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SUNDAY BULLETIN for October 15th & 16th, 2016

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 17.8-13, Psalm 121, 2 Timothy 3.14-4.2, Luke 18.1-8

"God will grant justice to his chosen ones who call out to him."



Week Mass Times 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	15th	5:00 pm Mass	† Jessie Eileen Towns
Sunday	16th	9:00 am Mass	† Necitas Sasing Ramos † Michelangelo & Concetta Sia
Monday	17th	9:00 am Mass	
Tuesday	18th	6:15 pm Mass	
Wednesday	19th	9:00 am Mass	
Thursday	20th	11:00 am Mass @ Bulkley Lodge	
Friday	21st	9:00 am Mass	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	22nd	5:00 pm Mass	Intentions of Parishioners
Sunday	23rd	9:00 am Mass	† Necitas Sasing Ramos † Victorino Pacheco

Ministry Schedule

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - World Mission Sunday
October 22nd, 2016 (5PM) & October 23rd, 2016 (9AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM 9 AM	Marg & Sid Sikkes, Liesel Cleveland Knights of Columbus
LECTORS : 5 PM 9 AM	Brenda Pyper, Christine Tessier Knights of Columbus
EMC: 5 PM 9 AM	Tina Gemmell, Johanna Habjan Knights of Columbus
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer

COLLECTION REPORTS October 8th & 9th, 2016

Church	\$2,374.65	Needs of the Church	\$ 75.00
Diocesan Appeal	\$ 320.00		

Roofing Update: Replacing church sloped roof ~\$71,500
flat roof ~\$55,000.

Diocesan Appeal: Goal of \$22,721.00; Today is
Commitment Weekend for the appeal, **Reaching out in
Mercy.** St. Joseph's in Smithers is part of the Diocese of
Prince George shepherded by Bishop Jensen. The
Diocesan Appeal is an opportunity to support ourselves as a
diocese.

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: Pederson Family

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: Fr. Pier Pandolfo

Children's Liturgy: Ann Marie MacIsaac

Altar Servers: Nancy Verbeek

Music: Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Danielle, Scott, Lori, Bob, Otto, Barbara, Sabrina,
Antonio, Maurice, Marie, Rachael, Ernest, Leland,
Edith, Al, Ryan, 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

Be Persistent in Prayer. Hang in there," we say. Today's readings remind us that the call to be persistent in prayer isn't new. Israel needed to hear it, and the disciples were told by Jesus to "pray always." It helps to know that we don't need endless harangues, sophisticated words or lofty arguments. The God of mercy does hear us. The challenge is to be open to God's answer. **Homework:** For this week, be persistent at 3pm every day to pray "Lord have mercy".

Countdown to Nov 20, end of Extra-ordinary Year of Mercy: Corporeal Work: visit the sick: Concrete exercise: visit someone sick or bring them holy communion. Spiritual exercise: think about how **God does not abandon me when I am sick;** examine the significant times that I have been ill; reflect on John 11, the raising of Lazarus (v26 whoever believes in me will never die).

DAA Spirituality-Gratitude: Trust: Generosity Today is COMMITMENT SUNDAY for the Diocesan Appeal. Thank you for your participation and your generosity of TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE.

Youth group starting: This Monday, October 17th , 7-8:30pm in the school GYM.

Pope Francis on the ROSARY: Pope Francis says the rosary, in many ways, is the "synthesis of the history of God's mercy," but that far from removing us from life's problems it "demands that we immerse ourselves in the history of each day, so as to grasp the signs of Christ's presence in our midst." The Pope said this as he celebrated a Vigil for the Marian Jubilee in the context of the Year of Mercy. The Pope further said that the rosary asks us to "reflect on how God comes into our own lives, so as to be able to welcome him and follow him." "We are disciples, but also missionaries," he reflected, "bringing Christ wherever he asks us to be present." The gift of his presence shouldn't be kept to ourselves: "On the contrary, we are called to share with everyone his love, his tenderness, his goodness and his mercy.

