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SUNDAY BULLETIN

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2014

Leviticus 19.1-2, 17-18, Ps 103, 1 Corinthians 3.16-23, Matthew 5.38-48
 "Whoever obeys the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God."



Weekday Mass Times 7th Week in Ordinary Time

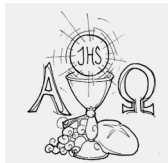
Feb 24 - 28

- Monday**
- Tuesday** 6:15pm
- Wednesday** 9am
- Thursday** 11am @ Bulkley Lodge
- Friday** *Fr. Rector is away working on a special project for the 100 Years Jubilee.*

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

Sunday Mass Times 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 1 & 2



- Saturday** 7pm † Manuel & Cecilia Garcia
- Sunday** 9am People of the Parish

upcoming ⇒ TODAY, Sunday, February 23, within the **EVENTS** Mass & after, Sunday Celebration, "Called by Name," Children preparing to receive full Sacraments of Initiation;
 ⇒ Tuesday, February 25, 7pm, Finance Committee Meeting, Parish Center;
 ⇒ Wednesday, February 26, 7pm, Anniversary Committee Meeting, Parish Center

PRAYER LINE...

Please keep Dorothy, Frank, Charlie, Julia, Dave, Barb, Frank & Esther Patrick, Breda Collins, Mary Montgomery, Jake Martens, Clayton Malinski, Manson Kennedy, Sandi Hiemstra, Sandra Estby, & Mary Goodacre in your prayers.



Ministry Schedule for SUNDAY, March 1 & 2, 2014 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

| DATE | Saturday, March 1 | Sunday, March 2 |
|---|----------------------------------|---|
| GREETERS | Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson | Wayne & Andrea Callison |
| LECTORS | Jim Schwab Gemma Gillis | Christine Tessier Marj Coupe |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Communion | Willy Koldyk Maria Sowa | Theo Sikkes Dorothy Cardinal Johanna Habjan |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Marco | Melisa, Anthony, Carly |



What & Where: Toboggan Party @ the Golf Course
When: Sunday, February 23, 2014, 1-3pm
Who: All parishioners together with the Youth Group
 Note: Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. See you there!!!

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

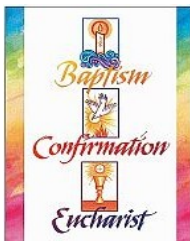
SUNDAY COLLECTION

Feb 15 & 16, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$ 1,481.95
School \$ 60.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor's Note



Sunday Celebration # 1, Called By Name: Baptism

TODAY, Sunday, February 23rd, children in our parishes and school seeking to receive the Sacraments of full initiation in the Church (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist) are presented at Mass. They are: *Mckenna, Allen, Lucas, Shannon, Lexy, Melina, Miguel, Eric, Keira, Chad, Callum, Luca, Kaidence, Casey, & Hailey.*

Together with their parents (*the primary teachers in faith*), Dennis Gonia (pastoral assistant), Gemma Gillis (lead-catechist), the Catechism Team and myself, these children are being catechized and prepared for the Reception of the Sacraments with Most Rev. Stephen Jensen, (*Bishop, Prince George Diocese*), on:

Friday, 5:30pm, May 23rd @ St. Anthony's Parish, Houston
Sunday, 9am, May 25th @ St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers

Please include them and their families in your prayers so that they may be faithful to the faith journey they are aspiring to commit. We pray also that they will continue to understand and appreciate the value of God, the Church and the Sacraments in their lives.

Countdown for Lent:

Ash Wednesday is coming! **Lent begins on March 5.** Lent is a time of repentance, change of heart, and prayer. The following schedule will be observed to mark the beginning of Lent:

COUNTDOWN

- ⇒ Monday, March 3, after 6:15pm Mass, preparation of ashes @ St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers.
- ⇒ Tuesday, March 4, Shrove Tuesday, 5:30pm, Pancake Supper & preparation of ashes @ St. Anthony's, Houston.
- ⇒ ASH Wednesday Mass
9am St. Joseph's Parish with St. Joseph's School
4pm St. Anthony's Parish
6:15pm St. Joseph's Parish

With Heartfelt Sympathy

We express our condolences to Carol de Gelder and their family for the passing away of Bill de Gelder this past week.

