

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for March 11th & March 12th, 2017 2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12.1-4, Psalm 33, 2 Timothy 1.8b-10, Matthew 17.1-9 "Jesus' face shone like the sun."



Week Mass Times 2nd Sunday of Lent

Saturday 11th 5:00pm Mass Intentions of the Parish Sunday 12th 9:00am Mass †Dolores Krauskopf

Monday 13th 9:00am Mass Tuesday 14th 6:15pm Mass Wednes 15th 9:00am Mass

Thursday 16th 11:00am No Mass @ Bulkley Lodge

Friday 17th 9:00am No Mass

Saturday 18th 5:00pm Mass †Jessie Eileen Towns Sunday 19th 9:00am Mass †Victorino Pacheco

PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastoral Assistant: Dennis Gonia Secretary: Brenda Pyper Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson & Diocesan Appeal Coordinator:

Michael desHarnais

Social Coordinator: Johanna Habjan Lituray: Gemma Gillis

Youth Ministry: Pederson Family

Development & Peace: Mari Coupe

Catholic Women's League: Eileen Bouvier - President

Knights of Columbus: James Schwab
School Council Co- Chairperson: Kelly Ehalt & Etienne St-Onge

Parish Finance Committee

FinanceVice Chairperson: Wayne Callison Casey Pyper, David Schwab, Jos Konst

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 of Lent March 18th, 2017 (5PM) & March 19th, 2017 (9AM)

GREETERS:	-	Volunteers Needed Knights of Columbus
LECTORS:		Trevor Bruintjes, Vigil Overstall Knights of Columbus
EMC:	5 PM 9 AM	Johanna Habjan, Janna Delany Knights of Columbus
ALTAR SERVERS		Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS March 4th & 5th, 2017

Church \$12,282.75 EFT \$15,40.00 School \$ 220.00 Medical Assistance Fund \$1,060.00

Diocesan Appeal: Goal \$22,721 Pledged \$24,459 (107.6%) Donations above our goal are returned to Parish and will go towards roof repairs.

Medical Assistance Fund: \$12,463.04

Those who wish , can make donations to help the Stam

family with Medical Expenses.



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Al, Roger, Chris, Jim, Matt, Kelly, Adrian, 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

'<u>Fall seven times, stand up eight.</u>' As we begin the second week of Lent, we encounter Abram moving to a new place, the disciples struggling to understand Jesus, and the early Christians trying to figure out how to live the Gospel. If our own understanding about who Jesus is remains a struggle with ongoing questions, let us not be discouraged. If our hearts are open, we can trust that there will be people and experiences to help us stand up one more time than the times we fall. **Homework:** try to memorize the 14 Stations of the Cross.

'<u>Stations of the Cross.'</u> Is the pious practice of honoring the passion and death of Christ. It consists of 14 stations with specific images/events where the faithful are asked to reflect and pray. It originated with the practice in early times to visit the actual scenes of Christ's passion and death in Jerusalem. In the fourteenth century the Franciscans promoted the devotion until Clement XII (1730's) gave it a definitive form with 14 Stations and prayer and reflection. Paul VI authorized a new series of 14 images that are based strictly on the Gospel. Recently an optional 15th Station commemorating the Resurrection has been added.

List of the 14 Stations of the Cross (1) Jesus is condemned to death; (2) Jesus accepts His cross; (3) Jesus falls the first time; (4) Jesus meets His Mother; (5) Simon Cyrene helps Jesus carry His cross; (6) Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; (7) Jesus falls the second time; (8) Jesus consoles the women of Jerusalem; (9) Jesus falls the third time; (10) Jesus is stripped of His garments; (11) Jesus is nailed to the cross; (12) Jesus dies on the Cross; (13) Jesus is taken down from the cross; (14) Jesus is laid in the tomb; optional (15th) the RESURRECTON.

THANK YOU; CWL for hosting World Day of Prayer, KofC for sponsoring Post Abortion Trauma Workshop

FATHER PIER'S SCHEDULE FOR SPRING BREAK

Fr. Pier away March 15th-18th (noon) in Prince Rupert; March 20th — 25th (noon) in Victoria

DIOCESAN EVENTS

CHRISM MASS 2017 IN PG

Holy Week, April 10 at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 7PM

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE 2017

Save the Date! DYC 2017 will be April 21-23, 2017 in Prince George. All those in Grades 7-12 can REGISTER NOW at http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/youth/ To receive a limited edition DYC Tshirt, be sure to register before April 10, 2017.

DIOCESAN JOB POSTING-FINANCE-See Bulletin Board.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE, March 1 - April 9 in Terrace

Terrace is hosting this ProLife activity, a peaceful and silent prayer witness for the sanctity of life outside the hospital. Info at www.40daysforlife.com, contact Linda 250-635-6849 to register, or just drop-in and join the line when you have a moment.



