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SUNDAY BULLETIN

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 2, 2014

Isaiah 49, 14-15, Ps 62, 1 Corinthians 4.1-5, Matthew 6.24-34

"...strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well."



Weekday Mass Times 8th Week in Ordinary Time

March 3 - 7

Monday 6:15pm
Tuesday 6:15pm
Wednesday 9am & 6:15pm
Thursday 11am @ Bulkley Lodge
Friday 9am followed by Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Praying the Liturgy of the Hours before Weekday Mass:

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

Stations of the Cross

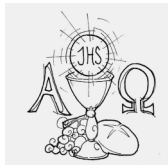
Every Friday of Lent, 7pm except this coming Friday, March 7, it will be at 6pm to give way to the **World Day of Prayer at 7pm.**

Sunday Mass Times

1st Sunday of LENT

March 8 & 9

Saturday 7pm People of the Parish
Sunday 9am People of the Parish



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 8 & 9, 2014
First Sunday of Lent

DATE	Saturday, March 8	Sunday, March 9
GREETERS	Gary & Mary Heinbecker	CWL
LECTORS	Emily Buenten Eileen Bouvier	CWL
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Janna Delany Bob Bresser	CWL
ALTAR SERVERS	Adriana	Arnee, Gabe

upcoming EVENTS

⇒ Monday, March 3, after 6:15pm Mass, preparation of the ashes for Ash Wednesday, Church

⇒ Tuesday, March 4, 7pm, Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Parish Center;

⇒ Wednesday, March , Ash Wednesday, Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

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100th
Anniversary

The Anniversary Committee has begun planning for the entertainment during the banquet on May 24th. 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

Feb 22 & 23, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$ 1,532.25

School \$ 20.00

Catholic Mission \$ 288.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor's Note

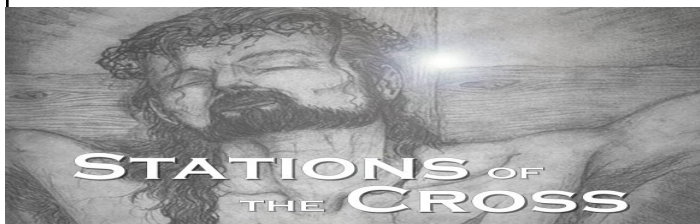


Countdown for Lent: Ash Wednesday is coming! **Lent begins on March 5.** Lent is a time of repentance, change of heart, and prayer. The following schedule will be observed to mark the beginning of Lent:

⇒ 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



Stations of the Cross for Lent 2014 - Fridays during Lent

Date & Time	Prayer Leaders
March 7 - 6:00 pm	Development & Peace
March 14 - 7:00 pm	Finance Council (Gary Heinbecker)
March 21 - 7:00 pm	Catholic Women's League (Johanna Habjan)
March 28 - 7:00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council (Michael DesHarnais)
April 4 - 7:00 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.



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



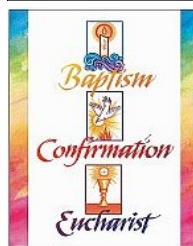
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration has begun for the 2014/2015 school year. School and Parish families were to register on Feb. 24th and 25th. **If you have not made an appointment call the office ASAP or you may not have a spot for your child.** Pre K families can register 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 some spots available. All families must make an appointment with Mrs. McKenzie.** 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. Tuition for the 2014/2015 school year: 1 child = \$210.00, 2 children = \$265.00 and 3 or more children = \$270.00.

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!"



Last Sunday, February 23rd, children in our parishes and school seeking to receive the Sacraments of full initiation in the Church (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist) were presented at Mass. They are: *Mckenna, Allen, Lucas, Shannon, Lauren, Lexy, Melina, Miguel, Eric, Keira, Chad, Callum, Luca, Solomon, Kaidence, Kasey, & Hailey.* Together with their parents (*the primary teachers in faith*), Dennis Gonja (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.

The Sunday Celebration # 2 "Sealed with the Holy Spirit: Confirmation" will take place on Sunday, March 30.

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 February 28, 2014, there are 84 squares filled out.
There are still 16 vacant squares left.**

We thank you in advance for your generous support!

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PARISH GROUPS / NEWS



A World Day of Prayer interdenominational service will be held in Smithers at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Friday, March 7th at 7:00 pm. The origins of the World Day of Prayer date back to the 19th century when Christian women initiated a variety of activities in support of women's involvement in mission at home and in other parts of the world. For 2014, a committee of Egyptian laywomen prayerfully chose the theme, "Streams in the Desert". Water, as with many places in the world is a central theme of the future for Egypt. For more information about the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada and further resources on the 2014 World Day of Prayer, please visit: <http://www.wicc.org/world-day-of-prayer/2014-egypt/>. Refreshments will be served by the Catholic Women's League after the Prayer Service.



