



St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for April 29th & April 30th, 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.14, 22b-28, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1.17-21, Luke 24.13-35

"The disciples recognized the Lord when he broke bread with them."



Week Mass Times 3rd Sunday of Easter

Saturday 29th 5:00pm Mass †Manuel & Cecilia Garcia
Sunday 30th 9:00am Mass †Patti Sikkes-Rathjen
Monday 1st 7:00pm Mass *Note time change**
"Feast of St. Joseph"

Tuesday 2nd 6:15pm Mass
Wednes 3rd 9:00am Mass †Kazimiera Dobek
Thursday 4th 11:00am Mass @ Bulkley Lodge
Friday 5th 9:00am Mass
Saturday 6th 5:00pm Mass †Paul & Elisabeth Strebel
Sunday 7th 9:00am Mass Baptism of Violet Elizabeth Mitchell

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
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Catholic Women's League: Eileen Bouvier - President
Knights of Columbus: James Schwab
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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

4th Sunday of Easter

May 6th, 2017 (5PM) & May 7th, 2017 (9AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM 9 AM	Marg & Sid Sikkes, Liesel Cleveland Jim & Marie Ziegler, Mary Vandermaal
LECTORS : 5 PM 9 AM	Liz Creyke, Suzanne Brabant Cara Polanin, David Schwab
EMC: 5 PM 9 AM	Tina Gemmell, Carlene Creyke-Dingwall Mary Stroet, Lu Blackburn, Johanna Habjan
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers

COLLECTION REPORTS

April 22nd & April 23rd, 2017

Church \$ 2,706.10 Development & Peace \$ 80.00
Needs of the Church \$ 80.00 KofC Wheelchair \$110.00

Diocesan Appeal: Goal of \$22,721 has been surpassed;
Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Wheelchair Fund: \$2,125.00

Medical Assistance Fund: Donations can be made to help families with Medical Expenses. Application required.

Roof Repairs: Plans to correct roof over the main body of church are progressing. Estimated cost \$80-\$100K. Repairs commences beginning of June.



Please remember the following in your prayers:

John, Chris, Otto, Gladys, Elmer, Jim, Matt, Kelly,
Adrian, 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

Journey: The Christian Way. Mark's Gospel devotes a section to illustrating how the disciples of Jesus are "on the way," learning what it means to be a follower of Jesus. This way of Jesus is a paradoxical one, where saving yourself means losing yourself for Jesus' sake, where being first is about being the least, and where being the greatest means that one must be the servant of all. The first name given to Christians appears in Acts 7, where they are referred to as "followers of 'The Way.'" Today's readings remind us that part of our journey involves coming to deal with the scandal of the cross. The disciples on the way to Emmaus had lost faith and had become discouraged with the death of Jesus; we also lose hope when our dreams are shattered. But the Christian way is rooted in well-founded hope that just as God raised Jesus, God WILL raise us up from our sorrow. **Homework:** Our dreams are shattered by oppression (Pope John Paul II), falsehood (Pope Benedict), and lack of mercy (Pope Francis). Pray in thanksgiving for the last three Popes for how they journeyed to help us experience the resurrection.

How to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed. 2. Then on the **Our Father Beads** pray: *Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.. On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads, pray 'For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.'* Conclude with 3 times praying *'Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.'*

Fr. Pier Pandolfo is moving this August. As I reported last week, I will be appointed to St. Joseph's in Vanderhoof this coming August. Until I leave I will be spending my time saying thank you to you for all the support I have experienced these past three years. We are welcoming the Augustinian Order to our Parish...

DIOCESAN EVENTS

DIOCONATE ORDINATION OF KENNETH ANDERSON
May 3, 2017-Wednesday 7PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral in PG (Fr. Pier has 3 spots in his car available, call office if interested)

DISCERNMENT WEEKEND-VOCATIONS
Scheduled for May 19-21 at Camp Morice, Ft. St. James. See Bulletin Board.

