

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for February 20th and 21st, 2016 2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3.17-4.1, Luke 9.28b-36 "While Jesus prayed, the appearance of his face changed."



Week Mass Times 2nd Sunday of Lent

Saturday 20th 5:00 pm †Willy Koldyk
Sunday 21st 9:00 pm †Victorino Pacheco

†Deceased members of the O'Reilly & Habjan Family

†Jerry & Gwen Zank

Monday 22nd 9:00 am †Charlie Nama Sr.

Tuesday 23rd 6:15 pm People of the Parish

Wednesday 24th 9:00 am

Thursday 25th 11:00 am @ Bulkey Lodge

Friday 26th 9:00 am

Saturday 27th 5:00 pm †Caterino Bortolotto, †Willy Koldyk

Sunday 28th 9:00 am †Manuel & Cecilia Garcia

†Wayne Pastl

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

FinanceVice Chairperson: Wayne Callison

Casey Pyper, David Schwab Maintenance: Pete Stroet

Collections: Rita Coupe

Conections: Rita Coupe

RCIA & Children's Catechism: Dennis Gonia Children's Liturgy: Ann Marie MacIsaac

Ministry Schedule February 27th and 28th , 2016 3rd Sunday of Lent

DATE	Saturday, Feb 27	Sunday, Feb 28
GREETERS	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	Jim & Marie Ziegler Jean Miller
LECTORS	Norma Stumborg Christine Tessier	Mary Ellen Kallio David Schwab
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Dave Hemenway Bob Bresser	Mary Stroet Lu Blackburn Dorothy Cardinal
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers	Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS

February 13th & February 14th, 2016

1st Sunday of Lent
Church \$1,654.50
School \$ 20.00
Catholic Missions \$ 680.00

Parish Goal = \$21,674.00 Amount to Goal = \$1,842.00 Actual to Date = \$19,832.00





Please remember the following in your prayers:

Roger, Jaret, Matt, Tanya, Peter, Ron, James, Nelson, Lucia, Rose, Charlie, Nolan, Francis, Tristan, Marie, Cheryl, Roy, Gordon, Ricardo, James and Linda

To add someone to the list, please call the Office (847-2012): NOTE: the list is refreshed at the beginning of each month.

IF you know of someone šick or shut-in who would like the church to visit or bring communion, call 847-2012

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."



Lord throughout these 40 days (the readings). Eye opening experiences happen often, and these radical insights reveal to us who we are and who Jesus is. People throughout history have had similar experiences. Abraham encountered God in a way that concretized their relationship and shaped Israel's future. Peter, James and John encountered Jesus in a profound way. Learning who Jesus really is and being shaped by that knowledge often comes in unexplainable moments. How wonderful it is when our faith becomes real and our eyes are opened to new possibilities!

Homework: pick a book or movie you would recommend to others, and make a connection to something Jesus would teach us.

JOURNEY THROUGH THE MASS: Intro, Word, Gifts, Eucharistic Prayer, Communion, Conclusion. Find an insert explaining how the Liturgy of the Word, from the First Reading to the Prayers of the Faithful developed. The purpose of the liturgy of the word is to make Christ present, Himself speaking. "In the readings (explained by the homily), God is speaking to his people, opening up to them the mystery of salvation."

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: we continue with our practice of praying the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's last day on Earth. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. At each station a specific event from Christ's last day is recalled and meditated on. Specific prayers are recited, then the individual moves to the next station until all 14 are complete. In our Parish, various groups led this service. See the schedule in the bulletin.



Please mark your January & February calendars for the following meetings and events:

February 26: Stations of the Cross at 7PM (Fridays of Lent)
March 6: Pancake Breakfast after mass hosted by Knights

POPE FRANCIS MESSAGE FOR LENT 2016

God's mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives, inspiring each of us to love our neighbour and to devote ourselves to what the Church's tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbours in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting and instructing them. On such things will we be judged. For this reason, I expressed my hope that "the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy; this will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty, and to enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy" (ibid., 15).

February 4, 2016 by dotMagis Editor in Ignatian Voices (Misericordiae Vultus, 17)

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE—APRIL 29-MAY 01

DYC is a packed weekend adventure filled with dynamic talks, workshops, games, adoration, praise and worship, and a coffeehouse featuring artists from across our diocese as part of an evening celebration.

This year, our theme is 'The Ascent'. The Christian journey often feels like a tough climb, but we hope young people will leave ready to take on every mountain. With the help of Face2Face Ministries, we will unpack that which is most central and basic to our Catholic Christian faith. "Verso l'alto!" - BI. Pier Giorgio Frassati

When: Friday, 29 April 2016 at 6:00 PM - Sunday, 1 May

2016 at 1:00 PM (PDT)

Where: 6500 Southridge Ave Prince George, BC V2N 5P9

Sacraments are visible rituals that Catholics see as signs of God's presence and effective channels of God's grace to all those who receive them with the proper disposition.

We are receiving registrations for children preparing for First Holy Communion. You need to have prepared for First Confession (Reconciliation) for preparations to receive or wanting to receive, please call the Parish office at 250-847-2012.



Bible Sharing: Every Tuesday 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.



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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

Catholic Schools: "Proclaim Jesus with Loving Hearts"

VIRTUE: GENTLENESS

Gentle people bless others with hope and healing. When do people need a gentle touch? Who do you know who is gentle? God is a loving God who views each person with gentleness and love.

