

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for April 23rd & 24th, 2016 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14.21b-27, Psalm 145, Revelation 21.1-5a, John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35++ "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another."



Week Mass Times 5th Sunday of Easter

Saturday	23rd	5:00 pm	†Victorino Pacheco †Brianne Svab
Sunday	24th	9:00 am	†Deceased Priests of St. Joseph's
Monday	25th	9:00 am	People of the Parish
Tuesday	26th	6:15 pm	People of the Parish
Wednesday	27th	9:00 am	†Patti Sikkes
Thursday	28th	11:00 am	@ Bulkley Lodge
Friday	29th	9:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	30th	5:00 pm	†Manuel & Cecilia Garcia
			†Paul & Elisabeth Strebel
Sunday	1st	11:00 am	People of the Parish

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 Bruinties Parish Finance Committee FinanceVice 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 6th Sunday of Easter April 30th, 2016 (5PM) and May 1st, 2016 (11AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM	Dan & Yarah Ford, Nilda Hudson
BBQ DAY 11AM	Casey & Alice DenBoer, Jean Miller
LECTORS: 5 PM	Tina Gemmell, Christine Tessier
11AM	Kristi Pederson, David Schwab
EMC: 5 PM 11AM	David Hemenway, Bob Bresser Foziea Loki, Lu Blackburn, Dorothy Cardinal
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer

COLLECTION REPORTS - April 16th & 17th, 2016

Church \$2,271.35

School \$ 10.00

Food for thought! Charitable giving through the gift of a life insurance policy to your church.



Actual to Date \$ 19,852.00 Amount to Goal \$ 1,822.00 Parish Goal \$ 21,674.00

Last date to receive pledges is June 30, 2016



Please remember the following in your

Myrna, Barb, Roger, Matt, Tanya, Peter, Ron, Little James, Nelson, Lucia, Charlie, Nolan, Tristan, Cheryl, Roy, Gordon, Ricardo, Zenny, 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 sick 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."



Pastor's Note

Fr. Pier Pandolfo St. Joseph's Parish and St. Anthony's Mission Parish

Easter 50 Days: celebrating Love as our vocation. The hard work of spreading the Gospel and growing the church continues. It is an inspiring reality, despite the struggle, pain and hardship. There is always the enticing call of mutual, life-giving love and the promise that suffering will be overcome. It is summed up in Revelation's poetic and symbolic vision of a new heaven, a new earth, a new order in which God will wipe all tears away. The work may be hard, but the promise still beckons. If we ask why did the early church grow by spreading the Gospel (reading from Acts), then we find the answer to be the praising of God's name as personal king and God (the responsorial psalm); and why this praising, because this God has revealed an image of humanity that includes a new heaven and a new earth, one describing the highest aspirations we have today of peace, justice, goodness, and of art, music, beauty; and we experience this goodness and beauty whenever we experience love, hence the Christian is asked to commit to love one another.

<u>Homework</u>: next week the Youth of our Diocese are gathering in Prince George for the Diocesan Youth Conference; as we pray that all youth will experience true love, let us take the time to remember a time we were loved.

Diocesan Youth Conference: next weekend in Prince George over 100 youth gather to have their faith strengthened and to have fun as well; if you have the opportunity, I strongly encourage you to attend. If assistance is needed, then call me.

Summer youth and family camps: the Camp Morice facility on Stewart Lake at Fort Saint James has been providing good youth and family fun since the 1970's. Consider a family holiday at this beautiful site, either renting one of the cabins or bringing your own tent or trailer. Consider having your child deepen their faith and have fun in one of many camps offered. Visit the website for all the information and registration.

Please mark your Spring calendars for the following meetings and events: April 29 Knights of Columbus Convention May 1 St. Joseph's Feast Day: Mass, Barbecue, Games May 10 CWL Spring Tea 7pm June 25 Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

<u>YOUTH</u>

Diocesan Youth Convention <u>It is just 1 week away</u> on Aprill29-May01.Registration for the 2016 DYC: The Ascent is now open for all those in Grades 7-12! You can register online at:<u>www.dycpgdiocese.event</u> <u>brite.ca</u>. The fee is now **\$60**.

Volunteers for DYC needed. Volunteers needed to help with this year's activities. If you have graduated from grade 12 and are interested to join this year's team, email Eunice Hii, our youth coordinator at youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca for more information.

PARISH ACTIVITY

St. Joseph's Feast Day On May 1st, the Feast of St.Joseph, we are planning to celebrate mass at 11am with a BBQ to follow and games from 1-3pm. Everyone is welcome!

HEALING

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held in Cache Creek Wed. May 4 to Fri. May 6. The retreat is confidential & is designed to help those suffering from abortion, miscarriage or other unresolved pregnancy loss. All who are experiencing grief, pain, even anger, around such a loss are most welcome & invited to attend the retreat. More information is available t:www.rachelsvineyardkamloop s.org or www.facebook.com/ rvkamloops or by phone or text at 250-267-5081.

YOUR VOICE IS NEEDED Now! The federal government has released its proposed new law legalizing assisted suicide. The draft law provides no protection for doctors and nurses who do not wish to participate in the act of suicide. Their conscience rights must be respected and safeguarded by law. Please use the link below and the documents attached to help voice your concerns to federal and provincial legislators. They need to guarantee the conscience rights of doctors and nurses and protect Catholic hospitals and other health care institutions from being forced to cooperate in killing.

