



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN for October 3rd & October 4th, 2015 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2.7ab, 15, 18-24, Psalm 128, Hebrews 2.9-11, Mark 10.2-16  
 "What God has joined together, let no man separate"



### Week Mass Times 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	3rd	7:00 pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	4th	9:00 am	†Allan Tucker
Monday	5th	Priest Study Days—Fr. Pier away	
Tuesday	6th	Priest Study Days—Fr. Pier away	
Wednesday	7th	Priest Study Days—Fr. Pier away	
Thursday	8th	Priest Study Days—Fr. Pier away	
Friday	9th	Priest Study Days—Fr. Pier away	
Saturday	10th	7:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11th	9:00 am	†Jerry & Gwen Zank

### 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

### Ministry Schedule

Oct.10th & Oct.11th, 2015

### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

DATE	Saturday, Oct.10	Sunday, Oct.11
<b>GREETERS</b>	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	CWL
<b>LECTORS</b>	Jim Schwab Eileen Bouvier	CWL
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Jean Moisey Bob Bresser	CWL
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Volunteer Servers	Volunteer Servers

### COLLECTION REPORTS,

September 26th & 27th 2015-26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$1,754.00

School \$70.00

Needs of the Churches in Canada \$215.00

We are reminded of how personal **Building Together in Faith** can be. Your pledge to the appeal truly benefits the ministries and programs throughout the Diocese of Prince George. Thank you to those who have already given their support to the appeal at St. Joseph's Parish.



Parish Goal \$ 21,674.00

Amount to Goal \$ 18,434.00

Number of Gifts Received = 12

Actual to Date \$ 3,240.00

**Please remember the following in your prayers:**

**Jim, Nolan, Thomas, 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



**What God has joined, we must not divide.** This divine thought carries with it two parts: on the part of God, His work is to unite and bring together; on the part of humans, our work is to preserve the unity. Moses had written a Hebrew law that allowed divorce; with empathy for people who find themselves in relationships that are very difficult, our empathy could lead us to agree with Moses and allow for relationships to dissolve. But the answer that Jesus gives would imply that our empathy would be misplaced. Not only is divorce not a part of God's plan, but the root of divorce is 'hardness of heart'. I hope no one is surprised. Our hardness of heart can turn our friend into our enemy, our helpmate into our object of revenge, our God into a god. Throughout his ministry Jesus demonstrated that the work of God to unite is achieved by a softness of heart; Jesus forgave, lifted up, healed, accompanied, fed, cried for, taught, waited patiently, hung on the cross ....

**Homework:** pray 'Jesus meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto thine.

**Diocesan Appeal:** Next date is October 25, COMMITMENT SUNDAY. Thank you to those who have already submitted their pledge forms. Let GENEROSITY, TRUST, and GRATITUDE govern our thoughts.

**Regional Diocesan Study Days, in Terrace Oct 01/02:** Fr. Basil led us in a reflection on the upcoming year of Mercy called for by Pope Francis. The year begins on Dec 08, 2015 and is focused on helping us to connect with the Catholic Church's mission to be a witness of mercy.

**Ministry Training:** Our first formation night is October 14; please mark your calendars for either one of the two time slots, 4 -5pm or 6-7pm. Thank you for considering to come forward to share in the work of ministry.

**Synod on the Family:** The presence of Pope Francis at Philadelphia for the World Conference on the family last week was a precursor to the Synod on the Family to be held at the Vatican the month of October. This is the final step of the Pope's desire to point the church in the direction of helping the family in the context of today. Step one was a survey from all the Dioceses of the world; this happened in the Fall of 2013. Step two was the Synod last year in the fall at the Vatican where the survey summaries were expanded upon. This step three happening this October is to help formulate concrete directions for the Church to take. Please keep the Synod in your prayers.

