

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 10/11 , 2007

DONATIONS

Regular Envelopes.....2,640.41
Loose..... 323.50
Total 2,963.91

Catholic Missions.....583.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the school. Religious Education is for children of our parish who attend public school. Call Giselle 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.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Creator of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community. Amid suffering, may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you cure illnesses and make broken bodies whole. May these special people find lasting health and join us in thanking you for all your gifts.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

THERE IS STRENGTH IN PRAYER...WHEN I'M AFRAID, GOD IS MY COURAGE.

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering:

Dorothy Smith, Rob Marwood, Helen Roberts, Ron Roth, Joseph Glasser, Beverly Teegee, Margaret George, Teddy French, Judy Nelson, Nick Palfy, Anne Whyte, Kai Peterson, Henry Alexander, Suzanne LeFebvre, Anne Beaudette, Mary Pfliger, Becca Kennedy, Valerie Kabai, Cyril Abreau, Sr. Margaret Quinn and her sister, Detta Quinn.

MORNING PRAYER

7:00AM WEEKDAYS

MORNING MASS

7:20 AM WEEKDAYS

Sat. Feb. 10	7:00pm	INT Kay McEwen
Sun. Feb. 11	9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Alejandra & Maura Perez
Mon. Feb 12	7:20am	RIP Maria Buncic
Tue. Feb. 13	7:20am	RIP Fr. Bill Walker
Wed. Feb.14	7:20am	INT Rita Gaudette
Thu. Feb.15	7:20am	RIP Maria Buncic
Fri. Feb 16.	7:20am	RIP Marie Gervais
Sat. Feb. 17	7:00pm	RIP Ryan Wood
Sun Feb.18	9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
	11:00am	RIP Janetta di Benedetto

YOUTH MINISTRY

Parish Youth St. Mary's Youth meet on Feb. 11th in the Gym....BRING YOUR FRIENDS! All Youth, Grades 7 and up are most welcome!! The ski-trip forms are due on the 11th too!! Keep an eye out for THINKfast and YC info!!!

DYC 2007

The 13th Annual Diocesan Youth Conference will be held in Prince George on April 27-29. Jesse Manibusan of Two by Two Ministries is our keynote speaker. *Lord of All Things* is our theme for DYC. All high-school age youth are invited. Be sure to mark April 27-29 on your calendars. Registration forms and further information will be available late February.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

DYC 2007: The Catholic community of Prince George will host the 2007 Diocesan Youth Conference on April 27-29. Youth from across BC and Alberta come to this event. Host Families are needed for youth from out of town. If you can provide accommodation & meals for two or more youth during the 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.

Young Adults: All Young Adults grade 12 and up are invited to meet after Youth Group the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month at 8:30pm. We meet in St. Mary's Gym foyer.

YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR, ROBERTA.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA meets Mondays, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. For more information call Giselle at the parish office 564-4097.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

"Development and Peace was the first international development agency to come to our assistance in 1998. Thanks to the support of the Canadian public, we were able to provide food, medicine, clothing and other services that are essential in such a crisis". (Bishop Corriveau of the Diocese of Choluteca in Honduras...after Hurricane Mitch. Help us celebrate our 40th Anniversary, Please Share Lent March 25th.

ST. MARY'S WIDOWS CLUB.

We invite all widows of the parish to join us on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Esther's Inn for lunch.

Please call Lorna at 564-9550 if you'd be interested in joining us for this interesting and fun lunch date. Our next lunch is February 13th (This coming week). Hope to hear from you before then.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Fair Trade Coffee will be sold after all the Masses next week-end, February 17 & 18. Please plan to buy a package or two (or more) of this coffee and support a very worth cause.

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE - 964-4475

Please call 964-4475 to register for all programs.

COUNSELING

Counseling services at the Renewal Centre for couples and individuals offered by Brian Bulgin.

Loss and Grief Group – Morning Sessions

Saturday mornings: to Mar 10th, 2007

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Fee: \$50 for the eight weeks.

