



Saint Joseph's Parish

Box 1429 2994 Burrard Ave. Vanderhoof BC V0J 3A0

5th Sunday of Lent Time Year C | April 3, 2022

THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US; WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY.

Pastor: Fr. Pier Pandolfo
1-250-614-3220
Secretary: Julie Kulchar
Parish Phone:
250-567-9151
Parish Fax:
250-567-9115
Office Hours:
Tues 1-4:30pm
Thurs & Fri 1-4:30 pm
Sacraments:
Holy Mass
Sat 5:00 pm
Sun. 9:30 am
Saik'uz 12 noon
Daily Mass
Tues-6:30 pm
Wed- 9:30 am
Thur-Fri 9:00 am
Reconciliation
by appointment
Baptism
Contact the Parish Office
Matrimony
Contact the Parish Office

As I reflected on today's Gospel, my first thought was, "Where was the man?" In all the Gospel's this is the only mention of Jesus writing. Maybe he was writing, "Where is the man?"

Ignoring the questions of the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus bends down and writes a second time. His written words must be very powerful, because the woman's accusers begin to leave one at a time, until they have all left. This Gospel is a wonderful example of the power of the written word.

Imitating this action of Jesus, we can make a big difference by our own writing when we see injustice, such as gender discrimination and racism, in our society today.

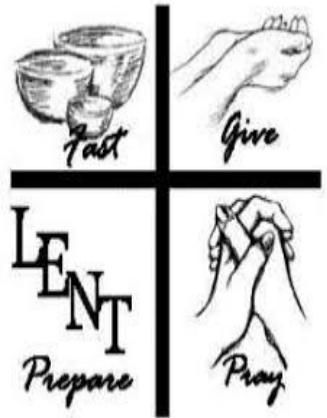
The kindness of Jesus toward this woman is also remarkable. He stays bent down as he looks up at her standing there. From this bent position Jesus, by his questions, encourages her to speak for herself. Jesus then replies with powerful words of forgiveness, respect and love. These words must have filled her with relief, hope and courage.

Today, the risen Christ speaks to each of us as well. We are encouraged to begin again, to experience forgiveness and great love. As we reflect on this tender reading, may we share this woman's feelings of joy and peace, knowing we too are greatly loved.

Joan Doyle St. Joseph's Missal pg. 252



Holy Trinity
Church
Mission
Saik'uz



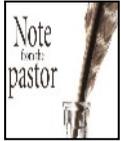
"Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength."

Psalms 42.1-2



St. Joseph's Parish-Vanderhoof

e-mail: stjosephsp93@gmail.com
website: stjosephsvanderhoof.ca



Be with me Lord – not condemning but changing the life of our neighbour: No one in our world likes to be judged, especially as the next step is usually seen as being condemnation. In our politically correct world, this complicates life, including Christian life, because there are attitudes, activities, things and people that we must look at through the eyes of Jesus, and recognize that some are to be encouraged, and others discouraged. Sin does exist. We cannot close our eyes to evil, or pretend that whatever one wants to do is beyond reproach. There is such a thing as right and wrong, and the challenge of each and every follower of Jesus is to avoid the wrong and evil, and embrace the right and good. The Lenten season is a particular time in which we confront evil and sin, and through the mercy and forgiveness of God we have a second (or one hundredth) chance. God is judge, but he is also merciful and just. **Homework:** this week pray often throughout the day: 'Be with me Lord to bring good change'.

LORD THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS (readings explained) The readings have a focus on the future where things will be new. Jesus has mercy on the woman accused of adultery: those who judge her are confronted with their own need for forgiveness, and she who has been shown mercy is challenged to live out the new thing God is doing on her behalf. Paul, overwhelmed by God's forgiveness, abandons his past and lives for a future rich in the grace of the resurrection of Christ. Even the prophet Isaiah pens God saying "I am about to make a new thing... a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." **Reflection:** Scripture records 'In all things, God works for the good of those who love Him.' (Rom 8:29) Repeat this passage throughout the week while thinking about your plans for the future.

Mass Scheduled changed for week of April 04 to 8: Fr. Pier will be in Prince George for the Chrism mass and for priest meetings. Masses cancelled until Friday, April 8 at 9am.

