Saint Joseph's Parish

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A | February 12, 2023

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO WALK IN THE LAW OF THE LORD!

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Sacraments: Holy Mass

Sat 5:00 pm **Sun**. 9:30 am

Saik'uz 12 noon

Daily Mass Tues-6:30 pm Wed--Fri 9:00 am Reconciliation

by appointment

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office **Matrimony**

Contact the Parish Office

"Be my protector, O
God, a mighty
stronghold to save
me. For you are my
rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me,
for the sake of your
name."

Psalm 30.3-4

Imperfections are part of being human. Yet God, as our Father, has set higher standards and wants the best for us. He wishes us to open our eyes to his ultimate plan. He intends us, as sinners who are not immune to toxicity and temptations, to join his kingdom.

God has given us free will. Will we follow him? Are we living only with self-centered goals and desires, or do we make God's Ten Commandments and Jesus' teachings our guiding light?

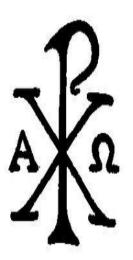
Today's readings stress the urgency of aligning ourselves—our behaviour, values and intentions—with God's will. Being faithful to God goes beyond a checklist of rules—and yet we aren't hopeless for breaking them, for with a contrite heart our sins can be forgiven. We are encouraged to recognize the importance of right-eousness in our hearts, minds and souls. We are asked to love beyond ourselves—making the love of God and others a priority. Our merciful and loving Father isn't expecting perfection. He desires us to at least strive to walk in his ways.

While living the Christian way is demanding, let us give thanks to God. He forgives our human imperfections, offering us a life of true joy and peace on this earth and, most importantly, in heaven. Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!

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To go where no one has gone before. Today's readings build upon last week's focus on expectations. Living the Christian life requires a deep sense of responsibility and a desire to go beyond the minimum of the law. Spiritual maturity and integ-

rity lies somewhere between deadening legalism and a casual approach that mocks the rules and takes pride in "getting away with it." We are given the freedom to act responsibly. We pray for the wisdom to discern what that means and to live accordingly.

Homework: Read (1King3:10f) 'It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked for wisdom. And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself wisdom to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days."

PREPARATION OF ASHES: following mass on Feb 19, as people leave, they will be invited to burn some palms outside the church entrance. Visible preparation for ASH WEDNESDAY on February 22 with masses at 9am and 6:30pm at St.Joseph's and 12noon at Saik'uz.

Parish Long Term Vison. - **STEWARDSHIP**. -responsible use of our time, talent, and treasure for building the kingdom of God. See foyer for STEWARDSHIP guidelines. See foyer for financial update on parish.

Sacramental Preparation: Holy Communion, Reconciliation, Confirmation. In the foyer find a registration form to enlist for preparation for these sacraments. Feel free to take the registration forms to your friends. They need to be submitted by February 12.

ALPHA in the Winter: this week: Why and How to read the bible? Answer: because the author falls in love with the reader. Next ALPHA in the Fall. Start inviting.

EVANGELIZATION STMT: Transformed lives, transforming community PRAYER STMT: Intimate encounter with God through an open heart

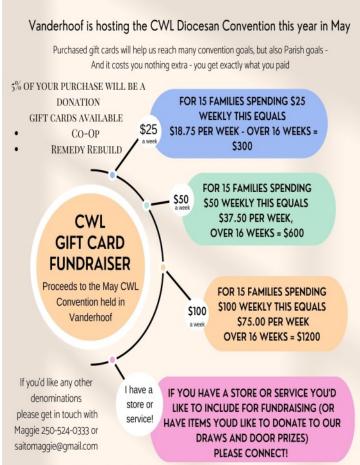
PARISH ACTIVITIES- February 21 Shrove Tuesday meal PARISH ACTIVITIES- February 22 Ash Wednesday, Mass 9am & 6:30pm, noon at Saik'uz

e-Transfer: email: stjosephsvanderhoof@pgdiocese.ca; **message** to include your parish envelope number (assigned by the parish) or contact information to identify you (name and phone number); no question is required.

Sermon on the Mount Word Search

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ADULTERY	HUNGER	PLUCK
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BLESSED	LIGHT	
BRETHREN	LORD'S PRAYER	SALT
CANDLE	LOVE	SAND
CHILDREN OF GOD	MAMMON	SEEK
CORRUPT	MERCIFUL	TEMPTATION
DISCIPLES	MOUNTAIN	
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FASTING	NEIGHBOUR	TRESPASSES
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Would you like to re-cycle your Christmas cards?

If so, you can drop them off at the church. The plan is to use the pictures to decorate the gift bags for next Christmas. Thank you

IT ALL ADDS UP! THANK YOU & GOD BLESS

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Matthew 11.25

Parish Prayer Requests

Brenda Antoine,
Mackie Basil,
Cooper Cursley,
Lisa Doucette,
Brent Gray, Ellen Haynes,
Patrick Irving,
Jennifer Lock,

Rose Marie MacDonald,
Geri Mann, Della Morin,
Eunice Nash,
Michael Nelson,
Gerry Nickerson,
Ruby Irene Patrick,
Virginia Power,
Dorothy Ranck, Ken Reid,

Lillian Sam, Ian Scott,

Madeline Scott,
Madison Scott
Don Summerskill,
Clark Todd,
Mike Van Dusen, Mimi
Work and for all who are
in need of God's healing
grace.





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