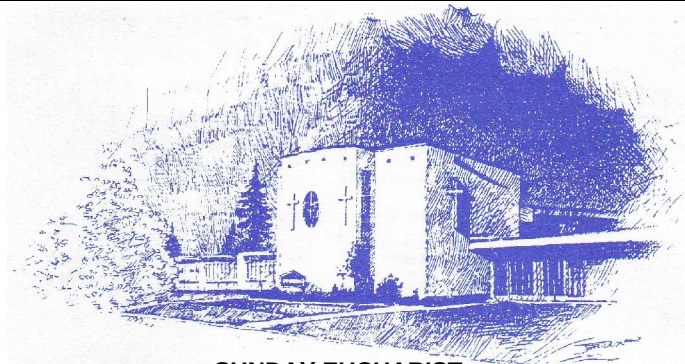

St. Mary's Parish



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
Wednesdays	7:00 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 see 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
Giselle Jakobs, MDiv	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

5th SUNDAY EASTER

April 19/20, 2008

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE TSUNAMI RELIEF VIDEO



We would like to invite you to view
a video on the fantastic work that
Development and Peace has been
funding in the Tsunami-struck area of
Indonesia.

This video is a must see as it clearly
demonstrates the culture and
character of Development and Peace.

Come and see exactly where your
donated money is going.

The video will be shown after all
masses THIS weekend!

20 minutes very well spent.
Come enjoy some goodies and fair
trade coffee.

1088 Gillett Street, Prince George, B.C. V2M 2V3

Office Hours—Mon to Fri—8:00 am-11:30 am AND 12:30 pm-4:30 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

PARISH YOUTH

Join us April 20th! 7-9pm! Bring friends!

HELP US!!

Please support St. Mary's Youth Group by donating CANADIAN TIRE money into the collection basket... every bit helps!

We have raised just over \$145! Thanks for your support!!

DYC DANCE DJ

We are currently looking for a DYC dance DJ (evening of April 26). This person would be responsible for playing songs for youth with a positive message. Please call Joe at 964-4424 if you or someone you know would be able to help us!

DYC 2008: The 14 Annual Diocesan Youth Conference will be held in Prince George on April 25-27. Deacon Harold of *Aerum Cordis*. **The Way** is our theme for DYC. All high-school age youth are invited. Registration forms and further information are available from your parish or check: www.pgdiocese.bc.ca. Hope you can join us for DYC 2008!

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED, DYC 2008

If you can provide accommodation & meals for two or more youth during the April 25-27 weekend, please contact Simone at the Diocesan Centre, 964-4424 ext 242. Please note, a current Criminal Record Check is required for all adults in the household.

DYC THEME SONG – One Way by Hillsong United: Yes, One Way is our theme song for DYC 2008. Thank you to Lorna Richardson of Terrace and Andrew Johnson of Prince George who nominated One Way.

WANTED: TREATS FOR DYC

We will be hosting approximately 200 youth this year at our DYC. We are asking for your help in supplying treats for this event: brownies, cookies, cupcakes, muffins, etc. Please note that this is a NUT FREE event. The treats may be dropped off at the Diocesan Centre (formerly O'Grady High School) any-time on Friday April 25 or Saturday April 26. Thank you in advance for your support.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Apr 19	7:00 pm	RIP Donald & Edward Morin
Sun	Apr 20	9:00 am	RIP Odiane & Hermel Michaud
		11:00 am	People of our Parish
		4:30 pm	Vespers
Mon	Apr 21	7:20 am	RIP Lindsay Santos
Tue	Apr 22	7:20 am	RIP Robert deGrace
Wed	Apr 23	7:20 am	RIP Erleen Goudreau
		7:00 pm	Vespers
Thu	Apr 24	7:20 am	RIP Eugenie & Stella
Fri	Apr 25	7:20 am	RIP Mary Pfliger
Sat	Apr 26	7:00 pm	INT The Easson Family
Sun	Apr 27	9:00 am	RIP Manuel & Maria Ferreira
		11:00 am	People of our Parish

DONATIONS FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes	\$3293	Loose	\$502	Total	\$3795
School	\$32	Pope's Works	\$5		

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our sincere thanks for your generous support of \$549.67. It's a blessing to our work!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: Jacob Loti, Bridgette Payne, Evangeline Donnelly, Peter & Lil Derges, Sheree Johnson, Lisa Norman, Denis LaRiviere, George Callaghan, Andrew Becker, Vicky Gutfriend, Eugene Bachand, Jim Punch, Shirley Gannon, Jean Callaghan, Larry Crooks, Joe & Gabrielle Hamelin, Emeilia Mauro, John Mauro, James McCloskey, Pam & Gordon Meyer, Bonnie, Natalie & Doug Marwood, Judy Nelson (Ann Robertson's sister), Josephine Nykoluk, Sr. Margaret Quinn, Detta Quinn.

