

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for May 23rd & May 24th, 2015 Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2.1-11, Psalm 104, 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13, John 20.19-23 "As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

Remember	RY	Week Mass Times Pentecost Sunday
Saturday	23rd	7:00 pm <i>†Victorino Pacheco</i>
Sunday	24th	9:00 am <i>†Michelangelo & Concetta Sia</i>
		†Necitas Sasing Ramos
Monday	25th	No Mass
Tuesday	26th	No Mass
Wednesday	27th	No Mass
Thursday	28th	@ Bulkley Lodge (Communion Service)
Friday	29th	No mass
Saturday	30th	7:00 pm
Sunday	31st	9:00 am †Dolores Krauskopf
		†Manuel & Cecilia Garcia

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 Casey Pyper, David Schwab Maintenance: Pete Stroet Collections: Rita Coupe RCIA & Children's Catechism: Dennis Gonia Children's Liturgy : Ann Marie MacIsaac Altar Servers: Nancy Verbeek

Ministry Schedule May 30th & 31st, 2015 *Pentecost Sunday*

DATE	Saturday, May 30	Sunday, May 31
GREETERS	David & Marj Hemenway	Jim & Marie Ziegler Mary Vandermaal
LECTORS	Vigil Overstall Eileen Bouvier	Brenda Pyper Michael des Harnais
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Bob Bresser Johanna Habjan	Foziea Loki Lu Blackburn Dorothy Cardinal
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers	Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS

May 16th & May 17th, 2015 - Acension

Church \$1,631.90 Development & Peace (Nepal) \$808.24 Papal Charities \$280.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Diocesan Appeal Update: Parish Goal : \$ 21,666 Received: \$ 19,915

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Jules, Janina, Sandy, Rose, James, Deven, Janet, Gloria, Francis, Esther, Frank, Lucia, Zenny, Patty, Ricardo & Flo



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."



Easter Season: this lasts from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. On Easter Sunday we receive the message: Christ is Risen. Throughout the 50 days we watch the first disciples confirm and share that message. Now on Pentecost, the Church is born through the power of the Holy Spirit and receives the mandate to take that message to all the corners of the world.

What are some of the roles ascribed to the Holy Spirit? Jesus came to reveal sin; the Holy Spirit 'will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment." (Jn16:8) Jesus came to serve: the Holy Spirit walks alongside the believer and is 'another helper, to be with you forever." (Jn14:7) Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life; when the Holy Spirit 'comes, he will guide you into all the truth." (Jn16:13). And Jesus came to reveal the Father, and not to have strange gods; the Holy Spirit will help us 'glorify God.' (Jn16:14).

The Holy Spirit gives the special gifts needed for building up the body of Christ; some are apostles, some are prophets, some are pastors, some are teachers; some speak in tongues and some interpret, while some heal, and some do miracles.(1 Cor 12:28, Eph 4:11). The 7 gifts of the Spirit are known as wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord (wonder and awe). (Isaiah 11:2) The Holy Spirit produces in the believer the fruits of the Spirit: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." (Gal5:22-23)

Homework: (prayer of the Holy Spirit): Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle within them the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit and they will be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. (Let us pray) O God, who did instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and to ever seek His consolation, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Summer opportunities out at Camp Morice on Stewart Lake: | have met many who have memories of Camp Morice. I am asking for your help to spread awareness of the Camp. CAMPING : if you are a family that enjoys camping, consider checking out the campsite and the beautiful beach. ORGANIZED CAMPS: there are camps for children of all ages and there are camps for families. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: we are looking for a few 18+ people who will help facilitate the children's camps – great opportunity to deepen your faith witnessing. VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES: we have various levels of volunteering depending on your age, and in exchange for your volunteering time, we give you leadership training and time to enjoy Camp Morice. Contact the Parish Office for more info.

