SACRED HEART PARISH



St. Joseph Church



Sacred Heart Church



St. Anthony Church

Our Lord Jesus Christ November 22, 2026 Year A

Welcome To Our Parish

"You are loved, you matter, and you belong."

PARISH INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATOR: Fr. Samuel Okafor C.
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
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MISSIONS

St. Joseph Church
7164 Rosen Lake Rd.
Jaffray, BC V0B1T0

St. Anthony Church
4949 Luck Avenue
Canal Flats, BC
V0B1B0



Pastor's Message:

My dear friends in Christ.

Peace be unto you!

Last Sunday we concluded a liturgical year with the solemnity of Christ the King. So, today, the mother Church welcomes us to a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. It is a period that prepares us for the celebration of the nativity of Christ (Christmas) and also for His second coming. The readings of this first Sunday of Advent are wake up calls to be watchful and prayerful.

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MASS TIMES

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday
Sacred Heart 6:30pm

Wednesday to Friday
Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday
St. Anthony, Canal Flats 4:00 pm
Sacred Heart 7:00 pm

Sunday
Sacred Heart 9:00 am
St. Joseph, Jaffray 12:00 pm

Holy Mass is celebrated
this month at
Garden View 10am
Tuesday, December 8th

No Mass at ***The Pines this month.***

† † † MASS INTENTIONS † † †

Sat.	Nov 28	4pm St. A	Parishioners, St. Anthony	INT
		7pm SHP	†Lorrain Logan, (C. Morrisette)	R
Sun.	Nov 29	9am SHP	Parishioners, Sacred Heart	INT
		12pm St. J	Parishioners, St. Joseph	INT
Tues.	Dec 1	6:30pm SHP	†Anna Acme, (M. Manorin)	R
Wed.	Dec 2	9am SHP	Fr. Obi, (Pirioska Cossette)	INT
Thurs.	Dec 3	9am SHP	Fr. Obi, (Pirioska Cossette)	INT
Fri.	Dec 4	9am SHP	**First Friday Adoration after Mass**	
			†Jim Croisdale, (W. Croisdale)	R
Sat	Dec 5	9am SHP	First Saturday Mass	

Pastor's message cont.…

They invite us to be good children of God and worthy disciples of Christ at all times and seasons so as not to be taken by surprise even during celebrations.

The Lord's second coming will happen at a time we do not know. It therefore calls for a deep preparation. Dear friends in Christ, the season of Advent therefore is a time for amendment, purification and to seek the face of God. May this Holy season grant us the grace to be fully prepared for Christmas and ever ready to meet Christ.

Fr Samuel Okafor C.

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION
Saturday – 6:30pm
Friday 9:30 – 10:00 am during Holy Hour
Or by appointment

BAPTISM/MARRIAGE:
Please contact the Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:
If you or a family member is sick, hospitalized or facing death and wish to have a priest visit, please call the Parish Office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:
Louise Gottschalk
Ph: 250 - 427 - 6132 or
email: louigott@gmail.com

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS - RCIA
Ben Greschner 778-256-1201
email:greschnerben@gmail.com

EMERGENCIES:
Call (250) 231-7078

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Do you know someone who is curious about our Catholic faith? A survey once indicated that almost all new RCIA candidates were invited by a co-worker, friend, or family member. A simple and sincere invitation is often all that is needed in their life. If you know someone who is looking for the peace that comes through the Catholic faith, I encourage you to extend an invitation to the RCIA program. There is no cost to attend. For more information call Ben Greschner at 778-256-1201 or email greschnerben@gmail.com

Looking Ahead:

Nov 28	Christmas Tea and Bake Sale 1-3pm
Nov 29	Sunday Mass 9am First Sunday of Advent Coffee After Mass returns today!
Dec 4	First Friday Mass and Adoration 9-4pm
Dec 5	First Saturday Mass 9am
Dec 8	Mass at Garden View 10am. Coffee and goodies after Mass provided by CWL.
Dec 14	Reconciliation Service 6:30pm

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

We pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, so they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, along with help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.

This Week We Pray For:

- ◊ *Repose of Ted Hlady and for comfort for Teen and family*
- ◊ *Father Obi and family*
- ◊ *Prayers in the Prayer Basket*

Quote of the Week

"Let us prepare for the coming of our Lord with repentance, humility, and acts of charity."

St. John Chrysostom

Did you know?

If you have any documents, receipts, etc., that you would like to pass onto the bookkeeper, they can be deposited in the drop box of the exterior hall basement door.

