

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 21, 2025

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fr. Ed is celebrating his 25th Year of Ordination!

We will be gathering to celebrate him after 11 am Mass, Sunday, Sept. 21, in Tranquille Hall. Join us for cake and refreshments.

Celebration of Retirement for Archbishop Pettipas, C.Ss.R. a drop-in Open House at the Chancery will be held on Sunday, Sept. 28 from 12:30 - 3 pm. Before the Open House he will celebrate Mass at 11 am here in our church.

Our Deanery Farewell to Archbishop Pettipas:

Tuesday, Sept. 30 at St. Rita's Parish in Valleyview. Mass: 4 pm Dinner: 5 pm. RSVP to the parish office, 780-532-2351, or church@saintjoseph.ca

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada is next weekend, September 27/28:

Support the Bishops of Canada in proclaiming the Good News. This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. *Please make cheques payable to St. Joseph Church.*

Parish Finances

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 finance@saintjoseph.ca

Donation options: Envelopes
Tap to Give! in the entrance to the church
PAP (Personally Approved Payments): monthly automatic withdrawal from your bank account
Credit Card: monthly donation
Online donation through our website
E-transfer: email to sjc.etransfer@gmail.com

September 20 - 28 Dates to Remember

Sat. 20: 9:30 am - noon, Jubilee of Choirs, Tranquille Hall
5:30 pm, Youth Choir, pizza & practice
8 - 10 pm, High School Youth Group, St JP11 Room
After 7 pm Mass, Coffee & Cookies, Tranquille Hall
Sun. 21: Following 11 am Mass, Fr. Ed's 25th Anniversary Celebration, Tranquille Hall
3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel
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 - 12 noon, Mom's Group, Tranquille Hall
Sun. 28: 11 am Mass, Archbishop Gerry presiding
3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel

We're hiring: Building Coordinator Needed!

We are seeking a dedicated and organized individual to serve as our Building Coordinator. This vital role ensures our facilities are well-maintained, safe and ready to support the many ministries and events that happen throughout the year.

Some responsibilities include overseeing building maintenance and repair, coordinating facility use and scheduling. We are looking for someone with a heart for service, strong organizational skills and a hands-on approach to problem-solving. Position is three quarter time with flexible hours. [Full job description](#) is available on the parish website and from the office. Resumes accepted until Sept 30, 2025 at 5 pm or until position is filled. Submit resume to Joanne at finance@saintjoseph.ca or to the parish office.

Jubilee of Health Care Workers (Feast of St. Luke):

Saturday, Oct. 18, beginning at 9:30 am in Tranquille Hall. For all health care workers, e.g. doctors, nurses, lab workers, EMS, mental health therapists, etc. Ending with lunch. RSVP to the parish office.

Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 sacraments@saintjoseph.ca

Sacrament Registration for Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation. Registration is available online, until **October 31, 2025**. To register go to saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/registration
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 2025/2026 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. For information contact Anastasia, ext. 228.

Baptism Jean-Marc ext. 229 baptism@saintjoseph.ca

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Evelyn Allen, John Lavis, Janzel Sumaoang, Eli Garcia and Restel Barcena to our family of faith. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with great joy.

Parents are required to complete Baptism preparation. For information call the parish office or check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/

Youth Ministry

April ext 232 youth@saintjoseph.ca

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



(Gr. 7-12) & HS Youth (gr. 9-12) – Sept. 20,
Join us for pizza at 5 pm, followed by choir at 7 pm
Mass. Join us after Mass for High School Youth Group
in the St JPII Room.

Jubilee of Choirs- Saturday, Sept. 20, 9:45 am- 12 pm
All youth who have been a part of our Youth Choir are
invited to join us for the Jubilee of Choirs event at the
church. Please RSVP with April.

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!

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext 230 family@saintjoseph.ca

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

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

Volunteer for Family and Children's Ministry. Come
to the display at the back of church before or after
Mass and learn about:

- Liturgy of the Word with Children (ages 4 - grade 3)
Time commitment flexible. Be enriched as you serve!
- Sharing and Learning Together (SALT) youth group
(grades 3 - 6) Older Youth/Adult volunteers needed.
Also, register your child!

Registration forms available on Family & Children's
bulletin board or email Kristen. Place in collection
basket, information center, or parish office.

These annual events are right around the corner: All
Saints Costume Party, Blessing Bags and Posada (The
Inn). Please tell Kristen if you plan to attend, so we
can decide which of these annual events we will run
this year.