Please mark your May calendars for the following meetings and events: May 24 Pentecost Sunday

May 25-29 No Mass-Fr. Pier with Grade 7 Field Trip Upcoming May 31 Solemnity of the Holy Trinity Events! Eucharist Sacramental Prep Retreat #3 - 2-4:30pm (originally Scheduled on May 24th is moved to June the 6th—Saturday)

The Pope joins the Catholics of China in prayer and recalls Christians persecuted for their faith

(from V.I.S. -Vatican Information Service. www.vis.va)

Following today's catechesis, the Pope remarked that on 24 May Catholics in China pray with devotion to Our Lady Help of Christians, venerated in the Sheshan shrine in Shanghai. "In the statue above the Shrine, Mary holds her Son aloft, presenting Him to the world with His arms open in a gesture of love and mercy. We too ask Mary to help Catholics in China always to be credible witnesses of this merciful love among their people and to live spiritually united with the rock of Peter upon which the Church is built".

The Holy Father also mentioned the initiative of the Italian Episcopal Conference, which has proposed that the dioceses, on the occasion of the Eve of Pentecost, remember the many brothers and sisters exiled or killed for the mere fact of being Christians. "They are martyrs. I hope that this moment of prayer may help spread the knowledge that religious freedom is an inalienable human right and raise awareness of the tragedy of Christians persecuted in our time, and bring an end to this unacceptable crime".

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Today we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. We celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Apostles, bestowing on them gifts of courage, language and other necessary gifts enabling them to proclaim the good news and continue Jesus' works. We pray that the Holy Spirit will grant us necessary gifts in our contemporary time that we may be able to continue God's works in the midst of the challenges that our modern world presents especially with regards to our faith.

Want an inspiring musical experience this summer?

The Orchestra North Summer Program is inviting applicants for its third year of great orchestral and chamber music. The program, directed by Roxi Dykstra and cellist Sebastian Ostertag, will be held June 28 – July 4 at Northwest Community College in Smithers. All efforts are made to keep costs down for participants, and tuition bursaries are even available! We welcome applications from string players of all levels and ages and from keen wind and brass players. For more information see our website at www.orchestranorth.com, or email orchestranorth@gmail.com. Brought to you by the generous support of NWCC, the Bulkley Valley Arts Council and the enthusiasm of our northern communities.

Transport Required!

Is anyone travelling to Prince George in the near future? We require the transport of some church supplies to be picked up from Ave



Maria's (on 20th Avenue) and brought back to Smithers. If you can help out, please call the office at 250-847-2012.



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: Modesty

When one is grateful for the blessings of life, when one "shares the glory" with others, when one is humble, the trait of modesty is in practice. Modesty is an underlying understanding that "it's not all about you." Knowing that God is behind all things allows us to be humble and to be free of needless anxiety too.

PRE K REGISTRATION 2015/2016

There are still spaces in both the Monday/Wednesday/Friday class and in the Tuesday/Thursday class. The instructor will be Aleida Raffan and the assistant will be Margaret Buenten. Monthly fees are \$170 for M/W/F and \$115 for T/Th. These rates are pro-rated for the year. Your child must be 4 by December 31, 2015. Please bring in your child's care card and immunization records along with the first month's fees.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Strengthening Families Workshop

The next Strengthening Families workshop will begin on Thursday evenings May 21st through June 11th at 4:45pm located at NWCC atrium in Smithers. The catered program focuses on attachment parenting techniques and alternative ways of handling day to day challenges. There is no cost to attend. Bring your children!

We're using tools from the P.E.T. (Parenting Effectiveness Training) and 'How to Talk to Your Children so They Will Listen' and 'Hold On To Your Kids', among other resources. We customize the workshop based on the participant's challenges noted on their intake form. We focus on ages 6-12 however with the new format we will accommodate a second group for older kids if needed and as

long as we have adequate facilitators. Some of the topics are:

Managing Stress, Nutrition and Behaviour, Parenting Tools for Specific Challenges, How to Talk to Your Kids

Identifying Triggers, How to Talk to Your Parents, Respectful Communication, Quality Time, Problem Solving

Social Pressures and Resiliency, Conflict Resolution

This is a 4-day workshop one day per week 4:45pm - 7:30pm. (Dinner at 5pm)

Thursdays - May 21st, 28th and June 4th, 11th

Any interested families can contact Jason through email or by phone. Intake forms will be left at NSDP's front desk or can be emailed/

faxed. Jason 250 847 9000 or <u>sfp@domesticpeace.ca</u> Please Note: If you have previously signed up on an email list, please contact us again as some contacts are bouncing back.

