



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN for May 13th & May 14th, 2017

5th Sunday of Easter

*Acts 6.1-7, Psalm 33, 1 Peter 2.4-9, John 14.1-12*

*"I am the way, and the truth, and the life."*



### Week Mass Times 5th Sunday of Easter

**Saturday 13th** \*\*Change 11:00am Mass †*Jessie Eileen Towns*  
**Sunday 14th** 9:00am Mass †*Gwen & Jerry Zank*  
†*Michelangelo & Concetta Sia Int for Alexandra Howard*  
**Sunday 14th** \*\*Change 5:00pm Mass Thanksgiving Mass for  
**Fr. Rectorino Tolentino**

**Monday 15th** 9:00am Mass  
**Tuesday 16th** 6:15pm Mass  
**Wednes 17th** 9:00am Mass  
**Thursday 18th** 11:00am Mass @ Bulkley Lodge  
**Friday 19th** 9:00am Mass  
**Saturday 20th** 5:00pm Mass †*Victorino Pacheco*  
**Sunday 21st** 9:00am Mass *Intentions of the Parish*

### 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:* Eileen Bouvier - 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, 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

6th Sunday of Easter

May 20th, 2017 (5PM) & May 21st, 2017 (9AM)

GREETERS: 5 PM 9 AM	David & Marj Hemenway, June Philpot Knights of Columbus
LECTORS : 5 PM 9 AM	Trevor Bruintjes, Vigil Overstall Knights of Columbus
EMC: 5 PM 9 AM	Tina Gemmell, Johanna Habjan Knights of Columbus
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Servers

### COLLECTION REPORTS

May 6th & May 7th, 2017

Church	\$ 2,244.80	School	\$ 460.00
HolyLand	\$ 30.00	Papal Charities	\$ 40.00
		BV Hospice	\$ 40.00

**Diocesan Appeal: Goal Achieved! Thank you!**

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

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

**Foundations Fund:** Consider leaving a donation in your will to St. Joseph's Foundation Fund

**I bequeath \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to St. Joseph's Foundation Fund, Smithers**



*Please remember the following in your prayers:*

Nolan, John, Chris, Otto, 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

**No pain, no gain.** We are reminded today that spreading the word about Christ did not go smoothly in the early church. Understanding and accepting Jesus was a slow and often unsuccessful process. It may seem different now, but if we consider our own questions and struggles with faith, we realize that our commitment is not formed overnight. It is often subject to life circumstances that challenge our faith. Pope Francis in the Joy of the Gospel #61-64 says we are 'culturally malformed' in four ways: widespread indifference, seduced by the superficial, a faith reduced to the private and personal, bombardment with indiscriminate information. We need to commit ourselves intentionally to the spreading of the Good News. **Homework:** Pick one of the topics identified by Pope Francis and reflect on it.

**May 13, 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima.** Celebrated on May 13, let us acknowledge again the rich gift that Marian apparitions are in faith journey.

**May is the month of MOMS, Mary and the rosary.** HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY. The month of May has a tradition of supporting special devotions to our Lady, recognizing her specifically as Queen of Heaven and Earth and as the Mother of God (January 1 is the specific feast to this title.) Asking for Mary to intercede for us is a virtuous act: it recognizes her special place and it humbles us. We will be praying one decade of the Rosary as a meditation after communion to practice 'asking' Mary to help us to be closer to Jesus whom we have just received in Holy Communion.

**Rosary, a meditative prayer.** The way to pray the rosary is by meditating on a thought while reciting the prayers in a trance like mode. The thought is introduced as the mystery and the rosary is divided into 4 sets of five mysteries: The Joyful, Sorrowful, Light, and Glorious Mysteries. The prayers recited like a mantra are the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. As the prayers are recited, let God reveal things to you in the mystery being meditated upon.

**Mother's Blessing at baptism.** May God bless you the mother of your children. You thank God for the gift of your children. May you be one with your children in thanking God forever in Heaven. Amen.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

'He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.' The earth, our Common Home, is full of the beauty, richness and the love of God. For this reason, we must work together to ensure that God's creation is cared for. Inspired by the call of Pope Francis, Development and Peace has released a thematic analysis called 'Let's Demystify Agroecology'. What is it? Agroecology is the science and practical knowledge behind sustainable agriculture, and a holistic approach to food production. It's also a scientific discipline, a set of farming practices and a social movement! To learn more about this and other topics relating to sustainable farming, visit [www.dev.org](http://www.dev.org) and search 'agroecology'.

