

Our New Archbishop can be bought! Find out how at the Archbishop's Dinner, Friday, Nov. 28, 6:30 pm in Tranquille Hall. Tickets: \$35/person, available at the parish office. Hosted by Deanery 3. Archbishop Charles Duval, CSsR, will speak on the theme "Called to Serve, Anointed to Lead". Raffles, 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

Ticket deadline: Friday, November 21

finance@saintjoseph.ca

Kitchen Volunteers needed! To serve and clean up.

Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, Nov. 16, after the 9 & 11 am Masses.
\$10/person \$30/family
Gluten-free available

Collection for Catholic Family Services this weekend, November 15/16. Make cheques payable

to "Catholic Family Services". This collection is sent directly to Catholic Family Services. Please put your name and address on the envelope as your income tax receipt will come from them.

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

November 16 - 23 Dates to Remember

Sun. 16: after 9 & 11 am Mass, Pancake Breakfast,

Tranquille Hall

After 9 am Mass, Social Justice Walk, office lobby 3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel

Mon. 17: 9 am - 3 pm: Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Hall

Tues. 18: 7:45 pm, Ignite, St. JPII Room

Wed. 19: 7:30 pm, Parent Sacrament Info Meeting,

Tranquille Hall

Thurs. 20: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group,

Tranquille Hall

7 pm, Mass followed by Prayers for Healing, church 7:30 pm, Catholics Returning Home, Grouard Room

Fri. 21: 7 pm, Ultreya, St. JPII Room

Sun. 23: 10 am, Sandwich Sunday, Tranquille Hall 3 pm, Christian meditation, chapel

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

Prayers for Healing, Thursday, Nov. 20, after 7 pm Mass in church. The Prayer Team prays for all types of healing: mental, physical, emotional, spiritual and even for someone not present through a proxy. Attend Mass and stay for prayer!

Sandwich Sunday (St. Lawrence Centre), Nov. 23,



after 9 am Mass. Sign up this weekend to bring sandwich supplies for next weekend. Please consider helping to assemble sandwiches.

Available in the church:

- 2025/2026 Sunday Missals \$4.50
- Children's Sunday Missals \$8.00
- Advent material \$3.50

Be sure to pick yours up.

Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 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

This weekend, through the waters of baptism, we welcome Clint Garzon, Gracelyn Kieffer, Kai Cailles, Jack & Molly Sherback, Nicholas & Lily Mbanefo and Amaia Carrillo into our family of faith. We pray that our 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) – 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.

Mass Intentions

November 17 - 22

 $\boldsymbol{\vartheta}$ -Mass for someone deceased

SH - Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon. 17, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Titus Nunes Tues. 18, 7 pm: Jill & Adam Gongos Wed. 19, 12:15 pm: ⊕ Alice Caspar

7 pm, Doug Heitrich

12:15 pm: Myla Lieskovsky

Sat. 22, 9 am: Kevin, Chelsey & Blake Bradley

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext. 230 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 15, 2 - 4 pm, Vacation Bible School Parent & Volunteer Planning Session

Catechesis of the 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

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoungAdults





Emaus Night, Tuesday, Nov. 18, 7:45 pm, St JPII Room Join us for peer-led reflection on Catholic topics.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially
Ivan Romkes, Jr.
Terry Ward
Denise Kohlman
Ivan Romkes

Emma Wilson
Ray Grenier
Ben Didham
Jane Haley
Robert Major

The deceased, especially

Dorren Brown Bernardita Aguibiador

Colin Fraser, father of Thomas Fraser

General Information



FORMED: St. Elizabeth of Hungary: Littlest Saints - A group of kids stage a play about St. Elizabeth of Hungary, focusing on her love for the poor and her devotion to serving others. The episode highlights her life, including the Miracle of the Roses, where her hidden acts of charity are revealed.

Sign up for FORMED at: saintjoseph.ca

Ladies Bible Study, Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11 am, St. JPII 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.

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

Celebrating Joyce Halwa's 90th Birthday! Join her family at their Open House on Nov 16 - 1:30 pm 63065 TWP RD 722. Call Arlene, 250-895-1521 for info.

Ministry Fair, November 29/30

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

Religious Gift Shop - Advent Candles now available. Open after Saturday 7 pm and Sunday 9 & 11 am Mass.

St. Joseph Social Justice Walk, Sunday, Nov. 16 after 9 am Mass. Gather in the lobby outside the church office. Let's walk in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the countries of the Global South to raise awareness and reflect on the debt crises they face. Join us for a short reflective walk in the park with prayer. Contact Tim, timothymacdonald@gmail.com or visit devp.org/walk for information.

Ultreya, Friday, Nov. 21, 7 pm A short time of prayer, faith sharing and support.

Speaker: Walter Chledowski

Make new friends (and bring some old). Everyone is

welcome.

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.

<u>Adults needed</u> to assist in parish-based classes. (All programs involving children require 2 screened adults to be present.) Share & grow in your faith, and help children to grow in theirs. Call 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

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.

Join the Redemptorists of Canada each Sunday in Advent for a video series of prayer and reflection to renew our hearts with hope as we await Christ's coming. Begins November 30 on Redemptorist TV and the Redemptorist social media pages.

We remember our deceased in a special way in November. Our Book of Remembrance is on a table near the church entrance. You are welcome to write your deceased loved ones names in it.

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.)

The Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan is hiring a Building and Property Specialist. 40 hours/week, including some evenings and weekends. Full job description at archqm.ca/job-opportunities Submit cover letter and resume to jobs.agm@outlook.com or mail to Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan, 10301 102 St, Grande Prairie AB T8V 2W2.

Sunday Readings

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Overcoming Difficulties

Malachi 4:1 - 2. Messenger of the covenant 2 Thess. 3:7 - 12. Qualifications of various ministers Luke 21:5 - 19. The cataclysm to come

Key passage: [Jesus said,] "You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Luke 21;17 - 19

Question: When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?

Child: Have you ever worried about something that might happen? What can help you worry less?

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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: 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/. Bulletin submissions due noon Wednesdays. Maximum poster size 8.5 X 11. All requests subject to approval.