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## SUNDAY BULLETIN for November 22nd & 23rd 2014

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Christ the King

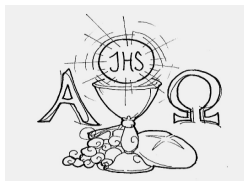
Ezekiel 34.11-12,15-17, Psalm 23, 1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28, Matthew 25.31-46

*"The Son of Man will sit on the throne of his glory, and he will separate people one from another"*



### Week Mass Times 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday 22nd 7:00 pm †*Sister Claire Murphy*
- Sunday 23rd 9:00 am †*Vincenzo Napoli*
- Monday 24th 9:00 am
- Tuesday 25th 6:15 pm
- Wednesday 26th 9:00 am
- Thursday 27th 11:00am
- Friday 28th 9:00 am
- Saturday 29th 7:00 pm
- Sunday 30th 9:00 am †*John Derksen & deceased family*



### Ministry Schedule November 29th & 30th, 2014 *First Sunday of Advent*

DATE	Saturday, Nov 29	Sunday, Nov 30
<b>GREETERS</b>	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	Jim & Marie Ziegler Mary Vandermaaal
<b>LECTORS</b>	Christine Tessier David Hemenway	Marj Coupe Brian Burrill
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Janna Delany Willy Koldyk	Johanna Habjan Al Bruintjes Tina Bruintjes
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Volunteer Servers	Volunteer Servers

### PARISH MINISTRIES

- Pastoral Assistant:* Dennis Gonia
- Secretary:* Brenda Pyper
- Parish Pastoral Council
- Chairperson & Diocesan Appeal Coordinator:*  
Michael desHarnais
- Social Coordinator:* Johanna Habjan
- Liturgy:* Gemma Gillis
- Youth Ministry:* Melissa Cachia
- Development & Peace:* Marj Coupe
- 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
- Finance Vice Chairperson:* Wayne Callison
- Maintenance:* Pete Stroet
- Collections:* Rita Coupe
- RCIA & Children's Catechism:* Dennis Gonia
- Children's Liturgy:* Ann Marie MacIsaac & Crystal Adams
- Altar Servers:* Nancy Verbeek
- Music:* Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer

### COLLECTION REPORTS

November 15th & 16th, 2014 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Church \$2,602.35  
 Development & Peace \$20.00



**Parish Goal :** \$ 21,666.  
**Total Pledge:** \$ 19,035.  
**Pledges Received:** \$ 18,665.

**Thank you!!!**

Please remember the following in your prayers:  
**Don McMullen, Sister Joan MacNiell, Cheryl & Roy Stoner, Gordon Nickerson, Marie, Lucia, Will, Charlie, Barb, Mary, Nolan, Darin, Gwen, Zenny Schwegler, Jennifer Sikkes-Durran, Patty Sikkes-Rathjen**  
 If you or someone you know would like to be on the prayer list, please call the parish office.



### 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."*

## Note from the pastor



**The Final Things: judgement, heaven, hell, purgatory.** In our creed we pray, 'I believe in everlasting life'. 'All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven' (Catechism #1030). In the process of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we confess our sins, accept our penance, and receive absolution. Our Penance is an expression of working with Jesus to repair the harm done through our sins; hence an incomplete penance shows itself as a 'stain of sin'. We believe that no sin and no stain of sin can enter into heaven; hence the reality of a purifying process, which we call purgatory. What purgatory is really like we do not know; but that a purifying process exists we can know.

The communion of Saints is the belief of the oneness (or communion) existing between the People of God on earth and those who have gone before us. This communion allows the people on earth to be of great help to those undergoing purgatory; in the same way that our acts of prayer on earth can help the people on earth, we believe that our acts of prayer can help those in purgatory. And this communion is a two-way street; hence those in heaven (the saints) can help us on our earthly pilgrimage through their prayers of intercession.

### **NOVEMBER: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, All Souls' Day**

The souls of all our faithful departed will be remembered in all the masses. Offering a mass intention, reflects the deep and unbroken Catholic conviction that the Eucharistic sacrifice has pre-eminence among the prayers, good works, alms and acts of religion which believers are encouraged to offer on behalf of the dead. This time of the year is a special time to remember our deceased loved ones through prayers and masses to be offered for them.

