

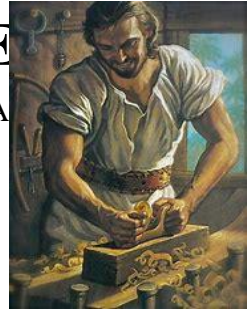


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October 29th, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

†OCTOBER 29TH, 2023 †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Mass Intentions
 FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon Oct. 30th	St. Joseph Hall	11am	Private Mass	
Tues. Oct. 31st	St. Joseph Hall	11am	Private Mass	
Wed. Nov. 1st	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Joseph (Bras D'OR)	9am 6pm	All Saints	
Thurs. Nov.2nd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Joseph (Bras D'Or)	9am 6pm	All Souls' Day	
Fri. Nov.3rd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Ann's (Alder Point)	9am 9am		
Sat. Nov.4th	St. Joseph Church	4pm	St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop	
Sun. Nov.5th	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, November 4th	10 am Mass Sunday, November 5th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Elaine MacNeil, Alberta Devoe, Rebecca Gracie	Ina Taylor, Yvonne MacDonald, Pam Hall
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
READERS	Carolyn Aker	Joan Byers/ Kay Batherson
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Cathy MacDonald/ Lisa Brown	George Quirk, Joan Skinner
Interior Church (cleaning)	?	?
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	Ben Tucker

PARISH NEWS

Royal Canadian Legion

November 11th, 2023

Combined Remembrance Day Services

Armstrong Memorial Branch#19

Royal Canadian Legion

Meet at St. Joseph's Church-----9:45 am

Combined Church Service-----10:00 am

Parade Reforms ___ 11:00 am

Parade Past Reviewing Stand ___ 11:05 am

Placing Wreaths at Cenotaph ___ 11:15 am

Following the Church Service, the Parade will reform from the church onto Archibald Ave. pass the reviewing stand at the corner of Archibald Ave. and Pleasant St. and onwards to the Legion Cenotaph.

Everyone invited to Participate.

Krystal Cashin, Secretary

Armstrong Memorial Br #19

First Communion Prep starts now

Parents wanting 1st Communion preparation for their Children are asked to start bringing their child to Sunday morning mass and after the opening prayer the first communion preparation takes place in the hall during mass. In January there will also be First Communion modules after mass as well. Children will make their 1st Holy Communion on Mother's Day, May 12th, 2024.

First Confession Prep starts now

Parents wanting 1st Confession (Penance) preparation for their Children are asked to start bringing their child to Sunday morning mass and after the opening prayer the first confession preparation takes place in the hall during mass. In the New Year there will also be First Confession modules after mass as well. Children will make their 1st Confession in April, 2024. All are welcome.

Confirmation Sessions this Fall

Do you have a child open to being confirmed in the spring? Sessions are now taking place after Sunday mass from 11 am to noon. Confirmation is a sacrament whereby the young person confirms the choice their parents made to baptize them. As the young person freely cooperates with Christ, the baptismal graces are deepened and unleashed in their lives. Youth aged approximately 10 and up who are ready to confirm their parents decision to baptize them can join preparations. Regular Faith Formation or Religion classes takes place during mass, and all older youth are invited to assist the younger kids at that time. Sacraments also require a little extra preparation outside of mass, so we warmly invite youth to come to confirmation sessions next Sunday after mass. Treats included.

Helping teach the children & Catechists:

Anyone interested in helping accompany children in preparing for the sacraments or regular faith formation, including parents are invited to join the children with the catechists in the hall during mass. Thank you for your consideration,

Peace, Fr. Doug

Religious Education

473. How does one avoid scandal?

Scandal, which consists in inducing others to do evil, is avoided when we respect the soul and body of the person. Anyone who deliberately leads others to commit serious sins himself commits a grave offense.

Further reading: CCC 2284-2287

Pilgrim Icon in honor of St. Joseph

This weekend before each mass St. Joseph's Parish has the honour again of celebrating the Pilgrim Icon Program in honor of St. Joseph, sponsored by The Knights of Columbus, Council 5109. Within St. Joseph's mission he guarded and prepared Christ quietly, courageously and faithfully. For that faithful work, St. Joseph was rewarded with the incomparable prize of glory in heaven. Please come and gather this weekend where we can all turn in prayer to St. Joseph.

Christmas Fair

It is that time of year again as we begin preparations for our Christmas Fair. This year the fair will be held on Saturday December 2nd from 10 am until 2 pm in the Church Hall. There will be lots of Christmas crafts, baked goods, fudge and ticket draws. We are hoping this year to have a toy table with toys that are in like new condition. If you have any toys you would like to donate, we would greatly appreciate it. Also, we are looking for your help with baked goods for our bake table. With so many excellent bakers in the parish, we will have lots of goodies for sale. Thank you in advance for your continuing support with our fundraisers for our parish.

Christmas Craft Fair Tickets

We try to avoid selling tickets in our Church, but some can not make it to the office during the week to purchase tickets due to

work. So for your convenience, we will have tickets available at the entrance for the last two weekends of November.

Socks for CBU Students

Gently used socks are being collected for CBU students throughout the month of November. A box will be available at the entrance of the church for any socks you may wish to give. These socks will be taken to CBU Chaplaincy and given out to students in Advent.

Book of Remembrance

Starting this weekend, until the end of the month, the Book of Remembrance for All Souls' Day will be available for you to sign. Please share the names of your dearly departed for remembrance during the **All Souls' Day** masses.

Feast of All Souls' Day

This occurs on Thursday, Nov 2nd but will be observed during the weekend masses of Nov 4th and 5th. The names of this year's deceased parishioners will be read at both masses. Families of the deceased will be called to invite them to attend mass.

CWL& KOC

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes:

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes will take place again this year. We have a limited quantity of shoeboxes for parish distribution, but you can use any standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. A donation of \$10 per box for shipping is requested. This can be done by cheque (payable to Samaritan's Purse) placed in a marked envelope inside the box, or online at SamaritansPurse.ca.. <https://packabox.samatitanspurse.ca> Tax-deductible receipts will be issued for donations of \$20 or more. Please return your shoeboxes no later than November 15th. The CWL thanks you for your ongoing support.

The finance committee created *hall envelopes* that are available in the pews. For tax receipts write: *St. Joseph Hall* on your cheque.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! OCT 21ST. & OCT.22ND

Envelopes	2875.00
Loose Cash	225.00
Fuel	140.00
Candles	30.00
Expectant Mothers	25.00
Faith Formation	95.00
Special Collections	
Pre-Authorized Debit	750.00
Total	4140.00
Hall Fund	100.00
Church Improvement	55.00

Surplus for the week of Oct.21st& Oct.22nd \$ 293.85

Quote of the Week

"The two most important days in your life are the day you're born and the day you find out why."

News Story

<http://alexschadenberg.blogspot.com/2023/10/euthanasia-for-anorexia-drug-addiction.html>
https://www.publichealthpolicyjournal.com/_files/ugd/adf8644c3afc4436234a96aa1f60bb6e677719.pdf?utm_source=substack&utm_medium=email

Free Heat Pumps

<https://www.energycyns.ca/residential/services-rebates/oil-to-heat-pump/>

Peace Be With You and Have A Great Week