

St. Joseph Catholic Church



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 10, 2023



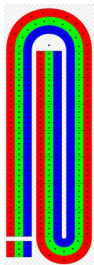
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Sacrament Registration for Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation

Registrations is now available online, until
September 30, 2023. Go to
saintjoseph.ca/sacraments to register.

In our archdiocese, children baptized in the Roman Catholic Church celebrate *Reconciliation in grade 2, Eucharist in grade 3 and Confirmation in grade 6*. All children receiving sacraments in the 2023/2024 school year, whether they attend Catholic school or otherwise, must be registered online. You need to provide a copy of your child's baptism certificate to the parish office.



Parish Games Night this Thursday, Sept 14

Everyone is welcome to come enjoy Crib, Canasta & board games for kids.
5:30 pm: Spaghetti dinner, garlic bread and Caesar salad.
Games begin after dinner until 8:30 pm.
Cost is by donation to support meals for St. Lawrence Centre.

Looking for connection? Join us for faith sharing and become a part of our community. *Ultreya is a part of the Cursillo movement but this gathering is open to everyone*. The next Ultreya is Friday, September 22, in the church at 7 pm. Note: you need not have attended a Cursillo weekend to join us. Looking forward to seeing you!

Our Outreach program, Samaritan's Basket, needs some toiletries. We would appreciate small or travel size, shampoo & conditioner, soap/body wash, deodorant and feminine hygiene products. Please drop off your donation at the parish office during office hours.

September 10 - 17 Dates to Remember

Mon. 11: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
Tues. 12: 7 pm, CWL meeting, begins with Mass, church 7:30 pm, K of C meeting, Liguori Hall
Wed. 13: Ladies' Bible Study, St JPll Room
Thurs. 14: 10 - 11:30 am, Ladies "Walk with Me", 5:30 pm: Games Night, Tranquille Hall
Fri. 15: 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church



Friday, September 29, 7 - 9:30 pm, in Tranquille Hall
Cocktails 6:30 pm

Ladies, join us for a beautiful and inspiring evening of prayer, music, fellowship, catered charcuterie, raffles, coffee, tea, sparkling juice and wine.

Guest Speaker: Candice Edey

Proceeds will support Catholic Family Services.

Tickets \$30, available on Eventbrite, (scan the QR code) or at the back of the church after weekend Masses.

This is an 18+ event as wine will be



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 Cazzie Paragas and Clyde Morla into our family of faith. We pray that their 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 the parish office, ext. 228.



Ladies "Walk With Me", Thursdays, 10 - 11:30 am. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: September 14

Grande Prairie Immigration Partnership (GPLIP) invites all immigrants aged 16 or older in Grande Prairie to participate in their survey to share your experiences and help improve the lives of newcomers, immigrants, and refugees in Grande Prairie. For more information and to complete the survey go to <https://engage.cityofgp.com/immigration>

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 11 - 16

✠ -Mass for someone deceased

SH - Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon. 11, 12:15 pm: ✠ John MacDonald

Tues. 12, 7 pm: CWL/ ✠ Cathy Cronk

Wed. 13, 12:15 pm: ✠ Chris Kinsella

7 pm: St. Joseph Parish

Thurs. 14, 7 pm: ✠ Leslie Scantland

Fri. 15, 10:30 am (SH): ✠ Pablo Liong

12:15 pm: ✠ Reveriano & Pepito Alido

Sat. 16, 9 am: ✠ Angela Wiebe



YOUTH MINISTRY

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Youth Choir and High School Youth - Sat, Sept. 16

Every 1st & 3rd Saturday, Youth Choir at 7 pm Mass in the church.

High School Youth (gr. 9 - 12) meet in the SJPII Room following mass from 8 - 10 pm.



EDGE (gr.7 - 9) 7 - 9 pm

in the St JPII Room

First gathering of the Fall: Sept. 15

All students in grades 7 - 9 join us for friends, faith, fun & food.

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. JPII HS

Music & Muffins: Thursdays at Focus in the chapel

Encounter (faith leadership): Thursdays at Lunch in room 1018

Save your Bottles for our Youth Groups: Drop them at any Bottle Depot with this information on them: St. Joseph Youth Group #1479-2351. Your donations and assistance are greatly appreciated!

SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY"

There are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or allergic, to the scents that make the rest of us feel so good. In an effort to accommodate all of our parish family, please consider cutting back on the amount of scented products that you wear to church, or refrain from wearing any at all.

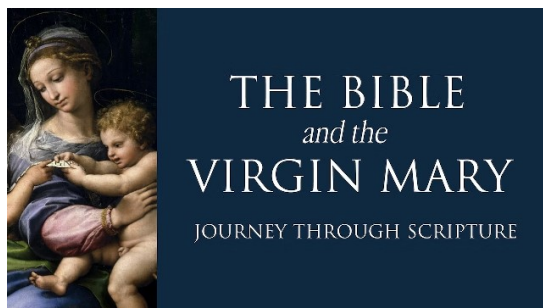
ADULT FORMATION



FORMED - DRAWING STRENGTH FROM OUR LADY OF SORROWS BY KIMBERLY HAHN

Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn is a convert to the Catholic faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for her to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca



The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Journey Through Scripture

New Bible study on the Virgin Mary starting on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 7:45 pm in Tranquille Hall. Please email Jean-Marc at 402guene@telus.net to register. Cost: \$30 per participant.

Come and see Mary as you've never seen her.



Mass & Adoration

Friday, September 15, 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.

GENERAL INFO

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially Wilfred Wanihadie
 Doug Cooke Bill Kiedyk
 Kevin Moeller, grandson of Ellen Gerk
 Ellis Kootenay, father of Ashley Gaboury
 Reena Siemensma, sister of Ivan Romkes
 Denise Hrushka, sister of Marie Guest

The deceased, especially
 Susanne Schaefer, mother of Helen Walker
 Lillian Karakunte, aunt of Leona Small

Please note: Clergy and parish staff **NEVER** solicit donations or gift cards through email or text.

Quilting Bee-Levers will be starting up again, Monday, Sept. 11 from 9 am - 3 pm in Liguori Hall.

Ladies' Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11 am, St. JP II Room. All ladies' welcome.
 Next gathering: Sept 13

CWL Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, September 12 immediately following weekday Mass, at approximately 7:45 pm, in the Grouard Room. New members are always welcome.
 Email: cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com for details.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 7:30 pm in Liguori Hall.

Altar Server Training Fall 2023

If you have a child interested in serving please fill out a registration form, available in the altar server drawer by the Sacristy. Contact Donna 780-512-7667 (phone/text) or email murrdonn@telus.net
 If you have already filled out a registration form and have not heard from Donna, please contact her.

Adult Volunteers Needed to Assist with Altar Server Training Please reach out to Donna, 780-512-7667, or email murrdonn@telus.net

Northern Light is our Archdiocese's monthly Magazine. *Renew your yearly subscription* (or become a subscriber) at www.archgm.ca - \$70. Peruse in-depth stories, photo spreads and features from Catholic communities across our region!

The Archdiocese has an exciting job opportunity for a full-time **Secretary to the Archbishop**. See the full details for this position at <https://www.archgm.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Job-ad-Secretary-to-the-Archbishop.pdf>. Interested candidates should e-mail a cover letter and resume to jobs.agm@outlook.com

Volunteers needed for Evacuees from the NWT

Many wildfire evacuees from the NWT have come to Grande Prairie, and the Friendship Centre is one of the main supports in place to meet the extra need. They need help sorting donations, serving meals, keeping the facility clean, as well as some upcoming non-evacuee related events, such as National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on Sept 30th which will be run in Muskoseepi Park. If you are interested in volunteering email Orren: orrenanderson@gpfriendship.com. He will send details and requirements for volunteering at the Friendship Centre.

Sunday Readings

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time: *Helping Others Grow*

Ezekiel 33:7 - 9. The prophet a watchman
Romans 13:8 - 10. Love fulfills the Law
Matt. 18:21 - 35. Fraternal correction

Key Passage: Jesus [said], "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone." *Matthew 18:15*

Question: What have you been able to overcome because others patiently loved you?

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Oliver's Funeral Home is hosting: *Paint, Sip & Grieve*

A social evening of painting and wine!

Tuesday, September 26, 7 - 9 pm \$40/person

Cost includes all supplies needed and 1 drink ticket.

After a loss, it can be hard to get out and socialize, but it is so important for our mental health.

De-stress and connect with family, friends and others who have experienced a loss.

There are a limited number of seats available. Please register at www.oliversfuneralhome.com/paint-night/

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: Check after weekend Masses

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

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