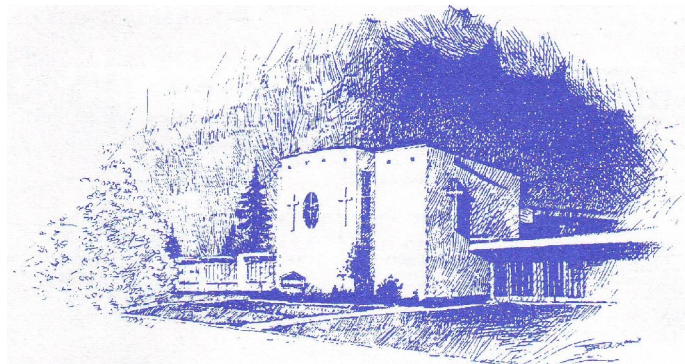

St. Mary's Parish



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

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 29/30, 2007

REKINDLE THE FAITH FIRE OBLATE PARISH MISSION OCT 14-16



You are invited to enjoy again
the music, preaching,
drama and ritual
of the Great Assemblies
led by the
Oblate Parish Mission Team:
Fr. Al, Br. Louis
and Ed & Natalie Schrader.

Great Assemblies

Oct 14, 15 & 16

7:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Parish

During the daytime,
there will be opportunities
to celebrate reconciliation,
share in an hour of silent adoration
and celebrate the anointing of the sick.

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

Join us every Sunday evening from 7-8:30pm in the gym! Anyone in grades 7 to 12 is welcome!

HELP US!!

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

180* YOUTH EVENT

October 19 to 21 at the Rolla-dome! See the bulletin board for details!!

YOUNG ADULTS

We meet the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday of each month at 8:30 pm in the St. Mary's school gym. Anyone aged 19-30 is welcome!

CHRIST WITH US IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The 27th Annual Catholic Youth Retreat takes place on Oct 12, 13 & 14 at Christ our Saviour Parish. This event is facilitated by REACH Youth Ministries from Yakima, WA and sponsored by the Charismatic Prayer Group of St. Mary's, Christ our Saviour Parish and the Knights of Columbus #8046. For more info, call John Welscher (962-7742) or Aime Trotter (564-8943). Registration forms available on the bulletin board.

S.E.R.V.E. 2008

The Summer Endeavour in a Redemptorist Volunteer Experience (S.E.R.V.E.) is once again being provided by the Redemptorists of Canada. It is a young adult experience for men and women, ages 18-30, to live in a Redemptorist community for five weeks. S.E.R.V.E. 2008 is occurring in Sudbury, ON, May 3-June 7 and Saskatoon, SK, May 10-June 14. Brochures are available from Joe Glaab. For more info, visit www.ryvm.ca

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 Retreat—Oct 13 & 14

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.—\$40/couple—Accommodations extra

Day of Stillness—Oct 13

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.—\$25—Includes lunch

Theology Goes to the Movies—Oct 18

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.—\$5—*"The Winslow Boy"*

Discerning Spirit-Given Gifts—Oct 27

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.—\$30—Includes lunch & materials

You are Invited to our Open House!—Oct 28

2:00 to 4:00 pm—RSVP—964-4475

You are cordially invited to join us for an Open House & Guided Tour
The DRC Advisory Council and Staff will be on hand to give tours and answer any questions.
Refreshments will be provided.

RECEPTIONIST POSITION AVAILABLE

The Domano Renewal Centre is looking for a part-time Secretary/Receptionist responsible for secretarial tasks, bookings and reception. For more information contact: Sr. Jean Marie Lehtinen or Sr. Donna Dolan at 964-4475.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

LIFE CHAIN—TODAY!!

Life Chain takes place today from 2:00 to 3:00 pm along 15th Ave., near Central Street. Come and join us, and encourage your friends and family members to come along, too.

"WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE?"

You are invited to come and listen to John Hof, President of Campaign Life Coalition B.C. as he speaks on: "What is the Appropriate Response?" Coffee and dessert will be served. October 1, at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall at the First Baptist Church, 483 Gillett Street.

SINGLE AGAIN

Adults who find themselves Single Again after separation, divorce or death of a spouse will meet Thursday, October 11 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. Sr. Jean Marie Lehtinen, OP will address the topic: "Understanding Differences in Relationships".

PG CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTRE CONCERT

Invites you to a Celebration and Fundraising Concert featuring Art Pruce, an accomplished musician from Kamloops. Join us Fri Oct 12 at 7:30 pm at the PG Playhouse. Admission is free. You'll hear a client's story, enjoy some excellent music, see our new materials and have the opportunity to consider how you might contribute to this important ministry.

CAMP MORICE AGM

The Board of Directors of the Camp Morice Society invite you to the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. Come and find out about the exciting additions to the camp. Hear about future plans. Your thoughts and suggestions are welcomed as we continue to make this a vibrant Christian camp.