*"Happy are those who have died in the Lord. Let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them."*

**Feast of Christ the King.** This is our New Year's Eve. Today is the last week of this year of worship; next week we begin our New Year with Advent. We celebrate today our belief that Jesus is the King of all Kings. We affirm our faith that Jesus is the center of our lives, and that there is no aspect of our life that Jesus does not touch. This is taught in the words from today's Gospel, "Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do unto me." (Mt 25:40)

### **TYPO CORRECTION: LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

**WORKSHOP.** Please mark your calendars for Thursday, **November 27** for our Ministry workshop. The first portion will be general teaching on the importance and place of worship in our Catholic faith, and the second part will go into specific procedures. I invite all people to learn about our liturgical ministries even if at present you do not feel called to minister.

## upcoming EVENTS

**Please mark your calendars for the following November meetings:**

**November 25th**, Finance Meeting has been rescheduled for January ...date to be announced  
**November 27th**, Ministry Workshop 7PM

**Bible sharing** is held every Tuesday at 10:15AM in the Parish center.  
Last session will be on December 9th.

### **THANK YOU,!!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!**

A big thank you to all men,women,youth and children who helped with set up and take down,baking,crafts,other donations and time in the kitchen and on the floor.

The Bazaar was a huge success because of you.



#### **RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS**

1st prize. \$150,00 gift card for B V Wholesale: Willy Koldyk  
2nd prize \$100.00 gift card for Alpine Plant World: Audrey Bruintjes's  
3rd prize 3 Youth Downhill ski Passes: Andrea Callison  
4th prize 50.00 gift card for Steakhouse on Main : Farron DenBoer

#### **DOOR PRIZE WINNERS**

Adult Door Prize Gift Basket :Margaret Schmidt  
1st Children's Door Prize:3 Youth Swim Passes:Phyllis Havard  
2nd children's Door Prize: Lego Set : Darah Gillis

### **Living with Hearing Loss**

Healthy Living Center  
1070 Main Street 1:30 pm to 3pm

**November 17-** Introduction- join us to talk about hearing loss, tips for communicating, listening in difficult situations, dealing with background noise, find out if speech reading is for you

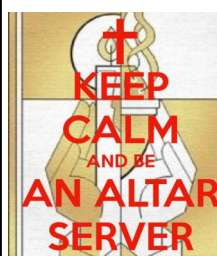
**November 24** -Speech Reading #1 – learn to speech read and basic coping strategies to improve communication with family

**December 1** -Speech Reading #2

**December 8** - Speech Reading #3

**December 15** -Speech Reading #4

To register – please call Karen Rabbiosi at 250 847-6415



### **ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**

We continue to encourage boys and girls who have the desire to serve in the altar of Jesus to sign up for the Ministry of Altar Server. There will be regular monthly training sessions for new members and old. Please consider signing up for this ministry. Next practice session is November 27th at noon.



## ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie  
Our school website: [www.stjosephsschool.ca](http://www.stjosephsschool.ca)  
Phone: 250-847-9414

*Catholic Schools: "Live The Joy of the Gospel"*

### Upcoming events:

Report Cards Home – November 28<sup>th</sup> (please note there will be no parent-teacher interviews)  
December 18<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Concert  
December 19<sup>th</sup> – Grade 5 Mass and Movie at the Roi Theatre

### ST. JOSEPH'S CHOIR

We have once again been invited to sing at the Carolfest organized by School District #54. We will be performing on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Smithers Secondary School along with many other choirs from the public schools in our district. There will be two performances; one at 5 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m. Soon a note will be sent home with each choir member detailing the events of the day.

Please have your child practice the words for our songs and listen to the music which can be found on the website under Student Resources. Thank you, Mrs. Cachia and Mrs. Lowe.



### Smithers Community Christmas Choir and the Bulkley Valley String Orchestra

will sing and play a Requiem Mass, Eternal Light, for those who have experienced loss and find the Christmas season difficult. They will also perform Enchanted Carols, also by Howard Goodall, in preparation for the season. Rounding off the evening Toby Moisey will perform a Vivaldi, double concerto, flute and violin with Kiri Daust and Alfred Laskowski will play an organ concerto by Handel. Come and join us December 4, 5 or 6 for an exquisite evening of music. Check the poster in the lobby for more details or contact Barbara Schwab.

