



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## SUNDAY BULLETIN for December 2 & 3, 2017

1st Sunday of Advent

*Isaiah 64.1-8; Ps 80; 1 Corinthians 1.3-9; Mark 13.33-37*

*"Keep alert, for you do not know when the master of the house will come."*



### Weekly Mass Schedule 1st Sunday of Advent

Saturday	2nd	5:00pm	Mass † Otto & Willy Koldyk
Sunday	3rd	9:00am	Mass † Strgar & Neff family
Monday	4th	—	No Mass
Tuesday	5th	6:15pm	Mass
Wednesday	6th	9:00am	Mass
Thursday	7th	11:00am	Mass at Bulkley Lodge
Friday	8th	9:00am	Mass
Saturday	9th	5:00pm	Mass
Sunday	10th	9:00am	Mass

### 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."*

### COLLECTION REPORTS

*Nov 25 & 26, 2017*

Church \$1804.15      School \$75.00

Diocesan Appeal \$300.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*



*Please remember the following in your prayers:*

***Scott, Rita, Nick, Erik, Leland, Maurice, Owen, Adrian, Nelson, Lucia, Ryan, 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 MINISTRIES

***Secretary:*** Mary Spicer

***Parish Pastoral Council***

***Chairperson:*** Michael DesHarnais

***Social Coordinator:*** Johanna Habjan

***Liturgy:*** Gemma Gillis

***Youth Ministry:*** Pederson Family

***Development & Peace:*** Marj Coupe

***Catholic Women's League:*** Eileen Bouvier

***Knights of Columbus:*** James Schwab

***School Council:*** Mike DesHarnais

***Parish Finance Committee***

***Finance Vice Chairperson:*** Wayne Callison

Casey Pyper, David Schwab, Jos Konst

***Bookkeeper:*** Brenda Pyper

***Maintenance:*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Collections:*** Rita Coupe

***RCIA & Children's Catechism:*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Children's Liturgy:*** Ann Marie MacIsaac

***Altar Servers:*** Nancy Verbeek

***Music:*** Lori Cachia & Mary Spicer

### Ministry Schedule

**Dec 9 & 10, 2017**

DATE	Saturday, Dec 9	Sunday, Dec 10
<b>GREETERS</b>	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	CWL
<b>LECTORS</b>	Liz Creyke Jim Schwab	CWL
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Carlene Creyke-Dingwall David Hemenway	CWL
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Volunteers	Volunteers

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues Dec 5: 10:15am Bible sharing  
Fri Dec 8: 7pm K of C Social  
Sun Dec 10: Noon Church Decorating  
Mon Dec 11: 7pm Building Our Faith  
Mon Dec 18: 10am—4pm Advent Reconciliation



**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL**  
**School Principal:** Rosemary McKenzie  
Our school website: [www.stjosephs.ca](http://www.stjosephs.ca)  
Phone: (250) 847-9414

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

## PARISH EVENTS

### **CHRISTMAS CHURCH DECORATING - DEC 10**

We will be putting up the Christmas decorations in the church and foyer on Sunday December 10th beginning at noon. Please come and help.

### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS WELCOMED—DEC 17**

Parishioners are asked to bring in donations of Christmas flowers and poinsettias for the Christmas season. We will be accepting flowers after Dec 16th. Thank you for your generosity.

### **ADVENT RECONCILIATION TIME—DEC 18**

We will have our Reconciliation time for St Joseph's on Dec. 18. Fr Johmer will be available for confession from 10am—4pm.

### **BIBLE SHARING GROUP**

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.

### **BUILDING OUR FAITH**

Using the DVD Series Symbolon

Next session Monday, December 11, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Meeting Room Topic is The Holy Spirit and the Life of Grace. Everyone is welcome to join us. Our future meeting days are January 15 & 29.

### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST - cancelled!**

We would be competing with a community breakfast fundraiser. We'll reschedule in new year.

**RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS STAMPS** are for sale now. "Keep Christ in Christmas" by purchasing RELIGIOUS stamps at post office.

**LOOKING TO RENT** in Smithers. A Catholic couple is moving to Smithers for work (CN). If you have something or know of a place could you please contact Jim Schwab 847-3408 or the Parish Office.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

BV Community Christmas Choir and Orchestra present:

*A Joyous Noel* Dec 1, 2, 3 at 7:30pm  
at Smithers Christian Reformed Church.  
Tickets at Mountain Eagle Books & SpeeDee

### **A REFLECTION FROM Mother Teresa**

**(one of our school family team role models)**

*If you cannot feed a hundred people, then just feed one.*  
*Mother Teresa* Mother Teresa's words can speak to real food which we can provide to others or just one other – or it can speak to relationships or a relationship. God's family is big and it is also person by person.

### **POINSETTIA / PLANT FUNDRAISER**

Poinsettias will arrive on Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. You are responsible to pick up your whole order (between 3-7pm) and deliver to the people on your list. Thank you. This fundraiser sponsors student-used equipment, student-used resources, and student activities.