SOCIAL JUSTICE WORKSHOP

On Monday, October 29th at 7:00 p.m., Sr. Tarianne DeYonker, OP will lead a workshop at Christ Our Saviour on Catholic Social Teaching and how we can work towards social justice, both at home and abroad. This workshop is free. For information or to sign up please call Jo-Anne at 962-8122 or email at her.allison@unbc.ca.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANKSGIVING DINNER

Sunday Oct 7 at Sacred Heart Auditorium.
Dinner served Sunday from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Volunteers are needed Sat Oct 6 from noon to 1 pm for table setup and hall preparation.

Many volunteers are needed Sun Oct 7 from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm for serving, dish washing and hall cleanup.

Most food preparation provided by CNC Culinary Arts Department. Dessert donations are gratefully accepted.

To ensure sufficient help,
Please confirm your volunteer assistance
by calling Bernie at 564-3416 or Norm at 562-6034

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ST. MARY'S 16TH ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

Our Craft Fair is coming up on Nov 3 & 4. All of our tables are taken and we have a few new crafters this year with wonderful new and interesting crafts, as well as many of our long time crafters. Make sure to mark it on you calendar and be sure to come and visit us on the first weekend in November!

CALLING ALL PETS!

On Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 pm, in the church, we will have our annual blessing of the animals in honour of the feast of St. Francis. All furred, feathered or scaled pets and their owners are invited to come. Please remember to come enclosed in a cage/bowl or wear a fetching leash or harness.

HOLIDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

Beginning Monday, October 8, Mass times on holiday Mondays will change from 10 am to 8 am. There will be no morning prayer on holiday Mondays.

CWL Korner

The CWL meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room. All women of the parish are most welcome to attend this meeting.

All parishioners are encouraged to join the Life Chain on 15th Avenue east of Central St. on Sunday, September 30 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Come and join in prayerful solidarity for the unborn children in our country and throughout the world.

LECTOR RESOURCE

The 2008 Lector Workbooks are available in the sacristy.

DONATIONS FROM LAST WEEK

Envelopes \$2895.00 Loose \$371.15 **Total \$3266.15**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers the following people who are sick and suffering: Leo Comtois (Rose-Marie Seager's brother), 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.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sat	Sept 29	7:00 pm	RIP Alfredo doCoutook
Sun	Sept 30	9:00 am	People of our Parish
		11:00 am	RIP Tony Obuchowski
Mon	Oct 1	7:20 am	INT Amos Family
Tue	Oct 2	7:20 am	RIP Deceased Oblates
Wed	Oct 3	7:20 am	RIP Paul & Sheila Kenway
Thu	Oct 4	7:20 am	INT Roth Family
Fri	Oct 5	7:20 am	RIP James McCloskey
Sat	Oct 6	7:00 pm	Lay Led Liturgy
Sun	Oct 7	9:00 am	Lay Led Liturgy
		11:00 am	Lay Led Liturgy

Communal Gifts

It is not wealth itself but the complacency and disregard for others that it frequently leads to that is denounced in today's readings. It's easy to take our blessings for granted, to believe we have the right to all our good fortune. To what extent do I think about what I have as gifts of the community?

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Sept 30	Mon Oct 1	Tues Oct 2	Wed Oct 3	Thurs Oct 4	Fri Oct 5	Sat Oct 6
FR. RICHARD AWAY ALL WEEK	7:30 pm—K of C. District Deputies Mtg.	6:30 pm—Rel. Ed. 7 pm—CWL Mtg.	10 am—Parables 7 pm—Parables 7pm—Knight's of Columbus Exec.	10 am—Book Disc. 6:30 pm—Rainbows 7 pm—Theo-Tid—God is Love 7:30 pm—Prayer Group	7 pm—AA	7 pm—Lay Led Liturgy BROWN BAGS COLLECTION!!

NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sun Oct 7	Mon Oct 8	Tues Oct 9	Wed Oct 10	Thurs Oct 11	Fri Oct 12	Sat Oct 13
Fr. Richard away 9 & 11 am—Lay Led Liturgy BROWN BAGS COLLECTION!!	Fr. Richard back 8 am—Mass	6:30 pm—Blessing of the Animals 7:00 pm—Rel. Ed. after Pet Blessing	10 am—Parables 7 pm—Parables	10 am—Book Disc. 6:30 pm—Rainbows 7:00—Theo-Tid—Stewardship 7:30 pm—Prayer Group	6:30 pm—Table for Two 7 pm—AA	REACH Youth Retreat (Christ our Saviour) Oblate Mission Team in Town

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. Our next baptism preparation series is Oct 29 & 30.

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. Our catechumenate 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. 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, 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.