

FREE Tickets for the Ordination of Fr. Charles Duval, C.Ss.R: If you would like to attend the ordination please call the parish office.

Parking lot attendants needed for the Ordination Mass, on May 14. If you would like to help manage/direct traffic in our parking lot, please contact the parish office.

Discovery Youth Camps! Register now!

All camps will be held near Grande Prairie.

High School Week (gr. 9-12): August 4 - 9

Jr. High Week (gr. 7-8): August 10 - 15

Family Camp Weekend (all ages welcome):

August 15 - 17

Many volunteer opportunities.

For more information go to saintjoseph.ca/discovery

Children being confirmed this week will be presented to our church family at Mass this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.

Everyone is welcome to join us at the Confirmation Masses, May 5 & 6 as the children are being confirmed.

The Confirmation Masses are at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 5: The schools attending are St. Gerard, St. Kateri, Mother Teresa, Louis Riel Tuesday, May 6: The schools attending are Holy Cross, St. Catherine, St. Clement & St. Patrick & parish-based.

If your family is unable to attend the date of the celebration allocated for your school, you are welcome to attend the other celebration.

Please keep all our children receiving sacraments

this year, and their families, in your daily prayers.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Sunday, May 11: Mother's Day
following the 9 & 11 am Masses

in Tranquille Hall.

Pancakes, potatoes, sausages, fruit, and flowers for the moms after both masses

Gluten free available. \$10/person \$30/ family

Parish Games Night: Thursday, May 8, 6 - 8 pm Please note: No meal. Cookies, coffee & iced tea No charge/donations

Games for adults and children. Everyone is welcome!

Adoration for May will be on Friday, May 16, following 7 pm Mass. Join us for this sacred time to pray in the Real Presence of Jesus.

The Conclave to Elect our new Pope will begin on May 7. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will choose a courageous man for the Church and the world.

Parish Finances

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 finance@saintjoseph.ca

2024 Income Tax receipts are available from the office during office hours. Call to make other arrangements if you cannot pick them up.

2025 Donation envelopes - Available from the parish office during office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am - noon and 1:00 - 5:00 pm.

Donation options: Check our website

Sacraments

Jean-Marc ext. 228 sjc-sacrament@gpcsd.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Justyce Soriano and Calyx Dela Cruz to our faith family. We pray that their journey with our Lord be filled with great joy!

Parents are required to complete Baptism

preparation. For information call the parish office or check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/ There will not be any prep classes during the summer. The last session before summer will be in June.

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 230 sjc-family@gpcsd.ca

Check the bulletin board in the church for Family & Children events.



Grade 3 - 6 youth group 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 pm Next gathering: May 8

Moms' Group: Thursdays, 10 - 12 noon. Children welcome. Come as you are for faith, fun and fellowship. Next gathering: May 8



VBS 2025: Great Journey with Jesus through the Church Year

July 7 - 11.

We can't wait to see you! Call Kristen today if you want to be on team. Volunteers have more fun!

Liturgy of the Word with Children (Saturdays 7 pm, Sundays 9 & 11 am) All hands on deck! Men, women and youth, our community is growing quickly, and we all need to pray about how to help. Call Kristen if you don't already receive LWWC emails.

Year-Round Work Bees Thursday mornings 10 am - noon. Prep for VBS and other special events. Contact Kristen (you may also help prep outside of these workbee times).

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 stjoesyouthgp@gmail.com

Check out our programs for youth at saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth.



Grade 7 - 9: 1st & 3rd Fridays

7 - 8:30 pm, St JPII Room
EDGE Next gathering: May 16



Gr. 7 - 12: 1st & 3rd Saturday Next gathering: Sat, May 3 Begins with pizza at 5:30 in the parish office. Singers & musicians welcome!

HS (High School) Youth Group: Gr. 9 - 12, 8 - 10 pm Saturday, May 3, St JPII Room (following 7 pm Mass).

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

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Check their Facebook page for upcoming events.

Mass Intentions

May 5 - 10

SH - Mass at a Senior's Home

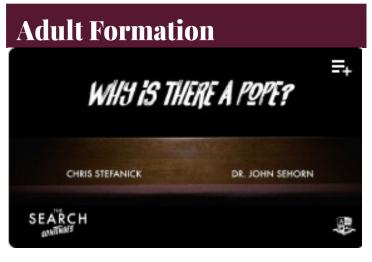
Mon. 5, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Lech Kwiatkowski Tues. 6, 10:30 am (SH): Tessie Foster

Wed. 7, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Lucy, Casey & Derrick Glodek

7 pm: ⊕ Joseph Vavrek

Thurs. 8, 7 pm: ⊕ Raymond Eherer Fri. 9, 10:30 am (SH): ⊕ Alex Grant 12:15 pm: ⊕ Lucas & Mabel Nunes

Sat. 10, 9 am: ⊕ Titus Nunes



FORMED: Why is there a Pope?

