



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH - SQUAMISH

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH BULLETIN

98 Years of Witnessing and Sharing the Catholic Faith

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 22, 2023 [Year A]

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WEEKEND MASSES
SATURDAY 9:30 AM & 5:30 PM
SUNDAY 9:30 AM ONLY

WEEKDAY MASSES
MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, 9:30 AM
WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM,

Holy Rosary: 30 minutes prior to each Mass, except on Wednesday when the St. Joseph Rosary starts at 6:00 PM.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday at 6:30 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Confessions: Available 30 minutes before each Mass.

Baptism: Please call the parish office for arrangements.

Marriage: To schedule a marriage, please contact the office at least six months prior to your desired date.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

Funerals: To make funeral arrangements, kindly call the parish office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

Mass Intentions/Blessings of house, car, etc.: For appointments and more information, please call the parish office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

ESPECIALLY: Bob Splinter, Bill Vanderhor, Fred Durig, Rita Milia, Dinah Williams, Domenico Milia, Nell Van Loon, John Nyland, Maria Milia, Glenn Rudkin, Joan Wippich, Nita & Fernando Cauyong, Rosa Razzano, Theresa Brock, Teresa Pacuzzi, Stefan Hedjuk, Nieves Tacugue, and all our sick parishioners, benefactors, family members and friends.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE OUR PARISH?

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US! IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT:

Knights of Columbus: James Ellis at 6043497513

Legion of Mary & RCIA Coordinator: Vida Giroux at 6048983537

CFC/Parish Couples: Myna Daquiaog at 6043899523

Ushers & Lectors: Sheila Hart at 2509459731

Catholic Women's League: Brenda C. at 604838 3557

Altar Server: Please talk to Gary Giroux or Robert Suarez

Migrants Coordinators: Doris Suarez at 6045678271 & Naty Caisip

Music Ministry: Louie Manapat (Saturday 5:30 PM)

and Alexander Daquiaog (Sunday 9:30 AM)

Project Advance Coordinator: Vicky Gaces

Our parish is currently seeking volunteers. If you're interested in sharing your spiritual gifts, please reach out to Fr. Nick. Your willingness to contribute is greatly appreciated. God bless!

Sunday Reading Reflection

Isaiah 45.1, 4-6; Psalm: 96; 1 Thessalonians 1.1-5ab
Gospel Reading: Matthew 22.15-21

Reflection... Today's readings remind us, as Christian stewards, to be constantly aware of our identity and our devotion to God in every aspect of our lives. In our First Reading from Isaiah, the prophet emphasizes, "I am the LORD, and there is no other; there is no God besides me," underscoring a fundamental truth often overlooked in our fast-paced digital world. As disciples of Christ, we must consciously allocate our time, talents, and treasure each day, ensuring that these aspects of our lives reflect our service to God alone. Putting God first requires courage, especially in today's world. St. Paul, in our Second Reading, reminds us of the power we possess through our faith, emphasizing that our gospel comes with both word and conviction. Through our Baptism, the graces bestowed upon us, and the support of our faith community, we have all we need to embrace the stewardship way of life. We belong to God, and there is no other. In the Gospel passage, Jesus skillfully responds to the Pharisees' attempt to trap Him over paying taxes to Caesar. He makes it clear that while we should obey civil authorities, we ultimately answer to a higher authority—God, the Lord of all. Our lives are a gift from God, and in gratitude, we should utilize every aspect of our lives as a response to Him. Let us express our gratitude to God through the joyful way we live our daily lives, for we belong to Him alone.

[Summary Reflection from ©www.CatholicSteward.com]



POPE FRANCIS @ PONTIFEX

I have decided to declare **Friday, 27 October, a day of fasting, penance and prayer for peace.** I invite the various Christian confessions, members of other religious, and all who hold the cause of peace in the world at heart to participate.

The proclamation of Christ is one of hope. He knows the anguish and hope we bear in our hearts, the joys and struggles that mark our lives, the darkness that assails us, and the faith that we raise to Heaven like a song in the night.

War does not resolve any problem. It only sows death and destruction, increases hate, multiplies vengeance. **War erases the future. I exhort believers to take only one side in this conflict: the side of peace – not in word, but in prayer.**

Joy is the thermometer that measures the warmth of our proclamation of Jesus, the One who is good news for everyone.

