

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for September 3rd & 4th, 2016

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9.13-18, Psalm 90, Philemon 9b-10, 12-17, Luke 14.25-33 "Whoever of you does not give up all that he has cannot be my disciple."



Week Mass Times 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 2016

Saturday 3rd 5:00 pm Mass Intentions for the

wedding of Naomi Stumborg & Garnet Fugle

Sunday 4th 9:00 am Mass Intentions of the Parish

Monday 5th 9:00 am Mass Tuesday 6th 6:15 pm Mass Wednesday 7th 9:00 am Mass

Thursday 8th 11:00 am @ Bulkley Lodge Friday 9th 9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 10th 5:00 pm Mass *Intentions of the Parish*Sunday 11th 9:00 am Mass *Intentions 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: :Kelly Ehalt & Etienne St-Onge

Parish Finance Committee

Finance Vice Chairperson: Wayne Callison

Casey Pyper, David Schwab

Maintenance: Vacant

Collections: Rita Coupe

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

> Altar Servers: Nancy Verbeek Music: Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer

Ministry Schedule 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10th, 2016 (5PM) & September 11th, 2016

GREETERS:	5 PM 9 AM	Marg & Sid Sikkes, Liesel Cleveland CWL
LECTORS:	5 PM 9 AM	Brenda Pyper, Jim Schwab CWL
EMC:	5 PM 9 AM	David Hemenway, Janna Delany CWL
ALTAR SERVERS		Volunteer

COLLECTION REPORTS August 27th & August 28th 2016

Church \$1,725.55 Electronic Funds August \$1,561.00

We need significant roof repairs before winter and will come to the parishioners for assistance. More information to follow.



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Pete, Maurice Marie, Rachael, Ernest, Leland, Edith, Al, Ryan, Mackinly, Barb, Matt, Tanya, Peter, Ron, Little James, Nelson, Lucia, Tristan, Ricardo 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

Discipleship: a spirit of mastering life rather than being mastered by life. Today's readings focus on building the Reign of God using the strategies of renunciation and prudence. Last week's gospel of the great dinner (Luk14: 15-34) was to emphasize the gratuitous and free invitation from God to experience the kingdom – and yet people turned down the invitation due to 'more pressing concerns'. We can be mastered by life. Today's readings explore two strategies for ensuring that we respond to God's call. To be effective, **renunciation** is the giving of our lives totally to God's providence, that what happens has God's mark on it. To be effective, **prudence** is the awareness of the total cost of our surrender to God, the full appreciation of what God expects of us. Using renunciation and prudence, we can master this life that God has given to us. **Homework:** on a scale of 1 to 10, what value do I put on

Extra-ordinary Year of Mercy: Canonization of Mother Theresa (Sept 04): It is well understood that when Pope Francis announced the date for the canonization of Mother Theresa, it was chosen to coincide with the Extraordinary Year of Mercy – the soon-to-be-declared Saint Mother Theresa made mercy concrete, from her AIDS hospices and soup kitchens to her homes for lost children and refugees. There was virtually no source of human suffering that she did not offer a practical, hands-on response. St.Mother Theresa, pray for us.

renunciation and prudence to get me ahead in life?

Christian culture is a culture of compassion: Pope Benedict <u>CoWorkers of the Truth</u>; "Christian culture is a culture of love of neighbor, a culture of compassion, and, for that very reason, a culture of social justice. From the beginning, it has been distinguished by a predilection for the weak, the sick, the poor, and the aged—for those who are useless in the world's sight. One of the worst barbarisms of National Socialism was the murder of the mentally ill, which had, as its rationale, the policy of evaluating all persons in terms of their usefulness to society. By this fact alone, the ideology of National Socialism was branded as a rejection of the Christian culture of Europe. Not only did Christian culture build cathedrals to the glory of God; it also erected hospitals for the sick and the aged to the glory of him whom it honored in all those who suffered. It placed these hospitals under the special patronage of the Holy Spirit, who is Divine Love, the Love that exists between Father and Son: they honored him by sharing in his love; they entrusted to his compassion those who were in need of such compassion. True European culture is a culture not only of the mind but also of the heart—a culture that lets itself be warmed by the Holy Spirit and is consequently a culture of compassion.

Next week, September 10, I will be promoting the Diocesan Appeal and the new parish-based Formation program.

THANK YOU to the volunteers who refreshed our foyer: painters, electricians, organizers... Thank you.

