



## St. Joseph's Parish

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Pastor: Rev. Pier Pandolfo 250-847-3175

Secretary: Brenda Pyper

## SUNDAY BULLETIN for January 14th & January 15th, 2017

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Isaiah 49.3, 5-6, Psalm 40, 1 Corinthians 1.1-3, John 1.29-34*

*"Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world!"*



### Week Mass Times 2nd Week in Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14th 5:00 pm Mass</b> † <b>Julian Sowa</b> † <b>Jesse Eileen Towns</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>15th 9:00 am Mass</b> † <b>Mary Anne Redman</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>16th 9:00 am</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>17th 6:15 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>18th 9:00 am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>19th 11:15 am Mass @ Bulkley Lodge</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>20th 9:00 am Mass Souls in Purgatory</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21st 5:00 pm Mass</b> † <b>Juanito &amp; Anna Dolores Camps</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>22nd 9:00am Mass</b> † <b>Juanito &amp; Anna Dolores Camps</b> † <b>Victorino Pacheco</b>

### 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 & the Echo Kids

### Ministry Schedule

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21st, 2017 (5PM) & January 22nd, 2017 (9AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM 9 AM	Etienne & Tiffany St. Onge, Marj Hemenway Jim & Marie Ziegler, Mary Vandermaal
LECTORS : 5 PM 9 AM	Trevor Bruintjes, Vigil Overstall Suzanne Brabant, David Schwab
EMC: 5 PM 9 AM	David Hemenway, Janna Delany Al Bruintjes, Tine Bruintjes, Theo Sikkes
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers

### COLLECTION REPORTS– January 7th & 8th, 2017

**Church** \$1,890.56

**School:** \$ 55.00

**New Year's Collection:** \$ 10.00

**Flat Roof Update:** roof covered, cosmetic work to do  
Cost ~\$55,000. In savings \$40,000; Collected \$11,280.00.

**Sloped Roof Update:** Work scheduled for Spring 2017.  
Cost ~\$71-75,000. Loan from the Diocese will be requested.

**Diocesan Appeal:** Goal \$22,721 Pledged \$24,359  
(107.2%)

**Medical Assistance Fund:** \$11,403.04

Those who wish, can make donations to help the Stam family with Medical Expenses.



*Please remember the following in your prayers:*

Katelynn, Kelly, Adrian, Sabrina, Antonio, Maurice,  
Rachael, Ernest, Marie, Leland, Barb, Nelson, Lucia,  
Tristan, Ryan and Little James

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

**OrdinaryTime:** Jesus proves he is Priest, Prophet, Shepherd

**Reach to the end of the earth.** Today's readings anticipate the future. John in the gospel moves our attention from his baptism to the new baptism that Jesus will bring, 'the Lamb of God.' Isaiah is more clear: the servant of the Lord will be 'a light to the nations, that my salvation will reach to the ends of the earth.' Here we anticipate the universal, even cosmic, scope of redemption in Christ – the work of Christ will embrace all of creation, and nothing will be excluded from its grace. And while not much of the vision is yet apparent, we sense that the story is only at its beginning, and we invited to experience the excitement, responding 'Here I am Lord, I come to do your will.' **Homework:** Pray: Come Holy Spirit and fill my heart, and enkindle within me the fire of your love.

**Sanctity of Life Sunday: January 15:** the American Supreme Court States decision on January 22, 1973 legislating that women be given unfettered access to abortion, and the Canadian Supreme Court decision on January 28, 1988 striking down the criminal code law regarding abortion leaves children in the womb unprotected by law. Today we are asked to reflect on the sanctity of life from the moment of natural conception to the moment of natural death. Find in the bulletin today the newsletter from the local ProLife Society; please read it. In the foyer are membership registration forms; please consider joining the Society. The AGM is coming up in early March; please consider attending.

### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 22 – 29.**

On January 25, the Catholic Church celebrates the conversion of St. Paul. It remembers the event where Paul is on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christians and he experiences a bright light that throws him off his horse and blinds him. (Act9:1-22) This strong encounter with Christ effects a conversion in Paul and he becomes a defender of the followers of Christ. Tradition would say that Paul went to the Gentiles and Peter to the Jews to spread the Gospel message. The conversation of Paul becomes a good occasion to pray for Christian unity. The division of Christians is a scandal to the world and a poor example of community. A united Body of Christ (Christian Church) could powerfully unite the world and help people to get along.