No schedule has been arranged yet as far as funeral is concern. It will be announced as soon as it becomes available. Meanwhile, let us pray for the eternal repose of the soul of Bill. "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him."



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie

Our school website: www.stjosephsschool.ca

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Catholic Schools: We Walk Humbly With Our Lord

Kindergarten

Registration

Information



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration will begin on Monday, Feb. 24th for the 2014/2015 school year. **School and Parish** families can register on Feb. 24th and 25th and **Pre K** families can register starting on Wednesday, February 26th. Registration then opens up to the **general public** starting on Thursday, **March 6th starting at 9:00am. This is a first come, first served basis with approx. 10 spots available.** Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2014 to register for Kindergarten. Please bring in your child's care card, birth certificate, baptismal certificate, and SIN of 1 parent. Also a cheque for September fees if you do not have a child in the school already. Fees will be determined this week.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Shrove Tuesday is on **March 4th**. It is the day before Lent begins and the Church marks this day with feasting before fasting. Mardi Gras is another name for this day. Each year we have delicious pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. In order for this to happen we are looking for a coordinator (or two) to organize the lunch. There is a folder of notes and instructions for whoever takes this task on and classes help with set up and clean up. If you are able to coordinate, or to help make some pancakes in the morning, please contact the office so we know how many volunteers we have. THANK YOU!!!



Coffee Fundraiser

GRADE 7 WILD JOE'S COFFEE FUNDRAISER

It's back!!! If you choose to order, please fill out the form and return it into the office with payment. Orders are due back by Wednesday, March 12th. The grade 7 class did this fundraiser last year and we hear that the custom roasted coffee was a delight to the taste buds!!

STILL COLLECTING...

The school is still collecting Canadian Tire money and Campbell Soup labels. We are able to use the Canadian Tire money for getting various kitchen and other supplies. Campbell Soup labels can be redeemed for school supplies. Thank you.

BOTTLE Drive

WE NEED YOUR HELP

As the grade 7's continue their fundraising for the Van/Vic 2014, we would like to introduce our "bottle drive event" that offers a pickup and drop-off service for your convenience. There are three ways to donate your refundable... bring to the bottle depot and mention your refund is for St. Joseph's grade 7 class or drop off at 4118 Broadway (right by school) or call Brenda for pickup service at 877-8438! This event will be ongoing for a minimum of two weeks... Thank you in advance for your support in helping us reach our fundraising goal!!

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastor

Rev. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.

Staff

Pastoral Assistant: Dennis Gonia • *Secretary:* Brenda Pyper

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson & Diocesan Appeal Coordinator:

Michael desHarnais

Social Coordinator: Johanna Habjan

Members:

Liturgy: Gemma Gillis • *Youth Ministry:* Taryn Lowe

Development & Peace: Marj Coupe • *Fundraising:* vacant

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Catholic Women's League: Mary Ellen Kallio

Knights of Columbus: James Schwab

School Council Co-Chairperson: Rob Blackburn/Trevor Bruintjes

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: Garry Heinbecker

Vice Chairperson: Wayne Callison

Maintenance: Pete Stroet

Collections: Rita Coupe

Casey Pyper

Other Areas of Ministries:

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

Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Ann Marie MacIsaac & Crystal Adams

Altar Servers: Nancy Verbeek

Music: Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer

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PARISH GROUPS / NEWS



The World Day of Prayer is on March 7th. A prayer service is scheduled to take place at St. Joseph's Church on Friday, March 7th @7 pm. All denominations are welcome. Refreshments will be served by the Catholic Women's League after the prayer service. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend!

Prayer for Ukraine



In solidarity with our Holy Father, and with the Catholic Bishops and Church in Ukraine, the Knights of Columbus is asking all of our members and their families around the

world to pray the Prayer of St. Francis this coming Sunday that there may be a renewed dialogue and respect and a peaceful resolution to the situation in Ukraine.