EVENTS

Sept 5	St. Anthony's Auction Items need to be submitted
Sept 7	School Reopens for the 2016/17 Year-Early Dismissal at 11:30 am
Sept 9	St. Anthony's Auction Begins in Houston Mall
Sept 11	Knights of Columbus—BBQ at Paul Fraddette
Sept 13	Bible Sharing resumes at 10:15am
Sept 21-23	Diocesan Study Days Assembly-PG
Sept. 27	Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and First Communion Information Session 7-8pm in Parish Centre
Sept 29	St. Joseph School Playground Fundraiser at Boston Pizza

DIOCESAN EVENTS

LAY FORMATION PROGRAM:

HEARTS TRANSFORMED

s a new nine month personal and parish formation program beginning this October 2016 in the diocese of Prince George. This program focuses on developing a Christ-like heart by:

LIVING the Eucharist as a way of life.

INTEGRATING the treasures of our faith.

DEEPENING our life of prayer and discernment.

ACTIVATING our gifts as Missionary Disciples

See Bulletin Board for more information.

DIOCESAN STUDY DAYS ASSEMBLY -EMBRACED BY OUR FATHER'S MERCY

Date: Sept. 21-23, 2016 **Where:** Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Prince George **Fee:** \$60

If interested, the parish will sponsor. Please talk to Fr. Pier for more details.

LITURGY &SACRED MUSIC WORSHIP

Date:Oct. 28 7:00pm Oct. 29 9:00am -4:00 pm Where: Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Prince George Presenters: Fr. Rectorino Tolentino and Miss Elizabeth Black (from the Liturgical Institute)

See Bulletin Board for more information.

DIOCESAN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of Prince George is seeking applications for the Position of "Secretary to the Office of the Bishop."

A resume and covering letter should be sent to Very Reverend Rectorino Tolentino, Jr. vicargeneral@pgdiocese.bc.ca Applications will be accepted

until **September 9, 2016**.

See Bulletin Board for more

2016-17 DIOCESAN APPEAL

Kick Off Sept.10-11 Educational Sept. 17-18 Promotional Oct. 2-3 Commitment Oct. 15-16

PARISH EVENTS



information.

BIBLE SHARING will resume Tues. Sept. 13, 2016 at 10:15am in the Parish Center.

Come & join us enriching our spiritual selves with the word of God over a cup of coffee.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

AN informational sessions will be held on September 27, 2016 from 7-8pm.

Call the office for more information.



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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

Catholic Schools: "Care for Our Common Home"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We're back again - with sun tans and end-of-summer haircuts. Welcome to our students, their families and to the staff. May we look forward with gratitude to the chance to be here to learn and to be with old and yet-to-**be friends. May God's** blessing be on us as we venture forward into this school year! May we proceed with courage, joy, and kindness.

SUMMER THANK YOUS

Sincerely, Rosemary McKenzie, Principal

Our school was repaired and "spiffed up" this summer by Mr. Bernier, our maintenance supervisor, and our summer student, Owen. We extend to them a heartfelt thank you for the many projects and tasks they completed in order for St. Joseph's to be ready to open this week. School Council and the Playground Committee also worked hard behind the scenes to facilitate plans and projects. In addition we thank the Casey and Jim from the parish who cut and trimmed our playground this summer. Without our summer people, we could not be ready for 2016-2017!

STAFFING FOR 2016-2017

Pastor - Fr. Pier Pandolfo

Principal – Mrs. Rosemary McKenzie

Kindergarten – Mrs. Jennifer Mitchell

Grade 1 – Ms. Shannon Wellington

Grade 2 – Mrs. Cara Polanin / Miss Kristi Pederson (Fridays)

Grade 3 – Mrs. Erin Brienesse

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 – Miss. Kristi Pederson

Music K-7 – Mrs. Taryn Lowe

Library – Mrs. Christine Tessier

Educational Asssistants: Mrs. Joanne Boot, Mrs. Nancy Verbeek,

Mrs. Shanualea Vliegenthart, Mrs. Kellie Williams, Mrs. Cathy Doyle

Lunch Hour Supervisors: Mrs. Claudia Busatto

Pre-K: Mrs. Aleida Raffan & Mrs. Margaret Buenten (assistant)

After School Program: Mrs. Margaret Buenten, & Mrs. Claudia

Busatto (coordinators)

Book Keeper - Mrs. Christine Tessier

School Secretary – Mrs. Arlene McGibbon

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM ASSISTANT

Are you experienced with and enjoy working with children? Our After School Program is looking for an assistant for 3:00 to 4:30/5:00pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday and 2:00 to 4:30/5:00 on Thursdays. The candidate must be 19 years of age, have or be willing to take a one-day First Aid course, and submit to a criminal record check. For more info, call the school office.

