

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 15, 2023



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Please Note: On Wednesday, October 18, there is no 12:15 pm Mass.

Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass, Thursday, November 2, 7:00 pm

At our annual memorial Mass the name of anyone whose funeral was celebrated in our church will be read aloud. If you have an immediate family member (parent, sibling or child) who died in the past year, we invite you to call the office *before noon on Friday, Oct. 27*. Their name will be read aloud as well. If you have loved ones who have died in past years, this Mass is a way to remember and pray for them, though their names will not read be out. All are welcome.

Screen Volunteers Needed

Our "Tech Team" operates our projector screens at each of the Sunday Masses. The time commitment is approximately once per month. Minor tech experience required - training provided. If you are interested in joining our team email stjoesmediagp@gmail.com
Information/training session: Monday, Oct. 16, 7 pm in the church.

The annual Archbishop's Dinner - Friday, Nov. 3

Hosted this year by Deanery One in McLennan at École Providence School. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Speaker: Archbishop Pettipas
Silent auction and egg raffle. Tickets: \$35
To purchase tickets contact the parishes in Deanery One (McLennan, Girouxville and Falher), e-mail Karen.nkben@iwantwireless.ca or call the Archdiocese office, 780-532-9766.

The live-streamed dinner planned for Nov. 24 has been postponed until early in the new year. Call the Archdiocese office with questions.

October 14 - 21 Dates to Remember

Sat 14: 9:45 am - 1 pm, Youth Ministry Leader Workshop, Tranquille Hall
2:30 pm, LWWC Leaders & Helpers training, St JP II Room
3:30 - 4:30 pm, Eucharistic Ministers workshop, church
8 pm, LWWC Youth Helper Training, church
After 7 pm Mass, Coffee & Cookies, Tranquille Hall
Sun 15: After 9 & 11 am Masses, K of C Breakfast, Tranquille Hall
10 am, LWWC Youth Helper training, church
12 pm, LWWC Youth Helper training, church
2 - 4 pm, Family Movie, Tranquille Hall
Mon 16: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
7 pm, Screen volunteers training, church
Wed 18: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room
Thurs 19: 10 - 11:30 am, Mom's Group, Tranquille Hall
7:30 pm, Prayers for Healing, church
Fri 20: 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church
7 - 8:30 pm, EDGE, St JP II Room
7 pm, Ignite, church
Sat 21: 9:30 - noon, Altar Servers' practice, church
1 - 4 pm, Altar Servers' practice, church
9:45 am - 1 pm, Youth Ministry Leader Workshop, Tranquille Hall
10 am, Our Father Retreat, St JP II Room
5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice, parish office
8 pm, High School Youth, St JP II Room

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 sjc-finance@gpcsd.ca
Our 2022 Annual Financial Report came out this summer. Copies available on the literature rack near the entrance to the church or on our website under News - Letters & Notices.
Donation options can be found on our website.

SACRAMENTS

Beatriz Fernandez ext 228 sjc-sacraments@gpcsd.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Jidenna Curtis Ezike, Kelianne Flores and Avary Samantha Acoba Labajo into our family of faith. We pray that his journey with our Lord is filled with joy!

Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. For information check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/ or call Beatriz at



Mom's Group (formerly known as Ladies "Walk With Me") Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: October 19

Offertory Gift Bearers needed! This is a great way for families to get involved. Training provided after Mass October 21 & 22.

Salt (Grade 3 - 6 youth group)
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
Volunteers needed
Registration forms at Welcome Table
Next gathering: October 26

Liturgy of the Word With Children (age 4 - grade 3)
Children gather during Sunday Mass to hear the Gospel and discuss it. Youth and adult leaders and helpers needed (screening required). Adult leaders and helpers attend one training session. Last session Saturday, Oct 14th - 2:30 pm.
Youth Helper Training: after Mass October 14 & 15.
RSVP Kristen

All Saints Costume Party October 28, 2 - 4 pm.
Help us plan! Meeting: October 14, 1 - 2 pm, in the St. JP II Room.

Family Movie, Sunday, Oct. 15, 2 - 4 pm, Tranquille Hall. Bring a friend and something comfy to sit on.



YOUTH MINISTRY

April Fogle, x 232

stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
Pizza: 5:30 pm. Practice: 6 pm.
Next gathering: October 21st



Gr. 9 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
8 - 10 pm in St JP II Room
Next gathering: October 21 - Murder Mystery Party. RSVP to April stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com and receive your character assignment.



(Gr. 7 - 9) 1st & 3rd Fridays
7 - 8:30 pm in the St JP II Room
Next gathering: October 20, Pumpkin Carving - bring your own pumpkin.

Programs at St. Joseph HS

Music & Muffins: Tuesdays at Focus in the chapel
Encounter (faith leadership): Tuesday at Lunch in room 141

Programs at St. JP II HS

Music & Muffins: Thursdays at Focus in the chapel



Thursdays at lunch: (formerly known as Encounter) focuses on social justice and building awareness within the school and community.

Youth Ministry Leadership Workshops

Attend both sessions to learn more about youth ministry and how to lead and inspire young people in the parish community.

Part 1 (on Zoom): October 14th, 9:45am- 1pm

Fundamentals of Youth Ministry by Fr. Santo Arrigo CSsR

Part 2 (St. Joseph Church): October 21st 9:45-1pm

Tools for Youth Ministry -

Office of Catechesis and Evangelization

Use the QR Code to Register or go to archgm.ca



ADULT FORMATION



FORMED - ST. LUKE THE ARTIST - SACRED ART

In this episode of Sacred Art, Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers discuss Rogier van der Weyden's painting, "Saint Luke Drawing the Virgin," artistry and what it reveals about St. Luke the Evangelist.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

"Our Father" Retreat - Saturday, Oct. 21, 10 am
\$25.00/person includes lunch. Deepen your spiritual connection to our heavenly Father. For information contact Pat Deluca 780-263-1064. Register online www.patdelucafindingpurpose.com

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - If you already distribute communion at Mass, or would like to start, please plan to attend a workshop. It is important that all existing and new Extraordinary Ministers attend one session to update and renew your understanding of this important ministry. Last session: Saturday, Oct. 14, 3:30 - 4:30 pm.



Mass & Adoration

Friday, October 20, 7 - 8:15 pm

Join us for this sacred time to pray in the Real Presence of Jesus. We begin with Mass at 7:00 pm. Adoration follows at about 7:30 pm and continues until 8:15 pm.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER 15 - 21

✠ -Mass for someone deceased

SH-Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon. 16, 12:15 pm: ✠ Hertha Wolfram

Tues. 17, 7 pm: ✠ Marshall Ruptash

Wed. 18, 7 pm: ✠ Henry Klein

Thurs. 19, 7 pm: ✠ Noella Trenblay

Fri. 20, 10:30 am (SH): ✠ Agueda Gundran Rimando

12:15 pm: ✠ Mary Martin

7 pm: ✠ Emile Lema

Sat. 21, 9 am: ✠ Marshall Ruptash

GENERAL INFO

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially Ken O'Shea
John Zintel Millie Wrzosek
Lucy Kolebaba Wilfred Wanihadie
Kevin Moeller, grandson of Ellen Gerke
Reena Siemensma, sister of Ivan Romkes
The deceased, especially
Lucy Bryzgorni, sister of Denise Kruchten

Prayers for Healing, Thursday, Oct. 19, following 7 pm Mass in church. The Prayer Team prays for all types of healing: mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and even for someone not present through a proxy. Attend Mass and stay for prayer.

Quilting Bee-Levers Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm in Liguori Hall. All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Please contact the office for information.

Ladies' Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11 am, St. JP II Room. All ladies welcome.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, October 15, following the
9 & 11 am Masses in Tranquille Hall.
Gluten free available.



BLESSING BAGS

The Family & Children and Youth Ministries are collecting for this annual service project for St. Lawrence Center.

Donations of warm mittens, gloves, scarves, toques, hand warmers and candy are needed. Please bring donations labelled "Blessing Bags" to the parish office, or to Family & Children's events.



Young Adults 18+

@ignitegrandeprairie

Adoration + Pumpkin Carving

Join us Friday, Oct. 20 for Mass and Adoration at 7 pm with Pumpkin Carving to follow at 8:30 pm in Tranquille Hall. Please bring your own pumpkin.

Bible & Beers: Thurs, Oct. 26, 7:45 pm, State & Main

Gift Shop Volunteers needed after all weekend Masses. If you are interested in helping, contact Theresa, threejtr@telusplanet.net

Items Needed for Samaritan's Basket (our outreach program) Travel sized shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes. As the weather is cooling, mittens, gloves and winter socks are also needed.

Archdiocese 2022 Annual Report: Statistics, finances and an overview of all the ministries in our churches. Pick up a copy in the back of the church or get your digital copy at <https://www.archgm.ca/annual-reports/>

Items Needed at the Salvation Army Foodbank: Toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand soap, body wash shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, pasta sauce, diced tomatoes, large beans, rice, crackers, snacks, tomato paste, oatmeal, jello/pudding, Kraft dinner, juice (1L), canned fruit, boxed soup, canned pasta (spaghetti, Alphagetti). Bring your donation on Sunday or drop it directly at the Food Bank.

PLEASE NOTE: Only bring *NON-PERISHABLE* food items to Mass to donate to the Foodbank (no dairy, bread, fruit, vegetables, etc.)

Please be mindful of our church neighbours:

Do not park in driveways or in the Hillcrest Church's parking lot.

Canada-wide Rosary Rally - Thousands of Catholics across Canada will gather on October 14 at 12 noon (local time) to pray the rosary. Gather in our parking lot just before noon to add your voice.

Catholic Family Services Annual General Meeting, Tuesday, November 7, 7 pm at Catholic Family Services in the Garrett Family Centre, 10105 102 St.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Office Hours: Mon - Fri, 8:30 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm

Regular Mass Schedule (September - June)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:15 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am

Senior's Lodge Masses at 10:30 am:

1st Tuesday - The Gardens

1st Friday - Heritage Lodge

2nd Friday - Wild Rose Manor

3rd Friday - Pioneer Lodge

Sunday Masses

Saturday evening 7:00 pm

Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am

Confessions: Saturday evenings, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, or by appointment (call the parish office)

Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help at Wednesday Masses.

Baptism for Infants & Young Children:

saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/ or contact Beatriz at the Parish Office (even prior to the birth of your child) about Baptism Preparation for parents.

Marriage: Couples wishing to be married in a Catholic Church must begin preparation *at least 8 months* prior to their wedding date.

Call Darlene, ext. 224, or email sjc-marriage@gpcsd.ca

Interested in joining the church or completing sacraments? Contact ext. 224, or email sjc-ocia@gpcsd.ca

Religious Gift Shop/Library: Open after weekend Masses

Prayer Chain Requests: Confidentiality assured. stjosephprayers@gmail.com, or call the parish office.

Parish Pastoral Council: st.joes.ppc@gmail.com

Sunday Readings

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Living our Faith

Isaiah 25:6 - 10a. A feast for all peoples

Philippians 4:12 - 14, 19 - 20. Generosity

Matthew 22:1 - 14. The wedding banquet

Key Passage: [Jesus said,] "Many are invited but few are chosen." Matthew 22:14

Question: What will you do this week to show God that you understand the relationship between faith and works?

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