



Holy Family Matters

Issue No. 104

November 2010



November 7, 2010

Catholic Education Sunday & Re-Commissioning of School Staffs
of Good Shepherd, Glenmary, Central Office
at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Peace Parish

Redemptorist Mission - Nov. 7th, 8th, 9th, & 10th

at Our Lady of Peace Parish – Peace River
St. Paul's Parish – High Prairie
Evening Sessions beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Missionaries Visit Schools

Good Shepherd School – Monday, **November 8th**
Glenmary School – Tuesday, **November 9th**
Holy Family School – Wednesday, **November 10th**
St. Andrew's School – Wednesday, **November 10th**

Redemptorist Mission - Nov. 14th, 15th, 16th, & 17th

at Parishes of St. James Parish, Manning
St. Rita's Parish - Valleyview
St. Jean Baptiste – McLennan
Evening Sessions begin at 7:00 p.m.

School Visits: November 15th, 16th, & 17th

St. Stephen's School – Valleyview
Rosary School – Manning
Ecole Providence – McLennan

Ward 1, High Prairie

George Ostermeier
Ph: 780-523-2259
georgeo@telusplanet.net
**Carmelle Lizee
Ph: 780-523-4196
ajjdc@cablecomet.com

Ward 2, McLennan

Denise Valiquette, Chair
Ph: 780-324-2163
Valiquette@serbernet.com

Ward 3, Valleyview

Ann Polard
Ph: 780-524-3987
apolard@telus.net

Ward 4, Subdivision 1

Manning

****VACANT****

Ward 4, Subdivision 2

Grimshaw/Berwyn

****VACANT****

Ward 4, Subdivision 3

Peace River/Nampa

Dianne Lavoie, Vice-Chair
Ph: 780-618-9268
rdlav@telusplanet.net

****VACANT****

Ward 4, Subdivision 4

Fort Vermilion

Rene Lanctot
Ph: 780-759-2824
rlanctot@telusplanet.net

Lesser Slave Lake Indian

Regional Council

Beatrice Wright
Ph: 780-523-3178
beawright@telus.net



ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Friday, November 12 at 10:00 a.m. at Central Office Peace River

BOARD MEETING

To follow... Board meetings are **open to the public.**



Holy Family Matters

Issue No. 104

November 2010

Catholic Education Sunday 2010-2011 Embracing the future: Catholic Schools as signs of hope

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are the future! We are the light!

The world that we live in is one filled with many messages. Often we are inundated with messages that are rooted in a spiritual absence or darkness, messages that deny or lack a faith element. However, even within these messages there is other news that fills us with hope; stories that capture the light of faith and shine it into all the corners of our life.

In his message for the 26th World Youth Day, Pope Benedict XVI said: We are a people "Planted and built up in Jesus Christ, firm in the faith" (Message of Pope Benedict XVI for the 26th World Youth Day).

We have a sacred or graced history and continually re-weave and renew our identity in the face of ever-changing circumstances, conditions, and challenges, confident that there is a future for God's people.

We can think of the relationship between the future and our faith like the relationship between a lighthouse and an ocean. The ocean, like the future, presents uncertainties but it also presents opportunity, while the lighthouse stands on the shore shining a guiding light. This is how our faith works, it gives us the will and the desire to embrace the opportunity of the future despite any uncertainty and it guides us with its light. Because of the hope that the future holds, we must not shy away from it but rather embrace it wholeheartedly and celebrate the opportunities that it presents for us as Catholics. One of these opportunities occurs in our Catholic schools.

From the youngest of students and onward, the youth of today fill our Catholic schools with a vibrant energy that compels us to move forward and embrace the future. We watch them grow in faith, through a strong foundation that has been modeled to them at school, home and church, and we are excited by their journey. It is this joy that propels us to embrace the future with hope and faith.

Let us celebrate Catholic schools with a renewed energetic spirituality and vibrant faith that mirrors the energy and enthusiasm that we see in our students. Let us hold them up as lights in the world, as we throw open the doors to the future and stand ready to journey in its light.

Most Reverend Richard V. Smith - Archbishop of Edmonton

Most Reverend Gerard Pettipas CSsR - Archbishop of Grouard-McLennan

Most Reverend Murray Chatlain - Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith

Most Reverend Frederick Henry - Bishop of Calgary

Most Reverend David Motiuk - Bishop of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Edmonton

Most Reverend Luc Bouchard - Bishop of St. Paul



Holy Family Matters

Issue No. 104

November 2010



"SHINE!" Update

October 2010

On October 6th, members of the Senior High "SHINE!" Team gathered for their first formal training day at the Catholic Conference Center in Peace River. The theme for "SHINE!" 2010 is 'Seize the Moment', and leaders brainstormed how to incorporate this theme into all of the activities, games, music and presentations. Leaders also took part in several intensive workshops including non-verbal communication, story-telling, active listening and public speaking. In addition, the leaders split into several smaller training groups where they refined important skills relating to pastoral care, peer support, mentorship and organizational skills. But it wasn't all work! Leaders enjoyed playing games, singing and socializing together, as well as a nature walk along the river. J

These leaders are preparing to host the **Grade 8/9 "SHINE!" Retreat**, which will be held at a new location—St. Andrew's School in High Prairie – on **January 28/29/30**. I'll be coming around to the schools in November to distribute registration forms for this event, but home-schooled students from all of our parishes are also invited to attend! Please feel free to give me a call if you would like more information about the program or if you would like to register your child in advance.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with supervision for this event! If there are any adults in the McLennan/High Prairie area who would like to help out, please give me a call any time. Thanks so much for your support!

Michelle Lacombe, "SHINE!" Retreat Coordinator

(780) 624 – 3956

lacombe.m@hfcrd.ab.ca



New parent or caregiver??? And not sure what to do? Here's a Link that offers online information and services for you



<http://www.programs.alberta.ca>

Raising Children
Caring for Children from 0 to 6 Years





Remembrance Day, November 1st. We wear a poppy on Remembrance Day, and at eleven we stand and pray. Wreaths are put upon a grave as we remember our soldiers brave.

In Flanders Fields

**By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae,
MD Canadian Army**

*In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*



5th Annual



Sales Festival



In Peace River at the Catholic Conference Center

10307-99 St. Peace River

Friday, November 26, 2010 - 2:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 27, 2010 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



For two days this November, the Ten Thousand Villages Sales Festival brings the world to the Peace River Region with a musical instruments, pottery, textiles, food products and Thousand Villages works otherwise be unemployed and Third World people by This income helps pay for food, education, health care and housing. Not only will the gifts you buy add wonderful textures and sounds to your life, they will also allow artisans from around the world to better meet the needs of their families.



sale of unique handcraft gifts, home décor, jewelry, toys, Christmas decorations. Ten with artisans who would provides vital, fair income to marketing their handicrafts.

For more information on the Ten Thousand Villages organization, please come visit www.tenthousandvillages.ca or come check the festival out November 26 & November 27.

Payment for the handicrafts can be made by Cash or Visa and Master Card.