

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024



EMBRACING
the KINGDOM of GOD

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are Hiring!

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 be able to 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 being confirmed later this month will be presented to the parish at Mass this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Mass with Anointing of the Sick, Thursday, May 9, at 1:30 pm - an opportunity for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. This Sacrament is available for anyone who has a serious illness: the elderly whose frailty is becoming more pronounced, major surgery/serious medical tests, uncontrolled and chronic illnesses (arthritis, diabetes, etc.), mental illness. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this sacrament or is homebound due to infirmity, please help them attend this Mass. Refreshments will follow in the Grouard Room.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Sunday, May 12: *Mother's Day*
following the 9 & 11 am Masses
in Tranquille Hall.
Gluten free available.

Dates To Remember

May 5 - 12

Sat 4: 9 am - 4 pm, Women's Retreat, church

5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice

8 pm, High School Youth, St JP II Room

Sun 5: 3 - 4 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon 6: 9 am - 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

7 pm, Cursillo AGM, Liguori Hall

Wed 8: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room

7:45 pm, Bible Study, Tranquille Hall

Thurs 9: 10 am - noon, Mom's Group, St JP II Room

1:30 pm, Mass with Anointing of the Sick, church

5:30 pm, Supper & Games Night, Tranquille Hall

7:45 pm, Emmaus Night, Liguori Hall

8:30 pm, SALT, St JP II Room

Sun 12: after 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

Road Construction in front of the church, May 6 to June 10. Please be aware that this construction will likely disrupt traffic around the church.

The Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works is this weekend, May 4/5. One-third of the funds collected is for the Pope's charitable contributions to those most in need. Two-thirds support the Holy Father in administering the Holy See and serving the Universal Church.

Please make cheques payable to *St. Joseph Church*

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

Through the waters of Baptism this weekend we welcome Jace Borcelango, Zkara Sagaben, Zander Bernath, Lennon Keough and Mileena Metchooyeah-Tecomba. 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.

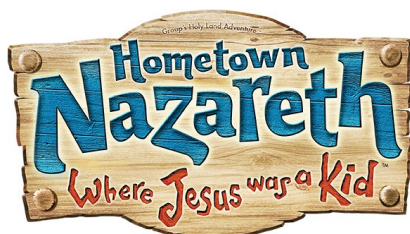
Family & Children Ministry

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: May 9



Grade 3 - 6 youth group
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm
St JPll Room. Volunteers needed.
Next gatherings: May 9 & 23



Hometown Nazareth VBS, July 8 - 12

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](#)
Register children on our website [click here](#).

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 gathering: May 18

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH Grade 9 - 12
1st & 3rd Saturday
8 - 10 pm in St JPll Room
Next gathering: May 18

Progressive Fast Food Dinner. Please bring \$10
Youth are responsible for arranging their own rides.
Confused? Contact April.



Grade 7 - 9
1st & 3rd Friday
7 - 8:30 pm in St JPll Room
Next gathering: May 17

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.



Camp St. Martin registration is open.

Grade 9 - 12: August 5 - 10

Grade 7 - 8: August 11 - 16

Grade 4 - 6: August 18 - 21

Register [here](#)

Young Adults



Young Adults 18+
@ignitegrandepairie

Emmaus Night: Evangelization

Thursday, May 9, Liguori Hall

Adult Formation



FORMED - SAINT JOHN PAUL II - LUKAS STORYTELLER

Lukas, tired of seeing the same bored look on his friend's faces, decides to tell them a captivating story. Not just any story, but a tale of a young Karol Wojtyla, who would one day become Pope John Paul II! The kids wouldn't believe the adventures young Karol had, and how they would inspire them to create their own unforgettable day.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

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

Applications for the **CWL Frances Pronovost Scholarship** are being accepted until June 30. Please call Lorraine, 780-539-4766, for information.

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

All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the parish office for information. Looking for Fortrel fabric. Please contact the parish office.

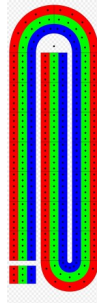
General Information

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially Adrian Trepanier
Toni McKenzie Rick Lafrance
Ruth Gardner Uta Neuwoehner
Marcos Mazorra, brother of Maria Mazorra
Pat Gauthier, mother of Donna Mostowy
Wilfred Wanihadie Tony Wanihadie
Pat Hunt Wanda Boucher
Donna Petiot, sister-in-law of Diane Walker
Josie Tuazon, sister of Tessie Foster
Darryl Palmer, father of Darlene Lemay
The deceased, especially Benjamin Alonzo
Louise Roy, mother of Claudette Davis
Alberto Rafol Amorin, cousin of Myrna Montojo

Due to Sacrament of Confirmation Masses, the CWL meeting has been moved to Wednesday, May 15.

Parish Games Night, Thursday, May 9, Tranquille Hall



5:30 pm: Supper - Chili & a bun, coleslaw & cookies. Gluten Free options available.

Sponsored by Ken & Linda Landry

7 pm: Games

You are welcome to come for one or both parts of the evening.

Cost by donation (to support the St. Lawrence Centre)

Event hosted by the Knights of Columbus

Grouard-McLennan Cursillo Movement Annual General Meeting, this Monday, May 6 at 7 pm, upstairs in Liguori Hall. There are positions open on the Secretariat that need to have filled. Please join us to hear about the past year and the future of our movement.

St. Joseph Parish Social Justice Committee is organizing a Prayer Vigil for World Peace.

Wednesday evening, after Mass at 7:45 - 8:45, on May 15, in the church. No cost to attend. Everyone is welcome.

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

Mass Intentions

May 6 - 11

✠ - Mass for someone deceased

SH - Mass at a senior's home

Mon. 6, 12:15 pm: ✠ Betty Lou Lynch Noonan

Tues. 7, 10:30 am (SH): ✠ Pinto Family

7 pm: ✠ Julieta Naive

Wed. 8, 12:15 pm: Theresa & Don Sutton

7 pm: William Mason

Thurs. 9, 7 pm: Sisters of the Holy Cross (Montreal)

Fri. 10, 10:30 am: ✠ John Alex Grant

12:15 pm: ✠ Rene Delage

Sat. 11, 9 am: Jill & Adam Gongas

Christian Meditation course to introduce interested newcomers to this form of prayer. Sundays until May 26, 3 - 4 pm in the chapel. 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. No charge. Email Mia, miklge@telus.net for more information.

School Board By-Election for Ward 1 (Beaverlodge, Grande Prairie, Sexsmith and the surrounding area)
Nominations are 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>

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.

Sunday Readings

Sixth Sunday of Easter: Love of Your Neighbour

Acts 10:25 - 26, 34 - 35, 44 - 48. Peter in Caesarea
1 John 4:7 - 10. God's love and ours
John 15:9 - 17. A disciple's love

Key Passage:

[Jesus said,] "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." *John 15:12*

Question: How is love of others connected to love for God?

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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