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November 15, 2026
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Chapel Accessibility Meeting
Monday, Nov. 30, 7 pm, upstairs in Liguori Hall
If you are interested in having access to the chapel in addition to the times it is currently available, please join Fr. Bernard and Fr. Thomas at this meeting.

Advent Material available in the back of the church
$4/item. Be sure to pick yours up.

2026/2027 Sunday Missals will be here soon. When they are available, they will be placed in the back of the church.

Prayers for Healing, Thursday, Sept. 19, 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!



K of C Breakfast
Sunday, Nov. 22
after the 9 & 11 am Masses.
$10/person $30/family
Gluten-free available.

The Collection for Catholic Family Services is this weekend, November 14/15. 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.

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.)

November 14 - 22 Dates to Remember

Sat. 14: 2 pm, CWL Bake Sale & Tea, Tranquille Hall
Sun. 15: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel
Mon. 16: 9 am – 3 pm, Quilting Bee-Levers, Liguori Room
Tues. 17: 7 pm, Horizons of Hope, St JPII Room
Wed. 18: 9:30 am, Ladies' Bible Study, St. JPII Room
Thurs. 19: 7 pm, Mass followed by Prayers for Healing, church
7:30 pm, Catholics Returning Home, Grouard Room
Sat. 21: 5:30 pm, Youth Choir, pizza & practice
8 pm, High School Youth Group, St JPII Room
Sun. 22: 3 pm, Christian Meditation, chapel

Warm Winter Woolies Collection*during Advent.*
Warm winter wear is especially needed in our community. Please drop donations of new socks, mitts, gloves, toques & scarves in the collection bin at the entrance to the church. *(We do not accept clothing.)* Any cash donations will be used to purchase more socks, mitts etc. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Finances

Joanne 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

Sacraments

Anastasia ext. 228 sacraments@saintjoseph.ca

Sacrament Registration is Still Open!
Register your child for Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation to continue their faith journey in the Catholic Church. On-line registration is still open: 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.

Parent 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

Through the waters of baptism we welcome Zavier Anselmo, Archer Sigouin and Aizen Gurango to our family of faith. We pray 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/

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, especially

Mike Ratvay	Kevin Bradley
Rene Dumas	Jessica Koebel
Ivan Romkes	Diane Wold
Raymond Tremblay	April Fogle
Darryl Howrish	Fr. Joseph Horo, C.Ss.R.
Denise Kruchten	Wilfred Wanihadie

Claire Garant, mother of Jocelyn Chabot
Logan Russell, grandson of Connie Masse

Family & Children Ministry

Kristen ext. 230 family@saintjoseph.ca

Moms' Group: Call the office for information.

Sharing & Learning Together Grade 3 - 6, 7 - 8 pm
2nd and 4th Thursdays/Month
St JPII Room
Next Gathering:*November 26*
Registration Open!
Can't wait to see you there.
https://www.saintjoseph.ca/ministries/family/salt-registration-form/

Youth Ministry

April ext. 232 youth@saintjoseph.ca

Gr. 7 -12
1st & 3rd Saturday of the month
Next gathering: November 21
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!

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada

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

@ignitegrandeprairie or StJoesYoung Adults

Young Adults 18+
Check their Facebook page for current events.

General Information

FORMED: How to Advent - Episode 3
The often-forgotten Jesse tree reminds us of God's faithful fulfillment of all His promises (of which there are so many throughout all of salvation history!) In Christ, He keeps every promise He has made, from Adam & Eve to John the Baptist. His promises of peace and salvation apply not just to ancient Israel, but to all of us today. Join us in learning about this hidden gem of Advent tradition and how it can help you and your family walk through Advent in the light of Sacred Scripture.
Sign up for FORMED: saintjoseph.ca

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 is on a table near the entrance of the church for the entire month. You are welcome to inscribe in it the names of your deceased loved ones.

CWL Fall Bake Sale & Tea, Saturday, Nov. 14, 2 - 4 pm in Tranquille Hall. Raffles, door prizes, baking and local handmade crafts for sale. Drop off baking on Saturday after 9 am Mass until noon.
Special guest: St. Nicholas.
Adults $10, Children and Seniors $5.

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

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.

Mass Intentions

November 16 - 21

✞- Mass for someone deceased
SH - Mass at a Senior's Home
Mon 16, 12:15 pm: ✞ Titus Nunes
Tues. 17, 7 pm: ✞ Lou Martin
Wed. 18, 12:15 pm: Carrie Heitrich
Thurs. 19, 7 pm: ✞ Fr. Rajmund Dorawa, C.Ss.R.
Fri. 20, 10:30 am (SH): ✞ Marie Guest
12:15 pm: ✞ Jozef & Jerry Panasiuk
Sat. 21, 9 am: ✞ John Vavrek

Our Gift Shop is open weekends following Mass. We receive new merchandise all the time. Come browse the newest selections. Thank you for all your support.

The Quilting Bee-Levers regularly meet on Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm. All are welcome. No sewing skills required. Contact the parish office for information.

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.

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

Ultreya, Friday, Nov. 27, 7 pm
A short time of prayer, faith sharing and support.
Speaker: Allan Forsberg
Make new friends (and bring some old). Everyone is welcome.

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.

Christmas Soirée, November 28, Immaculate Conception Church, Sexsmith - Supper, door prizes, silent auction, dessert sale. $30/person $75/family (2 adults, 4 children: 5 - 14 years) See the poster on the bulletin board outside the office for information.

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

Christmas Bake Sale & Tea, Saturday, December 5, 1 - 3 pm, Forbes Presbyterian Church, 9635 - 7 Ave

Salvation Army Christmas Dinner Centerpiece Craft Workshop, Friday, Dec. 11, 7 pm. Cost by donation. Proceeds benefit their annual fundraising campaign to support Costa Rica and Panama Ministries. RSVP by Nov. 30 to Louise, 780-832-1750 (text only).

The Salvation Army Food Bank needs. Canned - soup/meat/vegetables/tomatoes/fruit/milk, pasta & pasta sauce, tomato sauce, beans (large & small, baked, kidney), chick peas, Kraft dinner, Side Kicks/ Helpers, 1L juice, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, baking goods, rice, cookies, crackers, kids snacks/juice boxes, peanut butter/jam, condiments, jello/pudding, diapers (size 4, 5 & 6), etc. Place donations in the creche near the entrance to our church, or drop them at the Food Bank, 9615 102 St.

Sunday Readings

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Using Your Gifts

Proverbs 31: 10 - 13, 16 - 18, 20, 26, 28 - 31. The ideal wife

Thessalonians 5:1 - 6. The need for preparation

Matthew 25:14 - 30. Parable of the talents

Key passage: [The servant said,]"Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." *Matt. 25: 20b - 21*

Question:

Do you have a talent God has given you that you have not developed?

Child: What talent or gift has God given you? What do you want to do with it?

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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 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

Annulment information: Call 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: 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.