Support for Ukraine Refugees: you are welcome to use the many ways that there is to donate (Diocesan website, KofC, Ukrainian Church). Any money the parish receives that you want earmarked for this cause will go to PG4UKRAINE, a refugee sponsorship group working out of PG.

Diocesan CHRISM Mass, April 05, Prince George, Sacred Heart Cathedral: this celebration of the Diocesan family has the priests renewing their vows (ministerial Priesthood) and the people (baptismal Priesthood) receiving the oils for the sacraments (baptisms, confirmations, anointing of the sick).

Canadian Indigenous Delegation : the meetings have concluded in Rome and we pray for fruitfulness.

COVID Directives: for religious gatherings there are no capacity restrictions and no masks requirement; for other gatherings there is proof of vaccination requirement UNTIL APRIL 08 at which time there will be no restrictions.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REGISTRATION: children age 7+ for **Holy Communion** and children age 12+ for **Confirmation**. Call the Office (250-567-9151) or send an email to stjosephsp93@gmail.com with contact information. Or registrations forms available in Church Foyer. Confirmation for June 16/17 with Holy Communion June 19.

PARISH ACTIVITIES : PANCAKE BREAKFAST, APRIL 10, Palm SUNDAY, no gathering restrictions. COME.

PARISH ACTIVITIES : upcoming workbees Saturdays 10-12am (in lent) to clean up the yard of branches

QUIET PARISH HEROS : clean up of the branches has begun; work through Neighbourlink continues.

Pointing Fingers & Throwing Stones

When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." John 8:7 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 8:1-11



J I K Z S Y H A T A J P P A D
X O B Y D T X I S E F O I C F
P D S W U X O N K I M T R C G
S K O T L J I N W E N P Z U N
L R P I M S T E E A P E L S D
C M I E O S H Q M G U H C E W
C H Q S R T N O C O N D E M N
H A P T N A W S E B Q O F P M
Z K B H I U E Z K J D W E K V
A C L R N G M Y F E A I B Y Q
G G Z O G H B P Q S W L M E X
V G E W A T B D J U J O D U S
A D U L T E R Y W S M K I X T
O C Y V A C U N R F I R S T F
P Q R D E W L T E A C H E R S

JESUS
TAUGHT
STONE

MORNING
ADULTERY
CONDEMN

ACCUSE
FIRST
TEACHERS

THROW
SIN
CROWD

WOMAN
TEMPLE
LAW

Lent



"HE WHO IS WITHOUT SIN CASTS THE FIRST STONE", RIGHT? WELL I STILL HAVE THE FIRST STONE ... I THREW THE SECOND STONE AT HIM

Return to me with all your heart, says the Lord, for I am gracious and merciful. Joel 2.12-13

HALCYON HOLISTIC HEALTH

ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES FOR HEALTH
REFLEXOLOGY, HEALTH CONSULTS & MORE

Maggie Saito

To book an appointment,

call: 250-524-0333



https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jw_dcXO2zrTGYo34uG4i3e4jDxV2BJ85_8Z7o6KRDsI/edit?usp=sharing_eil_m&invite=CJup000P&ts=6223cfe

Attached is an announcement about the CWL National Convention that will take place in Kelowna, BC in August of 2022.

This is an opportunity for BC women to attend a National Convention.

WorkBC Employment Services

Looking for work? Looking for Workers?
Come see us at 139 First Street East for all your employment needs!
(250) 567-5785.

Canada



This program is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.

Portrait photographer
and Custom Frame Shop

Print Lab *MIC* passport or id photos

WALLACE STUDIOS

wallacestudios.ca Phone: 250.567.3979

Parish Prayer Requests

Brenda Antoine,
Mackie Basil,
Cooper Cursley,
Leland Funk, Gemma
Gillis, Brent Gray,

Ellen Haynes,
Patrick Irving,
Jennifer Lock,
Rose Marie MacDonald,
Della Morin, Eunice
Nash, Michael Nelson,
Ruby Irene Patrick,
Virginia Power,

Dorothy Ranck, Lillian
Sam, Ian Scott, Madeline
Scott, Madison Scott,
Clark Todd,
Bill Urquhart,
Mike Van Dusen,
and for all who are in need
of God's healing grace.