### **ST. JOSEPH'S SENIOR CHOIR**

We have once again been invited to sing at the Carolfest organized by School District #54. We will be performing on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Smithers Secondary School along with many other choirs from the public schools in our district. Choir students in grades 5, 6 and 7 will be performing. Please have your child practice the words for our songs and listen to the music which can be found on the website under Student Resources. There will be two performances; one at 5 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m. All choir members need a white shirt and black pants or skirt for the performance. Thank you, Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Spicer on piano.

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

The concert will be held in the church on December 14<sup>th</sup> with a show in the morning at 10:30 and a show in the evening at 6:30. We encourage some of you to consider the morning performance, if possible, because the evening performance is very full. Please feel free to invite grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends to the morning show. For the evening performance, children should report to their **classrooms by 6:15 PROMPTLY** to ensure enough time to dress in their costumes so the performance can begin on time. **Please let your child's teacher know if he/she won't be here for either performance.**



### Catholic Women's League Smithers

Decorate the Church Please help us put up Christmas decorations on Sunday Dec 10 at

noon.

Christmas Party All ladies of parish are invited to a Christmas party Tuesday Dec 12 at 7pm. Please bring a wrapped gift having a \$10 value for a gift exchange. Also bring unwrapped toiletries, cosmetics etc. for Passage House.

General meetings are held at 7pm on **second Tuesday of each month**. All ladies are welcome. Membership fees are now due ...\$40.



### Knights of Columbus Fr. Callaly Council 7973

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST – cancelled!**

### Christmas Social for Men of the Parish

Time to socialize, thank individuals for all the work and contributions to the parish and contemplate events for the new year.

Judging for "Keep Christ In Christmas" Poster contest will take place during the social.

Date: Friday December 8th  
Place: St Joseph's Parish Centre  
Time: 7:00 pm..... into the evening

Please bring your favourite snack or drink to share. Invite a friend and offer a ride.

The executive will meet prior to the social, at 6:30 pm.

### St Joseph's Parish Receipts and Expenditures For the FISCAL YEAR to JUNE 30, 2017

	2017
	\$
Total RECEIPTS	172,250
Less- third party collections	-18,173
- Cathedradicum	<u>-19,713</u>
NET RECEIPTS	<u>134,364</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Administration	11,338
Salary, wages and benefits	47,584
Buildings and property	
Occupancy costs	36,244
Vehicles	6,223
Religious programs	<u>7,605</u>
	<u>108,994</u>
NET RECEIPTS	<u>25,370</u>
Church ROOF Replacemt	\$148,905 = \$107,540 + \$41,905
	<small>June 30, 2017 to July 2017</small>
ROOF Replacement Donations to June 30, 2017	\$15,569

### Development and Peace Fall Campaign

This fall Development and Peace launches their new campaign called "Women at the Heart of Peace". This campaign invites Canadians to learn more about the vital role women play in conflict prevention and peacebuilding. Did you know that a peace agreement is 35% more likely to last at least 15 years if women help build it? Across the world, brave women are coming together to struggle, to resist and to build a more peaceful world. Development and Peace – Caritas Canada would like to introduce you to three of these women and their stories. Please read their stories in the insert in your bulletins today where you will also find a number of actions you can take. Next weekend Action Cards will be available to sign and will then be mailed to our federal government in support of women working towards peace.

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Variable: By appointment  
Visit to the Sick at Home: By appointment



## SUNDAY MASS TIME 11:30am

### PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastoral Assistant/Caretaker: \_\_\_\_\_

Joint Parish Pastoral Council &  
Finance Committee Members

Eric Bishop · Georgina Dotto  
CWL Representative



### We pray for the Sick:

Jessalyn, Joan, Tony, Ken, Devynn, Bob,  
Dorothy, Helen & Harry, Sara,  
Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn, Rufina,  
Apolinario and Pol



### COLLECTION REPORT Oct & Nov, 2017

Oct 22 & 29 \$517.00 Nov 5, 12 & 19 \$1478.00

Thank you for your support!

### Our New Fundraiser

#### Grand In Hand

This is a 50/50 draw with a \$1000 prize. Tickets \$10 ea.

Tickets are on sale from the 1st of month with the draw on the last day of the month. There will be 6 draws for the fiscal year, in the following months:

December  
February  
March  
June  
September  
October

### Christmas Requests

Poinsettias—help to decorate our altar and donate a plant please.

Decorate the Tree—we will be decorating after Mass on Dec. 10.

### Ministry Schedule SUNDAY DEC 3, 2017 1st Sunday of Advent

<b>GREETERS</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>LECTORS</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>EMC</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>GIFT BEARERS</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>COLLECTION COUNTER</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>CHURCH CLEANING</b>	Volunteer needed

### Advent Reconciliation Time Monday Dec. 11, 2017

Fr Johmer will be available for confession from 10am– 4pm. at St Anthony's Church on Monday Dec 11th.

### St Anthony's CWL

A reminder that CWL membership is due. \$36. Please pay Susan Hak.

**Christmas Social**—Ladies are invited on Thurs. Dec 14 at 10am to Susan Hak's (#1 3377 13th St)

### Soup and Bun Lunch

Please join us on the 4th Sunday of each month. (unless otherwise posted on schedule)

### **Food Bank**

Please remember to contribute non-perishable items in the basket at the church.