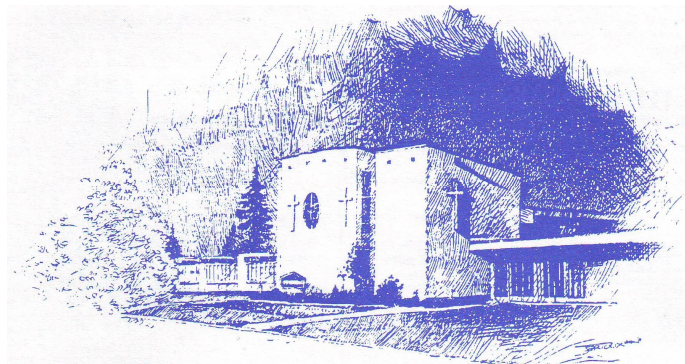

St. Mary's Parish



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
11:00 am

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Mon to Fri 7:20 am
(8 am on Holiday Mondays)

MORNING PRAYER

Mon to Fri 7:00 am
(no morning prayer on holiday Mondays)

EVENING VESPERS

3rd Sunday of the month 4:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 pm

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a community of disciples called together:
To share the life and mission of Jesus, to proclaim the word,
to celebrate liturgy,
to educate and to serve, to seek justice and reconciliation.
We confirm the gifts given by Christ to enable each person
to actively participate in the mission of the Church.
We are thus the living Body of Christ,
in an ever changing world.

PARISH STAFF

Richard Beaudette, OMI	Pastor
Jude Van Baalen, OP	Pastoral Associate
Roberta Chartrand	Youth Ministry Coordinator
Jeannine Walker	Parish Secretary

SCHOOL STAFF

Brent Arsenault	Principal
Jacqueline Boyes	School Secretary
School Phone 563-7502	School Fax 563-7818
School Email	office@stmaryspg.org

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 18, 2009

LIVING ROOM DIALOGUES

*Want to learn more? Wondering about
certain topics regarding Church and
faith?*



*You are invited
to take part in
small group
study of four
topics. Groups
meet at various*

*times and in various homes beginning
October 25.*

**PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO STOP AT
THE TABLE AFTER MASS, GET INFOR-
MATION ABOUT THE SESSIONS AND
SIGN UP.**

**SIGN UP TODAY OR CALL THE
PARISH OFFICE THIS WEEK.**

1088 Gillett Street, Prince George, B.C. V2M 2V3
Office Hours—Mon to Fri—8:00 am-11:30 am AND 12:30 pm-4:00 pm (2:00 on Fridays)
Telephone—564-4097 Fax—562-3540 After Hours Emergency—562-4921
Email—stmarys.parish@shawcable.com Web—www.geocities.com/saintmaryspg

YOUTH MINISTRY

HIKE AND SWIM

Youth are invited to a hike and swim on Saturday, October 24. We will meet at the Forests for the World parking lot at 3:30 pm. From the parking lot, we proceed to Shane Lake to pray and for a hotdog roast and snacks. A hike down to the Aquatic Centre and a concluding swim will follow this. Cost is \$5.00. Dress according to the weather. Bring proper walking/hiking shoes, a swimsuit, towel and backpack. We will conclude by 8:00 pm. at the Aquatic Centre.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: John Martin, Maria Amaral, Balbir Dhillon, Greg and Vicki Gutfriend, Ann Whyte, Jamie McCloskey, Lena McCallum, Evan Dyck, Anne Drazba, Andre Frigon, David Nelson, Norman Louis, Claude Crossland, Rose Marie Seager, Al Foulon, John and Emilia Mauro, Georgie Boyle, Trudy Petraschuk, Denise Cote, Brooklyn Kennedy, Blaine Lavoie, Larry Crooks, Michael Fernandes, Austin Lacalle, Brenda Ducharme, Andrew Becker, George Callaghan, Lori Wall, Jean Callaghan, Gabrielle Hamelin, Lori McGinlay, Lisa Norman, Josephine Nykoluk, Eugene Nykoluk, Louie Thomas Family, Gilles Orioux, Maurice VanCaeseele, Jim Punch, Veronica Becker, Coral Britton, Mike Howlett, Robert Nootebos, Sandra DaSilva, Peter DaSilva, Leonila Prado, Noemia Delay.

