

## St. Joseph's Parish

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN for February 21st & 22nd, 2015 1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Genesis 9.8-15, Psalm 25, 1 Peter 3.18-22, Mark 1.12-15 "Jesus was tempted by Satan; and the Angels waited on him."



# Week Mass Times 1st Sunday of Lent

Ministry Schedule February 28th & March 1st, 2015 **2nd Sunday of Lent** 

Saturday	21st	7:00 pm	1	
Sunday	22nd	9:00am		
Monday	23rd	No Mass	3	JHS)
Tuesday	24th	No Mass	3	
Wednesda	y 25th	No Mass	6	
Thursday	26th	No mass	;	
Friday	27th	No Mass	3	
Saturday	28th	7:00 pm †Strgar deceased family members		
Sunday	1st	9:00 pm †Neff deceased family members		

DATE	Saturday, Feb. 28	Sunday, Mar I
GREETERS	Dave & Marj Mary Vandermaa Hemenway Jean Miller	
LECTORS	Eileen Bouvier David Schwab	Christine Tessier Melicia Cachia
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Dave Hemenway Willy Koldyk	Mary Stroet Al Bruintjes Tina Bruintjes
ALTAR SERVERS	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

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

Casey Pyper, David Schwab

RCIA & Children's Catechism: Dennis Gonia

Children's Liturgy: Ann Marie MacIsaac

#### **COLLECTION REPORTS**

Feb. 14th & 15th, 2015 — 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Church \$ 1,637.00
School \$ 36.00

Needs of the Church \$ 10.00 Catholic Missions \$130.00 Thank you for your generosity!

Would you like to leave a lasting legacy? Consider the gift of life insurance, your only cost are the monthly premiums, which are, if properly arranged, are tax deductible!

Please remember the following in your prayers:

James, Deven, Clare, Janet, Gloria, Francis, Gwen, Esther, Frank, Don, Zenny & Patty

If you or someone you know would like to be on the prayer list, call the parish office at 250-847-2012.. Please note the prayer list will be updated at the end of month.



#### 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."



RESTING in Lent: We often hear how busy we are; it is an excuse for many of our actions or inactions. This Lent let us reflect on the reality of how busy we actually are, and how we can deepen our relationship with Jesus in the midst of this reality. During our Sunday masses we have chosen to limit our movements and increase our paying attention: we will have instrumental music during the offertory procession to allow people to rest in the simple actions happening at the altar of our gifts being offered to God, we will have a simple closing hymn, and we encourage the minimum of talking until people are in the foyer. Homework: pray 'Jesus help my business not to be an excuse.'

#### Fr. Pier away from Feb 20 to March 03:

- Ist Sunday of Lent, Feb 22: Thank you to Sr.Jude for sharing the Gospel reflection
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, March 01: Mass led by Fr.Jack Michalchuk; beginning of MISSION on the call from Pope Francis to be evangelizers of joy

<u>LENT: LITURGY:</u> In bringing the needs of the Third World Countries before the people of our country, the Bishops of Canada endorse the CCODP (Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace).

On the 5th Sunday of Lent, a collection is taken up for developing countries. As Christians, we are encouraged to share our goods with others as means of our expression of desire to come closer to God and our brothers and sisters in a concrete way especially this Lenten season. It is also encouraged that the money each one saved through penitential fasting is the one that is set aside and donated for God's people.

The Church encourage external and social penance. This can be expressed through this collection.

Second Data Projection Screen: Thank you: with a generous donation of the projection screen (television), and with the generous donation of one day's labour, we were able to complete installation of the second projection screen with a minimum of expenses for electrical cables. We are hoping that the new design improves visibility and diminishes distractions.

March 08, 2015. Smithers Christian Reform Church (SCRC) sharing our building. The new SCRC building will be ready this summer. Until then, the SCRC will be holding their services at St.Josephs; they will have access every Sunday from I I am to I:30pm. Many details have been worked out. All of us will be asked to be charitable when unforeseen things surface. We welcome our Christian brothers and sisters.



## Please mark your calendars for the following meetings and events:

March I Youth Group Meeting
March 3 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7PM

March 6 World Day of Prayer (Anglican Church )7PM

March 8 Sacramental Prep - Retreat #2, 2-4:30PM March 10 CWL General Meeting

March 23 Reconciliation Celebration

#### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



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We have to state, without mincing words, that there is an inseparable bond between our faith and the poor. May we never abandon them.

- Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 48.

For nearly 50 years, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE has been committed to nurturing the bond between the faith of Canadian Catholics and the poorest of our brothers and sisters in the human family.

Since our founding in 1967, Canadian Catholics have supported 15,200 local initiatives around the world through your generous donations to the annual Share Lent Campaign. These initiatives, in areas such as agriculture, education, community action, peacebuilding and citizen participation, continue to help the poor today.

The Share Lent collection is on the Fifth Sunday of Lent – Solidarity Sunday – March 22nd. Learn more at devp.org.

## St. Anthony's Parish Valentines Raffle Winners Thank You!

I would like to say "thank you" to all of St. Anthony's Parishioners who helped with the sale of the raffle tickets. Also a "special thanks" to St. Joseph parishioners especially to Paul, Eileen, Brenda, Nilda and Jim for extending a helping hand to help with the sale of our tickets.

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God Bless each and everyone of you for all your support. Georgina Dotto-St. Anthony's Fund Raising Coordinator

#### Greetings from Father Rector Tolentino, Jr.

A letter of his journey has been posted at the back of the church on the green bulletin board. Please take a moment to read it!