## upcoming EVENTS

**Please mark your October calendars for the following meetings and events:**

- Oct 1-2 Diocesan Formation Study Days-Fr. Pier away
- Oct 5-9 Priest Retreat-Fr. Pier Away
- Oct 9 Thanksgiving Mass-hosted by Grade 3
- Oct 11 Sacramental Preparation-2-4:30pm
- Oct 14 Ministry Training-4-5pm or 6:30-7:30pm
- Oct 25 Diocesan Appeal Commitment Weekend

### St. Joseph's Parish Receipt & Expenditures For the Fiscal Year to June 30, 2015

TOTAL RECEIPTS	152,202
Less -Third Party Collections	- 18,180
-Cathedraticum	<u>-18,456</u>
<b>NET RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>115,566</u></b>
EXPENDITURES	
Administration	9,977
Salary, wages and benefits	47,260
Buildings and property Occupancy costs	30,072
Vehicles	5,584
Religious programs	<u>3,047</u>
	<b><u>95,940</u></b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS</b>	<b><u>19,626</u></b>

### MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

We encourage everyone to pray the Holy Rosary with your family and in your homes and whenever there is an opportunity.

Let us understand that when we pray the Holy Rosary, we meditate on the life of Christ. When we merely recite the prayers, we miss the essence of the Rosary, it is not only a recitation of prayers, but meditation on God's grace as well.

### From Saints to us...

"You must ask God to give you power to fight against the sin of pride which is your greatest enemy – the root of all that is evil, and the failure of all that is good. For God resists the proud."

**-St. Vincent de Paul**

### Celebration of Life for Alan Tucker

A Celebration of Life for the late Alan Tucker will be held at St. Joseph's Gymnasium on **Saturday October 17, 2015 at 2pm**



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!**



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**VIRTUE FOR SEPTEMBER: Excellence**

A quote from Abraham Lincoln, "I do the very best I know how - the very best I can; and I mean to keep doing so until the end." All anyone can do is the very best they are capable of. And God is here to help each of us with this; we just need to ask.

**OUR RESPONSE TO REFUGEE CRISIS IN SYRIA**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace, the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Aid to the Church in Need are launching for the first time a joint appeal to the generosity of Canadian Catholics and all Canadians, showing the magnitude of this tragic crisis. Canadians can show their solidarity by contributing to this appeal for humanitarian aid and/or to sponsorship programs in their dioceses. We hope to launch a special collection in the Diocese in the coming weeks. Please watch for details and see the links on our website.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 IN KRAWKOW, POLAND**

All those 18+ are invited to join us as we head to WYD in Poland. We will be partnering with the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Total cost for the trip is anticipated to be \$3800 (including taxes). Those interested can email [ehii@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:ehii@pgdiocese.bc.ca). A deposit of \$1000 is due by October 31, 2015 to secure your spot.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2015**

As we hear testimonies this weekend, we are reminded of how personal **Building Together in Faith** can be.

Your pledge to the appeal truly benefits the ministries and programs throughout the Diocese of Prince George. Commitment Weekend, will be on **October 24-25**, it will be a chance for you to make a commitment to the annual appeal during Mass if you have not already done so. Please give generous consideration towards our appeal and know that you can truly make a difference. Thank you to those who have already given their support to the appeal at St. Joseph and St. Anthony Parish.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

The Diocese of Prince George is seeking applications for the position of "Accounting Clerk—Finance Office" This is permanent 35 hours per week position. The position is responsible for variety of book keeping and accounting duties in support of accounts receivable, accounts payable, general ledger and other accounting and financial functions for several sets of books. Business Accounting Diploma and/or equivalent experience is required..

Skill and Knowledge in accounting software programs and Microsoft Excel, Word, Outlook, are required. A high degree of accuracy, judgment, ethics (including confidentiality) and the ability to work in a collaborative and team environment is essential.

A resume and covering letter should be sent to:  
[lyn-monteith@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:lyn-monteith@pgdiocese.bc.ca)  
 Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.