PLEASE NOTE: Our prayer list is updated monthly. Please call the parish office if you would like someone to remain on the list, or to be added to the list

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL: If you want a priest or chaplain to visit, you must request it of the nursing staff—and be sure to state you are Catholic when admitted. as the admitting staff cannot ask your religion any longer because of privacy legislation.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Oct 17	7:00 pm	RIP Kay McEwen
Sun	Oct 18	9:00 am	RIP Anita Plante
		11:00 am	People of our Parish
Mon	Oct 19	8:00 am	RIP Lindsay Santos & Albert Correia
Tue	Oct 20	7:20 am	Special Intention
Wed	Oct 21	7:20 am	RIP Lindsay Santos
Thur	Oct 22	7:20 am	Special Intention
Fri	Oct 23	7:20 am	Special Intention
Sat	Oct 24	7:00 pm	Special Intention
Sun	Oct 25	9:00 am	RIP Maria & Manuel Ferreira, INT Jose Ferreira
		11:00 am	People of our Parish

DONATIONS

October 11, 2009

Envelopes \$2491 Loose \$360.50 **Total \$2851.50**
St. Mary's School \$77

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Every parish across the world celebrates World Mission Sunday this week. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and mission. Your prayers and donations will help support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is beginning, where it is new. World Mission Sunday is our chance to assist Catholic communities throughout the world become self-sufficient and flourish. By sharing the gift of faith we can bring hope and love to those who need it most.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Vincent de Paul Society is most grateful to St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council 5246, the CWL and the entire parish, for their hard work in the Oct. 4th turkey dinner fundraiser. Not only was the dinner a financial success, but also a great community builder between the four city Parishes. To all who participated in this event, THANK YOU! Our Society received \$2,000.00 cash and a pantry full of food. Your generous support is a real blessing to our work.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESAN OFFICE

As we listen to the newscasts that focus on the charges against Bishop Raymond Lahey, I invite all members of the diocesan church to pray for all victims of abuse, for those who have been affected personally by this particular case, for the whole Church in Canada and for Bishop Lahey and the people of Antigonish. Pray that God will give healing and strength to all who have been hurt by this situation, and pray also for Bishop Lahey as he faces the charges against him. The Church in Canada has worked diligently over the past two decades to address the issue of child sexual abuse in the church and society (cf. "Breach of Trust, Breach of Faith, CCCB, 1992). The Diocese of Prince George has developed its own policy on the steps taken when abuse by a representative of the diocese is reported (cf. Administrative Handbook). The safety of those most vulnerable, especially children, is of paramount importance.

Richard Beaudette, OMI Vicar General

VOCATION LIVE-IN

On the weekend of November 6 -8 there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the Seminary of Christ the King, Mission, BC. For more information call 604.826.8715

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE

www.domanorenewalcentre.org

Contemplative Living

Postponed due to illness, will be rescheduled.

Touching the Heart of Jesus

This silent retreat day will be based on Jean Vanier's book Drawn into the Mystery of Jesus.

Tuesday, October 20 Time: 9:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$25.00 includes lunch

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

CAMP MORICE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Camp Morice will be holding its Annual General Meeting on at 7pm on October 21 in the Conference Room at St. Mary's - Prince George. Our new caretaker, Mindy Thompson, will be at the AGM and is excited to meet everyone. Please prayerfully consider being on the board this year; Camp Morice can use your gifts and talents (big or small) to help make summer camps the highlight of every child's summer.

