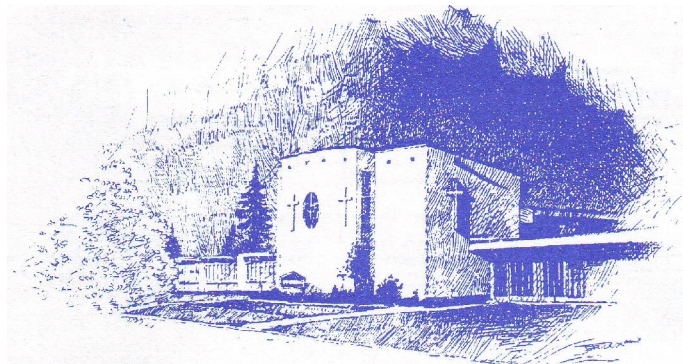

St. Mary's Parish



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
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

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 10/11 2007



**Christian Child Care
International**

A Catholic Sponsorship Program

**This weekend, we welcome
Deacon Larry Gorman from
Christian Child Care
International.**

**CCCI offers an effective &
trustworthy sponsorship
program where children &
the elderly at Catholic mis-
sion sites are united with
caring sponsors.**

**Learn how you can provide
education, food, medical
care and hope for the entire
community!
www.ccare.ca**

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

Anyone in grades 7 through 12 is welcome to join us from 7-8:30pm in the gym. Bring your friends

HELP US!!

Please support the Youth Group by donating your Canadian Tire money into the collection basket. Every bit helps! Thanks!

YOUNG ADULTS

We meet the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month at 8:30 pm in the school gym foyer. Anyone ages 19 to 30 is welcome!

WYD 2008 FUNDRAISING

At present, 16 young adults and young at heart from Prince George will be going to World Youth Day 2008 in Australia. Accounts have been set-up at BBK Bottle Depot at 2629 Vance Rd and Nechako Bottle Depot at 1922 First Avenue. If you would like to donate your deposit to our group, ask for the "World Youth Day 2008" account.

Our Lasting Impact on Others

*Just as our relationships in marriage and family
continue on after death – although differently – the impact
our kindness and compassion have on our co-workers will last,
even after we no longer work together.
Our impact on them and on those we serve, lasts.*

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Nov 10	7:00 pm	INT Henri & Bernardine LeFebvre
Sun	Nov 11	9:00 am	People of our Parish
		11:00 am	INT Gordon & Pam Meyer
Mon	Nov 12	7:20 am	INT Denise Cote
Tue	Nov 13	7:20 am	INT Paula Foley
Wed	Nov 14	7:20 am	RIP Walter Kilgallon
Thu	Nov 15	7:20 am	RIP Clare Golar
Fri	Nov 16	7:20 am	RIP Paul & Sheila Kenway
Sat	Nov 17	7:00 pm	RIP Claude Miller
Sun	Nov 18	9:00 am	People of our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP DiBenedetto Family Members

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: Francis Sauser, Kristen Sauser, Elda Garden (Fr. John's mother), Harvey Anderson, Denise Cote, Paula Foley, Eugene Bachand, Bud Walker, Mary Pfliger, Andrew Becker, Derall Amos, James McCloskey, Gordon Meyer, Dick Neville, Ron Roth, Vicky & Greg Gutfriend, Anne Beaudette, Bonnie, Natalie & Doug Marwood, Judy Nelson (Ann Robertson's sister), Josephine Nykoluk, Sr. Margaret Quinn, and her sister, 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.

DONATIONS FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes	\$3039.00	Loose	\$323.00	Total	\$3362.00
School	\$478.00	Special Collections	\$125.00		

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

RAINBOWS

Rainbows is now accepting applications for the sessions beginning on January 10, 2008. These sessions are filling up already so it is important to have your registration form in on time. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Dec 15, 2007.** To receive a registration form and schedule please contact:

Ursula Morris at 563-5584 e-mail: pandumorris@shaw.ca
or Sr. Margaret Quinn at 562-2817 e-mail: mquinn@shaw.ca

SPIRITUAL ART SHOW AT UNBC

You are invited to attend "Heaven Speaks", a Spiritual Art Show at UNBC (Winter Gardens area) on Monday, November 26th at 9:00 am to 8:00 pm. Local artists will have on display photos, paintings, verses (both on paper & on tape) depicting Christ, Spirit and Crosses. Admission is free. For more information contact: Lynn at 614-1877.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE LECTURE AT UNBC

'Coffee and the Solidarity Economy: Fair Trade versus Free Trade': A lecture by a Guatemalan who is involved in fair trade in that country. 7:00–9:00 pm, Thursday, November 15th at UNBC, Room 7-150. Everyone welcome.

CELEBRATE A LIFE ANNUAL MEMORIAL

The Prince George Hospice Society presents a time to remember a loved one during the Holiday Season. Thursday, November 22nd at 7 pm at St. Giles Presbyterian Church, 1500 Edmonton St. Everyone is welcome. Anyone wishing to donate an unwrapped gift may do so. The gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution.

FLOODING IN MEXICO

Development & Peace is closely monitoring the situation in the Tabasco region of Mexico through regular reports provided by its partners in Mexico and Caritas Internationalis, the worldwide international aid organization of the Catholic Church. Development & Peace is accepting donations from the Canadian public to support its partners in Mexico. Contributions can be made by telephone (1 888 664 3387), or via the Internet using our e-donation page, or by cheque (marked "Emergency: Tabasco") at the following address: Development and Peace 1425, René-Lévesque Blvd. West, 3rd floor, Montreal (Quebec) H3G 1T7

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE

Please call 964-4475 to register for programs For more info visit: www.geocities.com/domanorenewal or see the bulletin boards or pick up a DRC brochure at the back of the church.