UPCOMING NEWS AND NOTES

Playground Fun Raiser! - on b, your family is invited to an all you can eat pizza and all you can drink pop (or for adults – a beer or a glass of wine) fundraiser at Boston Pizza! Buy ahead tickets will be available to purchase in advance: \$10 for 4 to 9 years old and \$20 for 10 years and up. Children 3 and younger will be free. More information coming!! Mark your calendar BP for supper!





Visit the CWL BC and Yukon website bcyukoncwl.com to find the newsletter, "The Communicator". Visit the CWL National website at cwl.ca for great information and to find "Be League".

The CWL Bulletin board will be renovated this fall. Contact Laura Bolster at 847-2538 or laura.rbolster@gmail.com with suggestions.

REMINDER: CWL Sunday is September 11, 2016 and next General Meeting to be held on September 13th, 2016 at 7pm in the Parish Centre.



Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973

Come and join us....

Knights of Columbus sponsored Parish Potluck and BBQ!

Date: September 11, 2016 Time: Starting at 2pm

Location: Paul Fradette's Place on Bourgon Road, past Telkwa

Bring: One potluck fish and a chair

BBQ Ribs provided! There will be fun and games and music for all

the family to enjoy!

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SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am





PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Pier Pandolfo Pastoral Assistant/Caretaker: Dennis Gonia

Joint Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee Members

Eric Bishop · Stephen Rose · Georgina Dotto · CWL Representative

Sept. 4 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30 AM Mass

Sept. 11 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30 AM Mass

Sept .18 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30 AM Mass

Sept. 25 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:30 AM Mass



Our Fall Fundraiser is in full swing. Thank you to all those who have donated so far. We will be asking people to sit with the goods being displayed for auction. Consider donating 2 to 4 hours of your time.

A Journey Through the Mass Concluding Rites Reflection

The words "Go in peace" are scriptural (Mark 5:34 and others). The dismissal "sends each member back to doing good works, while praising and blessing the Lord" (Gl no. 57). "Day by day the liturgy builds up those within the Church into the Lord's holy temple, into a spiritual dwelling for God (cf. Eph 2:21-22)—an enterprise which will continue until Christ's full stature is achieved (cf. Eph 4:13). At the same time the liturgy marvelously fortifies the faithful in their capacity to preach Christ" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, art. 2). In a word, the people now sent forth to carry out the mission of the church, a mission of healing, justice, and proclamation. All liturgy has a social dimension.

Questions for Reflection

In what sense does the priest give the blessing? What is the purpose of the dismissal? In what way has "the Mass....ended"?

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, September 11th 2016 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	Ministries for July & August are
LECTORS	voluntary, please fill in the sign up
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	sheet for the dates and ministry that you want to volunteer for.
Altar Servers	
Gift Bearers	
Collection Counter	Sept.4=Dennis G. Sept 11=Eric B.
Church Cleaning	Tammy—Sept. 5-9, 2016

COLLECTIONS

SUNDAY August 14 2016 Envelope \$ 175.00 Loose \$15.00

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church "I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH"

The Father revealed by the Son

III. THE HOLY TRINITY IN THE TEACHING OF THE FAITH The formation of the Trinitarian dogma

251 In order to articulate the dogma of the Trinity, the Church had to develop her own terminology with the help of certain notions of philosophical origin: "substance", "person" or "hypostasis", "relation" and so on. In doing this, she did not submit the faith to human wisdom, but gave a new and unprecedented meaning to these terms, which from then on would be used to signify an ineffable mystery, "infinitely beyond all that we can humanly understand".

252 The Church uses (I) the term "substance" (rendered also at times by "essence" or "nature") to designate the divine being in its unity, (II) the term "person" or "hypostasis" to designate the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the real distinction among them, and (III) the term "relation" to designate the fact that their distinction lies in the relationship of each to the others.



We pray for the Sick:

Ken, Devynn, Dorothy, Denise, Helen & Harry, Arsenia, Sara, Bob, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn, Max, Rufina, Apolinario and Pol