HONOURING OUR LADY FATIMA
This year marks the centennial year of the appearance of Our Blessed Mother to the three children. Celebrations on May 13th at Sacred Heart in PG, 11AM or Christ the King in Kitimat, 5PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 1 Feast of St. Joseph Mass at 7PM festivities to follow
- May 4 Palliative Care Day of Prayer at 4-6PM
- May 7 World Day of Prayer for Vocations 9AM
- May 8 Youth Group-Night Chase 6-9PM
- May 9 CWL Spring Tea 7PM—All ladies of parish welcome
- May 13 Honoring Our Lady of Fatima mass in PG or Kitimat
- May 19-21 Discernment Week at Camp Morice
- Jun 4 Pentecost Sunday
- Jun 11 Feast of the Holy Trinity
- Jun 18 Feast of Corpus Christi
- Jun 24/25 First Holy Communion Celebration

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE, 2017, MY BROTHER'S KEEPER
Just under 100 youth participated in the event last weekend. Unfortunately no one from our area was able to attend... let us change that for next year. The event is an excellent opportunity for youth to explore and deepen their faith.

ELECTION ISSUE-CATHOLIC EDUCATION

On the Bulletin Board, find a letter by Beverly Pulyk, Superintendent of Vancouver Island Catholic Schools, explaining how province benefits by presence of Independent Schools. Very informative.

PARISH EVENTS

A DAY OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE-MAY 4TH

You are invited to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from 4-6PM, Thursday, May 4th. The Rosary will follow at 6PM. The DVD *The Euthanasia Deception* at 6:30PM followed by a prayer service at 8PM. (A collection will be taken up for the Smithers Hospice Society.) N.B. There will be Mass at the Bulkley Lodge at 11AM, Thursday morning.

HEARTS TRANSFORMED

The Lay Formation program will come to an end with a final retreat. All those enrolled in the program are asked to register. As a parish we thank those who committed themselves to all or part of the program: Barb & Dave Schwab (facilitators), Barb & Jim Schwab, Marg & Dave Hemenway, Clara Moore, Joan Wilmot, Johanna Habjan.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Next meeting for MONDAY, "Night Chase" is May 8th, 6-9PM

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.

CWL SPRING TEA

This annual event will be held on May 9th at 7PM in the church foyer. ALL LADIES of the parish are invited. This year's theme is "Where Friendship Bloom"

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH-MAY 1st

We will celebrate Feast of the St. Joseph on Monday, May 1st at 7PM (note mass time change) with festivities to follow mass

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS-MAY 7TH

May 7th is Good Shepherd Sunday, come join us as we pray for Vocations at 9AM

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our candidates for First Holy Communion will celebrate this on June 24/25th. Come and join in their joy.

MOVIE: OVER 18

A movie revealing the destructive influence of pornography, May 5th 7PM at Christian Reformed Church (Walnut Dr.)



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 APRIL - Understanding

Most people operate from a pretty self-centered point of view. That is, each of us has a different house, different parents, different looks, different weaknesses, different strengths, different experiences of pets, family, dentists, food, etc. So it is hard to understand other humans who haven't had the life we have had. That's why we talk to each other, listen to each other and learn to understand better.

TOWN CLEAN-UP

Our school will participate on Thursday, May 4th by picking up garbage around our streets close to our school. Students will wear gloves while doing this service for our town.

Graduating student from SSS in 2017?

St. Joseph's Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is pleased to once again offer a bursary of \$500.00 to a student, who in the past attended St. Joseph's School, and is graduating from Smithers Secondary School in June 2017. Contact the office for criteria.
 *Deadline for application is May 1st *

PSG BURSARY

St. Joseph's Parent Group is also pleased to offer a bursary of \$500 to any graduating student who attended St. Joseph's School for at least four years. Contact SSS for further details, including criteria and application deadline.

SCHOOL YARD MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are looking for individuals who would be willing to take care of the weed eating around our fence and playground equipment. Volunteers from the parish take care of the lawn, but we need someone to do the weed eating. Machines can be provided. If interested, please call the office: 847-9414.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM RE-REGISTRATION:

Families with children currently enrolled in the After School Program have the opportunity to re-register beginning May 1st. Registrations will be on a first-come, first-served basis. If you do not re-register we will assume that you are not returning to the program. Please drop your registration in the SCHOOL OFFICE. On June 1st registration will open to the general public.

