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SUNDAY BULLETIN for September 12th & September 13th, 2015 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 50.5-9, Psalm 116, James 2.14-18, Mark 8.27-35

"You are the Christ. The Son of Man must undergo great suffering"



Week Mass Times 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 12th	7:00 pm	† <i>Jessie Eileen Towns</i>
Sunday 13th	9:00 am	† <i>Jerry & Gwen Zank</i>
Monday 14th	9:00 am	<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Tuesday 15th	6:15 pm	
Wednesday 16th	9:00 am	<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Thursday 17th	11:00 am	@ <i>Bulkley Lodge</i>
Friday 18th	9:00 am	
Saturday 19th	7:00 pm	† <i>Elisabeth Strelbel</i>
Sunday 20th	9:00 am	† <i>Michelangelo & Concetta Sia</i> † <i>Victorino Pacheco</i>

Ministry Schedule Sept.19th & Sept.20th, 2015 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

DATE	Saturday, Sept. 19	Sunday, Sept.20
GREETERS	David & Marj Hemenway June Philpot	Jean Miller Casey Denboer
LECTORS	Sarah Sia Angela Sia	Brian Burrill David Schwab
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Jean Moisey David Hemenway	Foziea Loki Lu Blackburn Dorothy Cardinal
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: Vacant

Development & Peace: Marj Coupe

Catholic Women's League: Mary Ellen Kallio (Acting President)

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

COLLECTION REPORTS

September 5th & 6th, 2015 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$2,150.65

School \$220.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Please remember the following in your prayers:

**Nelson, Nyla, Rose, Jane, Jules, Sandy,
 James, Janet, Francis, Esther, Frank, Lucia,
 Zenny, Ricardo and Shelley**



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."



Note from the pastor

Jesus asks us, 'Who do you say I am?': Our God in the first reading is a God that heals us; in the responsorial Psalm, He walks with us; in the letter of James, He demands action and not just words. Jesus refuses to assume that we have heard God revealing Himself throughout history, hence he wants us to declare what we believe, 'Who do you say I am?' The situation is made all the more exciting because Jesus asks this question of his disciples in the area of Caesarea Philippi, an area full of 'distracting gods'. There was the ancient tradition of worshipping Baal; there was a cave up on a hill where it was believed that the Greek god Pam was born; farther up the hill was a gleaming white temple honoring the godhead of Caesar, the Roman Emperor. And Jesus is just a 'homeless carpenter from an unimportant area of Galilee'. The courage and confidence of Jesus is show-stopping.

Since Scripture does not record the voice of Jesus, but only his words, we are free to imagine how Jesus said these words. Did he say them angrily – implying that we are ignorant? Did he say them with exhaustion – implying that he had tried his best? **Homework:** imagine how Jesus said these words, and reflect on why you think so. Further homework: can you imagine how Jesus would say the words with GRATITUDE, TRUST, and GENEROSITY – the principles of stewardship and our diocesan appeal.

DIOCESAN APPEAL: (1) Proper Stewardship invites us to offer our TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE for the work of building up the Reign of God; (2) the APPEAL works on the plan that we (a) are GRATEFUL for God's blessings to us, (b) TRUST that God will continue to provide, and © respond with GENEROSITY to the current demands. The schedule for the Diocesan Appeal this year is:

Sept 13 – KICK-OFF

Sept 20 – EDUCATION

OCT 25 – COMMITMENT

Regional Diocesan Study Days, in Terrace Oct 01/02: Our Bishop Jensen has prepared a TEAM to help us enter into the coming YEAR of MERCY called by Pope Francis. I strongly encourage as many people as can come to attend the sessions held in Terrace, October 1-2. The Parish is willing to help with gas and accommodations. SEE BULLETIN BOARD.

Ministry in St. Joseph: Once a month we will offer training for the various ministry needs at St. Joseph. The first two dates have been set: Oct 14, Nov 4. There will be two times for each date: 4-5pm, and 6:30-7:30pm. Ministry needs are those for our mass celebrations: Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Hospitality, Altar Servers, Musicians, Sacristans. We have many community needs that are looking for volunteers to serve on pastoral council, finance council, social committee, maintenance committee, etcetera. Please call the Office (847-2012 for more information.

HALT DISTRIBUTION OF THE RU-486 ABORTION PILL

Join us in asking federal Health Minister Rona Ambrose to intervene to halt distribution of the RU-486 abortion pill. Her email address is rona.ambrose@parl.gc.ca. Letters can also be sent to her postage free: Health Minister Rona Ambrose, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0A6.

