

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN

1st Sunday of LENT March 9, 2014

Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25;3.1-7++, Ps 51, Romans 5.12-19, Matthew 4.1-11 "Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."





Weekday Mass Times

1st Week of Lent

March 10 - 14

Monday

Tuesday 6:15pm Wednesday 9am

Thursday 11am @ Bulkley Lodge

Friday 9am

Praying the Liturgy of the Hours before Weekday Mass:

Morning Prayer: 8:45am; Evening Prayer: 6pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent, 7pm except on April 4th, it will be at 7:30pm to give way to the Opening Mass for the CWL Convention at **6pm**.

Sunday Mass Times

2nd Sunday of LENT



March 15 & 16

Saturday 7pm † Jessie Eileen Towns
Sunday 9am † Michelangelo & Concetta Sia



⇒ First Degree Initiation, Knights of Columbus, Sunday, March 9, 6pm, Church Foyer

⇒ Tuesday, March 11, 7pm, Catholic Women's League Meeting, Parish Center

⇒ Wednesday, March 12, 7pm, Baptismal Preparation, Parish Center;

PRAYER LINE...

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



Ministry Schedule for SUNDAY, March 15 & 16, 2014 Second Sunday of Lent

DATE	Saturday, March 15	Sunday, March 16
GREETERS	David & Marj Hemenway June Philpot	Wayne & Andrea Callison Maria Pacheco
LECTORS	Vigil Overstall Christine Tessier	Mary-Ellen Kallio Clara Moore
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Janna Delany Maria Sowa	Carol DeGelder Theo Sikkes Dorothy Cardinal
ALTAR SERVERS	Kloe	Melissa, Anthony, Carly



The Anniversary Committee has begun planning for the entertainment during the banquet on May $24^{\rm th}$. We are looking for talented parishioners to be part of it. Please contact Dennis Gonia (250) 847-2012, if you are interested to render sing or dance performance that night. Thank you!

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

March 1 & 2, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$ 1,895.56 **School** \$ 276.00 Catholic Mission \$ 60.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor's Note

Sisters & Brothers in Christ in the Parishes of St. Joseph's & St. Anthony's:

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." (Psalm 51:10)



The Season of Lent begins through the imposition of ashes on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. The ashes are imprinted on our foreheads with a sign of the Cross. It is meant to remind us of our identity and relationship with God. First, it means we belong to God. We are his children. Second, as narrated by St. Paul in his Second Letter to the Corinthians, "we are ambassadors for Christ." We have the responsibility to make Jesus' presence felt and experienced in this world. Third, given the identity and relationship that we have with God, as His children and ambassadors of His Son, we are constantly called to holiness of life. In the Book of Leviticus we find a command from God himself: "You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy."

Thus, these 40 days of Lent are an opportunity given to us for turning back to God, for conversion. Through the help of the traditional Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, hopefully, we will come to acknowledge the ways we have turned away from God in our lives and we will focus on turning our hearts and minds back toward Him. Pope Francis tweets, "In life we all make many mistakes. Let us learn to recognize our errors and ask forgiveness." This Season of Lent is indeed given to us for drawing ourselves closer to God. Please take advantage of celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

This year, as a way of giving us a **Parish Lenten Mission** related to the disciplines of Lent, may I suggest the following: **Prayer.** I invite families in our parishes to worship and pray together especially by attending Sunday Eucharist. **Fasting.** I encourage families to gather for a simple meal at least once a week. Within the simplicity of a meal, a family should be able to save some costs; the very nature of a simple meal is already a manifestation of your solidarity with any poor person or family. **Almsgiving.** If you so desire, your simple meal can be translated as an act of almsgiving or charity. Whatever you save from having a simple meal can be shared with anyone who is experiencing hunger for food. It could be in our own parish community, the Town of Smithers or Houston, or anywhere in the world where you think there are poor in need of your generosity who will receive and appreciate it.

Let us strive to live a holy life as we journey throughout this Season of Lent. As we do, may it lead us to be mindful of the reality around us, our identity and our mission. I pray for a holy, prayerful and fruitful Lenten journey. May we reach Easter with hearts and minds renewed in the Lord!

I remain,

Fr. Rectorino M. Tolentino, Jr. Pastor



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie
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KINDERGARTEN REGISRATION

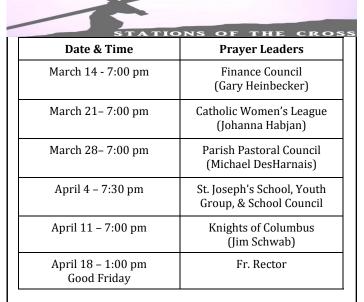
Registration has begun for the 2014/2015 school year. It opens up to the general public starting on Thursday, March 6th starting at 9:00am. This is a first come, first served basis. All families must make an appointment with Mrs. McKenzie before enrollment is confirmed. Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2014 to register for Kindergarten. Please bring in your child's care card, birth certificate, baptismal certificate, and SIN of one parent. Also a cheque for September fees is needed if you do not have a child in the school already. Tuition for the 2014/2015 school year: 1 child= \$210.00, 2 children = \$265.00 and 3 or more children = \$270.00.



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!"

Stations of the Cross for Lent 2014 - Fridays during Lent



The group leading the Stations should choose the prayers they wish to use and have enough copies for those attending. Please present it to Fr. Rector for consent. Before beginning the Stations assign readers for each Station.

