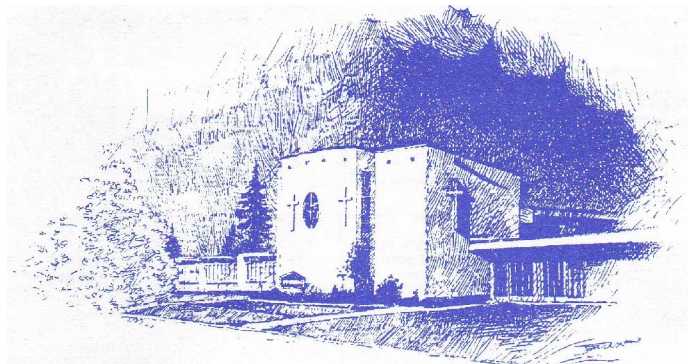

St. Mary's Parish



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

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

MORNING PRAYER

Mon to Fri 7:00 am

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

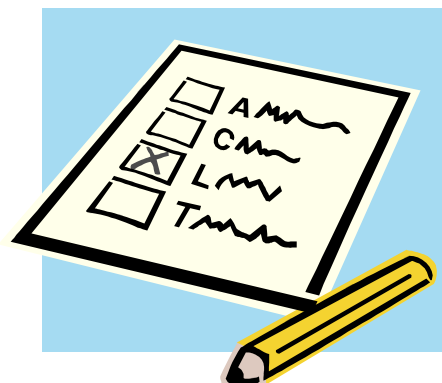
Richard Beaudette, OMI	Pastor
Giselle Jakobs, MDiv	Pastoral Associate
Roberta Chartrand	Youth Ministry Coordinator
Jeannine Walker	Parish Secretary

SCHOOL STAFF

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

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 4/5, 2007

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS



**The terms of three members of
Parish Pastoral Council are finishing
this Fall and we need to fill
those positions.**

**We are therefore looking for
nominations for Council!**

**Nomination forms are on the bulletin
boards. Please take one and fill it out if
you know someone who might be
good on Council.**

**The deadline for nominations is
August 19.**

**Elections will be held in
mid-September.**

Thank you!!

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 (3:00 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

Youth Group is officially finished for the 2006/2007 school season! Keep your eye on the bulletin for updates!

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008—SYDNEY AUSTRALIA

The Diocese of Prince George will have a group participating in World Youth Day 2008. We will participate in the Days in the Dioceses approximately July 8-13 and the main event in Sydney, July 15-20. Participants are to be between 18 and 35 years of age. An information session for those interested will be held on Wed, Sept 12 at 7 pm at the Diocesan Centre, 6500 Southridge Avenue. Contact Joe Glaab at 964-4424.

FUND RAISING FOR WYD 2008

Returnable beverage containers can be donated toward World Youth Day (WYD) 2008 fund-raising efforts at BBK Bottle Depot, 2629 Vance Rd. Donations go toward the "World Youth Day 2008" account and will support participants from Prince George. Contact Joe Glaab at 964-4424 for more info.

CAMP MORICE

Camp Morice offers water activities, sports, crafts, rest & relaxation at their summer camps for kids, teens and/or families this summer. The youth bulletin board is loaded with Camp Morice registrations!!! Also check out www.campmorice.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: Ron Roth, Andrew Becker, Simone Dauvin, Rose French, Judy Nelson (Rose Palfy's niece), Andy Peters, Chris Teichrob, Greg Gutfriend, Sharon Coffin, Jeannette Hoksbergen, Merlin Sullivan, Ann Whyte, Gordon Meyer, Denise Cote, Helen Roberts, Joseph Glasser, Beverly Teegee, Teddy French, Judy Nelson (sister of Ann Robertson), Nick Palfy, Kai Peterson, Henry Alexander, Suzanne LeFebvre, Anne Beaudette, Mary Pfliger, Becca Kennedy, Valerie Kabai, Cyril Abreau, John and Emilia Mauro, Nancy O'Malley, Peter Morris, Josephine Nykoluk, Sr. Margaret Quinn, and her sister, Detta Quinn.