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

- Sep 13 Diocesan Appeal Kickoff
- Sep 18 First School Mas of the Year—hosted by Grade 6 (9am)
- Sep 19 Diocesan Appeal Education
- Sep 23 School Council Meeting—7pm (School)
- Sep 29 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting –7pm (Parish Centre)
- Sep 30 Terry Fox Assembly & Run at school
- Sep 30 Finance Council Meeting—7:30pm (Parish Centre)
- Oct 1-2 Diocesan Formation Study Days—Fr. Pier away

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

If anyone 18+ is interested in joining the Prince George diocesan group to WYD Poland, please email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca. We will have regional information sessions throughout September and October. Stay tuned!

INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS CONFERENCE AND TOUR

The 51st International Eucharistic Congress will be held January 24-31, 2016. It will take place in Cebu City, Philippines. Fr. Rector Tolentino is organizing a group of parishioners in the diocese for those who are interested attending the Eucharistic Congress. The trip to the Philippines will include Eucharistic Congress and tour of few islands in the region. For those interested, please contact Fr. Rector at 1-250-964-4424 or e-mail vicargeneral@pgdiocese.bc.ca. For more information about the 51st International Eucharistic Congress please visit the official website of the congress: <http://iec2016.ph/>

DAA (Diocesan Annual Appeal)

Diocesan Annual Appeal Envelopes are already available in the Foyer of the Church. Fr. Pier will talk more about the appeal 2 Sundays in a row after the Mass. Information are also available through posters posted around the foyer. Thank you for your support!

Workshop on Development and Peace's new campaign "Create a Climate of Change"! Oct 2 & 3

Responding to the call of Pope Francis to take urgent action on curbing climate change, Development and Peace has launched a new campaign: Create a Climate of Change! This campaign calls on all Canadian Catholics and people of good faith to take concrete action to help reduce climate change, which is having the most devastating impacts on the poor and vulnerable in the Global South. Come learn how you can be a part of this campaign, make it a success, and learn more about D & P.

We are joining parishes from across our Diocese at a Fall workshop and retreat on the evening of Friday, October 2nd and all day Saturday, October 3rd at Camp Morice on Stuart Lake. We really encourage YOUTH to join us to learn about Development and Peace and how youth are critical to creating a climate of change!

There is no cost for the workshop or accommodations.

For more information, Catherine Nolin Hanlon (nolin@unbc.ca) or Annie Kearns (anniemarykearns@yahoo.ca).



Bible Sharing will resume **Tuesday, Oct.6/15** at

10:15am in the Parish Center.

Come & join us in 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: to be announced!



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"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We welcome a new school year: the time of year of chilly nights, turning leaves, new back packs and new shoes. It is also the gathering in of children who become students again. We realize that our opportunity of school and "routine" is a blessing many others in this world do not have. We thank God for peace and for our opportunity of a new school year. I look forward to this year of working with the staff, the students, and with you, our families. Welcome back! Sincerely, Rosemary McKenzie

VIRTUE FOR SEPTEMBER: Excellence

Excellence is doing your best. It is giving your very best to any task you do or any relationship you have. Keep this in mind during this school year as you do your studies and continue your friendships and/or make new friendships. God's desire is for each of us to realize our potential.

STAFFING FOR 2015-2016

Pastor – Fr. Pier Pandolfo
Principal – Mrs. Rosemary McKenzie
Kindergarten – Mrs. Jennifer Mitchell
Grade 1 – Ms. Shannon Wellington
Grade 2 – Mrs. Laurie Nielsen/ Mrs. Carol-Anne Wilson (Fridays)
Grade 3 – Mrs. Erin Briennesse
Grade 4 – Mrs. Karen Kuemper
Grade 5 – Mrs. Liz Creyke and Ms. Carlene Dingwall
Grade 6 – Mrs. Lexie Wilson
Grade 7 – Mrs. Teresa Witkowskyj
French K-7 – Mrs. Taryn Lowe
Learning Assistance - Mrs. Carol-Anne Wilson
Music K- 7 – Mrs. Taryn Lowe
Library – Mrs. Christine Tessier
Educational Assistants: Mrs. Joanne Boot, Mrs. Nancy Verbeek, Mrs. Shanualea Vliegenthart, Mrs. Kellie Williams, Mrs. Cathy Doyle
Lunch Hour Supervisors: Mrs. Claudia Busatto and Cathy Doyle
Pre – K: Mrs. Aleida Raffan (instructor) and Mrs. Margaret Buenten (assistant)
After School Program: Mrs. Margaret Buenten, Mrs. Claudia Busatto (coordinators), and Mrs. Michelle Storey
Book Keeper – Mrs. Christine Tessier
School Secretary – Mrs. Arlene McGibbon

FIRST SCHOOL MASS

The Grade 6 class will be leading our first school mass on Friday, September 18th at 9:00am. All parents are welcome to join us.