PARISH FUNDRAISING



"St. Joseph's Parish 100 Years Jubilee Celebrating God's Faithful Blessings yesterday, today and forever"

As we observe our 100 Years Jubilee, we are also doing a Fundraising Campaign entitled,

"My Gift to St. Joseph" (\$100 for 100 Years)

This is a fundraising campaign of St. Joseph's Parish to help us finance the repair of the Church steeple.

- The Board with an illustration of the Church Steeple is currently displayed at the church foyer.
- Parishioners who wish to give a gift to St. Joseph are asked to write their names in one of the squares on the illustration of the Church steeple.
- Gifts may be given anytime until March 19, 2014, the Feast of St. Joseph. A tax receipt will be issued for any donations.
- The success of this campaign will depend on participation of 100 parishioners/households.
- Parishioners may give using any of the following methods: Cash, Cheque, Post-dated Cheques, Pre-authorized Debit, and Money transfer.

UPDATE:

As of March 7, 2014, there are $\underline{86}$ squares filled out. There are still $\underline{14}$ vacant squares left.

We thank you in advance for your generous support!

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PARISH GROUPS / NEWS



Fr. Callaly Council Monthly Meeting

Date: Sunday March 9th

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: St. Joseph's Parish Centre

First Degree Exemplification

Date: Sunday March 9th.

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: St Joseph's Parish Centre

We have three candidates for initiation into the first degree of our order. Please attend the initiation to welcome our new members. The regular meeting will commence at 7:00 following the initiation.

Jim Schwab Grand Knight 7973



CWL Regular Monthly Meeting

On **Tuesday, March 11, 7pm** after 6:15pm Mass is our regular monthly meeting at the parish centre. See you there!

Just a reminder that if you wish to attend the Diocesan Convention April 4-6,

2014 which will be hosted in Smithers, by us, **registration is now due**. For questions or forms call Eileen at 847–3478 or Mary-Ellen at 847-8857. Thank you"



St. Joseph's Youth Group

We will meet today, March 9, 6:30-8:30pm at St. Joseph's School Gym. For our activity, we will be having a food drive. See you there!

Eunice Hii, our Diocesan Youth Coordinator will be in Smithers this coming Thursday, March 13 to promote the Diocesan Youth Conference on April 25-27. Please contact Taryn Lowe at 847–5896 to find out where and when we will be meeting.

Diocesan Summit

A Diocesan Summit is being held on **April 26, 2014** in conjunction with the Diocesan Youth Conference for all involved in efforts to defend life and promote the development of every person. The title of the half-day event is "**Whatsoever you do...**" – a reference to Our Lord's parable in Matthew 25 about the need to see each person as His brother or sister. Invitations from the Bishop have been mailed to diocesan organizations who may wish to set up a table at the Conference



Chrism Mass

Please mark your calendar: the Mass of Chrism will take place on Monday, April 7^{th,} 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

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Mon & Tue 9am-4pm; Wednesday 9am-12nn; Thu 2pm-5pm 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 · Stephen Rose · Georgina Dotto Barbara Jarvis · CWL Representative

Thanks to the following parishioners who led couple of Thank activities in our parish recently:

> - Georgina Dotto for leading us to a successful International Dinner and Loony Auction last Saturday (March I)

and all her helpers. Thank you also to all parishioners who came and participated in the activity. Your untiring help and support are always appreciated. Thank you to all the friends of St. Anthony's Parish, who by your presence and participation, turned the event into a success.

- Claudine Ketchell, April Kopas, & Sasha McDermid, for taking charge of the Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Dinner) for us. Thank you to all who came and joined us in the celebration as well.

Development and Peace

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 CCODP.

On the 5th 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

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.

Dennis Away. He will be attending the Returning to Spirit Workshop in Prince George, March 10-14. If you have any urgent concerns please phone Fr. Rector at St. Joseph's Parish (250) 847-2012.

Let us remember in our prayers:

Denise Fuljames, Harry & Helen Doyle, Nicola Dotto, Eric Bishop Sr., Terry Grant

We pray for the eternal repose of the soul of Bill Meeuwissen (Son of Adrian & Jo) who passed away this past week. As we do, we express our sympathy to Adrian and Jo for their lost.

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, March 16, 2014 Second Sunday of LENT

GREETERS	Tammy Hiebert & Claudine Ketchell
LECTORS	Adrian Meeuwissen & Stephen Rose
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Vic & Gail James
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas, Alicia, Isabelle, Tiffany
Gift Bearers	ТВА
Collection Counter	Eric Bishop
Church Cleaning	Claudine Ketchell & April Kopas (March 17 - 22)

COLLECTION REPORTS

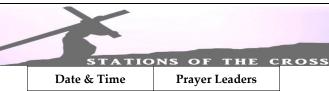
Thank you for your constant support and generosity!

DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY March 2, 2014

Envelopes \$ 850.00 Catholic Missions in Canada \$5 Loose \$ 6.75 Church Envelope Expense \$10 Total \$ 856.75 Int'l Dinner & Looney Auction\$1,467.85

This Week @ St. Anthony's

- 12, Wednesday, CWL Meeting, 12noon
- 13, Thursday, Children's Catechism, 2pm
- 14, Friday, Stations of the Cross, 7pm
- 16, Sunday, 2nd Sunday of Lent, 11:30am, Mass Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Council Meeting



Date & Time	Prayer Leaders
March 14, 7pm	PPC & Finance
March 21, 7pm	Dennis
March 28, 7pm	Families & Children
April 4, 7pm	Greeters & Lectors
April 11, 7pm	Extraordinary Ministers of

Please consult Dennis for "prayer options and copies." Thank you!