PREPARING FOR H1N1

The flu season is upon us and there is particular concern over the H1N1 virus. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has prepared a series of responses to be taken once an outbreak has been declared in a particular region. Everyone is reminded to take extra precaution and act prudently during any cold/flu season. Stay home if you are sick or are caring for someone who is ill. It is not a sin to miss mass if you are sick. At the present time there are no serious cases in the Northern Health Region, so we simply continue to practice good hygiene and to avoid communion from the cup if you are not well. The Diocese will be monitoring the situation on a weekly basis and will send instructions if and when we need to move into any of the stages.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

We will be accepting applications for our next homeowner between, October 1st – November 30th 2009.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The Portuguese Catholic Community will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima on Sunday, October 25th with Mass at 4:30 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Procession to follow. Everyone is welcome. For details call 250 564-1838 or 250 562-5436.

PROLIFE NEWS

The Prince George ProLife Society will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday, October 26, 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Conference Room, 1088 Gillett Street. Coffee, tea and juice, along with goodies will be provided and there will also be a silent auction as well as a dessert auction. Come join us and learn more about how you can help make a difference in the lives of the unborn and their families!

AN INVITATION FROM SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart School in Prince George extends an invitation to all to participate in their upcoming Alumni Mass on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 7 p.m. To be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral, the mass will continue the celebration of the school's 60th anniversary. There will be a reception after mass in the lower hall with refreshments, a power point presentation and historical photos on display.

SACRED HEART CWL

Sacred Heart C.W.L. will hold a Country Bazaar on Oct.24 & 25, from 10-4 p.m. in the auditorium. We will welcome your support.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

This year our goal is \$39,163.,
To date, we have received gifts of \$30,666, or 78% of our goal.



.Thank you for your generous response. This weekend is the final weekend of Appeal promotions. All parishioners who have not yet made a pledge are invited and encouraged to make a commitment. During the coming week, letters will be sent to all members who have not committed, inviting them to participate in the mission of our local Church.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE – EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR THE PHILIPPINES

Development and Peace is mobilizing its network to reach out to the victims of recent tropical storms and has announced an initial donation of \$50,000 to Caritas Philippines for emergency relief activities. Torrential rains hammered down on the country last week. Contributions can be made through Development and Peace by telephone (1-888-664-3387), online (www.devp.org) or by cheque (marked "Philippines: Floods"), sent to the following address:

Development and Peace
425 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, 3rd Floor
Montreal, Quebec H3G 1T7

CWL NEWS

St. Mary's Craft Fair - Sat. Nov. 7th and Sunday Nov. 8th from 10am to 4pm Join us for fun and good food.

ROSARY

Anyone interested please join Lorna to say the rosary at Simon Fraser and Parkside Care homes on Fridays.
Phone 564-9550

BIBLE STUDY

An opportunity to reflect together on next Sunday's readings. Wednesday, evenings at 7p.m. the Jamin residence 4246 Punchaw Crescent. Everyone is welcome.

BOOK STUDY

The Shack by William P. Young, concludes this Wednesday Morning 10 – 11:30 at the parish office.

MASS OF ANOINTING

We will celebrate a Mass of Anointing on Wednesday, November 18 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. All who are sick, elderly, preparing for surgery or who need healing in any way are invited to celebrate this Sacrament of Anointing. Please invite anyone you know who may be in need of celebrating this sacrament. A reception will follow in the Conference Room. Donations of baking are gladly accepted and can be left in the Conference Room.

Seeing as Servants See

Jesus taught that to be first is to be the servant of all. Placing myself in a position to serve allows me to see in a different way what peoples' needs are. Then I can experience solidarity with all who are needy and dependent on others. It can be a shocking perspective!
(based on Catholic Social Teaching)

AROUND THE PARISH

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS

Baptism preparation sessions for the parents of infants are held every two or three months in the parish office. Please contact the parish office for more information.

