will preside over the Masses to introduce the Parish Lenten Mission. The mission talks will be held every evening at 7 pm from Sunday to Tuesday.

Please support and promote this Parish Lenten Mission by your:

- Attendance and participation to the Mission talks;
- Prayers for the success of the Mission;
- Invitation or by bringing along someone with you a family member, a friend, co-worker.

**NOTE:** Fr. Doug is available for dinner invitations. Please phone the parish office to set a date or make individual arrangements with Fr. Doug personally.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE

Below is the schedule that will be observed for those who are leading the Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent starting at 7pm:

DATE	LEADERS
March 8	Parish Pastoral Council
March 15	Development & Peace
March 22	Catholic Women's League



#### ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie
Our school website: www.stjosephsschool.ca
Phone: 250-847-9414

#### LENTEN MASS

Our Lenten Mass is Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00am with the grade 4 class leading. Please join us, if you have the opportunity.





#### PSG PASTA DINNER AND AUCTION

The Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert
Auction has been **postponed** until after
the Lenten Season in order to give our
entire school population the opportunity

to partake in the festivities of this fundraising evening. We look forward to seeing you on our new night: Saturday, April 13, 2013. Tickets are \$10 each for 8 years and older, and children aged 7 and under are \$7. Tickets will be available soon from the school office.

ALTAR SERVER SESSION: Wed, March 6 @ 12 noon in the Church.

The Parishes of St. Joseph's, Smithers & St. Anthony's, Houston Celebrates 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 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.

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 6, 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 begin to discuss the articles of our faith, focusing on the Apostles Creed - "I believe." You may come prepared to raise questions that is 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.

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#### **PARISH GROUPS**

#### Catholic Women's League

We continue to accept donations of baby layette items for the Pregnancy Outreach throughout the month of February. They may be dropped off in the box at the back of the church.



#### **Bible Sharing**

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



Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE**



A project that Development and Peace supports in Dominion

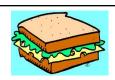
Republic of Congo. Community radio stations in the DR Congo are spreading vital news to rural communities. Discussions about new agricultural practices and civilian rights are leading to change.



For more information about the First Degree or other questions regarding the Knights of Columbus please contact Jim Schwab (250-847-3408) or Fr. Rector.

#### **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.

"St. Joseph's Church is striving to provide a scent-free gathering place. Please refrain from wearing fragrances and scented products. Thank you kindly."



"Any maintenance concerns regarding the church, rectory or church property should be addressed to Pete Stroet. Pete can be reached at <a href="mailto:petmar41@hotmail.com">petmar41@hotmail.com</a> or 847-2177."

#### **DIOCESAN NEWS**

#### 2013 Mass of Chrism

On Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 7pm the Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George. The Mass of Chrism is concelebrated by the Bishop and priests from all parts of the Diocese. It is a sign of unity and communion of the priests



with their Bishop. It is attended and participated by all the people of the Diocese.

Parishioners are invited to join Fr. Rector on this day. It is the day when all the priests renew their commitment to the priesthood and to the Church. It is also a day where the Holy Oils will be blessed and distributed. If you are willing to take part at this celebration, please phone the parish office and we will make arrangement for your accommodation in Prince George.

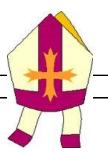
#### LOOKING BACK!

Greetings & Prayers to Bishop Gerry on the Occasion of his  $20^{th}$  Episcopal Anniversary

Last Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, Bishop Gerry celebrated his 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Bishop. We greeted Bishop Gerry and prayed for more blessings in his ministry.

"We celebrate the anniversary of the ordination of our Bishop Emeritus Gerald Wiesner, OMI; may God's spirit strengthen him in his continued service to the Church. Amen."

Bishop Gerry is currently attending his Sabbatical Program in San Antonio, Texas and has moved his residence to Oblate retirement house in Saskatchewan.



#### LOOKING AHEAD!

Msgr. Stephen Jensen Ordination & Installation as Bishop of Prince George Diocese

The date is set on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George.

Because there is limited seating in Sacred Heart Cathedral, a procedure has been devised to accommodate as many people as possible from throughout our diocese. A ticket will be needed in order to attend. Those who received an invitation in the mail will receive their ticket when they RSVP.

If you would like to get a ticket for the ordination and installation, please contact Fr. Rector (250-84-2012) or Dennis (250-845-2841). Thank you for your attention to this matter.

#### 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 des Harnais

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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#### **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 · Claudine Ketchell · Georgina Dotto

#### **DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2013**

Envelopes \$ 290.00 Loose \$ \_\_-Total \$ 290.00

#### Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2013 4th SUNDAY OF LENT

LECTORS:	Shirley H, Jane W
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Vic & Gail James
ALTAR SERVERS:	C. Alicia B, M. Nicole C. Lucas B,
GREETERS:	Tammy H, Claudine K
Collection Counter (Mar )	Robert P
Church Cleaning (Mar II - Mar I5)	Sherry & family
Stations of the Cross	March 8, Lectors and Greeters.

#### News Updates:

## INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK DINNER AND LOONIE AUCTION

Come and have some fun. Bring along some friends and a casserole, enough to feed 10 people from your native country. It's our 1<sup>st</sup> big fund raiser for 2013. Let us make it a big success.





It all gets underway on March 16 at 5 PM with dinner and a loonie auction starting at 7:00 PM. Relax! Enjoy! And have some fun!
Its Saturday evening!

\*Don't forget to bring your loonies!!

Thank you to those who led the **Lay-led-Liturgy** last February 24: Vic James who led the Parish in the celebration; Adrian Meeuwissen for the reflection; Ronnie Cruz for the music; and to everyone who participated in the Sunday service.

#### LENT

#### Development and Peace, Lent 2013

The Bishops 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 CCDODP.

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 the 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.