PLEASE NOTE: Our prayer list will be updated every month. Please call the parish office if you would like a family member or friend to remain on the list, or to be added to the list.

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE

It is extremely important that you call 964-4475 to REGISTER for programs!

For more info visit: www.geocities.com/domanorenewal
Info on bulletin boards and at back of church.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN CANADA

Fri May 9, 7:00-9:00pm & Sat May 10, 9:30 am-3:30 pm
(followed by Liturgy of the Eucharist)

Human trafficking is a contemporary form of slavery. It is the third largest underground activity in the world after sales in drugs and weapons. No country is immune to this problem, including Canada. This workshop will begin with an introduction to the problem of human trafficking in the global context, followed by a look at the Canadian reality. After providing a framework for understanding the root causes related to this issue, participants will be led through a process of reflective analysis from a faith based perspective aimed at motivating all to action.

Fee: Live-in: \$50.00

Fee: Commuters: \$25.00

Facilitators: Sheila Smith RSCJ and David Bouchard

RETREAT DAY FOR ARTISTS

Saturday May 17

Allow artistic expression to be a part of your personal spiritual journey. Spend time with your own art form in a peaceful supportive environment; bring your particular medium. There will be a brief thematic input and lots of time for personal artistic expression and personal prayer.

Time: 9:30-4:00 p.m.

Fee: \$15.00 Bring a lunch; beverages provided

Facilitators: Joy Cotter, Jean Brandel, Donna Dolan

EVENINGS TO EXPLORE WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY

Tuesday May 13 & Tuesday June 10

Come enjoy a time to get in touch with your spirit. This is a time to reflect on challenging themes each month and to share insights with other women.

Themes: May 13—**Nun Questions**; June 10—**What makes summer SUMMER?**

Come once or come often. **2nd Tuesday of the month.**

Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5 per evening

Facilitator: Jean Marie Lehtinen OP

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WHAT IS AN INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS?

It is a gathering of the universal Church, celebrating Jesus alive and present in the Eucharist, the source and summit of evangelization and centre of the life of the Church.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION

Sacramental preparation sessions continue on the following Tuesdays: April 22, April 29, May 6, May 13. Confirmation & First Communion on **Saturday May 10 at 2 pm AND at 7 pm.**

GRRRAPEVINE DIGEST VOLUME 3

Some copies of the latest GRR Digest are available at the back of the church. More copies will appear as we need them.

CWL

All ladies of the CWL and their spouses are invited to a wine and cheese celebration after the 7 pm Mass on Saturday April 26 in honour of Our Lady of Good Counsel.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Sunday May 11 at 4:30 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Procession to follow. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 564-1838 or 562-5436.

BROWN BAG IT!

Please bring back your brown bags full of non-perishable groceries next weekend!! You are invited to bring them up during the collection.

FAITH-BASED ECO JUSTICE

This is an invitation from Kairos to all churches to come to a meeting to look at ways we could be reducing our carbon footprint. Kairos is a network of churches offering a faithful response to God's call for respect of the earth and justice for its people. Kairos PG hopes to plan an educational campaign on eating locally, culminating in an ecumenical 100-Mile meal this September. Everyone is welcome to attend on April 22 @ 7 pm in St. Mary's Conference Room. Contact Nadine Hale for more info 563-4121 / nadinematwell@yahoo.ca

GREENING THE PARISH

A group of us are looking at forming a "Greening the Parish" group, a group that would look at ways in which we, as a parish community, could practice environmental awareness and stewardship. We meet Mon April 28 at 7 pm in the parish office (1088 Gillett Street), the little grey house next to the school gym. Phone Nadine at 563-4121 for more info.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL: KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Do you have a child or children ready for kindergarten? Have you decided where you will register yet? Have you considered St. Mary's School?

