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St. Joseph, Pray for Us

Weekday Masses: Monday - Saturday: 9:00am

Sunday Masses: Saturday (anticipated): 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 9:00am & 11:00am

March 15th, 2026
4th SUNDAY OF LENT

Stewardship Reflection:

"For the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

(Samuel 16:7)

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God. We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction but none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth."

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Mass Intentions:

Mon. Mar 16 9:00am Varghese Nedumparambil +
Tues. Mar 17 9:00am Gordon & Erin Pelletier
Wed. Mar 18 9:00am Jack Ethier
Thur. Mar 19 9:00am Giovanni Cumerlato +
7:00pm Parishioners
Fri. Mar 20 9:00am Joao Narciso +
Sat. Mar 21 9:00am Olga Olguin Gomez +

SUNDAY, MAR 22ND, 2026

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sat. Mar 21 5:00pm St. Joseph's Parish
Sun. Mar 22 9:00am Celebrant's Intention
Sun. Mar 22 11:00am Celebrant's Intention

Please Pray for our Parishioners who have health challenges:

Francelina Narciso, Zita Walt, Peter de Jong, Riet de Jong, Lilia Huff, Frank Muermann, Patricia Peters, Eileen Webster, Zachary Restiaux, Benito Mar, Joseph Shannon, Suzanne Maxwell.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Herman van der Loos.
Mass of Christian Burial will take place on
Saturday, March 28th, 2026 at 11:00am.
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



Lenten Penitential Services: Our Penitential Service will be held **next Saturday, March 21st at 6:00pm.**

Children's Choir: *(There will be no Practise for the next two weeks because of Spring Break.)* Our Children's Choir will be singing at this year's First Holy Communion Mass on **Sunday, May 3rd, 2026 at 11:00am. Practises are being held on Tuesday evenings at 5:30pm sharp.** If your child would like to be a part of this special occasion, please meet Maria and the rest of the choir in the church on Tuesday evening!

Anointing Of the Sick Mass: There will be an Anointing of the Sick Mass **next Saturday, March 21st at 11:00am. If you are bringing a loved one for this Sacrament, please let the parish office know ahead of time.** We will be having a small reception afterwards in the foyer and would like to know how much food to prepare.

On Tuesdays during the Season of Lent:

NO PREP classes during Spring Break

7:25pm - Mass

Parish Grounds Spring Clean Up: Volunteers are needed to help out with our *Annual Grounds Spring Clean Up on Saturday, March 21st, 2026.* If you enjoy gardening/landscaping we would love to see you anytime **between 9:00am and 3:00pm.** Bring your own gardening tools and gloves if you have some, but if not we will provide you with what you need. This is a great opportunity to be of service and give back to the Church. Let's make our church grounds beautiful.

Stations of the Cross during the Season of Lent:

Fridays - after the 9:00am Mass

Fridays - 7:00pm



Have a Blessed Week!

Thank You from Juliette Robertson & Family

With deep gratitude, we extend our heartfelt thanks to Father John for the beautiful and touching Memorial Mass for Randi Robertson. It was more than we could have hoped for, and it brought great comfort to our family. We offer our sincere appreciation to Amanda for her thoughtful organization and for patiently guiding us through many questions during a difficult time. Many grateful thanks to Maria and Jack for their talent and time in offering their musical abilities in beautiful music and songful prayer. We are also grateful to Maria and Tracey for preparing the lovely reception following the Mass, and to the CWL ladies who baked and assisted so generously. A special thank-you to Betty Ann, Linda May, and Darlene for the beautiful yellow roses that added such warmth and meaning to the evening. Finally, we thank the many friends who attended the Mass, supported our family, and offered Mass cards and beautiful sympathy cards. Your kindness has been a true blessing.

CWL: A very special **Thank you** to our CWL members who stepped up last Monday to assist with a large number of seniors who were displaced from Chartwell Carrington House Seniors Residence after a fire broke out and destroyed the building. St. Joseph's opened its doors to over a hundred residents, providing tea, coffee, food, blankets and a warm welcome while they waited for ESS to arrive and transport them to the Mission Leisure Centre where a Reception Centre was set up. Thankfully all residents were safely evacuated and there was no loss of life. Please keep all the residents, including some of our parishioners who resided there, in your thoughts and prayers.

Celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph: **Thursday, March 19th** marks the Solemnity of our parish Patron, St. Joseph! A Novena [9-days of special prayers] to St. Joseph started March 10th and are said immediately after the 9am Mass. On this special day, there will be 2 Masses, 9:00am and 7:00pm. Coffee and refreshments will be available after both Masses.

Young Adult Bible Study: This runs on the *first* and *third* Sundays of the month and is open to all young adults 18-30 years old. The next class will be **tonight, Sunday, March 15th, 2026 from 6:30-8:30pm**. All are welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing you there!

Rosary: Come learn more about our faith by joining us on **Monday evenings at 6:30 pm** in the church hall to pray the Rosary. We will be praying the Rosary according to the ancient tradition renewed by St. Dominic: we expand our meditations by beginning with a brief teaching from Scripture, Tradition, or the Magisterium. We then meditate on that teaching as we pray each decade, repeating this rhythm of reflection and prayer five times. There will be a short discussion on the meditation afterwards. Our *March 16th* session will be on **"What do your idols look like?"**. For more info, contact Judi at 604-832-0334.

Movie Night: All are welcome to join us in watching inspirational movies on **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm** in the church hall. This week, we will be watching first half of **"Breakthrough"**. Based on an incredible true story **Breakthrough** follows a mother whose unwavering faith and determination inspire hope when her son's life hangs in the balance after a tragic accident. This powerful film is a moving reminder of the strength of prayer, family, and miracles. Running time approx. 70 minutes. For more info, contact Judi at 604-832-0334.

Employment Opportunity: St. Joseph's Food Bank is hiring an *Executive Director* and an *Operational Manager*. The advertisement along with the job description is available from the Parish Office and at the Food Bank. Applications will be received until **11:59pm on March 31st, 2026** or until suitable candidates are selected.

Sun. MAR 22/26 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Date:

Sat. Mar 21 5:00pm Anne McLaughlin
Sun. Mar 22 9:00am Blake Lindgren, Patrick Quinn
Kevin Putenangady
Sun. Mar 22 11:00am Shaeleen Lochbaum, Patti Sunder,
Joseph Livera

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Lectors:

Date:

Sat. Mar 21 5:00pm Maria Hedderson, Carolyn Mar
Sun. Mar 22 9:00am PJ Lewis, Pamela Lewis
Sun. Mar 22 1:00am Trevor Traub

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Altar Servers: * M.C.

Date:

Sat. Mar 21 5:00pm *Hunter Morton, Sophie Chan Kin, Bethany Bosco
Sun. Mar 22 9:00am *Peter Krzus, John Paul Krzus, Timothy Krzus
Sun. Mar 22 11:00am *Alia Schmidt, Gabriel Legaspi, Nimuna Yunga