

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of LENT March 23, 2014

Exodus 17.3-7, Ps 95, Romans 5.1-2, 5-8, John 4.5-42

"The water that I will give will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."



Weekday Mass Times 3rd Week of Lent

March 24 - 28

Monday 6:15pm (Anticipated, Solemnity of the Annunciation) Fr. Rector away preaching Parish Missions Tuesday Wednesday to the Northern Part of the Diocese Thursday until Tuesday, April 1. Friday

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 4^{th,} it will be at 7:30pm to give way to the Opening Mass for the CWL Convention at 6pm.

Sunday Mass Times

4th Sunday of LENT March 29 & 30



Saturday Sunday

upcoming

Liturgy of the Word with Communion 7pm 9am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

⇒ Monday, March 24, 7pm, Finance Committee Meeting, Parish Center

⇒ Sunday, March 30, within the 9am Liturgy, Celebration # 2, "Sealed with the Holy Spirit: Confirmation, " Families with

children preparing to receive Christian Full Initiation.

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."

Please remember the following in your prayers: Dorothy, Frank, Charlie, Julia, Sarah, Barb, Breda Collins, Mary Montgomery, Ludy Austria. If you or someone you know would like to be on this list, please call the parish office.



Names will be removed at the end of the month to ensure the list is completely accurate and up to date. To keep a name on the list you must call again. Thank you for your understanding.

Ministry Schedule for SUNDAY, March 29 & 30, 2014 Fourth Sunday of Lent

DATE	Saturday, March 29	Sunday, March 30
GREETERS	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	Theo & Corry Sikkes Johanna Habjan
LECTORS	Emily Buenten Gemma Gillis	Marj Coupe Christine Tessier
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Willy Koldyk Janna Delany	Mary Stroet Al Bruintjes Tina Bruintjes
ALTAR SERVERS	Kloe	Melisa, Anthony, Carly



Please mark your calendar.

St. Joseph's 100 Years Jubilee Mass, Banquet, Exhibit & Entertainment Saturday, May 24^{th,} 5pm Mass with Most Rev. Stephen Jensen 6:30pm Banquet & Entertainment

Tickets are now available for \$ 40 each. To buy a ticket or make a reservation, please phone the parish office or Eileen Bouvier (250) 847-3478.

Last Wednesday, during the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Fr. Rector and the Jubilee Committee have launched another fundraising campaign related to the celebration of our 100 Years Jubilee. 100 limited copies of the image of St. Joseph mounted on a wood personally done by Fr. Rector & Fr. Richard Baudette, OMI is for sale for \$20 each. With it also is a commemorative sticker of the 100 Years Jubilee. Please get your copy NOW!

COLLECTION REPORTS

SUNDAY COLLECTION

March 15 & 16, 2nd Sunday of Lent

Church \$ 1,483.05 School \$ 30.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor's Note

Thanks to all parishioners who came and joined us to celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph and Ministry Appreciation Evening last Wednesday. It was nice gathering and celebrating with you. Thanks as well to those who helped out prepare and clean up before and after

the celebration.

Thanks to all who participated with our fundraising campaign "My Gift to St. Joseph." We have successfully filled-out all 100 blocks. Thus, projecting an income of \$10,000 to help with the repair of the Church Steeple. God bless your generosity!

Thanks to **16 volunteer parishioners** who had showed up for the Church general cleaning last Thursday. Job well done! I truly appreciate your sense of stewardship.

Sunday Celebration # 2.

Sealed with the Holv Sprit: Confirmation NEXT SUNDAY, March 30th, children in our parishes and school seeking to receive the Sacraments of full initiation in the Church (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist) will continue with the Sacramental Preparation provided by the Catechism Team led by Gemma Gillis.



Please include Mckenna, Allen, Lucas, Shannon, Lauren, Lexy, Melina, Miguel, Eric, Keira, Chad, Callum, Luca, Kaidence, Kasey, & Hailey 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.

