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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH
Vanderhoof, BC

Divine Mercy Sunday

Year A
April 12, 2026

"Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia."



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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, Art Wiens and for all who are ill or in need of God's healing grace.

Today, Jesus shows himself to the disciples for the first time since his resurrection. When Thomas who was not there, is told they have seen the Lord, he doubts. However, eight days later Jesus reappears to the disciples and singles Thomas out, inviting him to believe. Thomas responds in awe: "My Lord and God!" Scripture teaches that faith is our response God. Jesus personally invites each of us to believe, as he did with Thomas. Faith is saying yes!

At the ascension, the disciples were commissioned to go out and preach the gospel to all nations, even though they had abandoned and denied Jesus only weeks before. In today's reading from Acts, we see them zealously proclaim the gospel and suffer willingly for their faith in Jesus. They show us that faith is followed by surrendering our lives to Jesus. This is the 'obedience of faith,' where we commit our whole self freely to God, putting Jesus at the centre of our lives.

In today's second reading, Peter writes about the inexpressible peace and joy that come from faith in Jesus and in giving our lives to him. Jesus wants us to live in this freedom as well. On this last day of the Easter Octave, he calls to us too by name. Do not doubt, but believe!

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Mercy Sunday: Today's readings are about signs and wonders, doubters and believers and — once again — God's unending mercy. Peter was a doubter, and today we add Thomas to the list. Neither of them is condemned for doubting, and each becomes a powerful witness preaching the Gospel. With God's unending mercy, doubt becomes a pathway. Where are signs and wonders among us? Wherever there is mercy. And it is available to those of us who sometimes struggle, like the disciples, with our own doubts. **Homework:** pray the Divine Mercy prayer once this week at 3pm.

How to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Use the Rosary: 1.Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles Creed. 2.Then on the Our Father Beads pray: *Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.* 3.On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads, pray *'For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.'* 4.Conclude with 3 times praying *'Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.'* 5.Repeat steps 2, 3 and 4 on the next 4 set of beads.

Fr. Pier away April 18-28: please welcome Fr. Ken Anderson for April 18/19 services; please welcome Fr. Jomar Faderanga for April 25/26 services. Weekday masses will be cancelled until Wednesday, April 29.

Planned Giving Presentation: April 22 at 6:30pm; the diocese is providing guidance on parishes establishing a 'planned giving' program. Michelle Santos will be here to give a presentation in the Gathering Room. Please accept the invitation to come. In the foyer find an information leaflet.

ALPHA9: This week 9 participants discussing the topic of how to sharing our faith explored the formula: I was like that, I then met Jesus, and now I am like this. Next week: Does God Heal Today?

LHC Life Healing Choices: 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: **April 12 3-4pm Divine Mercy Hour**

PARISH ACTIVITIES: **April 22 6:30pm Michelle Santos on Planned Giving (Gathering Room)**

PARISH ACTIVITIES: **May 01 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker**

PARISH ACTIVITIES: **May 02 9am to noon: Spring Work Bee (tentative)**

QUIET PARISH HEROS : those who beautified the church for our Triduum celebrations

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

2025 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL – CALLED TOGETHER

Parish Goal: \$13,952

Actual to Date: \$18,772

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SPRING WEEKEND RETREAT FOR 2026: May 22 – 24, registrations now being accepted.

For Further information on this Healing Ministry, please refer to our website.

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Check out the diocesan website for more information on happenings in the diocese. www.pgdiocese.bc.ca

“NCC Caleb's Kin Seniors lunch will be held on April 21 at 11:30! Also feel free to bring a friend or neighbour for an afternoon of good food, friendship, singing and a Bible message!

Call Jolinka at 604-226-5052 for more information.”