Bible Sharing is held every Tuesday at 10:15am in the Parish Center. Come and join us enriching our spiritual selves with the word of God over a cup of coffee or tea.



The Youth Group of St. Joseph's Church is a Catholic assembly of young people committed to know more about Jesus Christ and living out the Gospel values. Everyone is welcome to join us and together grow in God's love. Next meeting is March 1st.



#### ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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

Catholic Schools: "Live The Joy of the Gospel"

#### **VIRTUE: LOVE**

If I speak with human tongues and angelic as well, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong, a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and with full knowledge, comprehend all mysteries, if I have faith great enough to move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give everything I have to feed the poor and hand over my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. Corinthians 13: 1-3

#### **Employment Opportunities - CISPG**

Catholic Independent Schools has current and future teaching positions available in several of our communities. Interested candidates are invited to visit our website for the job specific ads at: www.cispg.ca. Thank you!

#### DYC 2015: ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

All those in grades 7 – 12 are now welcome to register online for the 20th Annual DYC!! Head on over to http:// dyc2015.eventzilla.net/ to get your tickets. The early bird fee is \$50 until April 1, 2015 and \$65 after this date. Check out our promo video at https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=VLgLITNIbT8&feature=voutu.be. We are so excited to see you all in Prince George for this year's DYC! It's sure to be an amazing weekend.

#### **Missionary Disciples Today!**

A parish mission with Fr Jack Michalchuk & John Connelly the Co-Directors of the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis for the Prince George Diocese.

The topic will be on the call of Pope Francis for every Catholic to be Missionary Disciples. We will explore the question... How can you and I truly practice living as Missionary Disciples today?

Fr Jack will begin the Mission at the weekend Masses and the mission will be from 7:00 pm to approximately 8:45pm on Sunday March 1st and Monday March 2nd. All are welcome.

"This is what Jesus wants today: Missionary Disciples." -Pope Francis

#### ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES - JULY 1, 2015 - JAN 31, 2015

TOTAL RECEIPTS Less -third party collections -cathedraticum	\$85,225 -7,798 <u>-9,457</u> 67,970
EXPEDITURES	<u> </u>
Administration	4,399
Salary, wages & benefits	25,674
Building & property occupancy costs	14,760
Vehicles	2,149
Religious programs	<u>2,385</u>
	49,367
NET RECEIPTS	18,603



#### February is Baby Layette Month for Pregnancy Outreach.



A Baby Layette is anything a baby would need in its first year, but more typically items like sleepers, socks, hats and receiving blankets. Please drop off items at the Parish Centre.

Diocesan Convention is being held in Prince George, April 10th-12th. If you wish to attend please contact Johanna (847-4704) or Mary-Ellen (847-8857) for registration forms. Further details available at next general meeting on March 10th.

#### **Knights of Columbus Council 7973**

The Knights of Columbus of BC/Yukon State Council is once again



offering 30 bursaries in the amount of \$500 each through its Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger Memorial Bursary Program. Applications are now being accepted for the 2015 fiscal year. This program is available to all Catholic students who are enrolled or entering into their second or higher year of postsecondary education in the Province of British

Columbia. Applications must be received on or before the deadline of June 30, 2015. Interested and qualified students should request a bursary application, in writing to the State Bursary Chairman at the following address: Michael Gernat, State Bursary Chairman

4311—31 Street Vernon, British Columbia VIT 5|8

For general information and the Terms of Reference, please visit the website www.kofcbc.org, choose Documents and forms, scroll down to Useful documents Bursary 2015.



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### SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am



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#### 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

#### Thank you!

Many thanks to those who come and helped out with our pancake dinner celebration last Tuesday. No names need t be mentioned, but your ministry is greatly appreciated. Thanks too to all who joined us for dinner

#### Soup and Bun Luncheon after Sunday Celebration

We will have our soup and bun Luncheon today after our Sunday Celebration. Please stay and join the community for a bowl of soup and tons of relationship building.

#### Parish Mission

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LECTORS	Catholic Women's League
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Catholic Women's League
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas and Alicia
Gift Bearers	ТВА
Collection Counter	Robert Perrault
Church Cleaning	(Feb 23-28) Claudine Ketchell

#### **COLLECTION REPORTS**

Thank you for your constant support and generosity!

DONATIONS FROM:February 15, 2015

Loose \$42.00 Catholic Missions in Canada \$75.00

Envelope<u>\$430.00</u> Church Expense \$10.00 \$472.00 Votive Candles \$22.45

## MAN'S CAPACITY FOR GOD (from the CCC) II. WAYS OF COMING TO KNOW GOD

**31** Created in God's image and called to know and love him, the person who seeks God discovers certain ways of coming to know him. These are also called proofs for the existence of God, not in the sense of proofs in the natural sciences, but rather in the sense of "converging and convincing arguments", which allow us to attain certainty about the truth. These "ways" of approaching God from creation have a twofold point of departure: the physical world, and the human person.

32 The world: starting from movement, becoming, contingency, and the world's order and beauty, one can come to a knowledge of God as the origin and the end of the universe. As St. Paul says of the Gentiles: For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made. <sup>7</sup>

And St. Augustine issues this challenge: Question the beauty of the earth, question the beauty of the sea, question the beauty of the air distending and diffusing itself, question the beauty of the sky. . . question all these realities. All respond: "See, we are beautiful." Their beauty is a profession [confessio]. These beauties are subject to change. Who made them if not the Beautiful One [Pulcher] who is not subject to change?<sup>8</sup>