

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024



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the KINGDOM of GOD

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are Hiring for Two Positions!

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 5 pm 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

Part-Time Custodian

We are looking for a part time, reliable and detail-oriented individual. The successful candidate will be responsible for a variety of cleaning duties and must work independently.

Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Complete job description available on the parish website or from the office. Resumes accepted until May 8, 2024 at 5 pm or until position is filled. Submit resume to Father Charles Duval, C.Ss.R. via the parish office or electronically at CharlesDuval@gpcsd.ca.

Children receiving their first Eucharist will be presented to our church family at Mass this Weekend and will receive their First Eucharist at Mass next weekend, April 27/28.

Sat. 27, 7 pm: St Catherine, St Patrick, Mother Teresa

Sun. 28, 9 am: Louis Riel & St. Gerard

11 am: Holy Cross, St. Kateri, St. Clement

Dates To Remember

April 20 - 28

Sat 20: 5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice
8 pm, High School Youth, St JP11 Room

Sun 21: 3 - 4 pm, Christian Meditation Course,
Liguori Hall

4 - 6 pm, Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Tranquille Hall

Mon 22: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

Wed 24: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP11 Room

Thurs 25: 10 am - noon, Mom's Group, St JP11 Room

Fri 26: 7 pm, Ultreya, St JP11 Room

Sat 27: 7 pm, 1st Eucharist Celebration, Mass

Sun 28: 9 & 11 am, 1st Eucharist Celebration, Mass
4 - 7 pm, Family Night Out, Tranquille Hall



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 20/21 & 27/28 or on Eventbrite [click here](#).

For information email cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com

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, [click here](#) or call the parish office.

Sacraments

Beatriz ext 228 sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca

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

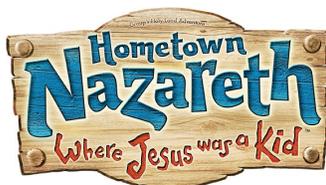
Kristen ext 229 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Mom's Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: April 25



Grade 3 - 6 youth group
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
St JP II 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.

Family Night Out, April 28, 4 - 7 pm, Tranquille Hall

Come for fellowship with your whole family! Enjoy a meal, conversation, music and more. For more details email sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday
Pizza: 5:30 pm. Practice: 6 pm
Next gathering: May 4



Grade 9 - 12
1st & 3rd Saturday
8 - 10 pm in St JP II Room
Next gathering: May 4



Grade 7 - 9
1st & 3rd Friday
7 - 8:30 pm in St JP II Room
Next gathering: May 3

Programs at St. Joseph HS

Music & Muffins: Tuesdays at Focus in the chapel

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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+
@ignitegrandepairie

Bible & Beer, Thursday, April 25, 7:45 pm
at Mr. Mike's in the "Upper" room.

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 - BELOVED - SESSION 1: DOES MARRIAGE MATTER? Is your marriage all it can be? Beloved unlocks the sacrament of marriage in 12 sessions, showing how God designed it to fulfill you. Open to all couples, young or old.

Sign up for **FORMED** on our website: saintjoseph.ca

The Way of the Light (Via Lucis), Sunday, April 28, 4 pm in the church, led by the newly baptized at Easter. As the Way of the Cross complements the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, the Way of the Light parallels the Glorious Mysteries. It highlights the events that took place from the time of Jesus' resurrection to Pentecost. Please join us in this joyful devotion.



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 at 402guene@telus.net

Mass Intentions

April 15 - 20

✠ -Mass for someone deceased
Mon. 22, 12:15 pm: ✠ John Klein-Gebbinck
Tues. 23, 7 pm: ✠ Lill Sexton
Wed. 24, 12:15 pm: ✠ Joseph Vavrek
7 pm: ✠ Betty Lou Lynch Noonan
Thurs. 25, 7 pm: ✠ Cecilia Netto
Fri. 26, 12:15 pm: ✠ Barbara Kiddine
Sat. 27, 9 am: ✠ Tim Guest

General Information

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially Uta Neuwoehner
Wilfred Wanihadie Tony Wanihadie
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
Lenard Cunningham, father of Darlene Brausen

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 are available. 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.

Calling all Cursillistas and friends

Ultreya, April 26, 7 pm, St. JP II Room.
A witness talk, small group sharing & refreshments. Come meet the newest Cursillistas from the latest men's and women's weekends. Even if you've never been to a Cursillo you are welcome to join us!
Witness speaker: Jim Fortin

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>

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.

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.

Sunday Readings

Fourth Sunday of Easter: Called to be Shepherds

Acts 4:7 - 12. The stone that has become the cornerstone

1 John 3:1 - 2. Recognizing the Son

John 10:11 - 18. The Good Shepherd

Key Passage: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:11

Question: Whom are you shepherding in your life right now, and who shepherds you?

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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.

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