AFTER SCHOOL ASSISTANT POSITION

St. Joseph's After School Program is looking for a part-time assistant Mon., Tues., Wed., and Fri., 3:00 to 4:30-5:00 and Thur., 2:00 to 4:30-5:00. The candidate must enjoy and be experienced looking after children and have, or be willing to take a one-day child first aid course and complete a criminal record search. Please call the school for more information at 847-9414.

SMITHERS LIONS CLUB JAM PAIL CURLING

Want your children to learn a little about the fun and skill of curling? On Sunday, February 28th, Jam Pail Curling is happening at the Curling Rink. Curling registration costs \$1.00 per person is at 10:00 am with games starting at 11:00 am. Teams of two play for prizes and for good, old-fashioned fun! Ages 5 to 12 are welcome!

Tax Receipts for donations made to the Field Restoration & Equipment Replacement Campaign during the 2015 calendar year were mailed out on Monday. Please return the Donor Consent form to Arlene in the school office or Brenda at the Parish Office. Thank you for your donation."



Share Lent Pilgrimage - Working to end inequality in Paraguay

This week our pilgrimage travels to Paraguay where we meet Liz Benitez. Her country is one where 1% of the landowners hold 77% of

arable land. Liz's family are part of a peasant movement supported by Development and Peace who work to gain access to land for the poorest farmers in the country, the *campesinos*. They have been threatened by the state and police because of their work. "I just want to live peacefully with my family," she says. This year consider stretching your Share Lent donation across the whole year with our Share Year-Round monthly giving program. Brochures are available at the back of the church.

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer service will take place in the Smithers United Church on the corner of 8th and King St. in Smithers on Friday March 4th, at 7:00 PM. Cuba is the country represented this year. **All** are welcome and refreshments will follow the service.





February is Pregnancy Outreach month. Everyone is asked to bring new baby layette items to the Parish

Centre for distribution. All members are being asked to sign up for a committee. Contact Eileen Bouvier. Remember to mail the letters to government regarding assisted suicide. Contact Gemma Gillis.

Please fill out the pledge cards for the Palliative Care Jubilee of Mercy and bring them to the next CWL meeting in March. If you don't yet have one, you can find it on the website www.cwl.ca.



Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday March 6th following mass. Admission by donation.

Funds raised will help send youth from St Joseph's parish to Camp Morice.





Michael Des Harnais, BSc., DVM Veterinarian

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Misty Mountain Massage

Ruth Grosch - Trained Masseuse

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Office Hours:

Mon & Tue 9am- 4pm; Wednesday 9am-12nn; Thu 2pm—5pm 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

FEBRUARY 2016

21SUNDAY 11:30 AM Mass 28SUNDAY 11:30 AM Mass

Soup and Bun Luncheon

SOUP AND BUN LUNCHEON will be on the 28th of February. Please check the bulletin board for your assignments. We encourage everyone to support this regular event. Attendance is by donation in support of our parish. Thank you.

THE SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

The Eucharist is a true sacrifice, not just a commemorative meal, as "Bible Christians" insist. The first Christians knew that it was a sacrifice and proclaimed this in their writings. They recognized the sacrificial character of Jesus' instruction, "Do this in remembrance of me" (Touto poieite tan eman anamnasin; Luke 22:19, 1 Cor. 11:24–25) which is better translated "Offer this as my memorial offering."

Thus, Protestant early Church historian J. N. D. Kelly writes that in the early Church "the Eucharist was regarded as the distinctively Christian sacrifice. . . . Malachi's prediction (1:10–11) that the Lord would reject Jewish sacrifices and instead would have "a pure offering" made to him by the Gentiles in every place was seized upon by Christians as a prophecy of the Eucharist. *(to be continued).*

From:www.catholic.com/tracts/the-sacrifice-of-the-mass



We pray for the Sick:

Denise, Helen & Harry, Arsenia, Sara, Dorothy, Dorothy R., Bob, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda. Shaylyn, Max and Pol Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, February 28, 2016 3RD Sunday of Lent

GREETERS	Liz & Frank Gerei
LECTORS	Vic & Gail James
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Adrian & Dawn
Altar Servers	Lucas and Alicia Bishop, Nicole
Gift Bearers	Bill & Molly
Collection Counter	Dennis Gonia
Church Cleaning	(February 22-27) Claudine Ketchell

COLLECTION REPORTS (Thank you for your support!) <u>Sunday Collection</u>

February 14, 2016

Loose \$ 23.00 Catholic Missions \$40.00 Envelope \$ 415.00 Pancake Supper \$132.00

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) ART ONE THE PROFESSION OF FAITH SECTION TWO THE PROFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH CHAPTER ONE I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER

198 Our profession of faith begins with *God*, for God is the First and the Last, the beginning and the end of everything. The Credo begins with God the *Father*, for the Father is the first divine person of the Most Holy Trinity; our Creed begins with the creation of heaven and earth, for creation is the beginning and the foundation of all God's works.

ARTICLE I "I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH" Paragraph 1. I Believe in God

199 "I believe in God": this first affirmation of the Apostles' Creed is also the most fundamental. The whole Creed speaks of God, and when it also speaks of man and of the world it does so in relation to God. The other articles of the Creed all depend on the first, just as the remaining Commandments make the first explicit. The other articles help us to know God better as he revealed himself progressively to men. "The faithful first profess their belief in God."