### St. Joseph's Parish

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St. Joseph, Pray for Us

# April 3, 2022 FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Bible Verse for April 3: Col. 3:8

But now you must get rid of all such things - anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.

#### **Stewardship Reflection:**

"... For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ..." (Philippians 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

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#### Mass Intentions:

Monday Apr. 4 Luisito Caoyonan + Tuesday Apr. 5 Sonie Acuna + Wednesday Apr. 6 Susan Overtoom + Thursday Apr. 7 Jose Castellano + Friday Apr. 8 Afra van Gaalen + Apr. 9 Bernadette Parrott Saturday

## SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday Apr. 9 5pm Jacinto Narciso +

Sunday Apr. 10 9am de Jong Family Pieter/Riet 61 w/a

Sunday Apr. 10 11am Carlos Rojas +

Holy Week Retreat: Registration is now open for the Annual Archdiocesan Holy Week Retreat led by our local shepherd, Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB. On the last Friday of Lent, and as we enter Holy Week, let us come together in prayer and reflection to prepare ourselves to journey with our Lord and walk in His footsteps. Archbishop Miller will offer a reflection on the Stations of the Cross, to help us pray and meditate on Christ's sacrifice for us. There are options to attend at a parish host site or online. Friday, April 8 at 7:00pm. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** Come and join a fully guided pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan with Fr. Augustine Obiwumma, Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, North Vancouver, September 8 to 20, 2022. For more information, please contact Dora Croner 604.725.5350 or by email: doracroner@gmail.com

**First Communion:** Special sessions for Children (not in PREP Grade 2) will start on April 11th at 6:00 pm. Please contact Fr. George-604-756-1963.

**Confessions:** Thursday, April 7, 2022, 7:00pm. Two priests from Westminster Abbey will be hearing confessions.

**Stations of the Cross:** Every **Friday** at **7:00pm** during the Season of Lent.

**100 days New Testament Reading plan:** Let the word of God guide your Lenten journey. God's WORD will transform you; nothing else can! Go to the parish website to download the plan. Never too late to start!

**CWL General Meeting** to occur on **Wednesday, April 6, 2022** in the **church foyer** at **7:00pm**. All women are welcome to attend. For further information or a ride to the meeting, please call President Maria Hedderson at 604.854.4868.

**St. Monica's Mission Easter Novena:** Many parents are grieving the loss of their adult child's faith in the Catholic Church. Through St. Monica's Mission, A Prayerful Journey of Perseverance and Hope, parents are being encouraged to pray, fast, & sacrifice intentionally for their adult children's conversion. We know that Easter is a time when those who are no longer practicing their faith often have an openness to coming back to Mass. In the days leading up to Easter Sunday, we will be asking for St. Monica's intercession for all of those who have accepted the invitation to come back to Mass at Easter but also for those who are not yet ready to return. **Begins Friday, April 8.** Learn more, sign up at <a href="mailto:beholdvancouver.org/events">beholdvancouver.org/events</a>

Pastoral Care Webinar with Sr. Catherine Mary Clarke: What to Say to Someone Who is Dying: Words are powerful. Indeed, we depend on words to express so much as we walk through life, and in a special way, in our last days and moments. When family members or those we care for are dying, we may be at a loss and wonder what to say, and when and how to say it. Sr. Catherine Mary will answer these questions sharing from her countless years of personal experience journeying with people in their last days as a spiritual care director in hospice. Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00pm. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

**Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday:** The Good Friday Collection, on April 15, 2022, is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ walked.

Recover Mass: Please join us for a Recovery Mass on Saturday, April 9 with Father Craig Scott. All are welcome! "in the quiet desperation of families struggling with alcoholism the fundamental reality is clear: the lives and dignity of so many of our family of faith are being undermined or threatened by the abuse of alcohol and other drugs ... We must look at the harsh realities of addiction as a people of faith who recognize the power of evil to enslave us, and the love and power of Jesus Christ to bring us freedom from slavery. We must look at these realities as a people of hope for whom the modern darkness of alcohol and drug addiction can be dispelled by transforming us into people who walk in light." (Monsignor Robert Lynch, (former) General Secretary, NCCB). Saturday, April 9 at 11am. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

If you have a 1 or 2 bedroom **basement suite or apartment for rent,** please leave message at office 604.425.0392 and it will be relayed to interested party. Thank you.