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OF
GOD

September 27, 2026
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Parish Office Closed: Wednesday, September 30
for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.**

Weekday Mass is at 9:00 am.



Mass & Adoration

Friday, October 3, 7 - 8:45 pm

Join us for this sacred time to pray in the
Real Presence of Jesus.

Mass: 7 pm, followed by Adoration

**The Collection for the Needs of the Church in
Canada is this 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.*

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/](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.

September 26 - October 4 Dates to Remember

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

Sun. 27: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Wed. 30: National Truth & Reconciliation Day
9 am, Weekday Mass

Thurs. 1: 10 am - 12 noon, Mom's Group

Fri. 2: 7 pm, Mass followed by Adoration, church

Sat. 3: 5:30 pm, Youth Choir, pizza & practice
8 - 10 pm, High School Youth Group, St JP II Room

Sun. 4: 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: **October 3**

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, October 22

Registration Open! Can't wait to see you there.

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Denise Kruchten

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

Darryl Howrish

Fr. Joseph Horo, C.Ss.R.

Gail Cameron

Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 sacraments@saintjoseph.ca

Parents information night regarding the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation:

Tuesday, November 24, 7 pm in Tranquille Hall. Please come to learn more about preparing your child to receive their sacraments.

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

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.



Catechesis of
the Good Shepherd
Association of Canada

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



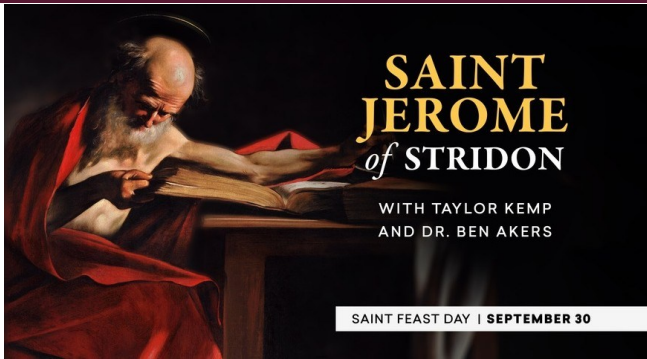
Young Adults 18+

Check their Facebook page for coming events

Faith Spark: *Read a Single Verse* - Pick one Bible verse, read it three times slowly, and reflect on it throughout your day.

Did You Know: The creche at the entrance to the church is for donations for the Salvation Army Food Bank. A group of parishioners come each week to take the donations over to the Food Bank. Bring your food donations to Sunday and contribute to food security for families who need help.

General Information



FORMED: St. Jerome - Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators and archivists. He famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

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!

Mass Intentions

September 28 - Oct 3

✠ -Mass for someone deceased

(SH) Mass at a Senior's Home

Mon 28, 12:15 pm: ✠ Abandoned & forgotten souls

Tues. 29, 7 pm: ✠ Lou Martin

Wed. 30, 9 am: Jerome Bowen / ✠ Steve Douglas

Thurs. 1, 7 pm: ✠ Jean Driver

Fri. 2, 10:30 am: ✠ Thomas Bourgou

12:15 pm: ✠ Pinto & Nunes families

7 pm: ✠ Fr. Albert Sterzer, C.Ss.R.

Sat. 3, 9 am: ✠ Shirley Gorman

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.

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.

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.

The Archdiocese monthly newsletter can be found on the literature rack at the entrance to the church.

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.

St. Paul's United Church Fall Tea, Craft & Bake Sale,
Saturday, October 24, 2 – 4:30 p.m. 10206 100 Ave
Contact their church office, 780-532-2415, for info.

SCENT & "SCENSITIVITY"

There are a growing number of people who are sensitive, or allergic, to the scents that make the rest of us feel so good. In an effort to accommodate all of our parish family, please consider cutting back on the amount of scented products that you wear to church, or refrain from wearing any at all.

Sunday Readings

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The Challenge to Forgive

Ezekiel 18:25 - 28. Personal responsibility

Philippians 2:1 - 11. Imitating Christ's humility

Matthew 21:28 - 32. Parable of the two sons

Key passage: A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I am going, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father? They said, "The first."

Matthew 21:28 - 31

Question: When have your actions not measured up to up to your promises? What was the outcome?

Child: Why is it important to keep++` your promises to others?

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.