Mar 15-17(noon) Fr. Pier in Prince Rupert

Mar 18 St. Joseph's Day Feast -SAT After 5PM Mass

Mar 20-25(noon) Fr. Pier in Victoria

Mar 20 Hearts Transformed Session #10 MON-7PM

Mar 25 Feast of Annunciation

Apr 3 Youth Group—School Gym 7-8:30PM

Apr 8 St. Joseph's Grade 7 Garage Sale Fundraiser - Gym

Apr 10 Chrism Mass 2017-Sacred Heart Cathedral MON-7PM

Apr 21-23 Diocesan Youth Conference—Prince George

BISHOP THOMAS J. LOBSINGER, OMI MEMORIAL BURSARY

Knights of Columbus offer 30 bursaries of \$500.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of B.C.. These bursaries are made available on a one-time-only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province. See Bulletin Board for info.

*CAMP MORICE-SUMMER, CHILDREN & ADULT PROGRAMS*See bulletin board or visit website at www.campmorice.com

SHARE LENT - Week 2 March 12

Women are building an inclusive society in Indonesia This week, Development & Peace – Caritas Canada is taking you to Indonesia to meet Risya, a 22-year-old Indonesian woman who has been blind since adolescence. Thanks to a workshop in journalism offered by our partner Association of Independent Journalists (AJI), this courageous young woman started to use her blog to write about the discrimination faced by women with disabilities & to encourage these women to believe in their potential. AIJ has offered media workshops to 170 women & now they can make their voices heard! Remember! In 2004, a tsunami hit the coastlines around the Indian Ocean, resulting in 300,000 victims. In collaboration with its partners, Development & Peace provided emergency relief, completed the construction of 3,500 permanent homes & related infrastructure, & helped establish 26 community organizations.

PARISH EVENTS

LAY FORMATION PROGRAM: HEARTS TRANSFORMED Session #10 Parish gathering is Monday, March 20th at 7pm . See Educational Bulletin Board, feel free to take information.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Next meeting for MONDAY, April 3rd beginning at 7pm in gym.

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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday we will be celebrating the Stations of the Cross beginning at 7pm. Booklets with the Stations are available for those who would like to pray the Stations at a different time.

ST. JOSEPH FEAST—March 19:

We will remember St. Joseph the weekend of March 18/19. There will be a little gathering after the mass on Saturday, March 18.

KOFC WHEELCHAIR PROGRAM: at the cost of \$195 per wheel-chair, the parishioners are being invited to donate to this worthy program. Envelopes have been prepared, & a special collection will be taken up on March 18/19 for those willing to do donate - please make cheques to St.Joseph. See Knights section for more info.

KOFC CAMP MORICE FAMILY RAFFLE: supporting Camp Morice and promoting family activities, once again this year the Knights will be raffling off one Cana Family Camp registration valued \$350. Enter the raffle by submitting your family name and phone number to the office; you must be willing to satisfy the requirements of the family camp as posted. Draw date June 18, Father's Day.



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 FEBRUARY-Kindness

We can think about Father Pier's sermon on Ash Wednesday where he urged all of the children and adults there to pray to God before we speak so that we can be kind. Something to think about and pray about during Lent. Prayer is one of the strategies the Church gives us to use during Lent to prepare for Easter. Prayer, fasting and alms giving.

SCHOOL COUNCIL SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Our School Council is looking for new members to join this friendly and hard-working group. Candidates must be Catholic and over 18 years of age. Information on what the position entails is available from the school office and current School Council members, who would be happy to chat with you. Current School Council members are: Kelly Ehalt, Shelene McNeil, Ann Marie MacIsaac, Rob Blackburn, Jim D'Andrea and Father Pier Pandolfo. Note: Non-Catholic parents are most welcome to volunteer to be committee members for finance, maintenance, etc. These committees are headed by a School Council member.

YEARBOOKS

The yearbooks for last year have arrived and they look awesome!! We thank Mrs. Nixon & Mrs. Fort for all their time and the hard work they put into the beautifully done yearbook. There are a few left to purchase for \$25.00 each. This will be a first-come first-served basis.

