

## St. Joseph's Parish

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*St Joseph, Pray for Us*

**Weekday Masses:** Monday - Saturday: 9:00am

**Sunday Masses:** **Saturday** (anticipated): 5:00pm

**Sunday Masses:** 9:00am & 11:00am

**Confessions:** Saturday: 9:30 to 10:00am; 4:30 to 5pm.

**February 12, 2023**

### 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### Stewardship Reflection:

*"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:20)*

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear - it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.

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#### Mass Intentions:

Mon. Feb. 13 Fred Teindl +

Tues. Feb. 14 Anna Teindl +

Wed. Feb. 15 Tony Mannella +

Thurs. Feb. 16 Wayne Velders +

Fri. Feb. 17 Sofia Alba +

Sat. Feb. 18 Jack Lay +

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

#### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Feb. 18 5:00pm Pastor's intention

Sun. Feb. 19 9:00am Parishioners

Sun. Feb. 19 11:00am Pope Francis

#### Urgent Help Needed for Earthquake Survivors

Millions of Syrians were shaken awake by disaster on Feb. 6, and found their lives, like the buildings around them, reduced to rubble. CNEWA's on-the-ground church partners are responding quickly to provide bedding, food, medicine, milk, nursing formula and diapers to more than 2,000 families seeking emergency shelter in convents, parish halls and schools. At this critical moment, your generous and prayerful support is more than necessary - it is vital to their survival. Will you be a lifeline to so many women, children and elderly people who have nowhere else to turn? Please donate online at [rcav.org/syria](http://rcav.org/syria)

#### ATTENTION ANYONE WHO HAS A GLUTEN INTOLERANCE

If you have been wanting to receive Holy Communion but have not been able to do so, we are pleased to advise that we now have some gluten-free hosts. In order to receive the Blessed Sacrament in this form you must advise Fr. John. He will then ensure that you receive a consecrated gluten-free host.

**CALLING ALL LADIES:** Do you have 2 to 3 hours to help with Funeral Receptions occasionally. This wonderful service is offered to parishioners who have lost a loved one. The work is not hard and can easily be learned. Please call Sigrid Lefebvre if you are able to help with this ministry: 604.826.4274.

**CWL:** Meeting **Monday, February 13** at **7pm** in church foyer. All women are welcome to attend and find out more about the Catholic Women's League.

**PRAISE & WORSHIP:** The first monthly hour-long Praise & Worship will be at **2pm** on **Sunday, Feb. 19th**. St. Augustine famously said "singing is praying twice."

**HOMECOMING YOUTH RETREAT:** Homecoming is an overnight retreat for youth born in 2008 and 2009 (those youth entering Grade 9/10 in September 2023). We are looking for older teens and young adults to lead this retreat. The camp will run from Monday, July 3 to Friday, July 7, 2023. *Applications to be a leader will close on Friday, February 24 at 11:59am.* If you are interested in journeying with youth, organizing and implementing the retreat please sign up. Register at: [rcav.org/homecoming-team](http://rcav.org/homecoming-team)

**HOLY LAND RELIGIOUS ARTICLES** will be on sale after all the Masses the weekend of **February 25/26**. The Holy Land Group can only accept cash, e-transfer, or cheques as payment.

#### HOW TO DISCUSS MAiD WITH FAMILIES AND FRIENDS:

As the safeguards and restrictions for MAiD slowly disappear and doctors/hospitals are being required to present this option to their patients, how do we talk to our loved ones and friends about end-of-life decisions? How do we answer the questions about pain and suffering? Join Alex Schadenberg, the Executive Director the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition (EPC), as he answers these questions and presents the truth about euthanasia and assisted suicide. On **Wednesday, March 1** at **7pm** at the **John Paul II Pastoral Centre** and **Thursday, March 2** at **7pm** at **St. Nicholas Parish**. Learn more at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

#### LECTORS Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Date:

Feb. 18 5pm Maria Hedderson

Feb. 19 9am Rina Lomague, Lysia Murphy

Feb. 19 11am Juliette Robertson, Phil Daigle