We offer the BC Ministry of Education curriculum in a faith-based environment. Our staff are committed to modeling and teaching the Catholic faith and Christian values in all aspects of our school's life. We celebrate our faith in the classroom as well as in liturgical celebrations in the parish church.

We also seek to offer smaller class sizes, with a focus on the development of each child to his or her full potential.

There are still a few spaces open in our 2008/09 Kindergarten classes. Don't miss out on the opportunity to enroll your child at St. Mary's School.

For more information, or to register, contact: Brent Arsenault (Principal) at 563-7502 or office@stmaryspg.org

MOTHER'S DAY TEA AND SMALL BUSINESS FAIR

St. Mary's School is having a fundraiser towards new school playground equipment. Please come and support us in a one stop shopping event at St Mary's School on Sat May 3 from 1-4 pm in St. Mary's Gym - 1088 Gillett Street Admission by donation! Businesses include, Epicure, Gramma's Attic, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Body Wise, Herba Life, Party Lite, Tupperware, Arbonne Skin Care, Avon, Pampered Chef, MLDesigns, Cuddles and Comfort Knits, and others!!

CIS TEACHING POSITIONS

Full-Time Grade 7 Teacher at Annunciation School, Prince Rupert beginning September 1.

Full-Time Grade 7 Teacher at St. Joseph's School, Smithers beginning September 1.

Principal at St. Joseph's School, Smithers beginning August.

Full-Time Grade 5 Teacher at Veritas School, Terrace beginning September 1.

Full-Time PE Teacher at Veritas School, Terrace beginning September 2.

We Have Each Other

The community Jesus leaves behind is one in which he urges everyone to be in right relationship. St. Paul acknowledges him as the Cornerstone upon which all relationships are founded and rest. As in the beginning, all those God created – human and other living creatures – are encouraged to treat each other fairly and mirror the life of Jesus.

More notices on back of bulletin!!

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Apr 20	Mon Apr 21	Tues Apr 22	Wed Apr 23	Thurs Apr 24	Fri Apr 25	Sat Apr 26
5 SUN EASTER 9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass 4:30 p—Vespers	5:30 p—Bapt Prep Older Children	6:30 p—Rel. Ed. 6:30 p—Sac Prep Session #3 7 p—Kairos (Eco)	7 p—Vespers 7:30 p—Make Room for God	7 p—PPC 7:30 p—Pr. Group	8:30 p—AA	7 p—Mass

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Apr 27	Mon Apr 28	Tues Apr 29	Wed Apr 30	Thurs May 1	Fri May 2	Sat May 3
6 SUN EASTER 9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass	7 p—Greening the Parish	6:30 p—Rel. Ed. 6:30 p—Sac Prep Session #4	7 p—Vespers	9 a—School Mass 7:30 p—Pr. Group	8:30 p—AA	7 p—Mass

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard Canadian Regional Conference will be held at Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre in Surrey, BC on **July 22-25, 2008**. This conference will be of special interest to clergy, mental health professionals, teachers, medical personnel, social workers, counselors, Rachel's Vineyard team members and alumni and any one who desires to learn more about post-abortion trauma and recovery, and healing from sexual abuse. For more information and registration details visit www.rachelsvineyardcanadianconference.com or call Janet Kormish at 250-762-2273 or Michele Smillie at 604-443-3256.

JEAN VANIER EVENT—CALGARY

Jean Vanier is the keynote speaker at "Choosing our Future: Peace, one heart at a time", Thurs June 19 at St. Mary's University College, 14500 Bannister Road SE, Calgary.

Dr. Vanier will do two sessions:

- 1) Young Adult Leaders Event: 12:30–6:00 pm (includes dinner), \$35. Ages 18-35. For youth ministers, teachers and social service providers who work with young people.
- 2) Public Young Adult Event: 6:30-10:00 pm, \$25. Ages 18-35. Registration forms are available on www.larchecalgary.org. Registration due date is May 19, 2008.