Statement on Bill C-14 - EN

Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience Briefing Materials Apr 8 2016 ENJoin this petition! Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Justice Minister Jody Wilson-Raybould, Health Minister Jane Philpott: Save the weak and vulnerable: Stop assisted suicide!: <u>http://</u> www.citizengo.org/en/lf/34147-save-weak-and-vulnerable-stopassisted-suicide?tc=gm

Reflecting on Sunday Scripture

bible

Let us reflect in advance on Sunday Readings every Tuesday at 10:15am in the Parish Center. Come & join us, and in the process, widen and deepen our understanding and love for God through praying, listening to others and sharing our reflections 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: Confidence

Confidence can be built. But each of us should also remember that we are worthy in God's eyes just because we are. "Let us pray for everyone in the world as we are all children in God's family"

KIDS' CLOTHING & TOY

SALE-tables available! On Sat, Apr. 30th, 9:00 am to 11:00 am, there will be the St. Joes School's used kids' toy & clothing sale in the gym. Profits going to the school. For more information or to book a table please contact Erin at erbrienesse@gmail.com

SUMMER FAMILY AND YOUTH CAMP OPPORTUNITIES CAMP MORICE, STEWART LAKE by Ft. St. James

For more information, please visit their website: www.campmorice.com or call telephone number: 250-964-5641 or ask Fr. Pier Pandolfo.

> **TEEN CAMP** Sun, Jul 3, 3PM—Jul 8, 11:30 AM Registration \$275.00 LEADERSHIP WEEK Sun, Jul 10, 3PM—Fri Jul 15, 11:30AM Registration N/A **TWEEN CAMP #1** Sun, Jul 17, 3PM—Fri, Jul 22, 11:30AM Registration \$245.00 **KIDS CAMP** Sun Jul 24, 3PM—Fri, Jul 29, 11:30Am Registration \$245.00 **TWEEN CAMP #2** Sun, Aug 7, 7:30PM—Fri Aug 12 11:30AM Registration \$ 245.00 **CANA CAMP** Sun, Aug 14, 3PM—Fri, Aug 19, 12PM Registration \$ 320.00

RAFFLE: The *Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council* **7973** *of St. Joseph's Parish* will be raffling, one Family and one Youth registration for the Camp. Interested parties, please submit name to office. Draw date will be on June the 1st.



June 25th, 2016 ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE INVITATION



In line with the celebration of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy, St. Joseph's Parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to the Door of Mercy at Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert on Saturday, June 25th.

It will be a <u>one day bus trip</u> with stops in Moricetown and New Hazelton to view historical sites and 5 pm mass in Prince Rupert at the Church of Annunciation.

If you are interested, please register by calling the parish office at (250) 847-2012



BURSARY AVAILABLE: **\$500** from St Joseph's Council of the Catholic Women's League, Smithers is being offered to a student graduating from Smithers Secondary School in 2016, to be used for further education at an accredited college/university within two years. The student receiving this bursary must meet the following criteria:

-Graduated from St Joseph's School, Smithers -Attended St Joseph's School, Smithers for at least three (3) years -Shows high academic standing

-Shows financial need

-Is a Christian - **preference will be given to a member of St Joseph's** Church, Smithers

The applicant must write a letter applying for the bursary to:

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

BOX 454, SMITHERS, BC VOJ 2N0 Deadline for application is May 1, 2016

DON'T FORGET: This Parish BBQ -May 1st after the 11am Mass! See you next week for CWL News at the SPRING TEA!



Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Wednesday May 11th Time: 7PM, at St. Joseph Center



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Office Hours: Mon & Tue 9am- 4pm; Wednesday 9am-12nn; Thu 2pm—5pm Visit to the Sick at Home: by appointment



SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am

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MAY	1	6th Sunday of Easter

8 Ascension of the Lord 11:30 AM Mass

11:30 AM Mass

- 15 Pentecost Sunday 11:30 AM Mass
- 22 Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 11:30 AM Mass
- 29 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) 11:30 AM Mass

THANK YOU

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To those who are volunteering to help in church works in the absence of our Pastoral Assistant.

PASTORAL ASSISTANT AWAY

Starting April the 15th– May the 16th, if your have concerns regarding the Church, Sacraments or anything that pertains to Parish Services, please call the Office at St. Joseph's (250) 847-2012. Dennis, our Pastoral

Assistant will be away for a month.

CWL SUNDAY

Meeting is May 1st, 2016 **Reminder:** All raffle tickets and money to be returned to Susan Hak or Gail James ASAP! P.S. Tickets still available

REMINDER! TODAY! Soup & Bun Lunch served today after mass in the downstairs of the church Admittance is by donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!





We pray for the Sick: Dorothy, Denise, Helen & Harry, Arsenia, Sara, Bob, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn, Max, Rufina, Apolinario and Pol Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, May 1, 2016 6th Sunday of Easter

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GREETERS	Volunteer
LECTORS	Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Volunteer
Altar Servers	Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteer
Collection Counter	Volunteer
Church Cleaning	Volunteer
Goodies	Volunteer

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT April 17, 2016

Loose \$ N/A Envelope \$ N/A

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH SECTION TWO: THE PROFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH CHAPTER ONE ARTICLE I "I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH"

Paragraph 1. I Believe in God

208 Faced with God's fascinating and mysterious presence, man discovers his own insignificance. Before the burning bush, Moses takes off his sandals and veils his face in the presence of God's holiness. Before the glory of the thrice-holy God, Isaiah cries out: "Woe is me! I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips." Before the divine signs wrought by Jesus, Peter exclaims: "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." But because God is holy, he can forgive the man who realizes that he is a sinner before him: "I will not execute my fierce anger. . . for I am God and not man, the Holy One in your midst." The apostle John says likewise: "We shall. . . reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything."