

Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024



EMBRACING
the KINGDOM of GOD

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are hiring!

Coordinator for Ministry to Marriage and OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, formerly RCIA) We are looking for a practicing Catholic with knowledge of church sacraments. The successful candidate will need strong leadership and organization skills. This individual will coordinate and continue to develop the existing ministry to marriage and adult initiation. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Complete job description available on the parish website or from the office. Resumes accepted until May 1st, 2024 at 5pm or until position is filled. Submit resume, with 3 references (including a reference from current parish priest if you are not from St. Joseph Parish) to Father Charles Duval, C.Ss.R. Resume may be submitted to the parish office or electronically to CharlesDuval@gpcsd.ca



I Am Enough - Women's Retreat, Friday, May 3, 6:45 - 8:30 pm & Saturday, May 4, 9 am - 4 pm. Mothers, daughters, sisters, friends join us at this encouraging & affirming retreat. Guest speakers: Cecilia Mzvondiwa, Michelle Blondin & Emily Kiedyk \$25/person Lunch & snacks included. Childcare available upon request. Tickets available after Masses April 13/14, 20/21 & 27/28 or on Eventbrite [click here](#). For information email cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com

Family Night Out Save the date: April 28, 4 - 7pm Come for fellowship with your whole family! Enjoy a meal, conversation, music and more. For more details email: sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Dates To Remember

April 14 - 21

Mon 15: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall
Wed 17: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room
Thurs 18: 10 am - noon, Mom's Group, St JP II Room
7:30 pm, Prayers for Healing following Mass, church
Fri 19: 7 pm, Mass & Adoration, church
7 - 8:30 pm, EDGE, St. JP II Room
Sat 20: 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice
8 pm, High School Youth, St JP II Room
8 pm, Coffee & Cookies, Tranquille Hall
Sun 21: 3 - 4 pm, Christian Meditation Course, Liguori Hall

From NET (National Evangelization Teams)

"Dear St. Joseph's Church community! Thank you to each one of you for welcoming our NET team to Grande Prairie. It was truly a blessing to be here and to lead these retreats for the youth. Your generosity and hospitality made this ministry possible and we really appreciate your kindness in welcoming us to all of the parish events. It was a joy to meet you and to get to know you all as each of you reflected the love of Christ to us! God bless you! Peace, NET Retreat Team"

Parish Finances

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 sjc-finance@gpcsd.ca

2023 income tax receipts - Available from the parish office during office hours, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm. For donation options see our website, call the parish office, or scan QR code.



Sacraments

Beatriz ext 228 sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca

This weekend, through the waters of baptism we welcome Brinley Johannsen and Kasey Lieverse-Kent into our family of faith. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with great joy!

Name correction from Easter baptisms:

Caleb Michael Binder

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.

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 229 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Mom's Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: April 18



Grade 3 - 6 youth group
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
St JP11 Room. Volunteers needed.
Next gathering: April 25

Hometown Nazareth VBS, July 8 - 12



Calling all live action role players! It's time! We are ready to dream God's dream for the kids again, and we need your help! Many jobs to do, many hands make light work, and we all have gifts and talents to share. Please register as a volunteer early so we can help you find your best position on the team: [VBS volunteer registration](#)

Liturgy of the Word with Children: Children ages 4 - grade 3 please join us during Mass for a joyful celebration of Liturgy of the Word geared for you. We sing, hear and discuss Jesus' message, pray and do an activity while we have fun with friends. Older children and teens are welcome to volunteer.

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
Pizza: 5:30 pm. Practice: 6 pm
Next gatherings: April 20



Grade 9 - 12
1st & 3rd Saturday
8 - 10 pm in St JP11 Room
Next gatherings: April 20



Grade 7 - 9
1st & 3rd Friday
7 - 8:30 pm in St JP11 Room
Next gathering: April 19

Programs at St. Joseph HS

Music & Muffins: Tuesdays at Focus in the chapel

Programs at St. JP11 HS

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Thursdays at lunch: focuses on social justice and building awareness within the school and community.

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!

Young Adults



Young Adults 18+
@ignitegrandeprairie

Adoration & Bowling, Friday, Apr 19 Join us for Mass at 7pm, followed by Adoration then bowling at Bowling Stones.