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

We have revised our baptism preparation program for older children. Parents who wish to have their child baptized (age 5 to 12) are asked to register their child in the Religious Education program. During the year they will have special sessions that will prepare them for baptism. Children in Grade 2 and up will also receive preparation for Confirmation and First Communion. Please phone Sr. Jude at the parish office.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION

In the Diocese of Prince George, Confirmation and First Communion are celebrated together in Grade 2. Our sacramental preparation programme usually begins in January or February for the children in St. Mary's School and for the children attending Religious Education classes. For more information, please phone Brent at the school or Sr. Jude at the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Various options for marriage preparation are available (see bulletin board for details). Please make an appointment with the pastor, at least 6 months before your intended wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual reconciliation may be celebrated on Saturday evenings between 6:15 & 6:45 p.m. or by appointment. Communal celebrations of the sacrament are generally held during Lent and Advent.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? In learning more about the Catholic faith? Each Monday evening the RCIA candidates from throughout the city meet here at St. Mary's to share the Word and explore our faith and practice. For more info call Sr. Jude at the parish office.

PASTORAL CARE TO THE SICK, ELDERLY & DYING

If you or anyone in your family is sick, elderly or home bound, and would like to receive communion or anointing of the sick or a pastoral visit, please give us a call.

FUNERALS

Please contact the pastor before making final arrangements with the funeral directors.

FAITH EDUCATION

Religious Education

For children in the elementary grades is a home based program. Families come together every six weeks to participate together in activities to build community and an understanding of belonging to a local parish Church. For information or to register please contact Sr. Jude or leave your name and phone number at the Parish Office.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME!

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is celebrated at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. The children celebrate their Liturgy of the Word with their adult leader and are given a chance to hear and reflect on the readings at their own level.

PARISH & FINANCE COUNCILS

Colleen Mahoney

Chair, Parish Pastoral Council

VACANT

Chair, Finance Council

PARISH GROUPS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL is open to all ladies of the parish. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room (Freeman St. Entrance) at 7:00 p.m. Please phone Barb Marwood (563-0846), Carmen Foucher (564-8091) or Kathy Labonte (563-5581) for more information.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (COUNCIL 5246)

The Knights of Columbus is open to all men of the parish. Our General Meeting is on the third Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room at 7:30 p.m. For more information, phone 563-9192 or 563-8465, or visit their new website: <http://members.shaw.ca/kofc5246/>



CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

We meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please call Aime Trotter at 564-8943 for more information.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

Development and Peace is the Canadian Catholic organization that works for social justice for the people of Latin America, Asia and Africa. The Development and Peace web-site is www.devp.org

COMMUNITY GROUPS

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our Drop-In Centre is located at 1220—2nd Avenue. We are open:
Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sat, Sun & Hol 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Phone 564-7871

Our Thrift Store is located at 1180—3rd Avenue. We are open:

Mon-Sat 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Phone 562-5136

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

Shepherd's Corner is a place where people who are experiencing challenges can gather, share their stories and be heard. Our volunteers provide a listening ear and a compassionate heart. We offer coffee, tea and basic personal items to about twenty people a day. Your time as a volunteer and/or donation of the following items is greatly appreciated: toothpaste, shampoo, soap, skin cream, combs, socks, pens, pencils, etc). Thank you and God bless.

RAINBOWS

Rainbows is a peer support group for children, adolescents and adults who are grieving a death, divorce or any other painful transition in their family. Sessions run for 14 weeks each Thursday from 6:30 to 7:30, beginning in September and January at St. Mary's School. There is no cost to participants. Contact: Ursula Morris (250)562-3347 or (250)563-5584. Website: www.rainbowsgp.com

COUNSELLING SERVICES

Brian Bulgin, a registered counselor, offers counseling services out of the Domano Renewal Centre for couples and individuals. Please call 964-4475 for more information.

Sr. Tarianne deYonker, OP, a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist, offers counselling for individuals, couples and families. She can be contacted at 964-4424 Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30 for an appointment. One need not be Catholic to receive these services. Care will be taken to make the service affordable.

Sr. Donna Dolan RSCJ offers Spiritual Direction. Ongoing Spiritual Direction enables a person to pay attention to God's personal communication in life and prayer, to grow in intimacy with God and to live out of that relationship. Phone Sr. Donna at 964-4475.