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ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH
Vanderhoof, BC

3rd Sunday of Easter

Year A

April 19, 2026

"Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia."



HOLY TRINITY
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EUCHARIST

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

Today's Scriptures truly challenge us to open our eyes and encounter the other. The Emmaus story is a compelling human drama which, if we follow the Ignatian way, invites us to experience it from the perspective of the different characters. The two disciples were leaving Jerusalem after the events of the Passover weekend. Imagine them fleeing in their despair and disbelief: their charismatic leader had been humiliated and crucified, and this wonderful adventure was seemingly over. Then, out of nowhere, a stranger approached them on the road. Soon, before their eyes, in the breaking of the bread, this stranger was revealed as the Lord whom they had been discussing. No wonder their hearts were burning!

These burning hearts inspired them to turn around and rejoin their companions, those with whom they had literally and spiritually broken bread. In this celebration today, when you witness the bread being broken, who and what is revealed to you? What confusion, disappointment and grief are you witnessing and being invited to respond to? In what way does Christ, present in the Eucharist and the assembled faithful, invite you to be reunited with the human community?

This day, through our prayerful, active and conscious participation in this liturgy, may we become one with each other and with our Lord, whose activity in our world is indeed "mighty in deed and word."

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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.

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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

Journey: The Christian Way. Mark's Gospel devotes a section to illustrating how the disciples of Jesus are "on the way," learning what it means to be a follower of Jesus. This way of Jesus is a paradoxical one, where saving yourself means losing yourself for Jesus' sake (Mk 8:34), where being first is about being the least (Mk 9:33), and where being the greatest means that one must be the servant of all (Mk 10:35). The first name given to Christians appears in Acts 7, where they are referred to as "followers of 'The Way.'" Today's readings remind us that part of our journey involves coming to deal with the scandal of the cross. The disciples on the way to Emmaus had lost faith and had become discouraged with the death of Jesus; we also lose hope when our dreams are shattered. But the Christian way is rooted in well-founded hope that just as God raised Jesus, God WILL raise us up from our sorrow. Homework: Our dreams are shattered by oppression (Pope John Paul II), falsehood (Pope Benedict), and lack of mercy (Pope Francis). Pray in thanksgiving for the last three Popes for how their journey helps us experience the resurrection.

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.

ALPHA10: This week 9 participants discussed the question 'does God heal today?' to which we resoundly answer 'YES' to physical, emotional, and spiritual healings. ALPHA ends next week with the topic, 'What about the Church?'. Pray for our participants

LHC Life Healing Choices: October 2026; pray always for those with addictions.

Transformed lives, transforming community: mission statement for evangelization;

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

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

Rachel's Vineyard – Serving the North

OUR NEW WEBSITE IS NOW IN OPERATION!

www.rachelsvineyardpg.ca

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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THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE IN OUR DIOCESE WHO HAVE SUPPORTED OUR WORK IN 2025!

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

Over the past three years, the Diocese of Prince George has subscribed to **Formed**, an online Catholic media platform offering faith formation content for individuals, parishes, and schools. As our contract is up for renewal, we are seeking your feedback to help guide our decision.

To take our short survey, please scan the QR code or click the link here: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/aWnUXANsmg>



"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."