



Saint Joseph's Parish

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5th Sunday of Easter Year C | May 18, 2025

I WILL BLESS YOUR NAME FOREVER, MY KING AND MY GOD.

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Tues 1-4:30pm

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Sacraments:

Holy Mass

Sat 5:00 pm

Sun. 9:30 am

Saikh'uz 12 noon

Daily Mass

Tues-Thurs 6:30 pm

Wed-Fri 9:00 am

Reconciliation

by appointment

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office

Matrimony

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I remember and treasure the last words that my father said to me. For years, our telephone conversations had concluded with me saying, "Love you, Dad," and he would laughingly answer, "Me, too!" But on that day, he brought our conversation to a close by saying the words first: "I love you." I was the one to say, "Me, too." I hardly noticed it, but that night, when I learned of his sudden and unexpected death, and for all theyers since, I have held onto those words, and they have grown in impact and significance.

On the last night that Jesus and his disciples were together, Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." These parting words of Jesus must have taken on deeper and deeper meaning and impact as the years passed.

Jesus says, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." In committing ourselves to love, we commit ourselves to a way of life that is not always easy, is often challenging, and has the potential to change the world. The words grow in impact and significance as we see how much our world needs love, the love Jesus commanded us to live and share. Love one another.

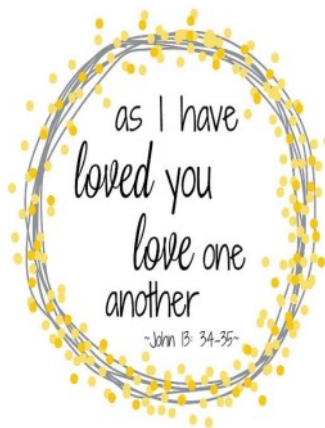
Anne M. Walsh St. Joseph's Missal pg. 400

*"O sing a new song
to the Lord, for he
has worked won-
ders; in the sight of
the nations he has
shown his deliver-
ance, alleluia."*

Psalms 97.1-2



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Love as our vocation. The hard work of spreading the Gospel and growing the church continues. It is an inspiring reality, despite the struggle, pain and hardship. There is always the enticing call of mutual, life-giving love and the promise that suffering will be overcome. It is summed up in Revelation's poetic and symbolic vision of a new heaven, a new earth, a new order in which God will wipe all tears away. The work may be hard, but the promise still beckons. If we ask why did the early church grow by spreading the Gospel (reading from Acts), then we find the answer to be the praising of God's name as personal king and

God (the responsorial psalm); and why this praising, because this God has revealed an image of humanity that includes a new heaven and a new earth, one describing the highest aspirations we have today of peace, justice, goodness, and of art, music, beauty; and we experience this goodness and beauty whenever we experience love, hence the Christian is asked to commit to love one another. **Home-work:** next week the Youth of our Diocese are gathering in Prince George for the Diocesan Youth Conference; as we pray that all youth will experience true love, let us take the time to remember a time we were loved.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025(thought): Prayer: The number of prayer opportunities on the pilgrimage journey show that the pilgrim holds the path to God "in his heart" (Psalm 83:6). Refreshment is also provided by the various stops and opportunities for rest along the way, which are often organized around shrines, sanctuaries, and other places filled with spiritual significance, where one realizes that — before us and alongside us — other pilgrims have also passed along and traveled those same roads. Indeed, the paths leading to Rome have often been trod by many saints.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025(action): pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary, one GloryBe for the person who God knows is most in need of prayer

SITE RENOVATION UPDATE: (1) **Administrative wing Front Door:** to be installed in June; (2) **Bell Tower:** approved with changes -a-move bell rope out of sanctuary; (3) **PC Heat:** quotes being received for brining heat to the 4 classrooms without heat, (4) **SitePlanningCommittee:** exploring designs for a housing subdivision, (5) **Church Washroom upgrade:** COMPLETE -thank you to Dominic, John, and Alex

May, the month of Mary: we will pray the rosary 20 minutes before the scheduled masses.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE: May 23-25 in Prince George

ProLife BABY BOTTLE Fundraiser: from Mother's Day to Father's day, fill baby bottle with change.

Transformed lives, transforming community: mission statement for evangelization;

Intimate encounter with God through an open heart: mission statement for prayer;

PARISH ACTIVITIES- May 16 – Knights of Columbus BBQ invitation, 5:30pm

Diocesan ACTIVITIES- Diocesan Youth Conference, May 23-25 in PG

PARISH ACTIVITIES- May 27 – Parish Finance Council, 7PM

PARISH ACTIVITIES- June 8- BAPTISMS & Pentecost Brunch

PARISH ACTIVITIES- June 15-CONFIRMATION and Holy Trinity

PARISH ACTIVITIES- June 22- FIRST COMMUNION and Corpus Christi

DiocesanACTIVITIES HOLY FAMILY CAMP: Jun28-July01 to register:

<https://forms.office.com/r/FjFWJMCast>

Diocesan ACTIVITIES CANA FAMILY CAMP: August 04-08

A New Commandment

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13:34

The puzzle is based on John 13:31-35 (NIV).

"Love one another as I
have loved you."



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DISCIPLES
CHILDREN
MEN

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LITTLE
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JESUS SURE GOES
ON ABOUT LOVE
A LOT...

WELL, HE IS
THE INCARNATION
OF GOD'S LOVE
FOR ALL OF
CREATION.

... AND HE
MAKES IT
SOUND SO
STRAIGHTFORWARD.



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JOHN 13:31-35

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I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you. John 13:34

Parish Prayer Requests

Brenda Antoine,
Mackie Basil, Julio Bonilla jr., Doug Clare, Lorrie Clare, Cooper Cursley, Erica Derksen, Ronald Gilmore, Brent Gray,

Ellen Haynes,
Patrick Irving, Sterling Ketlo, Halli & Hunter Krawczyk,, George LaBrash,
Jennifer Lock,
Shirley Moon, Della Morin, Eunice Nash,

Virginia Power,
Dorothy Ranck,
Ian Scott, Madeline Scott, Vanessa Stewart,
Mike Van Dusen,
and for all who are in need of God's healing grace.

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