USED KIDS' CLOTHING AND TOY SALE

On Saturday, April 1st, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, there will be the St. Joseph's School's used kids' clothing and toy sale in the gym. Profits from this sale are going to the school. For more information or to book a table please contact Erin at erbrienesse@gmail.com

<u>SPRING CLEANING? WE WANT TO HELP!</u>

Spring is coming! And the Grade 7 class is having a Garage Sale in the Gymnasium on April 8th at 8AM to raise funds for their trip to Jasper in May. We are requesting donations of gently used items (no clothes please) that can be dropped off at the church office or school. For more info call Brenda at 250-877-8438 (pickup service available)



THIRTY-ONE GIFTS - PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER Thirty-One Gifts carries products for storage, organization, and home decor, as well as jewelry &purses. There will be a fundraiser from April 1-30 all commission from the sales will go towards the St. Joseph's playground fund. Beginning April 1st, go to mythirtyone.ca/christinascarryalls and click 'My Parties'. Under "St. Joseph's Fundrais-

christinascarryalls and click 'My Parties'. Under "St. Joseph's Fundraiser" click "shop now". Some product samples are in the office if you'd like to take a look. Questions? Call/text Christina at 604-996-9064

TAX RECEIPTS- Playground

Tax Receipts for donations made to the Field Restoration & Equipment Replacement Campaign during the 2016 calendar year were sent out last week. Please return the Donor Consent form to Arlene in the school office or Brenda at the Parish Office. Thank you





Stations of the Cross, Friday, March 24 at 7:00 PM CWL to lead the prayers $\,$

General meeting, Tuesday March 14 following 6:15 PM Mass

Diocesan Convention in Kitimat April 28-30. Registration forms available at general meeting or call Eileen at 847-3478

Quilting project – see info on CWL bulletin board

A sincere thank you to all who came and helped to make the **World Day of Prayer** a success; also a big Thank you to the ladies who baked and helped clean up.



Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973 Wheelchair Sunday March 19th

The Knights of Columbus with the Canadian Wheelchair foundation have distributed wheelchairs around the globe: Afghanistan, Vietnam, Sierra Leone, Philippine, Dominican Republic, Poland, Ukraine, Cuba.... and Canada. There are plans for an additional distribution this year in the Philippine and Kenya.

Pamphlets will be distributed after mass explaining the Wheelchair initiative & a short video will be shown in the parish centre; delivering mobility into the lives of those who have no means to acquire a wheelchair.

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Office Hours: Variable: By appointment 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

Mar 19th 3rd Sunday of Lent **Finance Council Meeting** Mar 19th Mar 26th 4th Sunday of Lent

11:30 AM Mass **1 PM** 11:30 AM Mass

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 2587 The Psalter is the book in which the Word of God becomes man's prayer. In other books of the Old Testament, "the words proclaim [God's] works and bring to light the mystery they contain."39 The words of the Psalmist, sung for God, both express and acclaim the Lord's saving works; the same Spirit inspires both God's work and man's response. Christ will unite the two. In him, the psalms

continue to teach us how to pray. 2588 The Psalter's many forms of prayer take shape both in the liturgy of the Temple and in the human heart. Whether hymns or prayers of lamentation or thanksgiving, whether individual or communal, whether royal chants, songs of pilgrimage or wisdom meditations, the Psalms are a mirror of God's marvelous deeds in the history of his people, as well as reflections of the human experiences of the Psalmist. Though a given psalm may reflect an event of the past, it still possesses such direct simplicity that it can be prayed in truth by men of all times and conditions.

2589 Certain constant characteristics appear throughout the Psalms: simplicity and spontaneity of prayer; the desire for God himself through and with all that is good in his creation; the distraught situation of the believer who, in his preferential love for the Lord, is exposed to a host of enemies and temptations, but who waits upon what the faithful God will do, in the certitude of his love and in submission to his will. the prayer of the psalms is always sustained by praise; that is why the title of this collection as handed down to us is so fitting: "The Praises." Collected for the assembly's worship, the Psalter both sounds the call to prayer and sings the response to that call: Hallelu-Yah! ("Alleluia"), "Praise the Lord!" What is more pleasing than a psalm? David expresses it well: "Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good: let there be praise of our God with gladness and grace!" Yes, a psalm is a blessing on the lips of the people,

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY, March 17th, 2017 3rd Sunday of Lent

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

COLLECTIONS: March 5th, 2017

Envelope \$ 865.00 Loose \$ 6.25

Tickets \$ 450.00

Finance - Pre Authorized Deposit: on the bulletin board is the form to submit to use this service. It can be cancelled at any time. See Dennis if you have any questions

Sacraments: preparations for the sacrament of Holy Communion are beginning for those who have prepared and celebrated sacrament of Reconciliation.

Discouraged?-"We haven't gotten up to bat yet!" A man approached a little league baseball game one afternoon. He asked a boy in the dugout what the score was. The boy responded, "Eighteen to nothing-we're behind." "Boy," said the spectator, "I'll bet you're discouraged." "Why should I be discouraged?" replied the little boy. "We haven't even gotten up to bat yet!" (Source Unknown).



We pray for the Sick:

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