**Pre-Authorized Debit:** with your permission, the Church can receive your donation directly from your bank. More info on Bulletin Board.

## upcoming EVENTS

Jan 22 Hearts Transformed Session #6-7PM  
Jan 23 Fr. Pier in Houston  
Jan 23 Parish Youth Group—7pm School Gymnasium  
Jan 24-27 Fr. Pier in Prince George  
Feb 2 World Day for Consecrated Life  
Feb 3-5 3rd Annual Young Adults Ski Retreat  
Apr 21-23 Diocesan Youth Conference—Prince George

### **DIOCESAN EVENTS**

**DIOCESAN APPEAL 2016-17** The Diocese THANKS YOU we have reached \$389,642. (97.4%) of its total in pledges, coming from 1441 donors across our Diocese. The Diocese thanks St. Joseph's Smithers for achieving it's goal (We are at 105% ) There continues to be an opportunity to make a pledge. *Bulletin Board has pledge forms.*

#### **APPEAL TAX RECEIPTS-UPDATE**

Diocese has informed us that the 2016 appeal tax receipts will be mailed directly to parishioners

#### **WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE**

Thursday, February 2, 2017, 7:00PM, on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Bishop Stephen Jensen will celebrate a Solemn Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral with the religious men and women of the Diocese. Everyone is welcome to attend and show appreciation to those who have chosen to live the consecrated life and who serve in our diocese.

#### **3RD ANNUAL YOUNG ADULTS SKI RETREAT**

Attention: Smithers young adults; consider joining this retreat. The annual retreat will take place in Smithers, -**February 3-5, 2017.** Skiing and retreating, what more could you ask for? Ages 18 and up are invited. This retreat will fill up quickly. Registration will be available shortly, for now, Questions? email [youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca).

#### **DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE 2017**

Save the Date! DYC 2017 will be April 1 21-23, 2017 in Prince George. Mark your calendar. More details to come.

**PILGRIMAGE** to Fatima, Lourdes. Dates are May 30 to June 10, cost \$3490. See bulletin board for more information.

### **PARISH EVENTS**

#### **LAY FORMATION PROGRAM: HEARTS TRANSFORMED**

Session #6 Parish gathering is Sunday, Jan. 22nd at 7pm. Anyone not registered but would like to participate, call the office 847-2012. *Educational Bulletin Board, feel free to take information.*

#### **PARISH YOUTH GROUP**

Next meeting for MONDAY, JANUARY 23rd beginning at 7pm in Gymnasium of St. Joseph's School.

#### **BIBLE SHARING**

Tuesdays at 10:15am in Parish Center. Come join us in enriching our spiritual selves with the word of God over a cup of coffee.

#### **SEMINAR on DIVORCE CARE**

A weekly seminar and support group is being offered at the Christian Reform Church on Walnut Drive. It began January 11, 2017 & runs on Wednesdays from 7 – 9pm. Contact 250-846 - 9101

**SPIRITUAL AIDS AVAILABLE FOR JANUARY.** The periodical 'The Word Among Us' is available. Copies are free. They contain the daily scripture readings and reflections, and topical articles.



**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL**  
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*Catholic Schools: "Care for Our Common Home"*

VIRTUE FOR JANUARY: Forgiveness

Forgiving is often more important to the forgiver than the person being forgiven. It can clear the "muddiness" of our feelings of anger, bitterness, anxiety, etc. God can help us to find the energy to work on forgiveness. **"Forgiveness is not an occasional act, it is a permanent attitude."** Martin Luther King

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION-for September!

Kindergarten registration starts Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, for PARISHONERS AND SIBLINGS. Please call the school office, starting 8:15 am, to secure a registration spot and make an appointment for the registration meeting with the principal. Registration is on first come, first served basis for phone calls.

- 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> – for parishioners and siblings – call starting 8:15 am for registration appointment
- 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> – **St. Joseph's Pre-K** families – call starting 8:15 am for registration appointment
- 27<sup>th</sup> onwards – open (public) registration – call starting 8:15 am for registration appointment

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT CAMPAIGN-good news update!

Thank you to everyone who has donated so far. We are only \$13,000.00 away from our goal!!! If you would like to donate, please contact Mindy at 250-917-8178. Together, we can complete this project and get our children playing again.

PARKING LOT ALERT!

A reminder to students and parents that there is traffic in the parking lot throughout the hours of 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm (After School Program pick-up finishes at 6:00). Please keep your children off the snow hill during these times. It is dark and motorists are unable to see the children playing and sliding

GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE-start studying now!

At the end of January our intermediate classes are going to participate in a school-based geography challenge! Students will have the opportunity to participate with a partner or group and questions will be selected for age appropriateness. A team final will be held in the gym.

GIRL GUIDES is looking for

Paper towel and wrapping paper cardboard tubes and clean plastic yogurt containers of every size. Please drop off at the school office for Christine Tessier.

After School Program

We have several spots Monday to Friday that have recently opened up at the After School Program. If you are interested in any of these days please contact the office. They are also still collecting **"Christmas things"....décor that often comes on the bouquets, mini colored ornaments, pinecones, red berries and such.** They can be left at the school office or dropped off at the Small Hall after 3 pm.



Visit the CWL BC and Yukon website [bcyukoncwlcwl.com](http://bcyukoncwlcwl.com) to find the newsletter, "The Communicator". Visit the CWL National website at [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) for great information and to find "Be League".



Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest provided an opportunity for our community to witness the creativity and optimism of youth involved in their faith.

Contest winners in each category received \$25.00 from Fr. Callaly Council.

Tess Wellington (Ages 11 to 14)  
 Evan Hexter (Ages 8 to 10)  
 Chloe Gyger (Ages 5 to 7)

The winning posters have been sent on to the provincial competition.

**OUR ADVERTISERS**

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WANT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS WITH US.

***Misty Mountain Massage***

**Ruth Grosch - Trained Masseuse**

*Bring this ad and receive 10% off.*

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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 Gonla

Joint Parish Pastoral Council &  
Finance Committee Members

*Eric Bishop • Georgina Dotto • CWL Representative*

Jan 15th **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11:30 AM Mass

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Jan 22nd **3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11:30 AM Mass

### PARISH EPIPHANY KARAOKE PARTY

On January 22nd, come join us for an afternoon of fun, food and entertainment after mass in the basement of the church. Bring your singing voice, jokes, games and your favorite casse-  
role dish or desert and your favorite beverage.  
Coffee, juice and pop will be provided.



## A Journey Through the Mass

### Liturgy of the Eucharist

#### Concluding Rites

In the final blessing the priest prays that the greatest of all benefits may be given in abundant measure to those who have shared in God's word and Christ's body. Such an action upon departure is found in the New Testament when Christ, before being taken up into heaven, "with hands upraised, blessed" (Luke 24:50) the apostles.

#### 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, January 22nd, 2017**

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

GREETERS	Volunteer
LECTORS	Adrian & Liz
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Vic & Gail
Altar Servers	Alicia & Nicole
Gift Bearers	Yolande & Susan
Collection Counter	See Volunteer Board
Church Cleaning	See Volunteer Board

### COLLECTIONS: JAN. 15, 2017

Envelope \$ 720.00 Loose \$ 50.10

Christmas & New Year Offering \$ 100.00

Church Expense \$ 35.00 EFT \$ 75.00

**DIOCESAN APPEAL: GOAL \$4,878.00, PLEDGED: \$2,725**

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

### "PRAYER IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE"

THE REVELATION OF PRAYER - THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER

#### Article 1 IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

2570 When God calls him, Abraham goes forth "as the Lord had told him"; Abraham's heart is entirely submissive to the Word and so he obeys. Such attentiveness of the heart, whose decisions are made according to God's will, is essential to prayer, while the words used-count only in relation to it. Abraham's prayer is expressed first by deeds: a man of silence, he constructs an altar to the Lord at each stage of his journey. Only later does Abraham's first prayer in words appear: a veiled complaint reminding God of his promises which seem unfulfilled. Thus one aspect of the drama of prayer appears from the beginning: the test of faith in the fidelity of God.

2571 Because Abraham believed in God and walked in his presence and in covenant with him,<sup>10</sup> The patriarch is ready to welcome a mysterious Guest into his tent. Abraham's remarkable hospitality at Mamre foreshadows the annunciation of the true Son of the promise. After that, once God had confided his plan, Abraham's heart is attuned to his Lord's compassion for men and he dares to intercede for them with bold confidence.



### We pray for the Sick:

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