

# St. Joseph's Parish

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**St. Joseph, Pray for Us**

**February 13, 2022**

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Bible Verse for February 13:** Col. 2:8

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

### Stewardship Reflection:

*"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man."* (Luke 6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

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### Mass Intentions:

Monday	Feb. 14	Baptist Gnana Pragasam +
Tuesday	Feb. 15	Anna Teindl +
Wednesday	Feb. 16	Margaret Boe health
Thursday	Feb. 17	Ken Hodge health
Friday	Feb. 18	Jack Lay +
Saturday	Feb. 19	Benicio Narciso

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022:

#### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	Feb. 19	5pm	Henryk Wojtunik +
Sunday	Feb. 20	9am	Tony Mannella +
Sunday	Feb. 20	11am	Anita Kosakewich

The **CWL** is doing a **Winter Clothing Drive** (until the end of February) for Hope Central on Railway Avenue. Needed: blankets, sleeping bags, coats, toques, mittens, HotHands hand warmers. Items must be in good condition and will be donated to men and women who are homeless. Put your donations in the large box in the foyer.

### Be Part of the Synod 2022/2023

Come join the conversation about the church. We will be meeting to discuss topics relating to **Communion, Participation and Mission** within the church. If you would like to be part of the conversation, please come and join us. There is no training necessary, and we invite all who want our church to be better! Our **first meeting** will be on **Wednesday, February 16th at 6:30 pm** in the church. Please sign up after the Mass.

### Important Parish Event: Wednesday, February 23, 6:30pm to All Parishioners:

Deacon Terry will be facilitating an interactive discussion on the important issue of **Safe Environment Practices** which the archdiocese wishes to be facilitated in every parish. This is in response to the scandal that has rocked our Church - sex abuse.

A safe environment for our children, youth and those who may be vulnerable is the responsibility of all of us so that together we can ensure no such tragedies ever occur again. This is why we all need to be informed.

Fr. George agreed that the parish will be providing some pizza for attendees. Because we want to avoid waste or insufficiency it would be helpful to get a sense of how many will attend, so please email Deacon Terry at: [terrykp12@gmail.com](mailto:terrykp12@gmail.com) or phone and leave a message at 604.239.1060.

**The Catholic Women's League** is having their Membership Drive the weekends of February 12/13 & 19/20. Members of the CWL will be at the back of the church to sign up new members and collect membership dues from present members.

**Flowers:** Regrettably the ladies who have been looking after the flowers the past few years have now had to step aside. If you are interested in flower arranging for the parish, please call the office 604.425.0392 and we will pass your name on.

**The Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform (CCBR)** is presenting a Pro-Life Crash Course. The itinerary is designed to be flexible to your work/school schedule, and the whole experience, including some meals, only costs \$25. The **training** will take place on **Saturday, February 19**. To learn more and apply, visit [www.endthekilling.ca/crash-course/](http://www.endthekilling.ca/crash-course/)

**40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign:** 40 Days for Life is an international focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. This year's campaign includes an evening Zoom rosary. **Begins Wednesday, March 2**. Learn more at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**Graves into Gardens: A Women's Gathering:** Join Heather Khym, Debbie Herbeck, Sarah Kaczmarek and hundreds of Catholic women for a weekend of restoration at Chandos Pattison Auditorium in Surrey BC, Friday, April 8 - Saturday, April 9. It's an opportunity to come together as one body to re-centre our focus on Jesus. He wants to turn our graves into gardens. He is the only One who can. **Registration opens at 9:00am on Saturday, Feb. 19**. Learn more at [liferestoration.ca/womens\\_gathering](http://liferestoration.ca/womens_gathering)

**Youth Ministry Summer Training 2022:** The Summer Training program is for youth in grades 10-12 and young adults who have a heart for service and ministry with newly confirmed youth and youth in grades 8 & 9. Looking for team members to plan, organize and implement retreats; will be given training in program planning, leadership skills and how to be missionary disciples of Christ. Learn more & apply at [rcav.org/summer-training](http://rcav.org/summer-training). *Applications close on Friday, February 25, 11:59pm.*



# The Church wants to listen. Come join the conversation.

## SOME TOPICS OF CONVERSATION TO CONSIDER

- 1 What helps or prevents you from being active in the Church's mission?
- 2 What areas of the Church's mission are we missing or neglecting?
- 3 What particular issues in the Church do we need to pay more attention to?
- 4 What particular issues in society do we need to pay more attention to?
- 5 How can we, the local Church, journey with our Indigenous sisters and brothers in a process of healing and reconciliation?



Keep an eye on your parish bulletin in the coming weeks to learn how you can participate in a Synod discussion.

For more information and to stay up to date with the latest Synod updates from the Archdiocese, visit [rcav.org/synod](http://rcav.org/synod).