NEW INFORMATION- IMPORTANT

Have you moved?? Changed your email address, box number or job?? Does your child have **new medical information** that the school needs to be aware of? If you have any new **family dynamics** (e.g. separation- a parent with a new address, phone number, etc.) please let the office know so we can update our records. We have had difficulty reaching parents in an emergency situation because we were not informed of any changes. This is for the safety of your children. All information is confidential.

SCHOOL/PARISH AGM

Our AGM will be coming up this fall. Please watch the newsletter for further information.



The Regional Meeting hosted by St. Joseph's Parish CWL is rescheduled to take place on **October 3rd, 2015**.

Please participate in Be League, the monthly electronic newsletter at cwl.ca by submitting information about your council. Register for the online forum at forum.cwl.ca for CWL member-only conversations. Contact your prayer partner. You can find out who she is at the back of the most recent issue of the Canadian League magazine.



Knights of Columbus Council 7973

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting
Sunday September 13th
Time 7:00 pm
Place: St Joseph's Parish Centre

Please bring your Ideas and thoughts to help jump start our 2015-2016 fraternal year.



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Visit to the Sick at Home: by a



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



St. Anthony's Annual Silent Auction will be at the at the mall from September 14th —25th at 8AM -6PM. Fridays will be from 8AM to 9PM.

OUR SYMPATHY

Condolence to Tammy Heibert and her family for the passing away of her mother Sandra Anderson. We your family in the Parish of St. Anthony pray for your mother and your family.

SOMETHING NEW

This year, the Parts of the Mass during our Liturgical Celebrations will either be recited or sung in accordance with the Church season assigned for them. There is nothing wrong with singing them, in fact, singing reinforces the beauty of our public worship. However, we are making the changes for several reasons:

1. to take time to focus more on the words
2. to learn the different responses (words/form) of the Memorial Acclamation

It is our Hope that these practices will be able to help us learn and grow of our Mass.

Mass Part	Ordinary Time	Advent 2015	Christmas 2015	Lent 2016	Easter
Lord Have Mercy	Sung Periodically	Sung	Recited	Sung	Recited
Gloria	Recited	Omitted	Sung	Omitted	Sung
Psalm	Recited	Sung	Sung	Recited	Sung
Gospel Accl	Sung	Sung	Sung	Sung	Sung
Memorial Acclamation	Recited	Recited	Sung	Sung	Sung
Great Amen	Sung	Sung	Sung	Sung	Sung
Lamb of God	Sung	Sung	Sung	Recited	Sung

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, September 20, 2015 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	Adrian and Jo Meeuwissen
LECTORS	1. Vic James 2. Gail James
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Dawn Bishop
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas and Alicia Bishop
Gift Bearers	Bill Goold and Yolande Binner
Collection Counter	Dennis Gonia
Church Cleaning	(September 14-19) Tammy Heibert

COLLECTION REPORTS (Thank you for your support!) Sunday Collections September 6, 2015

Loose	\$ 39.00
Envelope	\$520.00

Catechism Corner (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Article 3

THE CANON OF SCRIPTURE

V. SACRED SCRIPTURE IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

131 "And such is the force and power of the Word of God that it can serve the Church as her support and vigor, and the children of the Church as strength for their faith, food for the soul, and a pure and lasting fount of spiritual life."¹⁰⁹ Hence "access to Sacred Scripture ought to be open wide to the Christian faithful."

132 "Therefore, the study of the sacred page should be the very soul of sacred theology. The ministry of the Word, too - pastoral preaching, catechetics and all forms of Christian instruction, among which the liturgical homily should hold pride of place - is healthily nourished and thrives in holiness through the Word of Scripture."

133 The Church "forcefully and specifically exhorts all the Christian faithful. . . to learn the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, by frequent reading of the divine Scriptures. Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.



Diocesan Annual Appeal Goal 2015-2016 St. Anthony's Parish \$5,029.00

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Please Pick up your envelopes on the table along the Church Foyer.

Thank you for your support!!!