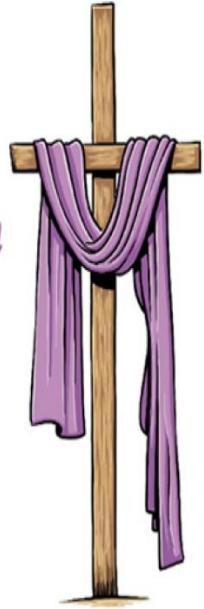




The
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“This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!”

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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH
Vanderhoof, BC

2nd Sunday of Lent
Year A
March 01, 2026

*“Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.”*



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EUCCHARIST

Saturday St. Joseph.....5:00 p.m.
Sunday St. Joseph.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Holy Trinity.....12:00 noon
Tues & Thurs.....6:30 p.m.
Wed & Fri.....9:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

By appointment.

BAPTISM

Contact Father Pier for more information.

MATRIMONY

Please contact Father Pier for an appointment at least six months

PRAYER REQUESTS: For Brenda Antoine, Jason Aritolla, Mackie Basil, Julio Bonilla jr., Cooper Cursley, Evelyn Embree, Ronald Gilmore, Brent Gray, Ellen Haynes, Patrick Irving, Lisa Ketlo, Halli & Hunter Krawczyk, George LaBrash, Jennifer Lock, Wanda Miller, Della Morin, Eunice Nash, Virginia Power, Dorothy Ranck, Ian Scott, Madeline Scott, Vanessa Stewart, Gerry Theissen, Mike VanDusen, and for all who are ill or in need of God's healing grace.

In today's Gospel, we see Jesus transfigured and joined by Moses and Elijah. In his second letter to Timothy, St. Paul reminds all of us that God has "called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his design." What stellar examples of this surrender are Moses and Elijah.

Yet in spite of powerful examples like Moses, Mary and all the saints, I struggle daily with God's call to me.

When confronted- and that's how it feels- with the radical love God actually wants to share through me. I fail. The call to live my life in Jesus reveals my strengths as well as my weaknesses, both of which can be obstacles to surrendering to God's plan. My ordinary life, lived in the Spirit, is where God wants to be, as I strive to reveal God to those around me. Losing control of my plans, my future my life is a scary proposition.

But as God calls, in his own design, he chips away at my self-sufficiency. He tackles my ego. He gives me strength in weakness. He draws me close to him and gives me hope. It's hard to love. It's hard to serve. My own transfiguration is underway. And when it's hardest, I can feel Jesus' presence and hear his words. "Get up and do not be afraid."

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‘Fall seven times, stand up eight.’ As we begin the second week of Lent, we encounter Abram moving to a new place, the disciples struggling to understand Jesus, and the early Christians trying to figure out how to live the Gospel. If our own understanding about who Jesus is remains a struggle with ongoing questions, let us not be discouraged. If our hearts are open, we can trust that there will be people and experiences to help us stand up one more time than the times we fall.

Homework: try to memorize the 14 Stations of the Cross.

‘Stations of the Cross.’ Is the pious practice of honoring the passion and death of Christ. It consists of 14 stations with specific images/events where the faithful are asked to reflect and pray. It originated with the practice in early times to visit the actual scenes of Christ’s passion and death in Jerusalem. In the fourteenth century the Franciscans promoted the devotion until Clement XII (1730’s) gave it a definitive form with 14 Stations and prayer and reflection. Paul VI authorized a new series of 14 images that are based strictly on the Gospel. Recently an optional 15th Station commemorating the Resurrection has been added.

‘List of the 14 Stations of the Cross.’ (1) Jesus is condemned to death;
(2) Jesus accepts His cross;
(3) Jesus falls the first time; (4) Jesus meets His Mother;
(5) Simon Cyrene helps Jesus carry His cross;
(6) Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; (7) Jesus falls the second time;
(8) Jesus consoles the women of Jerusalem;
(9) Jesus falls the third time; (10) Jesus is stripped of His garments;
(11) Jesus is nailed to the cross; (12) Jesus dies on the Cross;
(13) Jesus is taken down from the cross; (14) Jesus is laid in the tomb;
optional (15th) the RESURRECTION.

ALPHA3: 9 participants explored the question ‘Why Did Jesus Die’ and the Christian answer ‘because God loves you so much that he took your place for the penalty of sin’. Next week: How can I have faith? Pray for this gathering.

LHC Life Healing Choices: next offering of the course is October 2026; pray always for those with addictions.

Transformed lives, transforming community: mission statement for evangelization;
Intimate encounter with God through an open heart: mission statement for prayer;

PARISH ACTIVITIES: March 3 Liturgy Meeting at 7pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES: 6:30 Fridays: Stations of the Cross

PARISH ACTIVITIES: March 11 Neighbourlink lunch **sign-up sheet in the back**

Vanderhoof ACTIVITIES: March 01, 12:30, Northside Church, Thank you to Pastor Mark Schmidt

QUIET PARISH HEROS : parish staff

CWL ROSARY INITIATIVE

Have old or broken rosaries?

If you have loose beads, broken pieces, or parts of rosaries you’d like to donate, please give them to the CWL for repurposing.

If you have a rosary, you’d like repaired, connect with Connie Wallace, our local rosary expert. Donated pieces may be used to repair rosaries, create new ones, or support this ongoing project.

Thank you for helping keep these sacred items in use

CWL Prayer Cards Initiative

Prayer cards are available at the back of the foyer by the CWL box.

Write your prayer intention and place the card in the box.

Members of the CWL and/or the Prayer Circle will pray for these intentions.

If you would like to take part in this prayer initiative, please connect with your CWL

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Parish Goal: \$13,952

Actual to Date: \$15,490

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