



# St. Joseph's Parish

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## The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2020

*Malachi 3.1-4; Ps 24; Hebrews 2.10-18; Luke 2.22-40*  
*"My eyes have seen your salvation."*

 <b>Weekly Mass Schedule</b> <b>Presentation of the Lord</b>					
Saturday	1st	5:00pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>	
Sunday	2nd	9:00am	Mass	<i>Living &amp; Deceased</i>	
Mon.	3rd		No Mass		
Tues.	4th	6:15pm	Mass	<i>Fr Jack's Intentions</i>	
Wed.	5th	10:30am	Mass	at Bulkley Lodge	
Thu.	6th	9:00am	Mass		
Fri.	7th	9:00am	Mass	<i>†Catherine Hunter</i>	
Saturday	8th	5:00pm	Mass		
Sunday	9th	9:00am	Mass	<i>†Willy &amp; Otto Koldyk</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 January, 2019

Monthly Expenses \$9200. Jan. Collections \$9789.50

*Thank you for your generous support!*

*Please remember the following in your prayers:*

**PRAYER REQUEST**

*Dean, Peter, Ian, Rosa, Douglas, Tanya, Don, 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; & a half hour before Weekend Masses

**Advisory Councils**

**Parish Pastoral Council**  
Johanna Habjan  
Gemma Gillis, Pederson Family  
Marj Coupe, Eileen Bouvier  
James Schwab

**Parish Finance Council**  
Wayne Callison  
David Schwab  
Rita Coupe  
Casey Pyper

**Ministry Schedule**  
February 8 & 9, 2020

DATE	Saturday, Feb 8	Sunday, Feb 9
<b>GREETERS</b>	Bina Tucker Marj Hemenway	CWL
<b>LECTORS</b>	Liz Creyke Jim Schwab	CWL
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Nancy Verbeek Janna Delany	CWL
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	<i>Volunteers</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sundays at 9am Mass: FOCUS—for parents with young children.  
Tuesday: Bible Study at 10:15am in meeting room.

## PARISH EVENTS

### **FOCUS: For Our Children and US**



Parents, we have a new ministry to help you and your children FOCUS better during Mass.

FOCUS is a program approx. 40 min. long, covering basic Bible stories, prayers, and some fun and song as well. It is designed for children 18months through Grade 2.

*How does it work?*

At the 9 AM Mass on Sundays, Fr.

Jack will invite children to come forward; they will be led to the meeting room for activities (while the parents FOCUS on the Readings, the Homily and Eucharistic Prayer).



**\*\*FOCUS is in need of MORE HELPERS, please.**

### **CHILD SACRAMENT STUDY**

If your child is in Grade 2 or older and would like to receive the sacrament of 1st Reconciliation and then 1st Communion, please contact Fr Jack directly.

If your child is in Grade 6 or older and would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Fr Jack directly.

### **FAREWELL TO BOKONGOLE FAMILY**

David and Winny Bokongole are leaving Smithers this week. We wish them well. Keep the Bokongole family in your prayers.

### **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK—Feb. 13th**

Thursday, Feb. 13th Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am. Sacrament of the sick will be offered to those with serious or mortal illness. Coffee and muffins to follow.

## DIOCESAN EVENTS



### **ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**

*“Called Together:*

*Giving, Sharing, Serving”.*

To date, Called Together has reached 85% or \$338,746. of its overall goal.

St Joseph’s has pledged \$19,248. (98.6% of goal)

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

### **ANNUAL YOUNG ADULT SMITHERS SKI**

#### **RETREAT: Verso L’alto//To The Heights**

Smithers. Skiing. Retreating. Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati. What more could one ask for? Come join us **February 14-16, 2020** on the beautiful slopes of Hudson Bay Mountain and the beautiful parish of St. Joseph’s for a time away from the busyness of daily life. Ages **19 and up.**

Registration closes February 10th. All information is on the registration link. To register or for more info, email Lisa at [lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca).

### **VOCATION LIVE-IN —Mission, BC**

An opportunity for young men to spend a weekend at the seminary. Next Vocation Live-in is February 7-9, 2020. If you want to attend, please contact:

**College Seminary Live In:**

Father Matthew Gerlich, OSB

Email: [rector.majors@yahoo.ca](mailto:rector.majors@yahoo.ca)

### **WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE—FEB. 2**

The purpose of the day is “to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels”. Please keep in your prayers those religious orders who have served our Diocese.

### **WOMEN’S RETREAT APRIL 17—19, 2020**

Rock Ridge Canyon near Princeton, BC is hosting a retreat for women called **BRAVE**. Amazing speakers, music ministry and a world class facility. **Registration** for the retreat opens **Feb. 1:** [liferestoration.ca](http://liferestoration.ca)

For information about the facility:

<https://rockridgecanyon.com>