

St. Joseph's Parish

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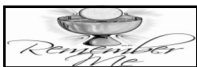
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SUNDAY BULLETIN for December 7 & 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11.1-10; Ps 72; Romans 15.4-9; Matthew 3.1-12

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."



Weekly Mass Schedule 2nd Sunday of Advent

Saturday	7th	5:00pm	Mass People of the Parish
Sunday	8st	9:00am	Mass †Michelangelo & Concetta Sia
Mon.	9nd		No Mass
Tues.	10rd	6:15pm	Mass
Wed.	11th	10:30am CHANGED	NO Mass at Bulkley Lodge
Thu.	12th	9:00am CHANGED	Mass Fr Jack's Intentions
Fri.	13th	9:00am	Mass †John & Jessie Towns
Saturday	14th	5:00pm	Mass
Sunday	15th	9:00am	Mass †Corry Sikkes

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 REPORT for MONTH of November, 2019

Monthly Expenses \$9200. Total Nov. Collections \$9114.60

Thank you for your generous support!



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Ian, Veronica, Rosa, Douglas, Brenda, Tanya, Don, Jacques, Madalina, Marty, Dave, Ethan, Nolan, Maurice, and James.

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

Reconciliation: 15 minutes before each daily Mass & Saturday 4:30—4:50pm

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – Dec. 24th (Tuesday)

Family Mass at 5:00pm
Midnight Mass at 10:00pm

Christmas Day – Dec. 25th (Wednesday)

Nativity of the Lord
Mass at 9:00am
Houston Mass at 11:30am

New Years Day (Wednesday)

Mary Mother of God
Jan 1st at 9am
Houston Mass at 11:30am

Ministry Schedule

Dec 14 & 15, 2019

DATE	Saturday, Dec 14	Sunday, Dec 15
GREETERS	Reiko Bussmann Marj Hemenway	K of C
LECTORS	Gemma Gillis	K of C
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Johanna Habjan Janna Delany	K of C
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Volunteers</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEKDAY Mass Time CHANGE:

- Wed. NO Mass at Bulkley Lodge this week.
 - Thursday Mass at **9:00am**
- Tuesday 10:15am— Bible Study

PARISH EVENTS

CWL Christmas PARTY—Tuesday Dec. 10th

The Catholic Women's League is hosting a Christmas party for **all ladies of St. Joseph's Parish** on Tuesday, December 10 at 7 pm. Please join us for snacks and cheer! Bring a wrapped gift (max \$10 value) for the gift exchange with other ladies. Also bring unwrapped, unused toiletries to donate to Passage House.

BROADWAY PLACE

Thank you to all of you who have donated over the years to Broadway Place. Programs have changed over the last year. Now clients from different organizations needing clothing are given vouchers to the Salvation Army. Therefore any donations of clothing that we receive from now on will be donated to the Salvation Army. This includes all clothing whether it be for men, women or children. Please donate any food items into the Food Bank box. Toiletries are no longer accepted. If you have any questions please ask Marj Coupe' 250-846-9239

BIBLE STUDY—TUESDAY 10:15am

We meet in the parish centre Tuesdays at 10:15am then follow "Celebrating the Word" from 10:30 -11:30am. Dec 10th is last gathering before Christmas.

DIOCESAN EVENTS



ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

"Called Together:

Giving, Sharing, Serving".

To date, Called Together has reached 75% or \$301,063. of its overall goal.

St Joseph's has pledged \$17,873. (92% of goal)

Our St Joseph's Parish Goal is: \$19, 508.00

*Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has
come near.*



Matthew 3.1-12

COMMUNITY EVENT

BV COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CHOIR and ORCHESTRA

"Requiem For The Living" Concert on Dec. 6th,7th,8th at 8pm Smithers CRC Church
Tickets available at Interior Stationary, Mountain Eagle Books. \$15/\$18. More info on the poster in foyer.



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

Catholic Schools: "I Can Do All Things Through Christ"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

In preparation for Christmas, we can choose what things to buy, and what things to do thoughtfully. With some thought and discernment, we can be sure that our extra efforts are meaningful. We can ensure that they draw us toward, and not away from Jesus. – "Peace on Earth" by Danielle Bean
 - Rosemary McKenzie

DISTRICT XC SKIING ROCKS DAY!

We are looking for parents to supervise and "coach" interested St. Joseph's students at the February 20th XC Skiing Rocks Event? Please contact the office ASAP if this sounds like you. Deadline to register is Dec.6th! We don't have detailed information yet, but would like to secure parent volunteers who know the sport to assist in this district schools event.

MRS. KUEMPER (Gr.4) and MRS. POLANIN (K)

The Grade 4 and Kindergarten classes will be making gingerbread houses together on **Tuesday, December 10th**. We are asking each student to bring a small (250 ml) clean empty carton of milk to build a house asap, so we know how many we need before decorating day. We will need candy to decorate the houses with as well. If each student can bring a bag of candy to share with the other 50 students, that would enable everyone to have enough candy to decorate his/her house. Suggestions are Smarties, jube jubes, candy canes, jelly beans, gummy bears, mint leaves, licorice, etc. We are looking for parent helpers on this day too. If you can help on Dec. 10th, please contact Mrs. Kuemper or Mrs. Polanin.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATE- in the church

The concert will be on Thursday, December 19th 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.



**Catholic Women's League
 Smithers**

Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues. of each month

CWL Christmas Party - Tues. Dec. 10 at 7pm.

Annual Membership is due.

For 2020 the membership fee is \$40.00. Gemma will be available in the foyer to receive your fee. Thank you!

Go to www.cwl.ca for interesting news and articles.



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

**Involving members, families,
 parishioners, in the sacramental life
 of the church ...**

Christmas Social

Time change: Saturday, December 14 at 6:30pm following Sat. Mass.

Sorry for this change but hopefully everyone will still be able to attend from Houston, Hazelton and Smithers. Please invite men from the parishes as guests. Please bring your favourite drink and goodies/light snack to share. Please let Jim (250 847 3408) know if you are coming so we have rough numbers of attendees.



Diocesan Youth Conference: May 1-3, 2020

For Grade 7 to Grade 12 students.
 25th Anniversary of DYC in the Diocese of Prince George. The Gateway: "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly" John 10:10

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Office Hours:
Variable: By appointment



Sunday Mass Time:
11:30 AM

Pastor: **Rev. Jack Michalchuk**

We pray for the Sick:



Leo, Maria, Babs, Sherry, Johanna, Adrian,
Sheila, Joan, Tony, Ken, Devynn, Helen & Harry,
Sara, Bob, Reginald, Juanito, Kelda, Shaylyn,
Rufina, and Apolinario

Christmas Flowers

Please consider donating flowers for Christmas. We would appreciate if you could bring them on Sunday Dec. 15th. Thank you!

COLLECTION REPORT

Month of November, 2019

\$794.50

Called Together, Giving Sharing, Serving.

St Anthony's Goal = \$3401.00

St Anthony's pledged \$2120. (62% of goal)

Thank you for your generous continued support.

Potluck Luncheon

Please join us after Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month *except Dec., July & Aug.*

(Check schedule for updates)

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