

St. Joseph's Parish

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SUNDAY BULLETIN for April 7 & 8, 2018

2nd Sunday of Easter—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 4.32~35; Ps 118; 1 John 5.1~6; John 20.19~31 "After eight days, Jesus came and stood among them."



Weekly Mass Schedule 2nd Sunday of Easter

7th 5:00pm Mass Saturday

Sunday 9:00am Mass 8th

Mon. No Mass 9th

Tues. 10th 6:15pm Mass † Gerald Gillis

9:00am Mass Wed. 11th

12th 11:00am Mass at Bulkley Lodge Thu.

Fri. 9:00am Mass 13th

5:00pm Mass † Jesse Eileen Towns Saturday 14th

Sunday 9:00am Mass 15th

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30—4:30pm

Adoration: First Friday of Month 6:30-7:30pm

PARISH MINISTRIES

Secretary: Mary Spicer Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson:

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 Chair: Rob Blackburn

Parish Finance Committee

Finance Chairperson: Wayne Callison

Bookkeeper: Brenda Pyper

Maintenance:

Collections: Rita Coupe

Children's Liturgy: Mindy Stroet

Altar Servers: Nancy Verbeek

Music: Mary Spicer, Barbara Schwab

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

April 1, 2018

Church \$3401.50. Devel&Peace \$240.00 **Holy Land** \$355.00 School \$180.00

Thank you for your generous support!



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Carl, Cecil, Fofo, Bob, Mary, Marijo, Olivia, Sophie, Nolan, Lindsay, Quinn, Scott, Rita, Erik, Leland, Maurice, Owen, Nelson, Ryan, little James.

If you know of someone sick or shut-in who would like the church to visit or bring communion, call 847-2012

Ministry Schedule April 14 & 15, 2018		
DATE	Saturday, April 14	Sunday, April 15
GREETERS	Dan & Yarah Ford Nilda Hudson	K of C
LECTORS	Liz Creyke Suzanne Brabant	K of C
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Johanna Habjan Janna Delany	K of C
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteers	Volunteers

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues. April 10: Bible Study 10:15am Mon. April 16: Building Our Faith 7pm

Sat. April 21: Banquet Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge 7pm

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Ordination to The Priesthood: Deacon Ken Anderson will be ordained on June 8, 2018, 7pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Vocation Discernment Retreat for Young People—will be held on May 18-20, 2018 at Camp Morice, Fort St. James. See poster for details.

PARISH EVENTS

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The <u>CWL Convention Committee</u> has a few extra banquet tickets for sale. The closing convention banquet is Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40.00 each and are available from Eileen Bouvier – 250-847-3478. **Highlight of banquet is our guest speaker – Fr. Benjamin Gamos,** osa. Please come out and hear his story. Offer is open to all parishioners.

BIBLE SHARING GROUP

We have Bible Sharing on Tuesday morning in the Parish meeting room. As we have in the past gathering at 10:15 and starting our Bible Sharing at 10:30am.

BUILDING OUR FAITH

Using the DVD Series Symbolon. Part 2 Living The Faith Next session is Monday April 16 at 7:00 pm in the Parish meeting room. Topic is <u>Penance and Anointing of the Sick God's Mercy Revealed</u> Many people wonder, "Why should I confess my sins to a priest?" but behind the human priest we must see the true High Priest at work—Jesus Christ, forgiving our sins in the Sacrament of Penance, the great sacrament of God's mercy.

Everyone is welcome. Meeting dates for April are 16th & 30th.

\$500 BURSARY

A \$500 bursary from St Joseph's Catholic Women's League, Smithers is being offered to a student graduating from Smithers Secondary School in 2018. Check CWL section of bulletin and board in foyer for more information.

Smithers Pro-life AGM Dinner & Dessert Auction

When: Friday, April 20th

doors open @ 6 pm dinner @ 6:30 pm

Where: Canadian Reformed Church fellowship hall

Cost: \$25 per person

Speaker: Devorah Gilman from the Canadian Centre for Bio-

Ethical Reform

Topic: "WHY and HOW a new generation is defending **LIFE**"

Tickets available at the Care Center (250 847-2475), Cheeky's Consignment Clothing or any Pro-life board member. **Deadline to order tickets is Wednesday, April 18th.**



Easter Greeting from Bishop Stephen: "A blessed Easter Octave to you and your parishioners..." Congratulations to Bishop Jensen for his 5th Episcopal Ordination Anniversary April 2.