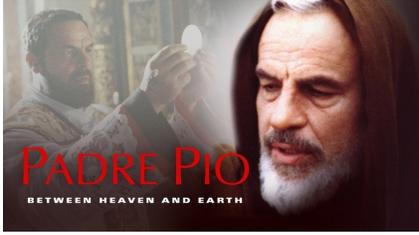
Catechesis of Good Shepherd, *New Program* starting
at the end of September. Now accepting ages 3, 4
& 5 year olds. 2 hours once/week (either Thursday or
Saturday mornings). Register on parish website
under [Ministries](#)

Mass Intentions

September 22 - 27

✠ -*Mass for someone deceased*
Mon. 22, 12:15 pm: ✠ Nunes & Pinto Family
Tues. 23, 7 pm: ✠ Peter Wiebe
Wed. 24, 12:15 pm: ✠ Kathleen Bulford
7 pm: ✠ Jules Loiselle
Thurs. 25, 7 pm: ✠ Henriette Jourbarne
Fri. 26, 12:15 pm: ✠ Joseph Vavrek
Sat. 27, 9 am: ✠ Raymond Eherer

General Information



FORMED: Padre Pro: Between Heaven and Earth

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-location, reading of souls, and the stigmatic wounds, Padre Pio was a powerful witness for Christ, and a great spiritual guide to countless souls for over fifty years.

Sign up for FORMED on our website: saintjoseph.ca

New Bible Study: Follow Me Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John. Begins Monday, Sep. 29, 7 pm in St. JP II Room. Register with 402guene@telus.net

Is the Lord stirring your heart to explore life in the Catholic Church? Individuals **16 years of age and older** who are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or a baptized Catholic but have not yet received all the sacraments are invited to discern and prepare for full communion through the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).**

Mentors on the OCIA journey are indispensable.

Active parishioners: Is God calling you as a sponsor/companion? Deepen your own faith as you help others discover the incredible love of our God.

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. JP II Room. All ladies welcome.

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.

Be Involved

God does not call us to be a Pew Potato! He calls us to service. We have many volunteer opportunities, during and outside of Mass. Call the parish office.

Screen Volunteers - Our Tech Ministry operates our projector screens at Sunday Mass. Tech savvy, or just eager to help, we would love to have you join the team. With enough volunteers the time commitment will be approximately once per month.

Help out at Mass in a small way - Offertory Gift Bearers bring the Bread & Wine to the altar. Families and individuals welcome. Contact the parish office.

A Wonderful Volunteer Opportunity! Take Holy Communion to those who are homebound, in the hospital and other care centers. For information, call the parish office.

Jubilee Year Mass & Celebration of Succession for the 6th Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan – Most Rev. Charles Duval, C.Ss.R. Saturday, Oct. 4, 2:30 pm at St. John the Baptist Cathedral, McLennan. This celebration will honour the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year, commemorate the 78th anniversary of the dedication of our cathedral, and offer a farewell to Archbishop Gerard Pettipas, C. Ss.R. Dinner and entertainment to follow at Centre Chevaliers (The Pink Elephant) in Falher at 5 pm. Information at archgm.ca/succession Everyone is invited to attend.

Young Adults

@ignitegrandeprairie or [StJoesYoungAdults](https://www.facebook.com/StJoesYoungAdults)



Young Adults 18+

Check their Facebook page.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Leah Sietsma

Colleen Cooke

Bill Petrie

Jane Haley

Alice Brick

Ivan Romkes

Robert Major

Shirley Gorman

The deceased, especially

Tessie Foster

Ava Salvador

Foundations for Life Fall Banquet, Nov. 1, 5 pm at Grande Prairie Holiday & Suites - Supper, program, live and silent auction. \$60/ticket or \$420/table of 8 Questions? Email office@myfoundations.ca or www.myfoundations.ca/events for information or to purchase tickets.

The Salvation Army Food Bank is very low on supplies. *Items needed:* Canned - soup/meat/vegetables/tomatoes/fruit, tomato sauce, beans, Kraft dinner, 1L juice, pasta, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, baking goods, rice, cookies, crackers, kids snacks/juice boxes, peanut butter/jam, condiments, jello/pudding, etc. Place food donations in the creche in the entrance to our church, or drop them at the Food Bank, 9615 102 St.

Our Emergency Food Service, Samaritan's Basket, also provides bag lunches. If you are interested in occasionally donating supplies, call the parish office. These lunches contain specific items, so please do not drop off a donation without first calling. In addition for this ministry, *gift cards for grocery stores and toiletry items* for both men & women are appreciated. (Travel and regular sizes: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste & toothbrushes, etc.)

Sunday Readings

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THE FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN

Amos 8:4 - 7. Against greed

1 Timothy 21: 1 - 8. Conduct of men and women

Luke 16:1 - 13. The dishonest steward

Key passage: Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. *Luke 16:10*

Question: Can cheating and deception ever be justified?

Child: If someone treats you unfairly, do you have the right to do the same to them?

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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:

Check 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 adultsacraments@saintjoseph.ca

Interested in joining the church or completing Sacraments for adults? Contact Karen G, ext. 224, or email adultsacraments@saintjoseph.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: Check after weekend Mass.

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.