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SUNDAY BULLETIN for October 31st & November 1st, 2015 All Saints Day

Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14, Psalm 24, 1 John 3.1-3, Matthew 5.1-12a

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."



Week Mass Times All Saints Day

Saturday	31st	7:00 pm	†Necitas Sasing Ramos
Sunday	1st	9:00 pm	†John Derksen †Romuald Lakowski
Monday	2nd	9:00 am	†Stan Kuchcinski
Tuesday	3rd	6:15 pm	
Wednesday	4th	9:00 am	†Thomas & Alice O'Rielly †Brenda Woods
Thursday	5th	11:00 am	@ Bulkey Lodge
Friday	6th	9:00 am	
Saturday	7th	7:00 pm	†Alojz (Louis) Molan
Sunday	8th	9:00 am	†Jerry & Gwen Zank †Vinko Strgar

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Ministry Schedule

November 7th & November 8th, 2015

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

DATE	Saturday, Nov.7	Sunday, Nov.8
GREETERS	Marj & Dave Hemenway June Philpot	CWL
LECTORS	Vigil Overstall Jim Schwab	CWL
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Janna Delany Bob Bresser	CWL
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers	Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS

October 24th & 25th 2015-30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church \$2,428.00

World Missions \$5.00

School \$20.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Rachel, Charlie, Leah, Jim, Nolan, Thomas, Nelson, Nyla, 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."

ALL SAINTS (Nov 01) and ALL SOULS (Nov 02): The resurrection of Jesus from the grave and the promise that Jesus made to the thief on the cross ('You will be with me in paradise' - Lk 23:43) contribute to our creedal statement 'I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.' **On All Saints Day** we honour all of the saints of the Church, known and unknown. We reflect on the nature of sainthood: a holy life, an exemplary example, and an inspiring witness of the men and woman of every time and place. **On All Souls Day** we honour our deceased brothers and sisters whose souls in purgatory are undergoing their final purification and are benefitted by our prayers for them.

Homework: Prayer: Happy are those who have died in the Lord. Let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. (Revelation 14:13) or Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Month of NOVEMBER: Please mark you calendars for November 1st and the blessing of graves: Houston 1pm, Telkwa 3pm, Smithers 4pm. On November 2 come and pray for your deceased loved ones; three masses available 9am, 12:10pm, and 6:15pm. Permission is granted to receive Holy Communion twice on this day. Throughout the month of November, all of the names in our Book of Remembrance will be remembered during holy mass.

SYNOD ON THE FAMILY in Rome: final document in Italian available (can be translated on line) <https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/it/bollettino/pubblico/2015/10/24/0816/01825.html>

Periodically I am going to include a reflection that I find challenging and worthy of careful thought. **Co-workers of the Truth, reflections from Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI:** "The so-called Didache of the apostles, a book that dates from about 90 or 100 ad., records a tradition that had long been accepted as a matter of course: "Assemble together on the Lord's Day, break bread, and give thanks, having first confessed your sins so that your offering will be pure" (Did 14:1). We can be certain of this, then: it is not the role of the Church or of any individual Christian to decide whether or when we should celebrate the divine liturgy or what we should decide to do with our Sunday. Someone may object: But I dislike the bad air in the church and the worn-out hymns. It bothers me to kneel crowded together with all kinds of people whom I do not know and to hear the priest recite prayers that I cannot understand. I prefer to go up into the mountains, into the woods, or on the water, and I am more pious in God's free nature than in a congregation that has nothing to offer me. In reply one might say: It cannot be that we choose for ourselves whether or how we shall worship God: what is important is that we respond to him in the place where he gives himself to us. We cannot decide on our own terms where God is to meet us, and we should not strive to reach him by our own efforts. He can come to us and let us find him wherever he chooses. What matters is not just some pious feeling of ours that relegates religion to the realm of the non-obligatory and private but the obedience that hears God's call and accepts it. The Lord does not want our private feelings; he wants to form us into a community and to build the new community of the Church on faith. The body must share in the divine worship as must the community with its hardships and discomforts. That is why it is false to ask: "What do I get out of this?"