Women's Spirituality—Nov 13

7:00 to 9:00 pm—\$5/session

The Way of the Warrior, Healer, Visionary & Teacher Nov 20 & 27

7:00 to 9:00 pm—\$5/session

Good Grief for the Holidays—Nov 24

10:00 am to 12:30 pm—\$10—materials included

Making Christmas Decorations—Nov 25

1:30 pm to 4:00 pm—\$5—phone for supply list

Day of Stillness: Preparation for Advent

9:30 am to 3:30 pm—\$25—includes lunch

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

BOOK OF LIFE

The month of November is a time when we remember in a special way all those who have gone before us. During the month of November we will have our Book of Life displayed at the back of the church near the baptismal font, paschal candle and our Tree of Life banner. Please feel free to write into the Book of Life the names of your deceased loved ones.

THEO-TIDBITS—SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS— SACRAMENT OF LOVE

This series has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

WORKSHOP FOR LECTORS

On Mon Nov 12 at 7 pm, we invite ALL new or current lectors to attend a workshop in the Church. We will review some procedures and reflect on our vocation as ministers of the Word. Please find the time to come!!

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

We are planning to have a series of baptism preparation sessions for older children (aged 5 to 10). If your child hasn't been baptized and falls within that age bracket, please give us a call. Phone Giselle at the parish office for more information—564-4097.

GRAPEVINE WREATHS

We are looking for small to medium (4 to 10 inches in diameter) grapevine twig wreaths (undecorated) for the St. Vincent de Paul hampers which will be distributed in December. If you have any spare ones hanging around your house, please drop them off at the parish office or bring them to Church..

ST. MARY'S CWL RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

First prize - Leo Chevrefils - \$500.00
Second Prize- Kathy Labonte - \$250.00
Third Prize- Rachele Viray - \$100.00

DINNER & DANCE

St. Mary's Catholic School is hosting their Annual Silent Auction Dinner & Dance on Saturday, November 17, 2007. Tickets are available at the school office, \$20 per person or book a table and receive a 10% discount. There are many great items including a Nintendo Wii, 1 day Bobcat Rental, jewelry, gift baskets and the grand door prize is a Via Rail trip to Jasper.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

As many of you know, Fr. Richard visits the parish in McBride to celebrate Eucharist with them once a month. This visit usually takes place on the first Sunday of the month. Although we are sometimes able to find a replacement priest for those Sunday morning Masses, this is not always possible. As a result, we will not be accepting Mass Intentions for the 9 & 11 am Masses for the First Sunday of each month.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION—NOVEMBER 18

On November 17/18, we will be taking the annual diocesan collection. There are envelopes in your sets for this collection, or you can use one of the special collection envelopes available at the church entrance. This collection replaces three former separate collections: Religious Education and Pastoral Development, Education of Priests and Pro-Life Support. The new combined collection is also used to add to the Priests' Pension Fund. We ask you to generously support these efforts to continue the mission of the Church in our diocese.

THEO-TIDBITS—HARRY POTTER: FRIEND OR FIEND?

We've all heard of Harry Potter. Maybe we haven't read the books, but we've certainly formed an opinion, either positive or negative. But what is the truth underlying Harry Potter? Do the books encourage children to practice witchcraft or do they teach our children some core truths & values: truth, love, hope, faithfulness, loyalty, love conquers death? Come and join the discussion on Tuesday, November 20 at 7 pm in the Parish Office Meeting Room (1088 Gillett Street).

VESPERS

On Sunday, November 18, at 4:30 pm, we will celebrate Evening Vespers. Please come and join us for this half hour of sung prayer.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE & CHOCOLATE

We will be offering Fair Trade coffee & chocolate for sale again after Mass on Saturday Nov 17 and Sunday Nov 18. Hopefully we'll have enough chocolate this time!!

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

St. Mary's will be celebrating the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion on Saturday May 10. Time(s) to be finalized.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Nov 11	Mon Nov 12	Tues Nov 13	Wed Nov 14	Thurs Nov 15	Fri Nov 16	Sat Nov 17
9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass	8 a—Mass 7 p—Lector Workshop	6:30 p—Rel Ed.	10 a—Parables 7 p—Parables	6:30 p—Rainbows 7:30 p—Pr. Group	Table for Two 8:30 p—AA	7 p—Mass

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Nov 18	Mon Nov 19	Tues Nov 20	Wed Nov 21	Thurs Nov 22	Fri Nov 23	Sat Nov 24
9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass 4:30 p—Vespers	7 p—Liturgy Committee 7 p—RCIA	6:30 p—Rel. Ed. 7 p—Theo-Tid— Harry Potter: Friend or Fiend? 7:30 p—K. of C.	10 a—Parables 7 p—Parables	6:30 p—Rainbows 7:30 p—Pr. Group	Marriage Prep 8:30 p—AA	Marriage Prep 7 p—Mass

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 series is on Dec 10 & 11 (need to attend both sessions).

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. 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.

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.

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 Estelle Bachand (964-3836) 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/>



CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

We meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please call Bernie or Aime Trotter 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.

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.

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.