PLEASE NOTE: Our prayer list will be updated every month. If you wish a family member or friend to remain on the list, please call the parish office before the end of each month. If a family member or friend falls ill, please call the parish office to have them added to our prayer list.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

RAINBOWS

Applications for the September session of Rainbows are being accepted. The deadline is August 15. Please see the back of the bulletin for more information.

CONCERT

The Gospel Quartette "Unto Him" will be in concert at First Baptist Church, 5th and Gillette on Saturday, August 11th at 7:00 p.m. This talented singing group from Ft. St. John, will have you humming and tapping along with their music. Info at 564-4522. Free will offering.

TEACHING POSITION

Zion Lutheran Christian School is looking for a full time classroom teacher starting August 15, 2007. This position would be teaching a multi-graded class. Along with salary a comprehensive benefits package will be provided. Resumes and applications are being accepted until the position is filled. Please send resumes to the attention of Lynn Giese. Zion Lutheran Christian School is located at 180 Tabor Blvd.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PAID JOB OPPORTUNITIES

SSVP requires:

- (1) a full time (40 hrs /wk) Thrift Store manager. Retail merchandising experience is an asset. A positive attitude, strong team skills and the ability to work well with a diverse group of customers, volunteers and staff is desired.
AND
- (2) a part time, general help position is also available at the Thrift Store.

Successful applicants, for both positions, require a criminal record check. Please mail resumes with references, stating position applied for, to Box 1617 Prince George, BC, V2L 4V6, postmarked no later than Wednesday, August 8. Only resumes received by mail will be considered. We thank all applicants in advance, however only those short listed will be contacted.

DONATIONS FROM LAST WEEK



Regular Envelopes	3002.00
<u>Loose</u>	386.00
Total	3388.00

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE

We offer many services and programs. Please call 964-4475 to register for all programs, or check out our website:

LOOKING FOR A MEETING PLACE?

We welcome your organization, education or service group to plan your next:

Professional Development day
Community Building day
Training/Education Session
Retreat/Workshop

at the Domano Renewal Centre. Facilities for day and overnight groups include: dining facilities, overnight accommodations, meeting and conference rooms, chapel.

For bookings, call Reina – 964-4475

NEW BROCHURE

Our new Fall 2007 brochure is available at the back of the Church. Please pick up a copy and explore the different programs we had planned for the fall. You can register via our website or via telephone.

FALL HIGHLIGHTS

October 13—Day of Stillness
October 18—Theology goes to the Movies
October 27—Discerning Spirit Given Gifts
Oct 30 & Nov 6/13/20/27—Story of Ruth Book Discussion

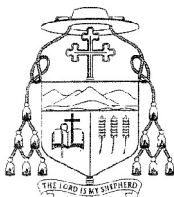


PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

FROM OUR BISHOP

My Brothers and Sisters,

On August 8th at 7 p.m. in Sacred Heart Cathedral we will celebrate a Eucharist of Thanksgiving and Resurrection in favour of Bishop Hubert O'Connor, O.M.I. This provides us with an opportunity to thank God and Bishop O'Connor for his years of service among us and to ask God to grant him eternal peace. I invite all to gather as the Church of the Diocese of Prince George and to join in this special moment of prayer.



Sincerely in our Lord,

+ Gerald Wiesner, mmi

Gerald Wiesner, O.M.I.
Bishop

INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

Our next series of sessions will take place on August 13 & 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office. Please phone the Parish Office to register.

LAY FORMATION ALUMNI

As most of you probably know, a new season of Lay Formation in starting this fall in Prince George. We'd like to invite all previous graduates of the Lay Formation programme to take a look at your neighbours in the pews. Do you think they might be a good candidate for Lay Formation? Do you think you could invite them to consider it. We all know the personal invitation is best, and you have the experience to be genuine!

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORIES

About 12 of the parish photo directories have not been picked up. We will be phoning those individuals soon inviting them to pick up their directories at the parish office.

We also have 15 of the 2007 directories for sale (\$10) here at the parish office. If you didn't get one, but would like one, give us a call.