Share Lent 2014

This year's Share Lent campaign by the Canadian Catholic Organization of Development and Peace is aligning itself with a global initiative of Caritas

Internationalis under the theme of "One Human Family, Food for All" launched by Pope Francis in December. This is the Catholic response to the fact that one out of every eight of God's children still suffer from hunger – a total of 1 billion people on our planet. To die of hunger in our world of plenty is a scandal and denies the most basic human right: the right to food. For further information and education about this campaign, please read the bulletin insert this Sunday from the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development & Peace.



Help Save Lives from March 5 - April 13
Join the worldwide movement to protect mothers and babies

Recognizing that "with God, all things are possible," our community is joining with

hundreds of other cities for this spring's global **40 Days for Life** – one of the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilizations in history.

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective – pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than 600,000 people worldwide, saved 8,245 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of 88 abortion workers, and seen 44 abortion facilities close down for good.

40 Days for Life features three components:

1. PRAYER & FASTING: Join together with other believers for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

2. PEACEFUL VIGIL: Stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness outside Mills Memorial Hospital.

3. COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Bring a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, advocacy and public visibility.

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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



Burning of Palms

The ashes that will be used to mark the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, March 5, come from the branches blessed and distributed last Passion Sunday. Please bring the branches taken home last year to the church, so that

they may be burned and used in the Ash Wednesday liturgy. The preparation of ashes will precede the Pancake Supper on Tuesday, 5:30pm. As noted last Sunday, the Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated at St. Anthony's Parish, 4pm. Also, Ash Wednesday is a Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

Season of Lent (from the ORDO)

Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. During Lent, the liturgy prepares catechumens to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by the various stages of Christian Initiation. It also prepares the faithful for Easter as they recall their baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest feast of the year.

Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's word and of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Lenten instructions stress these baptismal and penitential themes.

During Lent, it is important to teach the social consequences of sin as well as the fact that the heart of the virtue of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God.

The Church encourages penitential practices that are external and social, reflecting the circumstances of individuals and communities as we pray and do penance for sinners.

Let us remember in our prayers:

Bill Meeuwissen, Denise Fuljames, Harry & Helen Doyle,

Nicola Dotto, Eric Bishop Sr., Terry Grant

We pray for the eternal repose of the souls of Eddie Doyle (Harry's Brother) & Yvone Hendrikx (relative of Adrian Meeuwissen) who passed away this past week. As we do, we express our sympathy to Harry, to Adrian for their lost.



Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, March 9, 2014 First Sunday of LENT

GREETERS	Adrian & Jo Meeuwissen
LECTORS	Liz Gerei & Jennie Halladay
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Barbara Jarvis & Dawn Bishop
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas, Alicia, Isabelle, Tiffany
Gift Bearers	TBA
Collection Counter	Robert Perrault
Church Cleaning	Tammy Hiebert (March 3 - 8)

COLLECTION REPORTS

Thank you for your constant support and generosity!

DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY February 23, 2014

Envelopes	\$ 255.00	Catholic Missions in Canada \$35.00
Loose	\$	Church Envelope Expense \$ 6
Total	\$ 255.00	Soup & Bun Luncheon \$ 127.00

This March 2014 @ St. Anthony's

- ⇒ 1, Saturday, International Dinner & Looney Auction, 6pm
- ⇒ 2, Sunday, 8th in Ordinary Time, 11:30am Mass
- ⇒ 4, Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper & Burning of Palms, 5:30pm
- ⇒ 5, Ash Wednesday, 4pm, Mass
- ⇒ 6, Thursday, Children's Catechism, 2pm
- ⇒ 7, Friday, Stations of the Cross, 7pm
- ⇒ 9, Sunday 1st Sunday of Lent, 11:30am Mass
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ 20, Thursday, Adult Faith Session, 2pm;
- Children's Catechism, 3:30pm;
- ⇒ 21, Friday, Stations of the Cross, 7pm
- ⇒ 23, Sunday, 3rd Sunday of Lent, 11:30am Mass
- ⇒ 27, Thursday, Children's Catechism, 3:30pm
- ⇒ 28, Friday, Stations of the Cross, 7pm
- ⇒ 30, Sunday, 4th Sunday of Lent, 11:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion