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Secretary: Brenda Pyper

SUNDAY BULLETIN for January 28th & January 29th, 2017

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13, Psalm 146, 1 Corinthians 1.26-31, Matthew 5.1-12

"Blessed are the poor in spirit."



Week Mass Times 4th Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday	28th 5:00pm Mass	†Manuel & Cecilia Garcia
Sunday	29th 9:00am Mass	†Michelangelo & Concetta Sia †Dolores Krauskopf
Monday	30th 9:00am Mass	
Tuesday	31st 6:15pm Mass	
Wednesday	1st 9:00am Mass	
Thursday	2nd 11:15am Mass @ Bulkley Lodge	
Friday	3rd 9:00am Mass	<i>Souls in Purgatory</i>
Saturday	4th 5:00pm Mass	<i>Intentions of the Parish</i>
Sunday	5th 9:00am Mass	†Susana Cometa

Ministry Schedule

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4th, 2017 (5PM) & February 5th, 2017 (9AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM 9 AM	Dave & Marj Hemenway, Carol Buckna, June Philpot Jim & Marie Ziegler, Mary Vandermaal
LECTORS : 5 PM 9 AM	Brenda Pyper, Christine Tessier Cara Polanin, David Schwab
EMC: 5 PM 9 AM	David Hemenway, Janna Delany Al Bruintjes, Tina Bruintjes, Mary Stroet
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS– January 21st & 22nd, 2017

Church \$1,696.50 EFT \$1,615.00

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 \$24,459
(107.6%) Donations above our goal are returned to Parish.

Medical Assistance Fund: \$11,403.04
Those who wish, can make donations to help the Stam family with Medical Expenses.

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



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Elvira, 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

'Our reach is always farther than our grasp'. Today's readings show the special place the poor and the just have in God's heart. In Zephaniah we see how the Babylonian and Assyrian conquests have reduced Israel to a lowly few, but we hear we hear how those with a humble heart find favor among this remnant. And this is paralleled in the Gospel where the reading of the Beatitudes confirms that happiness is promised to those for whom the world makes no provision – in other words, the grasp of our real life filled with pain on earth is nothing compared to how far God is helping us to reach. **Homework:** Pray the Eucharistic prayer, concentrating on how many times we are reaching farther with the help of God.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Jan18-25: some successes and challenges:

Dialogue with Orthodox Churches: success on questions of feast days and celebrations, but standstill on questions of 'uniatism', namely the relationship of Rome to the other Patriarchates. **Dialogue with Anglicans (ARCIC):** 1998, The Gift of Authority reflects success on understanding the role of the Pope. **Dialogue with Lutherans:** 1999, Joint Declaration on Justification explained the common understanding for 'faith' and 'works' in the plan of salvation. **Dialogues with many other communities** (Methodists, Seven Day Adventists, Salvation Army, Pentecostal, Baptist, etc) have been successful in clearing up misunderstandings of each other's beliefs, and have been challenged by strong efforts to proselytize (or attract Christians away from denomination to another).

February 02: Feast of Presentation of Our Lord: we celebrate the gift of Religious Life in the Church and pray for vocations. This summer Joe Glab, our former Diocesan Youth Worker and seminarian, was solemnly professed as a Franciscan.

February 11: Feast of Our Lady Of Lourdes: the universal Church declared this day to be World Day of Prayer for the Sick. We reflect, support, and pray on the mystery of the sick and suffering. A special mass of anointing will be organized.

Fr. Pier's 25th anniversary celebrations: on Nov 6, I celebrate 25 years as a priest and I am organizing throughout this year various gatherings where I can say thank you for my priesthood. The first gathering is planned for Feb 11, a night of fun and games and socializing from 6 to 9pm. No gifts or cards please.

upcoming EVENTS

Feb 2 World Day for Consecrated Life
Feb 3-5 '3rd Annual Young Adult Ski Retreat' in Smithers
Feb 6 Hearts Transformed Session #7-7PM
Feb 11 Parish Night Potluck –Celebration of Fr. Pier's birthday & the 25th year of ordination into the priesthood 6-9PM
Mar 3 World Day of Prayer-hosted by St. Joseph's Parish
Apr 10 Chrism Mass 2017-Sacred Heart Cathedral 7PM
Apr 21-23 Diocesan Youth Conference—Prince George

DIOCESAN EVENTS

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.

CHRISM MASS 2017

Monday of Holy Week, April 10, 2017 at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 7:00PM

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.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE 2017

Save the Date! DYC 2017 will be April 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 #7 Parish gathering is **Monday, Feb. 6th 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, February 6th 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

'THE WORD AMOUNG US' AVAILABLE FOR FEBRUARY.

Copies are free. They contain the daily scripture readings and reflections and topical articles.