Easter Greetings from Fr Benjie OSA

Dear brothers and sisters, a happy and holy Easter to you all. The message we can bring to the world is

this: Jesus, Love incarnate, died on the cross for our sins. But God the Father raised him and made him the Lord of life and death. In Jesus, love has triumphed over hatred, mercy over sinfulness, goodness over evil, truth over falsehood, life over death. I want us to tell everyone: come and see! In every human situation marked by frailty, sin and death, the Good News is no mere matter of words, but a testimony to unconditional and faithful love. It is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others. Sharing with the needy. Standing at the side of the sick, elderly, and the poor and outcast—have we seen them? Love is more powerful, love gives life, love makes hope blossom in the inner recesses of our hearts. With this joyful certainty in our hearts, this time of the year we turn to our Risen Lord and Saviour.

May I take this opportunity also to thank you all for the success of our Lenten celebration and Easter since day one. Most especially, I thank those who beautify, clean and arrange the house of God, those who provided flowers, those in the liturgy ministry, music ministry, CWL members, KofC members, PPC/PFC members, other religious associations of our parish, lectors, greeters, extraordinary ministers of communion and altar servers. Keep up the good work and God would surely give you the difference.....



ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

School Principal: Rosemary McKenzie Our school website: www.stjosephs.ca Phone: (250) 847-9414

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

Spring Break- Mar 24-April 8

We wish a welcome and restful break for Staff and students. School resumes Monday April 9.

NEW UTILITY SHED

The school and parish now have an attractive new shed for the PSG barbecues and the lawn tractor. We thank Jason Konst for designing and building the shed and to the men of the parish and school who prepared the ground, helped assemble and roof the shed. We also extend a thank you to the PSG which paid for a third of the material costs. People are invited to take the felled Scottish pine -- for firewood or to just help clear the debris.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council is a hard-working collaborative group who is seeking two members to fill vacancies on the board. Members must be Catholic and 19 years of age plus. NonCatholic parents are always welcome to sit on School Council committees – which include maintenance, finance, and fundraising. For an information package, or to ask a few questions, contact the principal, Mrs. Rosemary McKenzie.



Catholic Women's League **Smithers**

Marge Hemenway was presented with a CWL Certificate of Merit for making all those beautiful quilts to donate.

Monthly Meeting April 10 @ 7pm

Diocesan Convention in Smithers April 20-22

You are invited to St. Andrews CWL 50th anniversary in Fraser Lake on May 19 at 3pm. RSVP before April 29 to Eileen.

Provincial Convention is in Whitehorse, Yukon (June). All members are eligible to apply for a \$500 grant and \$275 special grant to attend convention. See Eileen Bouvier for application forms.

Check out the new provincial website at www.bcyukoncwl.com and www.CWL.ca

\$500 BURSARY from CWL

A \$500 bursary from St Joseph's Catholic Women's League, Smithers is being offered to a student graduating from Smithers Secondary School in 2018, to be used for further education at an accredited college/university within 2 years. Student receiving this bursary must meet the following criteria: -graduated from St Joseph's School, Smithers; Attended St Joseph's School, Smithers 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. The applicant must write a letter applying for the bursary to:

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA ST JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL BOX 454, SMITHERS, BC V0J 2N0

*Deadline for application is May 1, 2018



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Week 5 - March Sunday

We wish to thank you for your generosity on this Development and

Peace Solidarity Sunday. Your donation will be used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world — from Lebanon to Cambodia, to Nigeria and beyond!



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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, Helen & Harry, Sara, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn, Rufina, Apolinario and Pol

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

St Anthony's CWL

CWL Diocesan Convention in Smithers April 20-22, 2018

Food Bank

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

Ministry Schedule SUNDAY April 8, 2018 2nd Sunday of Easter

GREETERS	Volunteer needed	
LECTORS	Volunteer needed	
EMC	Volunteer needed	
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer needed	
GIFT BEARERS	Volunteer needed	
COLLECTION COUNTER	Volunteer needed	
CHURCH CLEANING	Volunteer needed	

COLLECTION REPORT March, 2018

March 25 \$192.00 Thank you for your support!

Called Together, Giving Sharing, Serving.

Update as of Feb 20, 2018: St Anthony's Appeal Goal = \$4794. Pledges received = \$1970.

Thank you for your generous continued support.

Soup and Bun Lunch

Please join us after Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month.

(unless otherwise posted on schedule)