THANK YOUS

The Buick test Drive Fundraiser for our playground equipment was very successful. Many thanks to Coast Mountain and their staff who made this opportunity possible! They were focused on making this fundraiser work for the schools; it was very well-organized and staff were more than accommodating to the people who were interested in test driving - an impressive event. As well, a big thank-you to: Bulkley Valley Wholesale, Boston Pizza, McDonalds and Safeway for their generous donations to the concession. The concession raised **\$300 for each school. One of the highlights was our St. Joseph's bouncy castle** which the kids thoroughly enjoyed. Our school volunteers were super: thank-you Rosemary M., Arlene M., Lexie W., Cathy D., Cara P., Reiko B., Kim E., Monica M., Shannon F., Pat F., Shannon W., Kayla B and our terrific Grade 7 volunteers.



A bursary of \$500 from St Joseph's Council of the Catholic Women's League, Smithers is being offered to a student graduating from Smithers Secondary School in 2017, to be used for further education at an accredited college/university within 2 years. The student receiving this bursary must meet the following criteria:

- Graduated from St Joseph's School, Smithers
- Attended St Joseph's School, Smithers for at least three (3) years
- Shows high academic standing
- Shows financial need
- Is a Christian - preference will be given to a member of St Joseph's Church, Deadline for application is May 1, 2017—Call office for more info.

Subsidies are available to attend these Conventions:

- Prince George Diocesan – Kitimat, April 28-30
- BC & Yukon Provincial – Kelowna, June 15-18
- National – Charlottetown, PEI, August 6-9

SPRING TEA is on May 9th at 7:00 pm for ALL LADIES of the parish.



Knights of Columbus
 Fr. Callaly Council 7973

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAMP MORICE FAMILY RAFFLE: supporting Camp Morice & 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.

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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 Representa-

May 7th	World Day of Prayer	11:30 AM Mass
May 14th	5th Sunday of Easter	11:30 AM Mass
May 21st	6th Sunday of Easter	11:30 AM Mass

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

“PRAYER IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE”

CHAPTER 1: THE REVELATION OF PRAYER

THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER

Article 2: THE FULLNESS OF TIME

2605 When the hour had come for him to fulfill the Father's plan of love, Jesus allows a glimpse of the boundless depth of his filial prayer, **not only before he freely delivered himself up (“Abba . . . not my will, but yours.”)** but even in his last words on the Cross, where prayer and the gift of self are but one: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do”. “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise”. “Woman, behold your son” - “Behold your mother”, “I thirst.”; “My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?” “It is finished”; “Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!” until the “loud cry” as he expires, giving up his spirit.

2606 All the troubles, for all time, of humanity enslaved by sin and death, all the petitions and intercessions of salvation history are summed up in this cry of the incarnate Word. Here the Father accepts them and, beyond all hope, answers them by raising his Son. Thus is fulfilled and brought to completion the drama of prayer in the economy of creation and salvation. the Psalter gives us the key to prayer in Christ. In the “today” of the Resurrection the Father says: “You are my Son, today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.” The Letter to the Hebrews expresses in dramatic terms how the prayer of Jesus accomplished the victory of salvation: “In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard for his godly fear. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered, and being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him.”

Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY, May 7, 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter

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

COLLECTIONS: April 23rd, 2017

Envelope \$ 372.00 Loose \$ 12.80 Bottles \$ 7.80

Finance -Pre Authorized Deposit: on the bulletin board is the form to submit to use this service. **Questions-See Dennis.**

MOVIE: OVER 18, A movie revealing the destructive influence of pornography. May 4th at The Plaza, 7PM

Smith climbs to the top of Mt. Sinai to get close enough to talk to God.

Looking up, he asks the Lord. "God, what does a million years mean to you?"

The Lord replies, "A minute."

Smith asks, "And what does a million dollars mean to you?"

The Lord replies, "A penny."

Smith asks, "Can I have a penny?"

The Lord replies, "In a minute."



We pray for the Sick:

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