

All Souls Day  
November 2, 2025

# Bulletin

## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



### Remembering the Faithful Departed Mass

**Tuesday, November 4, 7:00 pm**

If you have loved ones who have died in past years, this Mass is a way to remember and pray for them. All are welcome.

**Archbishop's Dinner, Friday, Nov. 28, 6:30 pm in Tranquille Hall. Hosted by Deanery 3.** Tickets are \$35/person, available at the parish office. Archbishop Charles Duval, CSsR, will speak on the theme "Called to Serve, Anointed to Lead". Raffles, and silent and live auctions. If you, your group or business, would like to donate for the auction, please contact Joanne at the parish office or email [finance@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:finance@saintjoseph.ca)

**Volunteers needed!** Help needed in the kitchen for the dinner.

**Do you love to bake?** We are looking for donations of dessert for the dessert auction.

**Canadian Missions Collection is next weekend, November 8/9.** Mission activity was the first action of the Apostles. When Canada began, French missionaries accompanying explorers continued that action in North America. Four hundred years later, some areas have yet to be fully established. Our Canadian missionaries and the Catholics they serve need our prayers and support. *Please make cheques payable to St. Joseph church.*

**Catholics Returning Home** You Are Called! You Matter! You Belong! This six week program will begin on Thursday, Nov. 6, after the 7 pm Mass in the Grouard Room. This is an opportunity for non-practicing Catholics, and those who are practicing but would like a "refresher" course, to learn about the Church. Bring a friend. Register at the parish office or just come on the first night!

### November 1 - 9 Dates to Remember

**Sat. 1:** 2 - 4 pm, All Saints Costume Party, Tranquille Hall  
5:30 pm, Youth choir pizza & practice  
8 pm, Youth Group Mystery Party, St JP II Room  
**Sun. 2:** 3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel  
**Mon. 3:** 9 am - 3 pm: Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall  
**Tues. 4:** 7 pm, Faithful Departed Mass, church  
**Wed. 5:** 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room  
**Thurs. 6:** 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group, Tranquille Hall  
7:30 pm, Catholics Returning Home, Grouard Room  
**Sun. 9:** 3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel

**Book of Remembrance** It is a long standing tradition in the church to remember the deceased in a special way during the month of November. Our Book of Remembrance will be on a table near the entrance to the church for the entire month. You are welcome to inscribe in it the names of your deceased loved ones.

**Blessing Bags,** Annual service project for St. Lawrence Centre - Saturday, Nov. 15



**You can help! We are collecting** warm mittens & socks, gloves, scarves, toques, hand warmers and candy. Place in donation bins in the entrance to the church, or bring them to the parish office labelled "Blessing Bags" *Donation deadline: Nov. 14*

**Children & Youth, grades 3 - 12, and their families** join us at 4:30 pm, November 15, in the St JP II Room, to assemble **Blessing Bags**. Pizza supper to follow.

**25 Sunday Missals & Children's Missals** are available in the entrance to the church.

## Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 [sacraments@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:sacraments@saintjoseph.ca)

### Parents of School-age Children receiving Sacraments this year (Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation)

Please attend a parent information meeting, Wednesday, Nov. 19, 7 pm in Tranquille Hall. We will be discussing your role in preparing your child for sacraments as well as important dates. Any questions or concerns contact Anastasia, ext. 228.

**Baptism** Jean-Marc ext. 229 [baptism@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:baptism@saintjoseph.ca)

**This weekend, through the waters of baptism, we welcome** Liliias McIlroy, Yelena Garabiles, Atheena Juarez and Elliot, Brooklyn & Myles Tomlinson 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/](http://saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/)

## Youth Ministry

April ext .232 [youth@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:youth@saintjoseph.ca)

Check out our programs for youth at [saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth](http://saintjoseph.ca/ministries/youth).



(Gr. 7 - 12) – Saturday, Nov. 1.  
Pizza at 5:30 pm, followed by  
choir at 7 pm Mass.

Join us after Mass in SJPII Room for our annual **Mystery Party**. This year's theme: Masquerade. Please bring a snack to share.

Saturday, Nov. 15, **Assembling Blessing Bags** at 4:30 pm in St. JPII Room. Families are encouraged to join us as well and enjoy a pizza supper afterwards. Youth Grade 7 - 12, join us in the choir at 7 pm Mass.

### Ministry Fair, November 29/30

This will be an opportunity for the ministries to recruit volunteers after the weekend Masses. Tables will be set up in Tranquille Hall and there will be refreshments available. If you would like to have a table at the Ministry Fair, please call the parish office before Wednesday, November 26.

## Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext. 230 [family@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:family@saintjoseph.ca)

*These ministries rely on many volunteers. Time commitment can be as little as 5 - 10 minutes, a few times per year. Speak to Kristen if interested. We are grateful for any and all help.*

### Liturgy of the Word with Children (ages 4 - grade 3)

7 pm Saturday and Sunday 9 & 11 am Mass.

Older kids, youth & adult volunteers needed

**Mom's Group** - Thursdays 10 am-12 noon.

Women and children welcome! Play, visit and pray!

**Children's Bookshelf** - Prayerful books to help your little ones encounter God's love during Mass.

**Work Bees:** Thursdays 10 am - 12 noon (RSVP Kristen if you plan to come!)

**Assembling Blessing Bags, Nov. 15, 4:30 pm**, St. JPII Room. Families join us for this service project with pizza supper to follow.