## upcoming EVENTS

May 15 Youth Group — School Gym 7-8:30PM—Last One!  
May 19-21 Discernment Week at Camp Morice  
May 25-27 Fr. Pier and Grade 7 leave for PG  
Jun 4 Pentecost Sunday  
Jun 5-10 Fr. Pier away—Priest Retreat PG  
Jun 24/25 First Holy Communion Celebration, Parish BBQ  
July 7-10 LeJac Pilgrimage,

### DISCERNMENT WEEKEND-VOCATIONS

Scheduled May 19-21 at Camp Morice, Ft. St. James. See Bulletin Bd

### PARISH EVENTS

#### PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Next meeting is MONDAY, is May 15th, 7-8:30PM-Last One!

#### 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.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, PARISH YEAR END BBQ

Our candidates for First Holy Communion will celebrate this on June 24/25th. Mass on the 25th at 11AM followed by BBQ.

#### HEARTS TRANSFORMED

The LayFormation program will come to an end with a final retreat. 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. Let us pray for them this weekend (May 13).

#### PROLIFE NEWS

The ProLife Newsletter is coming out for Mother's Day, please plan to read about activities including FUNDRAISING GARAGE SALE June 03 (at St. Joseph at 7:30am) and DONATIONS OF MATERNITY CLOTHES.

#### MUSEUM LOOKING FOR GARDENERS

See letter on Bulletin Board. The garden by the 'Old Church' is looking for volunteers to maintain it throughout the summer. Contact 250-847-5322 or [info@bvmuseum.com](mailto:info@bvmuseum.com)

#### SUMMER CAMP ACTIVITIES

CAMP MORICE –see bulletin board for schedule  
IGNITE – powerful youth camp – see bulletin board..

#### FR. RECTORINO 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

This takes place at Sacred Heart, PG on Thursday, May 18 at 5:30pm. Our St. Joseph Parish is celebrating a mass on May 14 at 5pm for his intentions, and a card will be available to sign to send to the May 18<sup>th</sup> celebration.

#### LEJAC PILGRIMAGE, JULY 7-10

This annual event has the CCO Team as presenters. St. Joseph organizing cars for Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> to travel there and back.

#### CAMP MORICE-FAMILY CAMP RAFFLE

August 6-11 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL**  
**School Principal:** Rosemary McKenzie  
 Our school website:  
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 Phone: 250-847-9414

*Catholic Schools: "Care for Our Common Home"*

VIRTUE FOR MAY- Compassion

*Above all, Jesus was compassionate and put the person first – even before religious law. Compassion is practiced by the strong and wise; indifference lives with weak self-centredness. God can help us be compassionate, but we need to ask. "The individual is capable of both great compassion and great indifference. He has it within his means to nourish the former and outgrow the latter." Norman Cousins*

PRE K REGISTRATION 2017/2018 – first-come, first- served format

Registration for Pre K is on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 am. There will be a Monday, Wednesday, Friday class (\$170.00 per month) and a Tuesday, Thursday class (\$115.00 per month). The classes run from 8:30-11:30am. These rates are pro-rated for the year. Your child must be 4 by December 31, 2017. Please bring in **your child's care card and immunization records along with the first month's fees.**

PLAYGROUND INSTALLATION

The new playground equipment will be installed on June 3rd & 4th. We need 6 additional volunteers to help with the installation. We have hired a trained playground installer/inspector to help install it correctly. The volunteers must commit to 8am - 4pm Saturday and Sunday to ensure continuity and guarantee that installation isn't delayed. Lunch, snacks and water will be provided. Please call Mindy at 250-917-8178 or [mindystroet@gmail.com](mailto:mindystroet@gmail.com) to sign up. Thank you in advance!

TRADE FAIR- PSG FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help at the PSG trade show food booth. Jason James was the winner of the 50/50 draw.

