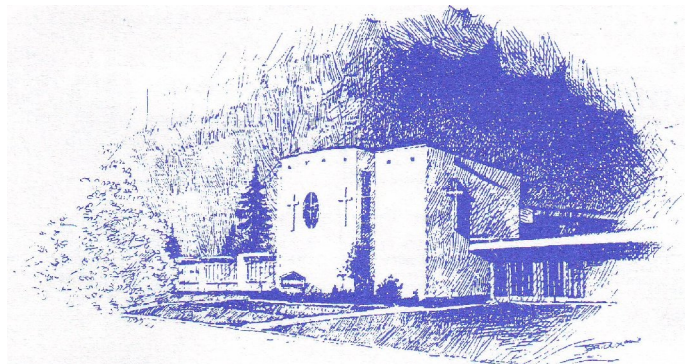

St. Mary's Parish



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

31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 3/4, 2007

ST. MARY'S CRAFT FAIR



THIS WEEKEND!!!

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL GYM

10 am to 4 pm

COME & JOIN US!

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

No Youth Group due to the St. Mary's Craft Fair this weekend. Anyone in grades 7 through 12 is welcome to join us next Sunday (11th) 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

No Young Adults due to the St. Mary's Craft Fair this weekend. 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!

It's the Person Doing the Work

*Zacchaeus' work was not admired in his local community,
but Jesus wisely goes beyond his work
to invite Zacchaeus as a person.*

*How can we look beyond those we work with
and see them as the person they really are,
in God's eyes.*

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Nov 3	7:00 pm	RIP Marvin Lane
Sun	Nov 4	9:00 am	People of our Parish
		11:00 am	People of our Parish
Mon	Nov 5	7:20 am	RIP William Jackson
Tue	Nov 6	7:20 am	RIP Deceased OMI
Wed	Nov 7	7:20 am	RIP Nangle Family Members
Thu	Nov 8	7:20 am	RIP Maurice Labrosse
Fri	Nov 9	7:20 am	RIP Paul & Sheila Kenway
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

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, 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	\$2897.00	Loose	\$386.00	Total	\$3283.00
School	\$25.00	World Mission Sunday	\$122.00		

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

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child gives us the opportunity to bring Christmas to a child overseas who is living in poverty. To participate, please fill a shoebox, or a plastic shoebox-sized container, with hard candies, toys, items for good hygiene, lightweight clothes, school supplies, books, etc. Please do not include chocolate, liquids, toothpaste or war toys. Place an elastic around each end of the box and mark the box for a boy or a girl and the age category (2-4, 5-9, 10-14). You may drop off your shoebox at St. Mary's School Office by **November 7**. For more information, call St. Mary's School at 563-7502. Thank you for your generous support!

SINGLE AGAIN

Adults who find themselves **Single Again** after separation, divorce or death of a spouse will meet Thursday, November 8th at Sacred Heart Cathedral in the Lower Church from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. This session will include a brief lecture, small group sharing and refreshments in a caring atmosphere. This month's topic is: "The Messages of Stress Around the Holidays". The facilitator is Sr. Tarianne DeYonker, OP.

SALT + LIGHT TELEVISION

Salt + Light is Canada's Catholic Television Network. It has loads of great programming. If you have Bell Express Vu Satellite, you can watch it on Channel 654. It isn't offered by Shaw Cable yet. For more info, visit www.saltandlighttv.org

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.

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.

Marriage, Divorce & Annulment—Nov 6

7:00 to 9:00 pm—\$5

World Religions—Nov 8, 15, 22

7:00 to 8:30 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

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.

WORKSHOP FOR COMMUNION MINISTERS

On Mon Nov 5 at 7 pm, we invite ALL extraordinary ministers of communion to attend a workshop. We need to explain and walk through some procedures. Please find the time to come!!

CWL KORNER

A reminder that the CWL meeting will be held in the conference room on Tues Nov 6 at 7:00 p.m. All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

ANOINTING MASS

We invite all the sick and elderly in our parish to attend the Anointing Mass on Thurs Nov 8 at 2 pm, here at St. Mary's. Refreshments will be served following the Mass.

GOODIES! GOODIES!

Parishioners are asked to donate goodies for the Anointing Mass on Thurs Nov 8. Cookies, squares, muffins, loaves (whatever is your specialty) will be gratefully accepted. They may be dropped off at the rectory on the morning of Thursday Nov 8. Your kindness and generosity mean so much to the recipients.

WORKSHOP FOR LECTORS

On Mon Nov 12 at 7 pm, we invite ALL new or current lectors to attend a workshop. 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.

CHRISTIAN CHILD CARE INTERNATIONAL

On November 10-11, please welcome Deacon Larry Gorman who will speak about Christian Child Care International - a Canadian, Catholic sponsorship program. He will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 42 mission sites in 15 developing countries. CCCI's website is www.ccare.ca

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..

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.

THEO-TIDBITS—SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS—SACRAMENT OF LOVE

Eucharist, A mystery to be believed, A mystery to be celebrated, A mystery to be lived. What does that mean for us in our daily lives? How do we celebrate, how do we live Eucharist at home, at work, in our recreation, in our other relationships? We celebrate and receive Eucharist, but what does it mean for us to BE Eucharist? Come and find out on Tuesday Nov 6 and Nov 13 at 7 pm in the Parish Office Meeting Room.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Nov 4	Mon Nov 5	Tues Nov 6	Wed Nov 7	Thurs Nov 8	Fri Nov 9	Sat Nov 10
CRAFT FAIR 9 a—Mass 11 a—Mass	7 p—RCIA 7 p—Communion Ministers Wrkshp 7:30 p—K of C— Dist Dep.	6:30 p—Rel. Ed. 7 p—CWL 7 p—Theo-Tid— Sac. Of Love	10 a—Parables 7 p—K of C Exec 7 p—Parables	2 p—Anointing Mass 7 p—Camp Morice 6:30 p—Rainbows 7:30 p—Pr. Group	9 a—School Mass 8:30 p—AA	7 p—Anniversary Mass

NEXT 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 2 p—First Na- tion's Sun. School	8 a—Mass 7 p—Lector Workshop	6:30 p—Rel Ed. 7 p—Theo-Tid— Sac. Of Love	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

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. We are on summer break right now!

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 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.