### Join us for these Family Friendly Events:

November 1, 2 - 4 pm, All Saints Costume Party

November 15, 2 - 4 pm, Vacation Bible School Parent & Volunteer Planning Session

November 15, 4:30 pm, Blessing Bags Service Project

November 29, 2 - 4 pm, Piñata Decorating Workshop

**Catechesis of Good Shepherd**, for children 3, 4 & 5 years old. CGS is a Montessori-based international program for children to grow in relationship with God. Register on parish website under [Ministries](#).

## Young Adults

@ignitegrandepairie or [StJoesYoungAdults](#)



**Bible & Beer, Thursday, Nov. 6, 7:45 pm**, at Mr. Mike's Steakhouse. An opportunity to meet to grow in faith and Catholic community.

## General Information



**FORMED: Eternal Rest** - We all have very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? Explore the mystery of death, dying, and everlasting life through Eternal Rest, a new offering of the Augustine Institute.

**Sign up for FORMED on our website:** [saintjoseph.ca](http://saintjoseph.ca)

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

**CWL Christmas Tea & Bake Sale**, Saturday, Nov. 15, Tranquille Hall, 2 - 4 pm. \$5/person  
Special Guest: Saint Nicholas  
Donations of baking would be appreciated. Bring your contribution between 6 & 8 pm Friday, Nov 14, or Saturday, Nov. 15, from 9 - 11 am.

**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.

**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](mailto:miklge@telus.net)



**This Sunday**, November 2, at 2:00 am turn your clocks back one hour to be sure to get that extra hour of sleep!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**The sick, especially** Imarie Cabance  
Ben Didham Bernardita Aguiador  
Doreen Brown Jane Haley  
Ivan Romkes Robert Major  
**The deceased, especially** Jim Smith  
Marie Zabloudilova, grandmother of Lily Killian

## Be Involved

*Call the parish office if you are interested in any of these opportunities.*

**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.

**Adults needed to assist in parish-based classes.** (*All our programs involving children require 2 screened adults to be present.*) Share & grow in your faith and help children to grow in theirs. Ask for Anastasia, ext. 228.

**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. Time commitment will be approximately once per month. Email [mcibach@telus.net](mailto:mcibach@telus.net)

**Gift Shop volunteers** - Help people with purchases after 7 pm Saturday Mass & Sunday 9 & 11 am Mass.

**Offertory Gift Bearers** bring the Bread & Wine to the altar during Mass. Families and individuals welcome.

**Occasionally provide bag lunch supplies** for our emergency food service. These lunches contain specific items, so please do not drop off a donation without calling first.

**Holy Communion to the Sick** - Take Holy Communion to those who are homebound, in the hospital and other care centers.

## Mass Intentions

November 3 - 8

✠ -Mass for someone deceased  
SH - Mass at a Senior's Home  
Mon. 3, 12:15 pm: ✠ Richard Moon  
Tues. 4, 10:30 am (SH) ✠ Warren Pinto  
7 pm: Colleen Cooke  
Wed. 5, 12:15 pm: ✠ Johnny Kasprow  
7 pm, ✠ Nestor Mostowy  
Thurs. 6, 7 pm: Kevin Moeller  
Fri. 7, 10:30 am (SH): ✠ Germaine Fortin  
12:15 pm: ✠ Pinto & Nunes family  
7 pm: ✠ Sandra Van Schaick  
Sat. 8, 9 am: ✠ Mavis Anderson

## Parish Finances

Joanne Chiasson Ext. 227 [finance@saintjoseph.ca](mailto: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](mailto:sjc.etransfer@gmail.com)

**Our Emergency Food Service, Samaritan's Basket,** gratefully accepts gift cards for grocery stores and toiletry items for both men & women. (Travel and regular sizes: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste & toothbrushes, etc.)

**Annual Fall Supper Fundraiser,** Sexsmith Immaculate Conception Church, Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Civic Center in Sexsmith. Good food, fellowship, silent auction, pie sale and more! All proceeds to support the Sexsmith parish and needed maintenance in their church. Doors open - 4:30 pm Dinner - 5:30 pm. \$25/person \$65/family \$15 for children 13 & under Pay at the door. See poster on bulletin board outside office.

## Sunday Readings

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### ETERNAL LIFE

**Wisdom 3:1 - 9.** Grace and mercy on God's holy ones  
**Rev. 21:1 - 5a, 6b - 7.** The Alpha and the Omega  
**Luke 7:11 - 17.** Jesus raises a widow's son

**Key passage:** "He will dwell with them as their God; they will be His peoples, and God himself will be with them. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more..." *Revelations 3b - 4*

**Question:** How do these readings invite us to trust in God's promise of life beyond death?

**Child:** How do you feel the love of Jesus when you are sad?

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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/](http://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](mailto:adultsacraments@saintjoseph.ca)  
**Interested in joining the church or completing Sacraments for adults?** Contact Karen G, ext. 224, or email [adultsacraments@saintjoseph.ca](mailto:adultsacraments@saintjoseph.ca)

**Parish Pastoral Council:** [st.joes.ppc@gmail.com](mailto:st.joes.ppc@gmail.com)

**Catholic Women's League:** [cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjosephgp@gmail.com)

**Knights of Columbus:** [kofc3241gp@gmail.com](mailto:kofc3241gp@gmail.com)

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Confidentiality assured. [stjosephprayers@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephprayers@gmail.com), or call the parish office

**Religious Gift Shop/Library:** Available 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/](http://saintjoseph.ca/contact/promote/). Bulletin submissions due noon Wednesdays. Maximum poster size 8.5 X 11. All requests subject to approval.