PARISH NIGHT

On Saturday, February 11th, Father Pier celebrates his birthday and also begins the celebrations in honor of his 25th year of ordination to the priesthood (Nov.6th). A potluck supper will be held after the 5PM mass. Please bring a hot dish or salad. Cake will be provided.



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"

VIRTUE FOR JANUARY: Forgiveness

What did Jesus teach us in the "Lord's Prayer" about forgiveness? Why would forgiveness even be included in this most simple and basic of prayers?

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION-for September!

Kindergarten registration starts Monday, January 23rd, 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.

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

BC KIDS' EDUCATION SAVINGS

Families in BC can receive up to \$3200.00 for their child's education without contributing a cent. Every child in BC, born 2006 or later, can get the \$1200.00 BC Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG). Kids in BC also have free money waiting to get their post-secondary education savings started through the federal government's Canada Learning Bond. You only need to set up an RESP account to apply and receive the money. Without an RESP, kids miss out on the federal and provincial education savings incentives they are entitled to receive from the government.

PSG

The next PSG (Parent Support Group) meeting will be on Wednesday, February 22 at 7pm in the school library. This meeting is open and all parents are welcome to attend. If you are curious about the PSG and what they do, if you would like to be more involved in our school, or if you just want to know more about the school's programs, come join us. Snacks will be provided.

Playground Equipment Update: Thank-you!

Total Goal: \$78,540.98
 Total Raised to date: \$66,663.19
 Total Remaining: \$11,677.79
 Thank you to everyone who has donated so far - we are so close to our goal! If you are able to donate please drop off your donation to Arlene in the office or contact Mindy at 250-917-8178. All donations count!

TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts will be sent home this week with the students. Please **check your child's back pack**. If you have any questions regarding your tax receipt, please email Christine at bookkeeperstj@cispg.ca

PRE-K Program- a great program for developing school readiness!

We have two spots available for the Tuesday/Thursday session. Class runs from 8:30-11:30 and the cost is \$115.00 per month. If you are interested please call the office at 250-847-9414.



February is Pregnancy Outreach month. You are asked to bring a new baby layette items and drop them in the box by the CWL bulletin board.

World Day of Prayer is March 3, 2017-7PM and will be hosted by St. Joseph's Parish this year.

Next General Meeting is February 14th after 6:15PM Mass



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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

Feb 5th **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11:30 AM Mass
Feb 12th **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 11:30 AM Mass

Thank you to all who donated poinsettia's over the holiday season, it is always greatly appreciated.

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

2573 God renews his promise to Jacob, the ancestor of the twelve tribes of Israel. Before confronting his elder brother Esau, Jacob wrestles all night with a mysterious figure who refuses to reveal his name, but he blesses him before leaving him at dawn. From this account, the spiritual tradition of the Church has retained the symbol of prayer as a battle of faith and as the triumph of perseverance.

Moses and the prayer of the mediator

2574 Once the promise begins to be fulfilled (Passover, the Exodus, the gift of the Law, and the ratification of the covenant), the prayer of Moses becomes the most striking example of intercessory prayer, which will be fulfilled in "the one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus."

2575 Here again the initiative is God's. From the midst of the burning bush he calls Moses. This event will remain one of the primordial images of prayer in the spiritual tradition of Jews and Christians alike. When "the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob" calls Moses to be his servant, it is because he is the living God who wants men to live. God reveals himself in order to save them, though he does not do this alone or despite them: he calls Moses to be his messenger, an associate in his compassion, his work of salvation. There is something of a divine plea in this mission, and only after long debate does Moses attune his own will to that of the Savior God. But in the dialogue in which God confides in him, Moses also learns how to pray: he balks, makes excuses, above all questions: and it is in response to his question that the Lord confides his ineffable name, which will be revealed through his mighty deeds.

Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, February 5th, 2017

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GREETERS	Tammy & Claudine
LECTORS	CWL
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	CWL
Altar Servers	Alicia & Nicole
Gift Bearers	CWL
Collection Counter	See Volunteer Board
Church Cleaning	See Volunteer Board

COLLECTIONS: JAN.22nd, 2017

Envelope \$ 224.30 Loose \$ 77.70

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

A Journey Through the Mass

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Concluding Rites

Continued...

Veneration of the Altar:

This actions mirrors the veneration of the altar at the beginning of the mass; the altar is a symbol of Christ

Recessional Hymn:

This hymn mirrors the opening hymn and brings a symmetry to the celebration; it is intended to be no longer than needed for the ministers to process out.



We pray for the Sick:

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

St. Anthony's Parish in Houston acknowledges Fr. Pier as he begins celebrating the 25th year of ordination into the priesthood. Please remember him in your prayers.