



# St. Joseph's Parish

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Office Hours: Wednesday to Friday 10am - 2pm  
Secretary: Mary Spicer Bookkeeper: Brenda Pypier

## SUNDAY BULLETIN for December 22, 2019 Octave of Christmas



### Weekly Mass Schedule Octave of Christmas

Saturday	21st	5:00pm	Mass
Sunday	22nd	9:00am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Mon.	23rd		No Mass
Tues.	24th	5:00pm 10:00pm	Family Christmas Mass "Midnight" Mass
Wed.	25th	9:00am	Christmas Day Mass
Thu.	26th		No Mass
Fri.	27th		No Mass
Saturday	28	5:00pm	Mass
Sunday	29	9:00am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Mon.	30		No Mass
Tues.	31		No Mass
Wed.	Jan 1	9:00am	Mass <i>Mary, Mother of God</i>
Thu.	2	9:00am	TBA (Mass)
Fri.	3	9:00am	TBA (Mass)
Saturday	4	5:00pm	Mass <i>†Alice O'Rielly</i>
Sunday	5	9:00am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>

### 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:*

*Dean, Peter, 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;  
& 30 minutes before Weekend Masses

### Ministry Schedule Dec 28 & 29, 2019

DATE	Saturday, Dec 28	Sunday, Dec 29
<b>GREETERS</b>	Dave & Marj Hemenway	Rob & Mary Boyce Jean Miller
<b>LECTORS</b>	Eileen Bouvier Jim Schwab	Marj Coupe Mary-Ellen Kallio
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Nancy Verbeek Johanna Habjan	Lu Blackburn Tina Bruintjes Mary Stroet
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<i>Volunteers</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Regular WEEKDAY Masses**—back to normal Jan. 5th

- Monday—no Mass
- Tuesday Mass at **6:15pm**
- Wednesday Mass at Bulkley Lodge at **10:30am**
- Thursday Mass at **9:00am**
- Friday Mass at **9:00am**

## PARISH EVENTS

### **OFFICE CLOSED**

The church office will be closed for the Christmas season (Dec 23—Jan 3)

### **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. We will resume meeting on January 14, 2020.

### **ENVELOPES FOR YOUR OFFERING**

The 2020 envelopes for "My Offering" are labeled and ready for you to pick up in the foyer. If you don't have a box of envelopes and would like one to give your offering, you may check in at the office, or see Fr Jack or Mary after Mass.

### **PROLIFE MEMBERSHIP**

If you would like to become a member of the ProLife society there are forms you can fill out at the Social Justice bulletin board.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS



### **ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**

*"Called Together:*

*Giving, Sharing, Serving"*.

To date, Called Together has reached 79% or \$315,173. of its overall goal.

St Joseph's has pledged \$19,023. (98% of goal)

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

### **HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

"On Sundays and other holydays of obligation, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass. They are also to abstain from work or business that would inhibit the worship to be given to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, or the due relaxation of mind and body."

(Can. 1247)

In Canada there are only 2 holydays of obligation:

- January 1, solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
- December 25, Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord





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

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

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

*We are waiting. During this time before Christmas, we pause in our managing of life, and wait. We do not wait with idleness or boredom, but joyful expectation and anticipation of what is to come. – Christ is Coming, Theresa Cotter* Joy is the theme of the third week of Advent. What are we waiting for? What are we hoping for? How do our lives reflect what we are waiting and hoping for? God can help us discern – if we take the time to ask and to wait quietly. The answer could be quite amazing. I wish you and your family a blessed Christmas and a good break.  
 - Rosemary McKenzie

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING DAY- \$630.00 was raised for the Christmas Hamper Program**

Thank you for the wonderful donations. The students were very excited to shop for their parents. We would like to do the "shopping day" again next year, so we are looking for recycled/new Christmas gift bags in January. Also, Mrs. Buenten is interested in collecting (recycling!) any Christmas-themed decorative items like holly, berries, silk poinsettias or leaves, bells, etc for future Christmas crafts. Please drop by any donations for the shopping day and crafts to the office.

**CWL – THANK YOU**

The Catholic Women's League donated \$2,686.46 to the school from the parish bazaar. We thank them for their generous donation and year-round support of St. Joseph's School.

**THE STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE  
 A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.  
 ALL THE BEST IN THE NEW YEAR.**



**Catholic Women's League  
 Smithers**

Monthly Meeting 2nd Tues. of each month

**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](http://www.cwl.ca) for interesting news and articles.

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

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

Monthly Meetings—2nd Tuesday of each month

**Why you should become a Knight?**

*If you're interested in helping those in need, serving your parish, growing in your faith or having exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.*

**Talk to a Knight nearest you now!!!**



**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" John10:10

# St. Anthony's Parish

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Houston 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

\$1073.40

### Called Together, Giving Sharing, Serving.

St Anthony's Goal = \$3401.00

St Anthony's pledged \$2220. (65% of goal)

Thank you for your generous continued support.

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday Dec. 25th at 11:30am

Wednesday Jan. 1st at 11:30am

*Thank You to our advertisers for their generous support!*



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