Hearts Transformed (lay formation program) - RETREAT: This past Saturday, October 15 in Terrace, the Retreat that kicks off the Lay Formation program was held. Let us keep the participants in our own prayers. Let us pray that their commitment may bring greater life to their individual lives, their families and to our parish. The next step is to organize the parish catechetical (teaching) sessions. More information next week.

upcoming EVENTS

- Oct 16 Retreat for Reconciliation Preparation 2-4:30pm
- Oct 17 Youth Group starting 7:00-8:30pm
- Oct 21-29 Iconography Workshop in Terrace
- Oct 23 World Mission Sunday
- Oct 30 Blessing of the Graves
- Nov 1 All Saints Day
- Nov 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed—
Masses at 9:00 AM, 12:15 PM, 6:15 PM

DIOCESAN EVENTS

LAY FORMATION PROGRAM: HEARTS TRANSFORMED

Current Stage: Now we move to the bi-monthly meetings from Oct to May. These sessions are the teaching component.
When: TBA
Where: St. Joseph's , Smithers
See bulletin board for info or ask Fr. Pier

ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

When: October 21-29, 2016
Where: Sacred Heart Parish in Terrace
See bulletin board for more information.

LITURGY & SACRED MUSIC WORSHIP

When: Oct. 28 7:00pm
Oct. 29 9:00am -4:00 pm
Where: Diocesan Centre (PG)
See Bulletin Board for more information.

2016-17 DIOCESAN APPEAL Commitment Oct. 15-16

AGM October 26, 2016 at the Pastoral Centre in P.G. at 6:30 PM. All are welcome. Board is looking to add new members.

PARISH EVENTS

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

RCIA MASS

Date: Friday, October 28th
Time: 9:00AM
Please join the school & parish in welcoming Teresa Witkowskyj & Arlene McGibbon.

SACRAMENTAL PREP FOR RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Retreat #1 for Reconciliation Preparation
When: Oct. 16 from 2-4:30pm
Where: Parish Centre

DAILY SCRIPTURAL AIDS:

Word Among Us—October Living Faith - Oct/Nov/Dec mediation resources are available in the foyer, please pick up a copy .

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

This is the annual blessing of graves at the cemetery. There is a 15 minute prayer service followed by blessing of individual grave.
When: October 30th, Sunday
Where: At each of the cemeteries in Smithers, Houston and Telkwa.
Time: TBA

ALL SOULS DAY

The priest has permission to celebrate three masses on this day for the souls of the departed. Plan to attend one mass.
When: Nov. 2, 2016 - Wed.
Where: St. Joseph's Church
Time: 9am, 12:15pm, 6:15pm

SPARROWS HOUSING MUSICAL FUNDRAISING EVENING

Date: Friday, Nov 18
Where: Smithers Canadian Reform Church at 1645 VanGalen Rd.
If interested to perform please contact Tina at 250-846-5362, or Lori at 250-846-5509



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie
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Catholic Schools: "Care for Our Common Home"

VIRTUE FOR OCTOBER-gratitude

Who would you miss if he/she moved away? Make a list. We can be grateful to God for those people who are important to us in our daily lives. We are blessed by them.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S CLOTHING AND TOY SALE

Our annual fall clothing and toy sale is on Saturday, October 29th, from 9 am to 11 am. For more information, or to book a table, please email Erin Briennesse, erbriennesse@gmail.com. It's a great fundraiser for our school.

ANONYMOUS PLAYGROUND DONATION

We are so grateful to have received a \$10,000.00 donation from an anonymous donor for the Playground & Equipment Replacement Project. Thank you for this incredible donation which will go a long way in ensuring this project gets complete..

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The ASP is looking for small baby food jars with lids, for a Christmas craft. They are also looking for donations of puzzles that are appropriate for ages 6-12, & a few that are suitable for a group to do over a long term (perhaps a 500 pieces). Please drop these items off at the Small Hall or at St Joseph's School office. Thank you!

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING- 1ST of the year!