Did Jesus think of the pope? What is a pope? Dr. John Sehorn and Chris Stefanick hone in on the history of how the office of the pope came to be.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

COR: Men's group study - Forms & strengthens Catholic men in faith and virtue through prayer, formation & fraternity. For information contact Patdeluca9@gmail.com

Christian Meditation - Sundays at 3 pm in the chapel. All are welcome for this prayer of silence, stillness and simplicity. For information contact Mia, miklge@telus.net

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

Quilting Bee-Levers, Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the office for information.

May 3 - 11 Dates to Remember

Sat. 3: 9 am - 4 pm, Women's Retreat, church 5:30 pm, Youth Choir pizza & practice

8 - 10 pm, High School Youth Group, St JPII Room

Sun. 4: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Mon. 5: 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church

Tues. 6: 7 pm, Confirmation Mass, church

Wed. 7: 9:30 am, Women's Bible Study, St JPII Room

Thurs. 8: 6 pm, Games Night, Tranquille Hall

7 pm, SALT, St JPII Room

Sat. 10: Sun. 11: after 9 & 11 am Mass,

K of C Mother's Day Breakfast, Tranquille Hall

3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

General Information

Upcoming Renovation Projects: After 17 years in our "new" church we are at the point where updates are needed. This year we have two capital projects to complete - sidewalk repair in front of the bell tower and work in the interior of the church. Our hope is to complete both projects with as little disruption as possible. Your understanding is appreciated.

Know someone who can't come to Mass due to illness or infirmity? Our Communion Team takes the Blessed Sacrament to those who are homebound, in the hospital and senior's homes. Please call the parish office for details or to sign up.

Church Parking Many people are parking outside of designated parking spaces in our lot: on sidewalks, along curbs, blocking laneways/entrances/exits and parking behind cars, effectively preventing them from leaving. Only park in designated spaces and leave adequate space at the end of rows - at least 3 car widths for vehicles to turn corners. If there are no designated parking spaces available in our lot please park along the street (do not park in front of driveways). For your information: any damage to your vehicle from emergency vehicles, as a result of parking in non-designated areas, is your own responsibility.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: A Montessoribased international program for 3 & 4 year olds to grow in relationship with God. Saturdays from 10 -11:30 am, beginning in the Fall. For info and registration contact catechesisgp@gmail.com or saintjoseph.ca/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd/

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially McBlaise Neba

Renata Zarzycka Kendel Alstad Anderson

Tessie Foster Iyleene Joachim
Ivan Romkes Ben Didham
Femy Rouleau William Edgerton
Marilyn Lawless Chelsea & Casey Kent

Helen Hobley, sister of Alice Brick

The deceased, especially Dan Kingdon

Richard Lachance, brother of Lorraine Martin

3rd Annual Foundation for Life Charity Golf

Tournament, June 14 at Morningview Golf Club

Teams of 4. Tournament followed by dinner.

Registration fee: \$125 (Club Members \$100)

Dinner only: \$50 For information and to register go to

myfoundations.ca/events Registration closes June 5.

Questions? Email finance@myfoundations.ca

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith You have given us in Your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of Your Kingdom.

May Your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, Your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To You our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Sunday Readings

Third Sunday of Easter

Feed My Sheep

Acts 5:28 - 32, 40b - 41. Disciples' second trial before the Sanhedrin

Revelations 5:11 - 14. Praise to the Lamb John 21:1 - 19. Appearance at the Sea of Tiberias

Passage: When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

Question: In what ways are you answering Jesus' command to Peter to "feed my sheep"?

Child: What do you do to take care of others as Jesus asked Peter to do?

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Frequently Asked Questions

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

Sunday Masses

Saturday evening 7:00 pm Sunday morning 9:00 & 11:00 am

Daily Masses (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

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 call Jean-Marc, ext. 228 (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 Karen G, ext. 224, or email sjc-marriage@gpcsd.ca Interested in joining the church or completing Sacraments for adults? Contact Karen G, ext. 224, or email sjc-ocia@gpcsd.ca

Parish Pastoral Council: st.joes.ppc@gmail.com
Catholic Women's League: cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus: kofc3241gp@gmail.com

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

Religious Gift Shop/Library: After Saturday 7 pm & Sunday 9 & 11 am Masses

Information Centre in church New? Know of any newcomers/visitors to our parish? Questions/need information? On weekends see volunteers at the Centre.

Event Promotion: Fill in a Request to Promote form on our website saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/. Bulletin submissions due noon Wednesdays. Maximum poster size 8.5 X 11. All requests subject to approval.