Prayer is the meek and holy force to oppose the diabolical force of hatred, terrorism and war. I invite all believers to join with the Church in the Holy Land and to dedicate next Tuesday, 17 October, to prayer and fasting.

Often we struggle to have free time, but today Jesus invites us to find the time that frees us: the time we dedicate to God, that lightens and heals our hearts, that increases peace, confidence and joy in us and saves us from evil and loneliness.

PARISH UPDATES AND CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

† **PARISH TOTAL COLLECTION: \$ 1,792.00**

October 15

- ♥ Ordinary Collection \$ 1,460
- ♥ Votive Candles \$ 332

† **PROJECT ADVANCE 2023**

Parish Goal: \$ 20,000.00
Archdiocesan Goal \$ 10,200.00
Actual Collection: \$ 5,628.11

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS AT ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH. To make giving more convenient, we have set up an online platform. Visit: <https://support.rcav.org/parishes/parish-offertory/sunday-offering/> and choose ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH SQUAMISH to give online.

CWL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our CWL Christmas Bazaar returns this year on Saturday, November 25th, from 11 am to 1 pm. We are seeking the following contributions:

- A. BAKING FOR OUR RENOWNED BAKE SALE** – please collect tins and deliver your baked goods to the church on Friday, November 24th. Sign-up sheets for both bakers and volunteers for the bazaar are available at the rear of the church. If you lack the time to bake but still wish to contribute, you can sponsor a baker by donating cash for baking supplies. You can e-transfer to cwlsquamish@gmail.com or give your donation to a CWL member.
- B. CHRISTMAS BAKING TINS** – kindly place them in the labeled box at the back of the church.
- C. ITEMS FOR OUR "RE-USE IT" GIFT TABLE** – please deposit them in the labeled box at the back of the church.
- D. CRAFTS AND HANDMADE ITEMS** – kindly bring them to the church on Friday.

WE ARE ALSO SEEKING DONATIONS FOR THE MYSTERY BOTTLE TABLE AND THE CHILDREN'S LOLLIPOP GAME.

For the Mystery Bottle Table, you can donate anything in a bottle - hot sauce, juice, wine, balsamic vinegar, etc. For the Children's Lollipop game, we are looking for small, new, and unopened children's toys, books, or gift certificates.

STAY UPDATED on upcoming events in the Archdiocese of Vancouver! Visit rcav.org and beholdvancouver.org/events. Check our parish bulletin at stjosephsquamish.com and our St. Joseph's Parish Facebook page. Join us for exciting events and activities. Thank you!

ADVERTISE WITH US! Support St. Joseph's Parish and promote your business for a minimum monthly donation of \$25. Contact the parish office or email parish.sjs@rcav.org. Thank you for your support!



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HUNGRY FOR A HEALTHY MEAL IN SQUAMISH?

Visit Naked Lunch Express at 1113 Industrial Way. Open Monday to Friday 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Fresh ingredients, sandwiches, wraps, soups. Call 604-815-0731 or email nakedlunchexpress@gmail.com to order. Follow us on Instagram [@nakedlunchexpress](https://www.instagram.com/nakedlunchexpress) for updates. Join us for a delicious and nutritious meal!

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC: RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Are you or your friends interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Whether you've been baptized in another Christian denomination or have never been baptized, and are exploring Christianity for the first time, we're here to answer your questions and help you explore the possibilities. Feel free to reach out to Father Nicolas and Vida Giroux. **RCIA** serves as a process of initiation into the Catholic faith, encompassing education, spiritual formation, and a faith journey that typically spans several months. **WHO CAN PARTICIPATE:** Individuals who have never been baptized and are interested in becoming Catholic. Individuals who were baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to become Catholic. Individuals who were baptized in the Catholic faith but did not receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

VOCATION LIVE-IN: There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of November 4-5, 2023, at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information, please call 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca.

A TIME OF GRACE: All are invited to this talk by Fr. Petar Ljubijac, OFM, to help people live Our Lady's call to conversion in their lives. Tuesday, October 24, 2023 at Immaculate Conception Parish, 8842 119 St., Delta. Holy Mass at 6.30 pm; talk at 7.15 pm. For more information, email angelyndee@hotmail.com or call 604 773-1995.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace: Lord, grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace. Amen.