The Reception of the Sacraments with Most Rev. Stephen Jensen, (Bishop, Prince George Diocese), will be celebrated on:

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



St. Joseph's Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service is scheduled on Wednesday, April 9th at 7pm. Fr. Johmer Faderanga and I will a Holy Lent be available to hear confessions that evening.

However, if you wish to celebrate the Sacrament anytime, you may phone the parish office and book an appointment with me. You may also want to take advantage of our regular Reconciliation Service every Saturday evening before the anticipated Mass from 6:00 - 6:30pm. It is important that we celebrate Reconciliation before Holy Week and Easter. This is part of our holy Lenten journey!

Please pray also for (Felicia, Luca, Blaire, Drew, Samuel, Tess) children in Grace 3 at St. Joseph's School preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Friday, April 11^{th,} 10am.



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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

Catholic Schools: We Walk Humbly With Our Lord



St. Joseph's School is on Spring Break from March 15-30. Happy Spring Break!

Stations of the Cross for Lent 2014 - Fridays during Lent



Date & Time	Prayer Leaders
March 28– 7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council (Michael DesHarnais)
April 4 – 7:30 pm	St. Joseph's School, Youth Group, & School Council
April 11 – 7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus
April 18 – 1:00 pm	Fr. Rector

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.



CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR Development and Peace

As the Canadian member of *Caritas Internationalis*. DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE is participating in its global anti-hunger campaign, **One** Human Family, Food for All, which seeks to bring an end to world hunger.

A quote from Pope Francis: "A way has to be found to enable everyone to benefit from the fruits of the earth, and not simply to close the gap between the affluent and those who must be satisfied with the crumbs falling from the table."

What is Development and Peace doing to fight hunger

- Supporting innovations in small-scale agriculture. \Rightarrow
- \Rightarrow Providing women with economic opportunities
- Promoting food sovereignty. \Rightarrow
- \Rightarrow Supporting peasant movements.
- Delivering emergency food aid. \Rightarrow
- Helping communities become more resilient to climate change. \Rightarrow
- Supporting the organization of cooperatives \Rightarrow
- \Rightarrow Promoting peace and reconciliation.

Calling for a more just food system. Please generously support the SHARE LENT campaign this year. We asked that your donations be offered at our Sunday Liturgies next weekend. Thank you!

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 Refugee: Ann Griffith, Linda Rosner 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 & DIOCESAN NEWS



CWL Diocesan Annual Convention

"Go Forth" is the theme of this year's CWL Diocesan Convention. It is taking place here in our parish starting on Friday, April 4^{th} - Sunday April 6^{th} .

To accommodate the schedule of the ladies attending the CWL Convention, please take note of the following CHANGES:

Friday, April 4:

- \Rightarrow 9am Mass with the School sponsored by Grade IV
- ⇒ 6pm Mass with the CWL Convention Delegates
- \Rightarrow **7:30pm** Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 5:

- \Rightarrow 5:30pm Anticipated Mass with Most Rev. Stephen Jensen
- ⇒ **NO 7pm Mass** as Fr. Rector will join the convention delegates for the banquet. Please pray for a successful CWL Convention.

UPDATE St. Anthony's St. Joseph's 3/21/2014 Parish Goal: \$ 24, 934 \$ 4, 691 \$ 16, 965 Actual to date: \$4, 185 BUILDING 7,969 Amount to Goal:\$ 506 \$ **Envelopes:** 20 60

From the Diocesan Appeal Committee

We have just passed the halfway mark in our Appeal year, and there is good news and not so great news. To date the statistics are:

Pledges:	\$405,414
Less Rebates:	\$ 16,283
Diocesan Goal to Date:	\$389,131
Goal Shortage:	\$ 10,869

The good news is that 8 parishes out of 20 have surpassed their goals and will receive rebates of \$16,283. Congratulations to the members of those parishes and thank you for your quick and generous response to the invitation to participate in the mission of the Diocese through the Appeal. Five out of the eight parishes who have surpassed their goals are among the smallest parishes in the Diocese, some of which also receive assistance from the Appeal and Catholic Missions in Canada.

