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September 20, 2026
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

CWL's Women, Wine & the Word



September 25, 7 - 9:30 pm. Age 18+
Doors open at 6:30 pm. \$35/person
Speaker: April Fogle

An inspiring evening of prayer, music, fellowship, raffles, catered charcuterie, refreshments and, of course, wine! (Non-alcoholic options available.) Tickets are available on Eventbrite (click on QR code) and in the back of the church.

Ticket deadline: September 21

Proceeds will support Grandparents Raising Grandchildren organization.



Monday, Sept. 21: There is a planned power outage affecting our church building, from 10:30 am - 3 pm. The office phones rely on power, therefore, if you call between these hours we may not answer. Weekday Mass will go ahead but the sound system may not be working and there will be no lights in the bathrooms.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada is next weekend, September 26/27:

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.*

September 19 - 27 Dates to Remember

Sat. 19: 5:30 pm, Youth Choir, pizza & practice

8 - 10 pm, High School Youth Group, St JP II Room

Sun. 20: after 9 & 11 am Mass, K of C Breakfast,
Tranquille Hall

Wed. 23: 9:30 - 11 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St JP II Room

Thurs. 24: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group

Fri. 25: 6:30 pm, Women, Wine & the Word,
Tranquille Hall

Sat. 26: 9 am - noon, Remembering Cursillo,
Tranquille Hall

Sun. 27: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

CWL is hosting a November Cash Calendar Raffle!

16 chances to win your share of \$6000. Calendars are \$50 each or 3 for \$125. Buy from a CWL member or at the Parish Office. Deadline: October 25 or until sold out. Proceeds support many organizations in our community! Get yours today!

Do you want to learn more and grow in your faith life, while mentoring others as they become Catholic? Consider joining our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Contact Karen G at the parish office.

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

Youth Ministry

April ext. 232 youth@saintjoseph.ca

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



Gr. 7 - 12

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month

Next gathering: **September 19**

5:30 pm, Pizza 6 pm, Choir practice,
Youth Group to follow 7 pm Mass in SJPII Room.

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

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



Sharing and Learning Together

Grades 3 - 6, 7 - 8 pm

2nd and 4th Thursdays/Month

St JPPII Room

Next Gathering: Thursday, September 24th

Registration Open!

<https://www.saintjoseph.ca/ministries/family/salt-registration-form/>

Can't wait to see you there!



PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Fr. Joseph Horo, C.Ss.R.

Wilfred Wanihadie

Joan Brinton, mother of Debbie Marin

Logan Russell, grandson of Connie Masse

Ava Duremdes-Echevarre, niece of Mae Duremdes

Marc Echevarre, nephew of Mae Duremdes

The deceased, especially

John Clarke

Sienke Kingma, sister of Sylvia Romkes

Denise Kruchten

Calvin Forsberg

Gail Cameron

Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 sacraments@saintjoseph.ca

Sacrament Registration is now Open!

Register your child for **Reconciliation,**

Eucharist or Confirmation to continue their faith journey in the Catholic Church.

Register online, until **October 31, 2025** at

<https://www.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 2026/2027 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

Noah Paradis-Roulston, Jia Serrano, Aaron Crowel, Mirra Petero and Paul & Daniella Cracknell into our faith family. We pray that their journey with our Lord is filled with joy.

Parents are required to complete Baptism

preparation. For information call the parish office or check saintjoseph.ca/sacraments/baptism/

The next preparation class will be in October.



For children 3, 4 & 5 years old. Thursday or Saturday mornings. *Resuming October 29.*

CGS is a Montessori-based international program for children to grow in relationship with God. Questions? Check our website under [Ministries](#) or email Marie at catechesisgp@gmail.com

Young Adults

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoungAdults



Young Adults 18+

Check their Facebook page for coming events

General Information



FORMED:

Padre Pio - Miracle Man

This movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion and deep

spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church.