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EVENTS

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

Nov 1 All Saints Day-Blessing of the Graves 4pm Smithers
Nov 2 All Souls Day- Mass at 9 AM; 12:10 PM and 6:15 PM
Nov 11 Ministry Training-4-5pm or 6:30-7:30pm
Nov 22 Sacramental Preparation-2-4:30pm

All Saints Day

As we observe the Solemnity of the Celebration today, let us be mindful that the God is calling us to follow the footsteps of the saints who, in their effort and with God's graces, tried to lived as closely as possible the values of the Kingdom of God and did it. They are men and women given to the church as witnesses and proofs that all can be holy as all are called to be holy.

All Soul's Day

Let us remember the faithful departed in our prayers and celebrate masses offered for them, The Parish is offering Three Mass times for our faithful departed on All Soul's Day (please see above schedules).

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

Climate change is an issue of justice!

The most poor and vulnerable in the Global South suffer the most from the impacts of climate change, yet they are the ones who contribute the least to the carbon emissions that are warming the planet. Did you know that Canada has carbon emissions that are 150 times higher per capita than Ethiopia, one of the countries in the world that suffers the

most from drought conditions exacerbated by climate change?

Pope Francis reminds us of our responsibility to act in his encyclical *Laudato Si*: "The pace of consumption, waste and environmental change has so stretched the planet's capacity that our contemporary lifestyle, unsustainable as it is, can only precipitate catastrophes, such as those which even now periodically occur in different areas of the world. The effects of this imbalance can only be reduced by our decisive action, here and now."

Take part in Development and Peace's campaign Create a Climate of Change to do your part!

Visiting a Church or an Oratory on All Soul's Day

A plenary ("full") indulgence, which is applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a church or an oratory on All Souls Day, November 2.

Requirements for Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence on All Souls Day Visit a church and pray one "Our Father" and the "Apostles Creed" for the souls in Purgatory. Pray one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary" for the Holy Father's intentions (as designated by the Holy Father each month). Worthily receive Holy Communion (ideally on the same day if you can get to Mass). Make a sacramental confession within 20 days of All Souls Day.

You can acquire one plenary indulgence a day.

A partial indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, can be obtained when saying the "Eternal rest ..." prayer.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

from all sin, even venial. Before you perform the indulgenced work, ask God explicitly to take away any affection for sin you might be treasuring. Do this often and, over your lifetime, and you may find it easier and easier. Support your good project with good confessions and good communions. You need those graces.



Parish Goal	=	\$ 21,674.00
Amount to Goal	=	\$ 12,439.00
Actual to Date	=	\$ 9,235.00



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



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
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VIRTUE FOR SEPTEMBER: Wisdom

God is the source of wisdom. The Catholic Church teaches us that each of us has free will: freedom to choose our thoughts and actions. We can, however, always ask God for help in making decisions.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP NEWS

Nominations are being taken for the positions of Chairperson and Secretary for this year. Please consider if you can volunteer. The PSG still has a **Lovable Labels** ordering account. These labels are cute, sturdy, and practical (great for students in K and grade one!) The link is www.StJosephs.lovablelabels.ca November 3rd at 7:30 is the next meeting.

CAKE WALK AND JAR TABLE at the Bazaar

The Grade 7 Class will be participating in the upcoming Parish Bazaar NOVEMBER 21ST and is requesting your assistance in helping us fundraise. We are seeking donations for both the Cake/Cupcake Walk and the Jar Table. At this time we are looking for the donation of jars. Pint size or larger would be wonderful. If you would like to help us even further by filling a jar or two, we would be very appreciative. The sale of the jars is geared for students and could be filled with anything from balloons to hair ties, toy cars to decks of cards to funky erasers.....Or maybe some of that 'extra' Halloween candy! We will also be seeking donations of single layer cakes or a plate of 6 cupcakes for the cake walk. Please drop jars off at the school — a box will be set up in the office. Thank you so very much!

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH AND SCHOOL BAZAAR- NOVEMBER 21ST

The Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 21st from 2:00 – 4:00 in the school gym. They are looking for donations of baking for both the tea table and bake table, As well as "gently used" items (no clothes or large items please) for the white elephant table and helpers. If you are able to come out Friday Nov. 20th evening at 7:00pm to help make sandwiches and set up it would be greatly appreciated. Help is also needed for Saturday during the Bazaar. Please sign-up on the Food and Workers list in the church foyer. **PLEASE: no peanuts or peanut butter to be used in Tea Table Baking. Please label baking for sale with a "nut alert" label if you are using nuts.**