Sr. Connie Harkin Golden Jubilee

Notre Dame Parish in Dawson Creek will be celebrating Sr. Connie Harkin's 50 year Anniversary as a member of the religious congregation of the School Sisters of Notre Dame School on May 31, 2015. The celebration will commence with Mass at 10:00 am followed by a Barbeque at the School Gymnasium. Parishioners from across the diocese are most welcome to join the Parish in celebrating this wonderful occasion with Sister Connie on her Golden Jubilee.





Great turnout and lots of fun at spring tea, with many ladies from other churches in the area. Alice Den Boer received a 50 year pin at the Spring Tea.

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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

SOUP AND BUN LUNCHEON

Please stay for our Soup and Bun Luncheon today which is happening after the Mass. Thank you for your support!

WOLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHINA

The whole church is asked to pray for the Church in China on the 24^{th} of May. This had started and introduced by Pope Benedict XVI in May of 2007. It is also the traditional Feast of Our Lady of Help of Christians. Today, Let us remember all Christians and Churches who suffer persecution and oppression especially the Churches and Christians in the China.

SACRAMENTS (Reconciliation)

Let us pray for Ivan Rose (Son of Steve and Janna Rose) and Leyton Timms (Son of Raquel and Ryan Timms) who will be undergoing catechism in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in June. Let us pray that God may grant them the grace of understanding and recognition of His love and Mercy.

Catechism Corner (from the Catechism of the CatholicChurch) Article I

III. CHRIST JESUS -- "MEDIATOR AND FULLNESS OF ALL REVELATION"

God has said everything in his Word

65 "In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son." Christ, the Son of God made man, is the Father's one, perfect and unsurpassable Word. In him he has said everything; there will be no other word than this one. St. John of the Cross, among others, commented strikingly on *Hebrews* 1:1-2:

"In giving us his Son, his only Word (for he possesses no other), he spoke everything to us at once in this sole Word - and he has no more to say. . . because what he spoke before to the prophets in parts, he has now spoken all at once by giving us the All Who is His Son. Any person questioning God or desiring some vision or revelation would be guilty not only of foolish (Continued on the next page...)



Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, May 31, 2015 TRINITY SUNDAY

GREETERS	Tammy Heibert and Claudine Ketchell
LECTORS	1. Vic James 2. Gail James
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Dawn Bishop and Adrian Meeuwissen
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas and Alicia Bishop
Gift Bearers	Yolande Binner and Fernanda Macedo
Collection Counter	Eric Bishop
Church Cleaning	(May 25-30) Bishop Family

COLLECTION REPORTS

 Sunday Collections

 (May 17, 2015)

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 \$220.00

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behavior but also of offending him, by not fixing his eyes entirely upon Christ and by living with the desire for some other novelty." **There will be no further Revelation**

<u>66</u> "The Christian economy, therefore, since it is the new and definitive Covenant, will never pass away; and no new public revelation is to be expected before the glorious manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ." Yet even if Revelation is already complete, it has not been made completely explicit; it remains for Christian faith gradually to grasp its full significance over the course of the centuries. **<u>67</u>** Throughout the ages, there have been so-called "private" revelations, some of which have been recognized by the authority of the Church. They do not belong, however, to the deposit of faith. It is not their role to improve or complete Christ's definitive Revelation, but to help live more fully by it in a certain period of history. Guided by the Magisterium of the Church, the *sensus fidelium* knows how to discern and welcome in these revelations whatever constitutes an authentic call of Christ or his saints to the Church.

Christian faith cannot accept "revelations" that claim to surpass or correct the Revelation of which Christ is the fulfillment, as is the case in certain non-Christian religions and also in certain recent sects which base themselves on such "revelations".