We still have 5 copies of the old 2000 directory available to parishioners. These are located in the wall display holders at the back of the church.

PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

All parishoners are invited to the 9th Annual LeFebvre Invitational Golf Tournament at Ness Wood Golf Course, in Support of St. Vincent De Paul Society Soup Kitchen. When: August 11th, 2007 at 9:00 am. Texas Scramble. Entry Fee: Donation to the "Soup Kitchen" plus your green fees. Contact: Pat and Al Collie: Cell (250) 614-9580 or Home 564-6190.

THE VISION OF INITIATION MINISTRY CONFERENCE

The North American Forum on the Catechumenate presents a two day conference for anyone involved in the initiation of children, youth or adults. You can register for either conference.

September 19-20, 2007 (Wednesday/Thursday)

OR

September 22-23, 2007 (Saturday/Sunday)

The conference will take place at the Diocesan Centre. Cost is \$150 per person (less if more than 3 people register through the parish). This includes conference fees, two lunches, one supper, snacks). Full brochures are available from the parish or you can contact the Diocesan Centre at 964-4424

HOW TO BECOME RICH

*When we are in relationships with people
in various walks of life,
diverse backgrounds and cultures,
we are rich in the ways God
wishes us to be.*

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Aug 4	7:00 pm	RIP Kay McEwen
Sun	Aug 5	9:00 am	For the People of our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP Gregory Tam
Mon	Aug 6	10:00 am	RIP Kay McEwen
Tue	Aug 7	7:20 am	RIP Maurice Labrosse
Wed	Aug 8	7:20 am	RIP Odiane & Hermel Michaud
Thu	Aug 9	7:20 am	Int. Fr. John Smith
Fri	Aug 10	7:20 am	RIP Oblates of Mary Immaculate
Sat	Aug 11	7:00 pm	RIP Jack & Lindsay Santos
Sun	Aug 12	9:00 am	For the People of our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP Ed Dias

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Aug 5	Mon Aug 6	Tues Aug 7	Wed Aug 8	Thurs Aug 9	Fri Aug 10	Sat Aug 11
1:30 pm—Creation Hikers	10 am—Mass	7 pm—CWL		7:30 pm—Prayer Group	7 pm—AA	

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Aug 12	Mon Aug 13	Tues Aug 14	Wed Aug 15	Thurs Aug 16	Fri Aug 17	Sat Aug 18
	7 pm—Infant Bapt. Prep.	7 pm—Infant Bapt. Prep.		7:30 pm—Prayer Group	7 pm—AA	

AROUND THE PARISH

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS

Baptism preparation sessions for the parents of infants, are held about every two months. Please contact the parish office for more information. Next session August 13/14. Please phone to register!

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 Giselle 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 Giselle at the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Various options for marriage preparation are available. 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? Want to learn more about the Catholic faith. Come and join us! We meet Mondays, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. For more info call Giselle at the parish office 564-4097. Our sessions will begin October 22.

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

Religious Education classes are held every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the school. These classes are for the children of our parish who attend public school and who would like some faith formation. Please call Giselle at the parish office for more information. 564-4097

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. We are on summer break right now!

PARISH & FINANCE COUNCILS

Terry Hawkes

Chair, Parish Pastoral Council

Joan Craig

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 Estelle Bachand (964-3836) for more information.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (COUNCIL 5246)

The Knights of Columbus is open to all men of the parish. We provide service to Church, Community, Council Membership, Youth and Family. Our General Meeting is on the third Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room at 7:00 p.m. The Executive meeting is on the first Wednesday of each month, also in the Conference Room. For more information, phone 964-6785 or 561-9225.



CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

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

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 provide prayer and agency referral to our guests. When possible, we journey with patients in the hospital or those who are dying at Hospice House. We also help women on the street to discover that they are loved. 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 program for children, teens and adults who have experienced a loss in their lives because of a death, separation, divorce, abandonment or any painful transition in their family. Sessions usually begin in September and January and fill up quickly. For a registration form and schedule, please contact Ursula Morris at 563-5584 or Sr. Margaret Quinn at 562-2817.

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.