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 - ST BERNADETTE OF LOURDES is a beautiful and faithful retelling of the familiar story of one of the world's most beloved saints. Humorous, moving and reverent, this unique, award-winning, independent film has been seen by millions worldwide since its release in 2009.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Work Bee

Saturday April 13, 10 am -12:30 pm, Grouard Room
Painting peg dolls, cutting, drawing, coloring, & laminating - materials supplied. Just show up if you are interested in learning more and helping out. Call the parish office if you have questions for Marie Moreau. *For more information about this program for young children visit the website www.cgsac.ca.*

Gospel of Mark Bible Study



Discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. This Lectio series uses the Church's rich tradition of Lectio Divina to help you better understand and pray with the Gospel of Mark. 14 sessions. Begins Wednesday April 24, 7:45 pm in Tranquille Hall. To register email Jean-Marc 402guene@telus.net

Mass Intentions

April 15 - 20

✠ -Mass for someone deceased
SH - Mass at a Senior's Home
Mon. 15, 12:15 pm: ✠ Lech Kwiatkowski
Tues. 16, 7 pm: ✠ Jimmy DeCruz
Wed. 17, 12:15 pm: ✠ Betty Lou Lynch Noonan
7 pm: ✠ Nestor Mostowy
Thurs. 18, 7 pm: ✠ Ken O'Shea
Fri. 19, 12:15 pm: ✠ John Klein-Gebbinck
7 pm: ✠ Mabel, & John McNeil/✠ Stacey Hagg
Sat. 20, 9 am: ✠ Ryan Day

General Information

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Pat Hunt Archbishop Pettipas
Wanda Boucher Fr. Rajmund Dorawa
Donna Petiot, sister-in-law of Diane Walker
Josie Tuazon, sister of Tessie Foster
Lorenzo Laban, father of Luther Laban
Darryl Palmer, father of Darlene Lemay
Scarlette Piper, granddaughter of Nicole Lafleur
Kevin Moeller, grandson of Ellen Gerke
Reena Siemensma, sister of Ivan Romkes

The deceased, especially

Johnny Boucher
Mary MacDonald, former parishioner

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

Quilting Bee-Levers, Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm

All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the parish office for information.

Gift Shop: A large selection of First Communion and Confirmation gifts will be available next weekend. Come and check them out. Open after Saturday, 7 pm and Sunday 9 & 11 am Mass.

Christian Meditation course to introduce interested newcomers to this form of prayer. Starts Sunday, April 21 from 3 - 4 pm in Liguori Hall and will run for 6 weeks. Meditation is central to the Christian experience and is deeply rooted in Christian tradition. It is a prayer of silence and listening, also known as contemplative prayer. Email Mia, miklge@telus.net for more information. No charge.

Church Parking: *Recently, people have received parking tickets for parking in front of driveways, blocking laneways and in other areas where parking is not permitted.* Do not park along curbs or in laneways to allow a clear exit from the parking lot for emergency vehicles, or parishioners who have to leave Mass unexpectedly. Leave adequate space at the end of rows - at least 3 car widths for vehicles to turn corners. *FYI:* damage to your vehicle from emergency vehicles, as a result of parking in non-designated areas, is your responsibility.

Parish Event Promotion: If you are having a parish event and would like the parish office to promote it through our bulletin, bulletin board, website and/or Facebook, please fill in the Request to Promote form under Contact at saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/. Submissions for the bulletin must be received by noon on Wednesday. Posters for our bulletin board should be no bigger than 8.5 X 11. All requests/submissions are subject to approval.

Catholic Family Services Spring Fling Fundraiser
April 20, Holiday Inn & Suites. Entertainment by Outlaw Country *Tribute to Johnny Cash and Waylon Jennings*. Dinner, raffles, live and silent auctions. Doors open: 5:30 pm Dinner: 6:00 pm
100% of proceeds benefit our community with access to affordable, professional mental health services. \$75 each \$140 for 2 \$560 for table of 8
Call Catholic Family Services, 780-532-9381, for tickets.

School Board By-Election for Ward 1 (Beaverlodge, Grande Prairie, Sexsmith and the surrounding area)
Nominations are now open for candidates for one Trustee in the Grande Prairie Roman Catholic Separate School Division, for the By-Election on June 25. Nomination packages are available from the Board Office in Grande Prairie at 9902 – 101 Street during regular business hours. Nominations may be submitted until noon on May 28. Details about school board elections can be found at <https://www.gpcsd.ca/apps/pages/by-elections2024>

Sunday Readings

Third Sunday of Easter: The Living Christ

Acts 3:13 - 15, 17 - 19. Peter's discourse on Jesus' resurrection

1 John 2:1 - 5. Keeping the commandments

Luke 24:35 - 48. Jesus appears to the Eleven

Key Passage: [Jesus] said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself.

Luke 24:38 - 39

Question: What questions about Jesus arise in the midst of your faith?

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THE SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK NEEDS

Canned pasta, canned tomatoes, canned meat (chicken, ham, turkey), canned fruit, boxed soup, pudding/Jello, oatmeal, children's snacks, juice boxes, diapers (newborn, sizes 5 & 6), Pull Ups (3 - 4T & 4 - 5T), shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes.

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