Fr. Rector asked that the whole parish pray in a special way for the people of Ukraine.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled, as to console;

To be understood, as to understand;

To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Today, February 22nd, we remember the anniversary of Most Rev. Gerald Wiesner, OMI, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Prince George; may God's Spirit strengthen him in his continued service to the Church.

Bishop Wiesner was ordained to the Episcopate in 1993. Last year, he retired as Bishop of Prince George upon having reached the age limit. At present he is residing in an Oblate House in Saskatoon, SK. We congratulate Bishop Gerry and continue to pray for his strength and good health!

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Visit to the Sick at Home: by appointment.



SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am



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Rev. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr.

Pastor

Dennis Gonia

Pastoral Assistant

Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee Members

Eric Bishop · Stephen Rose · Georgina Dotto

Barbara Jarvis · CWL Representative



Pope Francis Catechesis on the Sacraments

Confirmation, The Second Sacrament Of Christian Initiation (Continuation)

“For this reason it is important that all our children receive this Sacrament”, he added. “We are all concerned about baptising them, but perhaps less so with regard to confirmation, and therefore they remain at a halfway point, and do not receive the Holy Spirit that gives us the strength to go forward in Christian life”. Therefore, “it is important to provide a good preparation for Confirmation, aiming to lead them towards personal adhesion to faith in Christ and to reawaken in them a sense of belonging to the Church”.

“Confirmation, like every Sacrament, is not the work of men, but rather the work of God, Who takes care of our lives in order to mould us in the image of His Son, to make us able to love like Him. He infuses us with the Holy Spirit, whose action pervades the whole person and all of life, as is shown by the Seven Gifts that Tradition, in the light of the Sacred Scriptures, has always made clear: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety and Fear of the Lord”, said the Bishop of Rome, announcing that these gifts will be the subject of his next catechesis, after the Sacraments. “When we welcome the Holy Spirit into our hearts and allow it to act, Christ Himself is made present in us and takes form in our lives; through us, it will be He Who prays, forgives, brings hope and consolation, serves our brothers, is close to the needy and the abandoned, Who creates communion and sows peace”.

The Pope brought his catechesis to an end by urging those present to remember that they have received Confirmation, firstly “to thank the Lord for this gift, and then to ask Him for His help in living as true Christians, to always journey with joy according to the Holy Spirit that has been granted to us”. As he was concluding, it began to rain heavily and Pope Francis exclaimed, “It seems that on these last few Wednesdays, during the audience, we have been blessed from heaven! However, since you are brave, let us go ahead and continue...”.

Please read “**Pastor’s Note**” inside section for activities related to the observance of the beginning of Lent. Thank you!

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, March 2, 2014 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| GREETERS | Liz & Frank Gerei |
| LECTORS | Shirley Collins & Jane Wardrop |
| EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION | Vic & Gail James |
| ALTAR SERVERS | Lucas, Alicia, Isabelle, Tiffany |
| Gift Bearers | TBA |
| Collection Counter | Adrian Meeuwissen |
| Church Cleaning | Sherry Kelly & Family (Feb 23—March 1) |

COLLECTION REPORTS

Thank you for your constant support and generosity!

DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY February 16, 2014

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| Envelopes | \$ 455.00 | Catholic Missions in Canada | \$25.00 |
| Loose | \$ 2.50 | | |
| Total | \$ 457.50 | | |

Soup & Bun Luncheon

We will have the Parish Soup and Bun luncheon today, Sunday, February 23. We ask everyone to join us and celebrate community life over soup and buns prepared by our parish members. Thank you and see you downstairs.

International Dinner & Looney Auction

What: St. Anthony's Parish International Dinner and Looney Auction

When: March 1, 2014; 6PM (dinner) followed by the auction

Where: St. Anthony's Parish Function Hall

Tickets: Adult \$10.00; children under 12 years old \$5.00

NOTE: We (*St. Anthony's Parish members*) are hosting the international dinner you need to put your name down in one of the sheets in the table in the foyer. Tickets are for guests only; Church will be opened as early as 5pm for the viewing of items.



Let us remember in our prayers:

*Bill Meeuwissen, Denise Fuljames, Eddie Doyle, Helen Doyle,
Nicola Dotto, Eric Bishop Sr., Terry Grant*