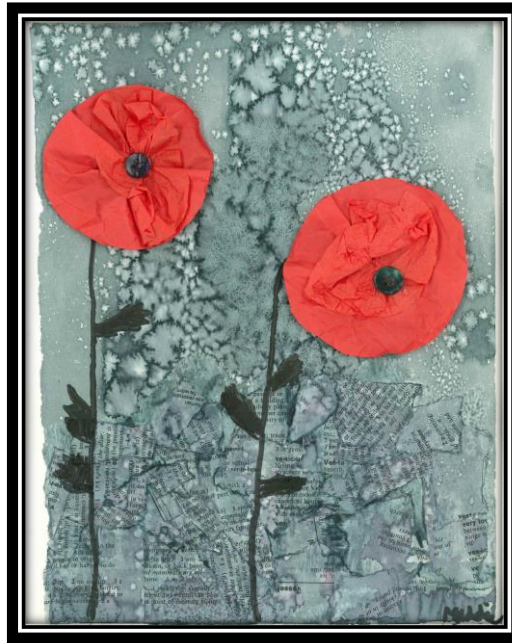




November 2018



Artwork by Maddie Woodcock Grade 3

Dear St. Joseph School Families,

The virtue for this month is Empathy. Students and staff have been focusing on ways we can build empathy for others. We can empathize with others if we truly understand their pain. This is not always easy when feelings are involved. Each of us has very different life experiences and those experiences shape how we react or feel in a situation. Empathy allows us to speak from our own experience and use our knowledge to help others. Empathy goes beyond feeling sorry for someone.

During November we also focus on ways to prevent bullying. Anti Bullying Week is Nov.18-24th. What a great opportunity to practice empathy and kindness every day.

Please check out the new ERASE bullying website for more information.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase>



We would like to extend a very big thank you to Sally Drysdale for all the effort that went into making the Raffle Ticket sales such a success. Also, thank you to the families for supporting this very important fundraiser. Thank you Fr. Neil for drawing the winning tickets! We are now a step closer to our new playground.

Another very important thank you to the Richichi family, Eddie Vulcano, Brigita Tumillo and Assunta Lisanti for a very long day of cooking the pasta dinner, shopping for the groceries, and cleaning up the kitchen! We are blessed by your generosity and time.

Teachers have been working diligently on the new report card format. Many hours have gone into creating a new report card that should give parents a solid idea of our curriculum goals, and how each student is progressing. Once report cards are sent home we will be asking for your feedback. This is a transition year and we expect that there will be some adjustments.

We welcome Mrs. Raymond who has joined us as a Music teacher this term. She is looking forward to getting to know the students and working on our music program. Band students will be receiving a letter home this week.

Faithfully,  
Marlene Suter



Welcome to the **Szcepanski Family** – Asia and Alex.

Please check out our website for up to date events, photos and memos.

<https://stjosephnelson.ca/>

### Our Appreciation

- To all of the Crossing guards who are supporting our efforts to improve parking congestion and student safety.
- PSG: our amazing volunteers that do so many things for our school.
- Sally Drysdale for coordinating the raffle ticket fundraiser.
- Pasta Dinner – thank you to Rob Richichi, Eddie Vulcano, Bridgida Tumillo, and Assunta Lisanti for cooking the delicious meal.
- Lisa O'Connor for collecting the orders.
- All Parents that helped setup and clean up for the Pasta Dinner
- Mrs. Graham and the St. Joseph School Choir for performing O'Canada at the installation of the new city council.
- Thank you to all parents that have helped with swimming lessons and hot lunches this month.
- Thank you to all the families that donated to the Kindergarten Food Drive.

### Christian Leaders for October

K - Edward Buffonge	4 – Caeden Rennie
1 – AJ Villeneuve	5 – Gabe McIntosh
2/3 – Remi Lampron	6/7 – Amani Kaufmann
3 – Mack Beutel	7/8 – Nattan McIntosh

## St. Joseph School Council Executive and Members

The School Council is responsible for the financing of the school and the establishment of policies and procedures for the efficient and safe management of our school. Meetings of the School Council are held each month. For more information about school council, please visit CISND website.