The parish office is updating our files. Please help us by supplying us with your full name, current address, phone number(s), and birthdate. (We would like to pray for you!) You can email the information to us or drop it in the collection basket.

Nov 22, 2026

	Actual	Budget
Sunday Collection	$1,956.00	$2250.00
Year to Date	$74,201.57	$72,290.00

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal 2026

This annual appeal provides funding for capital project rebates, Catholic education, social and pastoral programs, and many other key services in our diocese as well as our parish.

Diocesan Goal for Sacred Heart:	**$10,150**
Sacred Heart Parish Goal:	$
Total Goal:	$
Raised to Date:	$12,785
Funds above goal:	$ 2,635

We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal.

Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection, or donate via e-transfer to: etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org

Ways to Donate Financially to Our Parish

Parish Envelopes – available in the Narthex. Make sure to write name and address the first time you use it.

E-transfer for Sacred Heart Parish –In the message box include how the donation is to be directed.
etransfer.shpkimberley@nelsondiocese.org

Pre-authorized Giving Plan – Fill out the form available in the Parish office and bring a blank cheque.

Scan the QR Code located in the pews.

Informational items

- A Warm welcome to **Father Samuel Okafor**. May he be blessed abundantly during his time serving Sacred Heart Parish, and St. Anthony Mission and St. Joseph Missions. Father Samuel comes to us from Nigeria with plenty of experience in administrating a Parish. He has been in Canada for the past year with a Parish in Ottawa and now comes to join us. We look forward to getting to know him and working together towards our Parish goals. May you walk in God's light.

Catholic Catechesis:
Watch, Wait, and Welcome!

"Be constantly on the watch! Stay awake!" (*Mark 13*:33) We start off the new Church year, and Advent, focusing on our relationship with God the Father. We need to be on the watch so as not to be surprised. Merchandisers are on the watch this Advent. They have been preparing for months to have their products available for consumers to purchase during December. Children are on the watch for presents and Christmas. Parents are on the watch, putting up Christmas lights and trees, as well as buying and ordering gifts. But will we be ready to greet Jesus when He comes? Will we re-order our lives and take advantage of a God-given fresh start? Would that God might meet us at the manger, ready to welcome His Infant Son Jesus! May He meet us doing the works of mercy and serving Him in the poor. Watch, wait, and welcome the Lord this new Church year.

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Parish Committees/Ministry/Organizations

Finance Committee.: Ken Tate 403-466-1988
Parish Council: Leighton Wilson 778-481-5102
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Greeters: Marc Cossette 250-882-4772
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Church Cleaning: Jennelle Lafortune 250-433-1258

DECEMBER GOODIES AFTER MASS PROVIDED BY

Nov 29	Coffee after Mass returns!!
Dec 6	Parish (Birthdays and Anniversaries)
Dec 13	Parish Council
Dec 20	CWL
Dec 27	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

CHURCH BULLETIN
Please submit informational items
for the church Bulletin by
Thursdays at noon.
Thank you!

Parish Grounds Update

Hello Everyone,

I am pleased to be taking over from Ben Greschner as Grounds Coordinator and would like to thank Ben for his hard work over the past three years keeping our parish grounds looking great. With winter approaching, I will be looking for volunteers to help clear snow from the entrances to our Church, Rectory, and Hall before Masses whenever needed. We will be using sand and salt this winter, but please use them sparingly to minimize what gets tracked into the Church.

We are fortunate to have Warren volunteering once again to clear the Church parking lot as required. Please avoid driving into the lot until he has had a chance to clear the snow, as packed snow makes his job much more difficult. If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding snow removal, please bring them to me so I can coordinate with Warren.

In the spring, we will organize a parish grounds cleanup day, followed by weekly volunteer sessions to cut grass, trim edges, blow off driveways, weed, and tackle other small maintenance jobs.

If you are able to lend a hand, whether in winter or spring, your help would be greatly appreciated. Together, we can keep our parish grounds safe, welcoming, and looking their best.

Grace and peace,

Marc Cossette
Grounds Coordinator
250-882-4772

Rachel's Corner

"For years I had to hide in shame… afraid always of what people would say… feeling all along the pain of the loss…NOW I DON'T HAVE TO HIDE ANYMORE!!! I feel like I have a whole new life in front of me and now I know I am not alone." -
Testimonial from Retreat

Have you been hiding your pain deep inside since the day it was decided to end the pregnancy? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and re-discover the person you are without the burden of shame.

Rachel's Vineyard Abortion Healing
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