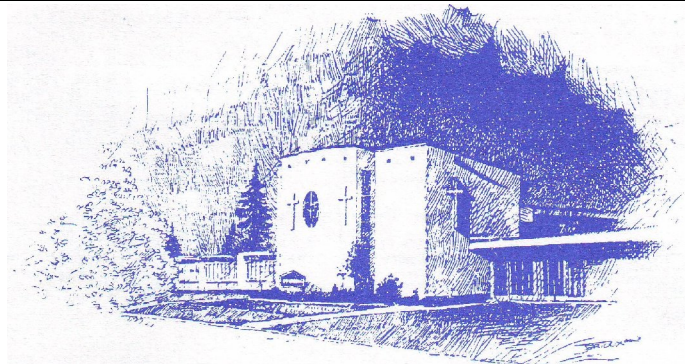

St. Mary's Parish



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 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
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

12th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

June 21/22, 2008

PARISH PICNIC

Join us for our annual picnic

June 29

at West Lake

(Diocesan Property)



Barbecue at 4:00 p.m.

Come any time after 2:00 p.m.
to enjoy community and
games.

Bring lawn chairs, games, sun-
screen, bug repellent,
a salad or dessert to share.

Parish will provide
hamburgers, hot dogs and
juice, etc.

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—A huge thank you to all leaders and youth group members for a fun, faith-filled year! See you all in September 2008!

HELP US!!! - Please support St. Mary's Youth Group by donating CANADIAN TIRE money to the collection plate... every bit helps!

THE ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP WISHES EVERYONE A SAFE AND EXCITING SUMMER!!!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: John & Emelia Mauro, Sharon Jamin, Harvey Anderson, Kevin Lebel, Andrew Becker, Francis Sauser, Denise Cote, Janet Bachand, Jacob Loti, Bridgette Payne, Evangeline Donnelly, Peter & Lil Derges, Sheree Johnson, Lisa Norman, Bonnie, Natalie & Doug Marwood, 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.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Jun 21	7:00 pm	RIP Lindsay Santos
Sun	Jun 22	9:00 am	People of Our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP Wayne Callaghan, Marie Carswell
Mon	Jun 23	7:20 am	RIP Gareth Williams
Tue	Jun 24	7:20 am	RIP Joan Finsterle
Wed	Jun 25	7:20 am	INT Hildegard Jakobs
Thu	Jun 26	7:20 am	RIP Mike Koffler
Fri	Jun 27	7:20 am	INT Larry Crooks
Sat	Jun 28	7:00 pm	INT Kevin Lebel
Sun	Jun 29	9:00 am	People of our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP Wayne Callaghan, Marie

CWL SCHOLARSHIP

Again this year, the CWL is offering a \$500 scholarship to a St. Mary's student graduating from Grade 12. For more information, please contact Jeannine at the parish office.

GIFTS INVITE A RESPONSE

St. Paul writes that it is through the tremendous generosity of God, the Father, that we have the great gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus is the gift that keeps on giving: by his calling, teaching, healing, reconciling and loving presence in our lives. Jesus reads the signs of the times for us: the relational, social, political and economic situations in our personal lives. The good steward rejoices in the gift of Jesus through joys and sorrows, good days and bad; through gladness and anxieties, hopes and disappointments. As believers we have faith in the authenticity of the gift of Jesus. The question for us is: How do we respond to such a generous gift?

DONATIONS FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes	\$2628.35	Loose	\$279.50	Total	\$2707.85
School	\$10	Development & Peace	\$50		

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

CAMP MORICE

Swimming, Capture the Flag, Mission Impossible, Friends, Faith and Fun...it's all happening at Camp Morice this summer! Have you tried a camp yet? This may be the summer to try it out! There are brochures and registration forms on the bulletin boards at both entrances of the church. Please take on from the bulletin board, or check out the website at www.campmorice.com for more information and online registration.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS IN SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Newman Theological College is hosting a one week conference July 7-11 that includes instruction on sacraments as well as the practical details of choosing, organizing and teaching a program. Fr. Leo Hofmann, NTC faculty and Mrs. Susan Suttie, Catechetical Resource consultant, Diocese of Calgary are the presenters. Cost is \$ 175. Accommodation is available. Call Reception 1-800-386-7231 for details.

VOCATION LIVE-IN

On the weekend of July 4 - 6 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 info, call 604.826.8715.

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.

CALLING ALL CYCLISTS

"Chalice", (formerly Christian Child Care International) will be holding its 2nd Annual "Cycling for Children" bicycle tour from Agassiz to Langley to raise money to build and repair several schools in the developing world. The two day tour, July 5 and 6, will begin and end in Agassiz with accommodations at Trinity Western University in Langley. If you would like to cycle, or would like to make a contribution to support the BC cyclists, please contact Ruth Douglas, (604-513-9594, called_to_serve@shaw.ca) or Ginny Lejeune, (604-796-9573, falcons@shaw.ca) or, Marian Cloutier, (1-866-481-1294, mariancloutier@chalice.ca) To learn more, see www.chalice.ca/biketour.php

GREEN DRINKS

Saving the world one sip at a time

June 24

7 pm at Raven Haven

421 George Street, opposite Ramada

Green Drinks is a world wide organization, fostering discussion on matters of environmental concern.