Meeting Date Change: to October 19th at 7:30 in the school library. All parents are automatically part of the PSG. Please come out if you can.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN

What a great afternoon! The weather cooperated and the whole event went very smoothly. Thank you to Mrs. Dingwall for organizing this huge event & all the staff, parents & high school students for volunteering their time for this sports event for the district. We had 62 participants from St. Joe's out of the 295 students who ran & our school came in 2nd place!

THANKSGIVING MEAL

A big thank you to Mrs. Kilb for being head chef and organizer for the meal and all the helpers that made this lunch a success. All the donations of carrots and potatoes – many home grown – were appreciated. It is truly a blessing to be able to enjoy a lovely meal with friends and family.

ST. JOE'S YOUTH GROUP – Grade 6 and 7 students are

invited to join the St. Joe's Parish Youth Group! It starts on Monday, October 17th in the school gym. There will be a concession of treats for purchase and the prices have not yet been determined. You will find out on the first day of Youth Group.

INVESTORS GROUP MINIONS MOVIE

Every year, Investors Group Financial Services partners up with Roi Theatre and sponsors a free matinee for the public. Admission is by donation of a non-perishable food item and all proceeds are donated to the Salvation Army Food Bank, Smithers Branch. This year, we will be sponsoring the movie "The Secret Life of Pets" on Saturday Nov. 5th. Doors open at 12pm, movie starts at 1pm. Limited seating.



- CWL Annual Bazaar is on Saturday, November 19th from 2 to 4 pm at St. Joseph's School auditorium.
- For the October meeting, please be prepared to donate 1% of your annual personal spending to the 1% Program that has supported thousands of women in the Global South since 1969.
- If you have any Canadian Tire money, to donate, please put in box by the CWL bulletin board.
- Online membership opens October 15 for 2017 membership to the CWL. Fees are \$40.00 per person. Go to www.cwl.ca. The website also includes lots of interesting information.



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Visit to the Sick at Home: By appointment



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 · Georgina Dotto · CWL
Representative*

Oct. 2	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:30 AM Mass
Oct. 9	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:30 AM Mass
Oct. 16	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:30 AM Mass
Oct. 23	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday	11:30 AM Mass
Oct. 30	301st Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:30 AM Mass

A Journey Through the Mass

Liturgy of the Word
Reflection

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... Through the chants the people make God's word their own and through the profession of faith they affirm their adherence to it. Finally, having been fed by his word, they make their petitions in the general intercessions for the needs of the Church and for the **salvation of the whole world.**" (GIRM #33 continued).

Just as Christ is present in the eucharist to give himself as food, so he is present when the Scriptures are proclaimed to offer his message of **salvation and to arouse faith in those who hear his message.** "Faith, then comes through hearing, and what is heard is the word of Christ." (Romans 10:17)

The liturgy of the word, is not just a preparation for the celebration of the eucharist. A profound relationship exists between the two: Jesus is the living word and Jesus is the bread of life are two aspects of the same mystery—salvation.

Questions for Reflection

1. What is the purpose of the liturgy of the word?
2. How can the word be better proclaimed?
3. How can I prepare myself to listen?

Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, October 23th, 2016—World Missions Sunday
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	See bulletin board
LECTORS	See bulletin board
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	See bulletin board
Altar Servers	See bulletin board
Gift Bearers	See bulletin board
Collection Counter	Oct. 23=Eric B. Oct 30=Adrian M.
Church Cleaning	Bishop Family —Oct. 17-21

COLLECTIONS:

Sep. 18, 2016 Envelope \$ 217.00 Loose \$ 26.00

Sep. 25, 2016 Envelope \$ 265.00 Loose \$ 23.50

DIOCESAN APPEAL: GOAL \$4,878.00

SILENT AUCTION REVENUE: Over \$8,500...Thank you!

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

"I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH"

IV. THE DIVINE WORKS AND THE TRINITARIAN MISSIONS

259 Being a work at once common and personal, the whole divine economy makes known both what is proper to the divine persons, and their one divine nature. Hence the whole Christian life is a communion with each of the divine persons, without in any way separating them. Everyone who glorifies the Father does so through the Son in the Holy Spirit; everyone who follows Christ does so because the Father draws him and the Spirit moves him.

We pray for the Sick:



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