PLAYGROUND DONOR FORMS

We are working on a donor recognition plaque to honor and recognize all of the contributors to the Field Restoration & Playground Equipment Campaign - starting from those who helped with the fence, to those helping with the playground. If you have not filled out a donor consent form please stop by and see Arlene to fill one out. All names need to be confirmed by May 15, 2017 or will not appear on our plaque.

SCHOOL SECURITY AND A CHANGE FOR NEXT FALL

The eight schools of the Catholic Independent Schools of Prince George are being required to have locking front entrances and most of the schools do. **St. Joseph's doesn't. It is a big "culture" change** to have locked front doors, but security is an issue that is important to address. More details to follow as planning is finalized.

THANK YOU'S!

-A huge thank you to Coast Mountain GM and their Buick Test Drive Event for donating \$4,000.00 to the playground fund. It was a great family event and we are very appreciative of their contribution. -A huge thank you also to McDonald's Family Restaurant for their generous donation of \$2,000.00 from sales on April 27th. We are so very appreciative of these generous donations!



CWL Provincial Convention is in Kelowna, June 15th -17th.

For more information, contact Eileen at 250-847-3478



**Knights of Columbus**  
**Fr. Callaly Council 7973**

Fr. Callaly council thanks the parishoners of St Joseph's, St Anthony's and St Mary's for the generous donations of \$3,610.00 to the Canadian Wheel Chair Foundation support through the Knights of Columbus. Knights in the BC Yukon Jurisdiction assisted in raising funds of over \$57,000.00 for the wheelchair foundation this past year. Wheelchairs from the funds raised in BC will be distributed in the Philippines and Kenya by BC Knights with the help of local organizations, Knights, and Caritas.

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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 21st	<b>6th Sunday of Easter</b>	11:30 AM Mass
May 28th	<b>Ascension of the Lord</b>	11:30 AM Mass
June 4th	<b>Vigil of Pentecost</b>	11:30 AM Mass

### My Mother When I Was...

4 years old	My Mommy can do anything
5 years old	My Mommy knows a whole lot.
6 years old	My mom is smarter than your dad.
8 years old	<b>My mom doesn't know exactly everything</b>
10 years old	In the olden days when my mom grew up, things were sure different.
12 years old	<b>Oh, well, naturally, Mother doesn't know anything about that.</b> She is too old to remember her childhood.
14 years old	<b>Don't pay any attention to my Mother. She is so old-fashioned.</b>
21 years old	Her? My Lord, she is hopelessly out of date.
25 years old	Mom knows a little bit about it, but then she should because she has been around so long.
30 years old	Maybe we should ask Mom what she thinks. After all, she has had a lot of experience.
35 years old	I am not doing a single thing until I talk to Mom.
40 years old	I wonder how Mom would have handled it. She was so wise and had a world of experience.
50 years old	<b>I'd give anything if Mom were here now so I could talk this over with her.</b> Too bad I did not appreciate how smart she was. I could have learned a lot from her.



### We pray for the Sick:

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

### Ministry Schedule

**SUNDAY, May 21, 2017**

**6th Sunday of Easter**

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

### COLLECTIONS: May 7th, 2017

**Envelope \$ 640.00 EFT \$75.00 Loose \$ 25.25**  
**KofC Wheelchair \$ 195.00 50/50 Ticket \$300.00**  
**Finance -Pre Authorized Deposit:** on the bulletin board is the form to submit to use this service. **Questions-See Dennis.**

### 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

2609 Once committed to conversion, the heart learns to pray in faith. Faith is a filial adherence to God beyond what we feel and understand. It is possible because the beloved Son gives us access to the Father. He can ask us to "seek" and to "knock," since he himself is the door and the way.

2610 Just as Jesus prays to the Father and gives thanks before receiving his gifts, so he teaches us filial boldness: "Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will." Such is the power of prayer and of faith that does not doubt: "all things are possible to him who believes." Jesus is as saddened by the "lack of faith" of his own neighbors and the "little faith" of his own disciples<sup>68</sup> as he is struck with admiration at the great faith of the Roman centurion and the Canaanite woman.

2611 The prayer of faith consists not only in saying "Lord, Lord," but in disposing the heart to do the will of the Father. Jesus calls his disciples to bring into their prayer this concern for cooperating with the divine plan.