Light refreshments and short presentation on how to build and manage a root cellar for winter storage.

Everyone welcome, bring a friend, enjoy networking with like-minded individuals.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

There were five nominations for the three vacant positions on the Parish Pastoral Council. After some consideration and consultation, the Pastoral Team decided to appoint all five nominees to the Council, as the work of the Council has been increasing and there are often vacancies created because of various factors. In this way, the council will increase to eight members from six, which will lighten the workload for each member as well as provide more ideas and energy to the work of the Council. Many thanks to Dorothy Reimer, Nadine Hale, Colleen Mahoney, David DeWit and Maureen Bustin for their generous response to the call for nominees.

RAINBOWS

RAINBOWS 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 is now accepting applications for the sessions beginning on September 04, 2008. These sessions are filling up already so it is important to have your registration form in on time. REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Aug 20, 2008. To receive a registration form and schedule please contact: Ursula Morris at 563-5584 or Sr. Margaret Quinn at 562-2817

ROSE PRINCE PILGRIMAGE COLLECTION

Each year in July, people from across the diocese, province and Western Canada gather at Lejac for the Rose Prince Pilgrimage. As a diocese, we have been asked to help financially, as the Pilgrimage does not generate much revenue on its own. We will have a special collection for the Pilgrimage on June 28/29 to help with this spiritual event. There will be envelopes in the pews this weekend that you can use to contribute to this collection.

PILGRIMS WITH THE EARTH 2008 DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

The theme of this year's assembly is "Pilgrims with the Earth". Much is presently being taught about care of the environment and custody of the earth. As part of God's creation we have been entrusted with its nurture and care. Creation is God's gift to us. This year's Diocesan Assembly calls us to deepen our awareness and commitment to the interdependence of all creation. What personal and communal attitudes and actions might we affirm and develop for the well being of our entire sacred community? Registration forms are available at the parish office. Fee is \$60 but support is also available through the parish. Please phone Giselle or Richard at the parish office for more information—564-4097.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



It's time to rekindle the flame!!

**Oblate Parish Mission Returns
for their last visit
October 19,20,21, 2008**

You are invited to enjoy again the music, preaching, drama, and the ritual of the Great Assemblies led by the Oblate Parish Mission Team, Father Al, Brother Louis and Ed and Natalie Schrader at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

As we **Kindle our Faith Fire** again this fall, we will have the opportunity to celebrate the Great Assemblies each evening at 7 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, celebrate reconciliation each afternoon, share in an hour of silent adoration each afternoon, celebrate the anointing of the sick and enjoy again this wonderful opportunity to gather as a Prince George Catholic Community. *Mark your calendars now!*

SISTERS OF MERCY FAREWELL

In appreciation of the Sisters of Mercy's 52 years of service to the Diocese of Prince George, there will be an Appreciation Dinner to be held Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at the Columbus Community Centre. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7:00 p.m. For tickets and information, contact Noel at 564-4616.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL; ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul annual general meeting takes place on Monday, June 23 at 6:15 p.m. at the Drop In Centre at 1220-2 Avenue (2nd and Dominion). All people interested in our work, assisting people challenged by poverty, are invited to attend.

SR. RITA SMITH, CSJ

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sister Rita Smith who died in Toronto on June 16, 2008 at the age of 89. The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 19th at the Morrow Park Chapel in the motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Toronto. Sister Rita ministered in the Diocese of Prince George for 17 years, serving in Terrace, Stewart and Mackenzie. We remember Sister Rita with gratitude and joy and send condolences to her friends, family and the Sisters of St. Joseph, especially Sisters Pat Boucher, Jane Dwyer and Patricia Macaulay in Fort St. James.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun June 22	Mon June 23	Tues June 24	Wed June 25	Thurs June 26	Fri June 27	Sat June 28
12 Ord. Time 9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass				7:30 p—Pr. Group	8:30 p—AA	7 p—Mass

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun June 29	Mon June 30	Tues July 1	Wed July 2	Thurs July 3	Fri July 4	Sat July 5
13 Ord Time 9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass 2—Parish BBQ				7:30 p—Pr. Group	8:30 p—AA	7 p—Mass

AROUND THE PARISH

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS

Baptism preparation sessions for the parents of infants are held every couple of months. 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 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 (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? Want to learn more about the Catholic faith. Our Monday meetings are on hold for the moment. For more info call Giselle at the parish office 564-4097.

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 will resume in the Fall. 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.

PARISH & FINANCE COUNCILS

Erin Beardwood

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 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. The Executive meeting is on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:00 pm, also in the Conference Room. For more information, phone 964-6785 or 561-9225, or visit their new website: <http://members.shaw.ca/kofc5246/>



DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

Development and Peace is the Canadian Catholic organization that works for social justice for the people of Latin America Asia and Africa. If you would like to become involved in this important work, or would simply like more information please call/email Nadine Hale 563-4121 / nadinematwell@yahoo.ca. The Development and Peace web-site is www.devp.org.

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 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.

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.