### Development and Peace Update

Canadian Catholic Organization for DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE (CCOPD) is deeply disappointed that the federal government is not establishing an independent Ombudsman to investigate human rights complaints involving corporate activity abroad, as part of the five-year review of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Strategy announced on November 14, 2014. Our Fall 2013 campaign "A Voice for Justice" called for such an independent role.

Over 95,000 Canadians wrote to Parliament in the past year to call for the creation of an extractive-sector Ombudsman. Last month, a private member's bill to create such an Ombudsman, Bill C-584, received support from all opposition parties in Parliament but was voted down by the government.

"Ultimately, it is the most vulnerable communities adversely impacted by Canadian companies who will pay the highest price because they have no genuine recourse when their human rights are violated," said Josianne Gauthier, Deputy Executive Director of DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE.



*A Sincere thank you to all of you who contributed time and talent who helped to organize our annual bazaar and make it a big success. All was very much appreciated!!!*



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Visit to the Sick at Home: by appointment.



## SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am



### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Rev. Pier Pandolfo  
*Pastor*

Dennis Gonia  
*Pastoral Assistant*

Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee  
Members

Eric Bishop · Stephen Rose · Georgina Dotto · CWL Representative

### Christ the King notes (From the Ordo):

The last week of the liturgical year is devoted to eschatological themes: Christ the King will restore all creation and restore his kingdom to the Father. The risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth. "There, with the whole of creation, freed from the corruption of sin and death, may we glorify you through Christ our Lord." (EP IV)

### About Christ the King celebration

(from: churchyear.net)

Pope Pius XI instituted The Feast of Christ the King in 1925 for the universal church in his encyclical *Quas Primas*. He connected the increasingly denial of Christ as king to the rise of secularism. At the time of *Quas Primas*, many Christians (including Catholics) began to doubt Christ's authority and existence, as well as the Church's power to continue Christ's authority. Pius XI, and the rest of the Christian world, witnessed the rise of non-Christian dictatorships in Europe, and saw Catholics being taken in by these earthly leaders. These dictators often attempted to assert authority over the Church. Just as the Feast of Corpus Christi was instituted when devotion to the Eucharist was at a low point, the Feast of Christ the King was instituted during a time when respect for Christ and the Church was waning, when the feast was needed most.

Pius hoped the institution of the feast would have various effects. They were:

1. That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state (*Quas Primas*, 32).
2. That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ (*Quas Primas*, 31).
3. That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies (*Quas Primas*, 33).

### Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

"Eternal Father, I offer you the most Precious Blood of your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, to those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

### Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, November 30, 2014 1st Sunday of Advent

GREETERS	Tammy Heibert and Claudine Ketchell
LECTORS	1. Jane Wardrop 2. Liz Gerei
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Dawn Bishop and Adrian Meeuwissen
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas, Alicia, Isabelle, Tiffany
Gift Bearers	TBA
Collection Counter	Carm Brockerville
Church Cleaning	(Nov. 24-29) Sherry Kelly and Family

### COLLECTION REPORTS

*Thank you for your constant support and generosity!*  
**DONATIONS FROM SUNDAY November 16, 2014**

Loose	\$ 40.00	change for a change	\$ 20.35
Envelope	\$355.00		
Total	\$395.00		

### Soup and Bun Luncheon

Today, the parish sponsors Soup and Bun Luncheon *(by donation)*. We invite you to join us and in the process build community with everyone present. Thank you.

### Sunday Missals

Sunday Missals are on sale. We still have few books remaining and we can order more whenever it is necessary. *Missals are for \$5.00 each.* Thank you.

### Joint Finance and PPC Meeting

Joint PPC and Finance Meeting will **be today 23<sup>rd</sup> of November after mass.** See you all in the meeting room.

### CWL members reminder

There will be a \$36.00 membership due early this year due to change in Insurance Policy. We will appreciate payment by December the 10<sup>th</sup> is possible. Thank you—Liz Gerei.

### Diocesan Annual Appeal UPDATE

ST. ANTHONY'S GOAL:	\$ 5,191.00
TOTAL PLEDGED:	\$ 2,675.00
PLEDGES RECEIVED:	\$ 2,555.00