**CWL 2015 Bursary** The recipient of the CWL Bursary is Patty Spicer. Patty plans to become a Speech and Language Pathologist.

**CWL Bazaar** will be held on Saturday, November 21 at 2:00 pm. If you are interested in helping, please call Willy Koldyk at 847-9130

**Holy Land Pilgrimage** November 12-23, 2015. Cost is \$2,900.

Contact Melodie Gabriel: [mgsbriel@cnewa.org](mailto:mgsbriel@cnewa.org) or 1-866-322-4441

**CWL Regional Meeting** Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30 am-3pm. Includes a spiritual program, coffee, muffins & lunch. Bring a friend.



**Knights of Columbus Council 7973**

Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits Seminar for all Members of the Parish; Wives bring your husbands.

Following Mass on Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> Refreshments/light lunch will be served. Seminar will be lead by Br. Arnold Zwiers F.I.C, C.P.G.A.

Learn about the benefits of Membership: Fraternal Benefits, Financial Benefits, Scholarship Program and more .....

Topics for Discussion include: Planning for successful retirement, Estate planning, Nursing home and long term care etc.,

-James Schwab (Grand Knight) Fr. Callaly Council 7973



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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



### October Liturgical Schedule and Activities

land 2 Diocesan Formation Days (Terrace)

4 11:30 AM Mass

CWL Meeting after the Mass

11 11:30 Am Mass

18 11:30 AM Mass

25 11:30 AM Mass

### Month of the Holy Rosary

Community praying of the Holy Rosary is every Friday of the Month 7PM at St. Anthony Church. Everyone is welcome to join.

### MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

This month (October) is the month of the Holy Rosary. We invite all to pray the rosary with us as a community every Friday at 7PM at St. Anthony's Parish.

### Thank you!!!

St. Anthony's Parish would like to thank everyone who participated and generously contributed their time and talent for the success of our Annual Silent Auction from September 11th to the 26th. Thank you Georgina Dotto for all her effort. Thank you benefactors and friends and thank you to all who participated by putting in their bid. Proceeds from this activity will be used for the betterment of St. Anthony Parish and the ministry that we cater for the people of God in Houston. Thank you and God bless us all!!!



### Diocesan Annual Appeal 2015-2016

St. Anthony's Parish Goal: **\$5,029.00**

Actual to Date: **\$1,050.00**



### We pray for the Sick:

Denise, Helen & Harry, Eric Sr., Arsenia, Reginald, Kelda, Georgina, Shaylyn, Max, Fred and Pol

### Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, October 11, 2015

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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	Bill Goold and Molly Luszsc
Collection Counter	Adrian Meeuwissen
Church Cleaning	(Oct. 5-10) Kelly Family and Carm

### COLLECTION REPORTS (Thank you for your support!) Sunday Collections September 27, 2015

Loose \$ 51.85 Needs of Church in Canada \$15.00  
Envelope \$309.00

### Catechism Corner (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Article 3

### CHAPTER THREE

### MAN'S RESPONSE TO GOD

**146** Abraham thus fulfills the definition of faith in *Hebrews* 11:1: "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen": "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Because he was "strong in his faith", Abraham became the "father of all who believe".

**147** The Old Testament is rich in witnesses to this faith. The Letter to the Hebrews proclaims its eulogy of the exemplary faith of the ancestors who "received divine approval". Yet "God had foreseen something better for us": the grace of believing in his son Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith".

### Mary - "Blessed is she who believed"

**148** The Virgin Mary most perfectly embodies the obedience of faith. By faith Mary welcomes the tidings and promise brought by the angel Gabriel, believing that "with God nothing will be impossible" and so giving her assent: "Behold I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be [done] to me according to your word." Elizabeth greeted her: "Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." It is for this faith that all generations have called Mary blessed.

**149** Throughout her life and until her last ordeal when Jesus her son died on the cross, Mary's faith never wavered. She never ceased to believe in the fulfillment of God's word. And so the Church venerates in Mary the purest realization of faith.