

## St. Joseph's Parish

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*St. Joseph, Pray for Us*

### July 17, 2022 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Bible Verse for July 17:** 1 Thess. 5:19-22  
Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

#### Stewardship Reflection:

*"I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ..." (Colossians 1:25)*

We are all called to evangelize - to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbours. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

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**Children's Rosary Club** continues to meet at **10am each Sunday** throughout the summer. For further information, contact Mother Cynthia 250.488.3368.

**Kids for Christ** welcome all ages and meets **every Saturday at 10am** throughout the summer. For further information, contact Mother Cynthia 250.488.3368.

**Would you like to learn some audio-visual techniques?:** Ramil Lising who set up live-streaming, sound, and projection capabilities for St. Joseph's is willing to teach whomever would like to learn. PREP teachers, members of different groups, parishioners at large who would like to learn how to operate the equipment to be able to put prayers, events on your phones and then project on to screens/walls, etc. are asked to contact Ramil directly. You can phone or text Ramil at 604.999.7140. He would like to hear from a lot of people.

**Please Pray for our Parishioners who have Health Challenges:** Margaret Boe, Bob Curley, Robert Denvir, Kathleen Ethier, Eugene Filiatrat, Paola Giacometti, Jean Hellier, Ken Hodge, Lilia Huff, Iola Mannella, Diana Martin, Mabsie Merz, Patricia Peters, and Zachary Restiaux.

**VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED WITH THE OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP Saturday, July 23, 2022, from 11am to 3pm.** Please bring your own tools. Remove moss from concrete pieces on edge of driveway leading to office/rectory, mow where necessary, pull weeds from plots, etc., etc.

**PARISH PICNIC Saturday, August 6th, AFTER THE 5PM MASS, in honour of Fr. George** as he prepares to retire. TO HELP THE ORGANIZERS, PLEASE SIGN UP IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING. Also, indicate if you plan on bringing an appetizer, salad, dessert, etc. All food contributions and monetary donations are much appreciated. *Please sign up by Sunday, July 31st so necessary preparations can be made. Your cooperation is appreciated.* If you would like to volunteer or would like further information, please e-mail: [parishpicnic2022@gmail.com](mailto:parishpicnic2022@gmail.com)

**Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at Fraser River Heritage Park, Mission, Saturday, August 20, 2022:** Confessions are heard on-site starting at 10AM. Main celebrant for the Mass at 1:00PM will be the Vicar General, Very Rev. Gary Franken. After Mass there is a procession to the Grotto where the Rosary is prayed, followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Afterwards people enjoy the picnic lunches that they brought. Charcoal briquettes are not allowed at the park, only propane can be used as per order of the City of Mission. Attendees must bring their own picnic baskets and chairs. This is the 35th year of the pilgrimage which was revived in 1987 by Fr. John Tritschler. The talented Nico Abais has created a website - everyone is encouraged to check it out: <https://missiongrotto.com>

**PROJECT ADVANCE - Live gratefully, give generously:** This year our Archdiocesan commitment is \$18,000. As of July 7, 2022 the total pledged is \$11,625. Once the Archdiocese receives their \$18,000, all funds will be directed back to the parish. Cheques must be made out to Project Advance. You can put your donation in the collection box in front of the sanctuary. Every dollar counts so please give. Thank you.

**VOLUNTEER WANTED TO ASSIST WITH REGULAR OUTDOOR MAINTENANCE:** If this interests you, please contact Joseph Livera, 604-820-2798. Joseph works full-time and volunteers as our Sacristan and volunteers to do the outdoor lawn mowing, etc. He would appreciate a helping hand in looking after the lawns.

♦ The Benedictines have elected Father Alban Riley as the new Abbott of Westminster Abbey. Our *Congratulations* to him.