Sign up for FORMED: saintjoseph.ca

Rosary Rally 2026 Together, thousands of Catholics across Canada will gather as one body to bring Our Lady of Fatima's message of hope, with emphasis on the Rosary. Join us Saturday, Oct. 10, 11:45 am outside the Church to profess our faith and ask for the intercession of our Holy Mother to bring unity and peace to our beautiful country and the world.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

November 6 - 8, 2026, Providence Centre, Edmonton. A weekend to help you connected more deeply and give you skills to last a lifetime. This weekend has a private format and is suited for couples of all ages. See website for info or to register: WWW.EAME.CA Early bird registration savings before September 27!

Know someone who can't come to Mass due to illness or infirmity? Our Communion Team takes the Eucharist to those who are homebound, in the hospital and senior's homes. Call the parish office.

Mass Intentions

September 21 - 26

✠ -Mass for someone deceased

(SH) Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon 21, 12:15 pm: ✠ Angela Wiebe

Tues. 22, 7 pm: ✠ Frank Blaszcak

Wed. 23, 12:15 pm: Carrie & Doug Heitrich

7 pm: ✠ Lou Martin

Thurs. 24, 7 pm: ✠ Oliver Pinto

Fri. 25, 12:15 pm: ✠ Nunes & Pinto Family

Sat. 26, 9 am: ✠ Margaret Martin

Expanded Gift Shop Re-opening Late September!

Building on the wonderful selection already available, there will be new merchandise options added throughout the year. We invite you to stop by, browse and support this valued parish ministry.



K of C Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, Sept. 20, following 9 & 11 am

Mass in Tranquille Hall.

Gluten free available.

\$10/person \$30/family

Remembering Cursillo - A mini retreat for all who have previously attended a Cursillo weekend.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 9 am - noon, Tranquille Hall.

We will begin with Mass at 9 am in the church and then continue in the hall. Join us for a morning of reflection and sharing. Sign up to attend on the [Grouard McLennan Cursillo Movement](#) Facebook page. Please bring a snack to share.

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

Simple Acts of Service

Call the parish office for these, and more, volunteer opportunities.

Information Center Volunteers Needed: Especially after 11 am Mass. Welcome newcomers and help parishioners find answers to questions. Common information is supplied at the Centre.

Screen Volunteers - Operate our projector screens at Sunday Mass. No experience necessary. Training provided. For information email mcibach@telus.net

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.

Peace Retreats is offering the **Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola**: an eight-month journey of daily prayer, reflection, and spiritual direction, either in-person or on Zoom. If you would like to deepen your prayer life, attend an information session during the third week of September. (Check poster on the bulletin board in the church.) The Exercises begin October 1. Register at peaceretreatsgp@gmail.com
Exercises registration deadline: September 20

Foundations for Life - Fall Banquet

Saturday, October 3, 5 pm at Holiday Inn
Live and Silent Auction, fun and fellowship.
Supporting a positive approach to life issues through education. Tickets \$75 each available on line at myfoundations.ca or contact office@myfoundations.ca

Parking Enforcement Update: Violations will now be ticketed. Please be respectful of the new markings indicating no parking areas and new handicap spaces. These changes are intended to improve safety, access and compliance. Law Enforcement will be issuing tickets to anyone parked in non-parking areas.
Note: You must have a handicap parking pass in order to park in a handicap parking space.
We appreciate your cooperation.

Sunday Readings

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God's Generosity

Isaiah 55:6 - 9. Seeking the Lord
Philippians 1:20 - 24, 27. Spreading the Gospel
Matthew 20:1 - 16. The labourers in the vineyard

Key passage: [The landowner said] "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" *Matthew 20:14 - 15.*

Question: Which has deepened your faith more - being treated justly or being treated with love and care? Who needs you to treat them with care this week?

Child: Think of a time when you were very fair, then think of a time when you were very generous. Which felt better?

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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 20)

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:15 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am

Senior's Home Masses at 10:30 am:

1st Tuesday - The Gardens 1st Friday - Heritage Lodge
2nd Friday - Wild Rose Manor 3rd Friday - Prairie Lakes

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: Closed until September.

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.