Facilitator: Brian Bulgin, MEd., counselor

Hidden Women of the Gospels – Book Discussion

Thursdays, Feb. 1,8,15,22; Mar 1, 2007 mornings 10-11:30 a.m. **OR** Evenings 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$25.00 or by donation Facilitator: Donna Dolan, RSCJ

Book required. Purchased separately at Books and Company.

Kathy Coffey's Hidden Women of the Gospels

Evenings for Women

Come once or come often. 2nd Tues. of each month. 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$5 or by donation. Facilitator: Jean Marie Lehtinen, OP

The Second Half of Life – Book Discussion

Wednesdays, until Mar 28, 2007 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$50.00 (10 sessions)

Facilitator: Brian Bulgin, MEd.

Book required. Purchased separately.

The Gospel of Luke

Tuesdays, Feb 27; Mar 6,13,20,27; Apr 3, 2007 – first 6 sessions – final 6 sessions in the fall term

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m. Fee: \$30.00 or by donation.

Facilitator: Donna Dolan, RSCJ

Study set required. Purchased at Domano Renewal Centre.

“FOCUS ON LIFE” DINNER

The P.G. ProLife Society is hosting a catered fundraiser dinner for the Focus on Life Media Campaign, Feb.24 at the Columbus Community Centre. The campaign consists of TV ads for our region that are geared towards young women who may be dealing with an unexpected pregnancy. These ads help young people understand how importantly the decisions they make now will affect the rest of their lives. Bishop Wiesner will give the dinner blessing, guest speaker is Malcolm Roddis from “Focus on Life”. This is a very effective way to reach out to the young people in our area and we hope you will generously support this endeavor. Tickets are \$30 each. Cocktails at 6pm (no host bar) and dinner at 7pm. Call Tracy at 564-0551 for tickets or more details.

CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

School Principals are required for Annunciation Elementary School in Prince Rupert, and St. Joseph's Elementary School in Vanderhoof for the 2007/2008 school year.

Starting date for both positions is August 1, 2007.

Please see the bulletin boards for details.

Extra copies have been made. If interested, please take one.

WEBSITE

If you've been reading **The Grrapevine** newsletter, you know that we have developed a website for the parish. Check it out!!! www.geocities.com/saintmaryspg

ARE YOU MISSING OUT ON PARISH NEWS?

We publish our Grrapevine Newsletter every two weeks (more or less). It's a place for information on what the Pastoral Team is up to, a place for education and a place for parish information. If you haven't picked up a copy, give it a try. It's a nice, bright gold colour!

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.

COUNSELING AVAILABLE

FOR INDIVIDUALS, COUPLES AND FAMILIES

Sr. Tarianne deYonker, OP, a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist, 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.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

St. Mary's School is hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Wednesday February 14 from 7:30 to 8:20am to commemorate Catholic Education Week.

All are invited to attend...start your day with a great meal.

PLENARY INDULGENCE

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a plenary indulgence for the World Day of the Sick, February 11, 2007. The indulgence will be granted, under the usual conditions, to those who participate in the Mass for the World Day of the Sick, to be held this year in Seoul, Korea, and to those who participate in a similar ceremony that day “at any other place decided by the ecclesiastical authorities” (Your parish church is the place designated by the bishop). The indulgence is also granted to health-care personnel whose duties make it impossible for them to attend ceremonies for the World Day of the Sick, and to the sick who cannot attend the ceremonies if they pray for the welfare of the sick on that day and fulfill the ordinary conditions as soon as they are able. A partial indulgence is granted to anyone who prays for the sick on the days surrounding the World Day of the Sick, February 9-11, 2007. A decree authorizing the indulgences was issued on January 25, 2007 by the Apostolic Penitentiary.

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO GOD

Dear Mr. God,

I wish you would not make it so easy for people to come apart, I had to have 3 stitches and a shot.....Janet

Dear God,

It rained for our whole vacation and my dad is mad! He said some bad words about you but I hope you will not hurt him.... Your friend....(I'm not telling you who I am).