CAMP MORICE

Swimming, Capture the Flag, Mission Impossible, Friends, Faith and Fun...it's all happening at Camp Morice this summer! Check out the website at www.campmorice.com for more information and online registration. There are 3-day camps and 6-day camps for school aged children and don't forget to register early for the Youth Camp to get a spot! Need a reasonably priced summer getaway with your family? Quiet time, beach time, water fun, reasonable rates and amazing surroundings. Phone 250-996-7881 for more details.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Cedars Christian School is seeking a dynamic and experienced professional for the part-time position of Director of Finance and Operations. Please forward your curriculum vitae to the attention of the Treasurer. A complete job description is available at www.cedars.bc.ca. Please include a statement of faith with your application. Review of applications will begin April 28; however applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

PRINCE GEORGE CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTRE AGM

The board of the Prince George Crisis Pregnancy Centre invites you to attend our Annual General Meeting on Wed May 7 at 7:00 pm at the Central Fellowship Church (2840 Clapperton Street). We will highlight the exciting events of the past year, present our new Strategic Plan and share the direction we believe God is leading us. Questions? Call 562-4464.

WESTERN CANADA MARCH FOR LIFE

West Coast March for Life takes place in Victoria on May 8, 2008. The event begins at 11 am with Mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Participants will then gather at Centennial Square to begin the march to the Legislature at 1 pm. The rally at the Legislature includes speakers and entertainment. The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of the tragedy of abortion, its harm to women, their families and their unborn children, and to call our legislators to task for their reluctance to address this important issue. For more info or to register, phone 604-853-3425 or email natalie@prolifebc.ca.

END OF AN ERA—FAREWELL BANQUET

In 1957 five Sisters of Mercy from Callan, County Kilkenny, Ireland arrived in Prince George at the request of Bishop O'Grady. They were assigned to Fort St. James, Vanderhoof and Prince George to teach in the Catholic schools and work in the parishes.

Over the years another thirty-five Mercy Sisters followed in their footsteps and enriched our lives by their presence and by their dedication to education and to the general welfare of the communities in which they lived and worked. In 1995, after many years teaching and serving as principal at St. Joseph's, Vanderhoof and St. Mary's, Prince George, Sr. Margaret Quinn introduced Rainbows to Prince George. This grief support program for children, teens and adults fulfilled a need and was so well accepted that sites were established in almost every community west to Prince Rupert and north to Fort St. John.

Sr. Margaret, the last Mercy Sister in the diocese, leaves in August. Please join us for this **Farewell and Appreciation Banquet** on **June 12, 2008** at the **Columbus Community Centre, 7201 Domano Blvd., Prince George**. **Doors open at 6:00 pm. Dinner at 7:00 pm. Cost: \$25.00 per person.** **For tickets and information, please call Noel at 564-4616 or Terry at 562-3209.**

GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER

The Prince George Global Day of Prayer committee and the PG Ministerial association are planning to have a City-wide Prayer service on Sunday, May 11 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This prayer meeting is in conjunction with a world wide prayer day that is being held across the globe. It will be held at the Civic Center and an invitation is extended for everyone to participate together with all the Churches in the city. Their hope is to unite all voices together to be lifted up to our God who loves us all. You can get information from the various web-sites (www.globaldayofprayerpg.com; www.gdopcanada.com; www.globaldayofprayer.com); or Pastor Rich Phillips would be happy to answer any questions at 564-7434.

FRASER LAKE CWL

St. Andrew's CWL, Fraser Lake extends an invitation to all former members and former Spiritual Advisors to join in a celebration of thanksgiving and praise to celebrate their 40th anniversary. It will be Saturday, April 26 at St. Andrew's Church in Fraser Lake - Mass at 5:00 pm followed by dinner and social. Please contact Therese Stafford at (250) 699-6575 if you would like to attend or need more information.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

The Conference is on May 2 & 3 in Sacred Heart Parish in Terrace. The theme is "Beloved, Use your Holy Faith" (Jude 20). Rev. John Paul Joyce of the Intercessors of the Lamb is the guest speaker. Registration Friday at 7:00 pm. Event ends Saturday evening. All are welcome. Info: Anita—250-635-6451 or acpage@telus.net.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

The May 30-June 1, 2008 date for Catholic Engaged Encounter at Ness Lake Bible Camp has been **postponed** until the weekend of **October 31 – November 2, 2008**. Any questions, please contact Anita & Jeremy Comba by phone at (250) 964-2805 or by email: thecombas@shaw.ca.