Of the 12 remaining parishes who have not yet met their goals, the total percentage pledged ranges from 36.4% to 96.9%. A sincere thank you to all who have contributed so generously so far. Your support of the Appeal is vital in your parish. The challenge now is for others in these parishes to respond as well. Those parishes that do not reach their goal are relying on the smaller parishes to subsidize them as the contingency amount in the goals is used to make up the shortfall.

All parishioners are urged to participate in the Annual Diocesan Appeal. If you have not yet responded, please take the time now to prayerfully consider your response to the invitation to share some of your blessings with your sisters and brothers throughout the Diocese. Thank you!

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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



THE EUCHARIST INSPIRES FORGIVENESS AND ENCOUNTER WITH OTHERS Vatican City, 12 February 2014 (VIS) –

 The Eucharist and its relation to our life, as Church and as Christians, was the theme of Pope Francis' catechesis during this Wednesday's general audience in St. Peter's Square.

"How do we live the Eucharist ... when we go to Mass on a Sunday? What is it for us? Is it just an opportunity to celebrate, a consolidated tradition, a way of getting one's bearings and feeling better, or is it something more?" asked the Holy Father, who then went on to indicate

three signs for understanding how we experience this relation.

The first is our way of living with others. "In the Eucharist Christ renews the gift of Himself that He made on the Cross", he explained. "His entire life is an act of the fullest sharing of Himself for love. This is why He loved to stay with the disciples and with those He met. For Him, this meant sharing their yearnings, their problems, that which stirred their soul and their life. Now, when we participate in the Holy Mass, we find ourselves with many people ... but the Eucharist that I celebrate, does it lead me to consider them as brothers and sisters? Does it inspire me to go towards the poor, the sick, the marginalised? Does it help me to recognise Christ's face in them?" (to be continued next Sunday)



Let us remember in our prayers:

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

We pray also for the eternal repose of the souls of **Terry Grant** (Brother of Joan Perrault) and **Bill Meeuwissen** (Son of Adrian & Jo) who have passed away recently. As we do, we express our sympathy to Robert & Joan; Adrian and Jo for their lost. May Terry & Bill rest in peace. Amen.

Please mark your calendar: **Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service is on SUNDAY, April 13^{th,} 7pm.** You may also approach Fr. Rector every Sunday if you want to celebrate the Sacrament.



Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, March 30, 2014 Fourth Sunday of LENT

GREETERS	Claudine Ketchell & Tammy Hiebert
LECTORS	Shirley Collins & Jane Wardrop
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Prayer Leader: Vic James Reflection: Dennis Gonia
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas, Alicia, Isabelle, Tiffany
Gift Bearers	ТВА
Collection Counter	Adrian Meeuwissen
Church Cleaning	Dessi Slaney & Bill Goold <i>(March</i> 24 - 28)

COLLECTION REPORTS

Thank you for your constant support and generosity!

	DONATIONS FR	NATIONS FROM SUNDAY	
	March 9, 2014	March 16, 2014	
Envelopes Loose Total	\$ 290.00 <u>\$ 7.00</u> \$ 297.00	\$ 395.00 <u>\$ 15.00</u> \$ 410.00	

Please read inside of the bulletin regarding the following: Reception of the Sacraments; Annual Diocesan Appeal Updates.

This Week @ St. Anthony's

- ⇒ TODAY, after Mass, (Irish Stew), Viewing Development & Peace video re: "A New Leaf: Confronting a Food Crisis"
- \Rightarrow 27, Thursday, Children's Catechism, 3:30pm
- $\Rightarrow~$ 30, Sunday, 4th Sunday of Lent, 11:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

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Date & Time	Prayer Leaders	
March 28, 7pm	Families & Children (Children's Catechism)	
April 4, 7pm	Greeters & Lectors	
April 11, 7pm	Extraordinary Ministers of	

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