Mike Vissers - Chair

Jennifer McDonnell - Vice - Chair

Jean Mangapot - Secretary

Regula Langenegger - Treasurer –(nvm)

Father Neil Lustado - Pastor

*Welcome to New Members -*

Crystal Blais

Chanel Burgener

John Kincaid

Adela Kincaid

Brie McWade

Carlos Salvatore

**Thank you to all families** for helping with donations for the **Penny Carnival**. Together we raised **\$560 for the Holy Childhood Association**. Visit [www.missionsocieties.ca](http://www.missionsocieties.ca) for information about children helping children.

### Winter – Drop off Procedure

In order to improve safety for student drop off and pick up, we are creating a drop off zone from the corner of Josephine to the stairs in front of the school.

All roads are very slippery at this time of the year and it becomes impossible to stop safely on the hill.

**Between 8:30 and 8:45**

**Please drop students off on Mill St. and do not leave your car.**

This will be our stop and roll time. If you have to park and come into the school, please park on a side street.

Please do not stop on corners and in marked cross walks at any time.

If your child is walking, please use the Cross Walks at all times.

We are very Thankful to our Crossing Guards making crossing a safer way for your children.

# PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting: **Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 All parents are welcome.

Meet the PSG Executive:

Chairs – Rebecca Richichi & Tony Beutel  
Vice President – Samantha Schroeder  
Treasurer - Lisa O'Connor  
Secretary – Alex Hadfield  
Volunteer Hours Coordinator – Tovah McDermid  
Communications – Dan Wall

## Annual Raffle Fundraiser 2018

### Raffle Prize Winners

1st \$2000 Nicole Mathieson  
2nd Fishing Trip Norm Deverney  
3rd Ainsworth Rebecca McDonnell  
4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> \$100 Grocery Cards  
4) Brian Weber 5) Shawn Denny 6) Brian McKellam 7) Kiersten Packham 8) Lisa O'Connor

**HOT LUNCHES** – please order online: [stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net](http://stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net)

- Tuesdays Pizza
- Wednesdays Grill Cheese

### Grocery Cards

- please order online: [stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net](http://stjosephnelson.hotlunches.net)  
Orders can be picked up on Tuesday mornings at the office.  
Thank you to Becky Lauriente for Coordinating.

### Purdy's Orders

- Will be online this year <https://fundraising.purdys.com/4500-58381>  
Due date to return them is Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
Thank you to Annie Gilbert for Coordinating.

### QSP

- orders have gone home – due back on Friday, November 16  
Thank you to Sam Schroeder for Coordinating.



### Scholastic Books

- orders have gone home – due back on Wednesday, November 14  
Thank you to Stephanie Taketa Lampron

**Families are not obligated to support all fundraisers**

## Cathedral of Mary Immaculate

Mass times :            Saturday     5:00 pm  
                                 Sunday        8:30 am and 10:30 am  
**Children's Liturgy 10:30 Mass**



***Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every Month***

***St. Joseph School Students Eat for Free***

***Youth Mass 10:30 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every Month***

### **Pastoral Staff**

Bishop John Corriveau, OFM Cap.

Rev. Neil Lustado, Rector

## Joey's Out of School Care

Teresa Segstro – Manager **(352-3334)**

Joey's provides a fun after school program for students who need daycare between **3:00—5:30pm** on school days and all day for Pro D days.

Please contact Joey's directly for more information on registering your child for this service. Booking sheets are available at Joeys and should be completed before the beginning of the month. New registrations are always welcome.



## **Flu and Cold Season has arrived!**

- **Please remind your child to wash their hands on a regular basis.**
- If your child has vomited within the last 24 hours, please keep them home.
- If your child is too sick to participate fully in school activities, please keep them home!
- If a child has a very runny nose, is coughing hard or is feverish, parents will be called to take the child home.
- Teachers will provide missed schoolwork with adequate notification from parents.

**Please also send a box of Kleenex with your child to use.**

## **Safe Environment Training**

**Parent Volunteers in the class/school/fieldtrip, are required to take the Safe Environment Training session, have a Criminal Record Check and will need to fill out the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy forms.**