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER- to buy some tables for the French/Music Room

These are absolutely beautiful plants, wreaths, and greenery!! And they're a good price!
 Ordering deadline for these gorgeous poinsettias or stunning holiday greenery planters for Christmas is November 23rd. If your family would like to participate in selling, please fill out the order forms as required and have the cheques made out to St. Joseph's School. If you have any questions please call the office. A prize will be given to the top student seller and there also will be a prize for someone drawn from a pool of all sellers. We have extra order forms in the office if you would like to place an order or need another form. *Thank you to Kerry Knibbs for being the fundraiser organizer.*



The Annual Parish Bazaar is on November 21st from 2-4 pm in St. Joseph's School Gym. Contact Willie Koldyk if you can help. Drop off gently used items at the school to sell at bazaar. Raffle tickets are available for \$2 each.

On-line registration is now available at www.cwl.ca
 Visit there anytime for information and to sign up for a free on-line subscription to the Be League magazine or monthly newsletter.



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Visit to the Sick at Home: by a



SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am



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Rev. Pier Pandolfo
Pastor

Dennis Gonia
Pastoral Assistant

Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee
Members

Eric Bishop · Stephen Rose · Georgina Dotto · CWL Representative



NOVEMBER LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES

1 11:30 Am Mass (All Saints Day) Blessing of the Graves
2 All Soul's Day (St. Joseph mass: 9AM, 12:10PM, 6:15PM)
8 11:30 Am Mass
15 11:30 Am Mass
22 11:30 Am Mass
29 11:30 Am Mass

ALL SAINTS DAY

The Saints are the principal witnesses to Christ and to the saving power of his death and resurrection. *(from the Ordo)*

Parishioner Visits were conducted last Sunday and Monday. We are happy to spend time with some of our parishioners and engage with you in conversations and spiritual moments. We look forward to visit and meet the rest of you in the next months.

ALL SOUL'S DAY

Masses will be celebrated in commemoration of all the faithful departed at ST. Joseph Parish in Smithers at the following schedules; 9AM; 12:10 PM and 6:15PM. Everyone is welcome to join.

Blessing of the Graves (November 1st, 2015)

In commemoration for our dearly beloved departed, Fr. Pier will be blessing the graves and pray for them on the following schedules:

Houston 1 PM
Telkwa 3 PM
Smithers 4 PM

We encourage everyone to join us in prayer and be in the site with us as we pray for our faithful departed.



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2015-2016

St. Anthony's Parish Goal: \$5,029.00
Actual to Date: \$1,550.00



We pray for the Sick:

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

Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, November 8, 2015
32nd Sun in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	CWL
LECTORS	CWL
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	CWL
ALTAR SERVERS	Lucas and Alicia Bishop
Gift Bearers	CWL
Collection Counter	Adrian Meeuwiseen
Church Cleaning	(Nov. 2-7) Kelly Family and Carm

COLLECTION REPORTS (Thank you for your support!)

Sunday Collections October 25, 2015

Loose	\$ 37.00	Soup and Bun	\$60.00
Envelope	\$360	DAA	\$210.00

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)

Article 3: CHAPTER THREE

Faith and understanding

158 "Faith seeks understanding": it is intrinsic to faith that a believer desires to know better the One in whom he has put his faith, and to understand better what He has revealed; a more penetrating knowledge will in turn call forth a greater faith, increasingly set afire by love. The grace of faith opens "the eyes of your hearts" to a lively understanding of the contents of Revelation: that is, of the totality of God's plan and the mysteries of faith, of their connection with each other and with Christ, the center of the revealed mystery. "The same Holy Spirit constantly perfects faith by his gifts, so that Revelation may be more and more profoundly understood." In the words of St. Augustine, "I believe, in order to understand; and I understand, the better to believe."

159 *Faith and science*: "Though faith is above reason, there can never be any real discrepancy between faith and reason. Since the same God who reveals mysteries and infuses faith has bestowed the light of reason on the human mind, God cannot deny himself, nor can truth ever contradict truth." "Consequently, methodical research in all branches of knowledge, provided it is carried out in a truly scientific manner and does not override moral laws, can never conflict with the faith, because the things of the world and the things of faith derive from the same God. The humble and persevering investigator of the secrets of nature is being led, as it were, by the hand of God in spite of himself, for it is God, the conserver of all things, who made them what they are."