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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; 4:15 to 4:45pm

March 17th, 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Stewardship Reflection:

"... I will be their God, and they shall be my people." (Jeremiah 31:33)

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbours and for the people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

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Mass Intentions

Mon.	Mar. 18	Livera Family	thanksgiving
Tues.	Mar. 19	Connie Adams	thanksgiving
Wed.	Mar. 20	Zachary Restiaux	
Thurs.	Mar. 21	Joao Narciso +	
Fri.	Mar. 22	Tony Mannella +	
Sat.	Mar. 23	Olga Olguin Gomez +	

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH, 2024

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Sat.	Mar. 23	5:00pm	Pastor's Intention
un.	Mar. 24	9:00am	Parishioners
Sun.	Mar. 24	11:00am	Pope Francis

Stations of the Cross during the Season of Lent:

Tuesdays	7:10pm
Fridays	after the 9:00am Mass
Fridays	7:00pm

On Tuesdays during the Season of Lent:

7:10pm	Stations of the Cross
7:30pm	Mass

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Lectors

Date:		
Mar. 23	5:00pm	Nicole Martires
Mar. 24	9:00am	Bertie Mathis, Lysia Murphy
Mar. 24	11:00am	Trevor Traub, Hannah Traub

As part of our Lenten journey, the parish presents the series "THE CHOSEN" in the church. Come join us **TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH** from **1:30PM till 3:30PM**.

Fr. Craig Scott

Please join us for **Stations of the Cross** with meditational songs in between stations **today, Sunday, March 17** at 3:00pm (after *The Chosen* viewing).

On the feast of Saint Joseph's, March 19th, after the 9:00am Mass, the Legion of Mary will be hosting a reception with cake & coffee. All are welcome.

Share Lent: This Lent, Development & Peace - Caritas Canada, the official international solidarity organization of the Catholic Church in Canada, invites you to stand with small-scale farmers and peasant communities through their *Create Hope: Reaping Our Rights* campaign. Your generosity will help support over 73 projects in 36 countries around the world, helping address the root causes of poverty, oppression, and inequality. Today is Solidarity Sunday, the Fifth Sunday of Lent, please consider making a tax-deductible donation at the parish or online at rcav.org/share-lent

Additional Times for Confession at St. Joseph's:

- Wednesday, March 20th, 6:00pm to 7:00pm.
- Thursday, March 21st, 6:00pm to 7:00pm.
- Friday, March 22nd, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Marriage Anniversary Mass 2024: "Love isn't easy. No. But the most beautiful thing that a man and a woman can give each other is true love, for a lifetime." - Pope Francis
On Sunday, May 12, Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB will be honouring couples celebrating milestone marriage anniversaries: five-year increments from 5 to 60 years, and every year beyond 60 years. The Marriage Anniversary Mass will be at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Port Coquitlam at 1:30pm. **Registrations received by Friday, April 19, will receive their certificate at the Mass.** Learn more and register at family.rcav.org/mam

Save the Date: Archdiocesan Mass for Civilly Married

Couples: Are you married outside the Catholic Church? Would you like to regularize your union so you can receive the sacraments again? Now, you have a great opportunity as Archbishop Miller celebrates the Mass Wedding for civilly married couples. It will be a beautiful community celebration that will cost very little for the individual couples! For more information, please contact Deacon Raul Abella at rabella@rcav.org or 778.512.9163.

Registration Deadline: Sunday, July 21

Save the Date: Saturday, September 21, 1:30pm at St. Paul's Parish in Richmond.

Come all who are weary Adoration Night. A Lenten Adoration event to bring your burdens to the Lord and get filled up. You are invited to an evening of Candle-lit Adoration. Come, spend some quiet time before the Lord and prepare your heart for Holy Week so you can fully receive Jesus when Easter arrives. Stay for as little or as long as you like. Throughout the three hours, there will be times of gentle song and times of reverent silence, accompanied by the beautiful ambience of candle-light. You will also have an opportunity to light a candle and bring it before Jesus.

Location: *Saint James Parish, 2777 Townline Road, Abbotsford.*

Date and Time: *Saturday, March 23rd, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.*

P.S. Jean-Paul and Mary-Rie de Fleuriot from www.faithroom.ca will be facilitating the event and music. We invite you to clear your calendar, bring your loved ones and come find rest in the Lord.

Canadian-American Young Adults Snowshoe at Mount Baker (Artist Point): In the past, the young adults from the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the Seattle area (specifically from University of Washington) have come together for an annual American-Canadian snowshoe. This year, Frassati Young Adults from Seattle have invited us to join them to continue the tradition. Joining us will be Fr. Chrysostom, OP, and the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia. Weather permitting, Mass will be celebrated at the top. All young adults aged 18-35 are welcome! On **Saturday, March 23**, at **Artist's Point on Mount Baker** in Deming, WA, United States. **Registration deadline: Tuesday, March 19.**

Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

40 Days or Life: Nightly Rosary: 40 Days for Life is an international-focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The Lenten campaign includes a nightly rosary at 8:00pm. Join us on Zoom every night until Palm Sunday, March 24, as we pray together for an end to the injustice of abortion. Learn more and register via beholdvancouver.org/events

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024: The annual Good Friday collection was first taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. It is the only request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational, and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere.

With Christ in Sorrow: Ignatian Contemplation and Holy Hour: *"Turn to Jesus Crucified, and let him be both the basis and source of your contemplation."* - Saint Jean de Brébeuf
At the beginning of the Holy Week of the Lord's Passion, come and enter into the Paschal Mystery by praying with Scripture and meditating on the events that redeemed us and showed us the great and abounding love and example that Christ set for us. Hosted by the Jesuit Vocation Committee in Vancouver, our afternoon will be guided by Father Edmund Lo, and will include prayer time with Eucharistic Adoration.

On **Palm Sunday, March 24, 4:30pm to 6:00pm** at **St. Monica's Parish** in Richmond. *All men aged 19-39 are welcome!* Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events

Way of the Cross 2024: Walk the trails of Queen Elizabeth Park in Vancouver while meditating on the Passion of Christ with the Catholic faithful. Hosted by Communion and Liberation, it is a beautiful way to pray and worship together in a public space on Good Friday, March 29. Participants will meet at 10:00am at the fountain next to Bloedel Conservatory's parking area. Learn more via beholdvancouver.org/events

St. Joseph's Bereavement Support Group: St. Joseph's Bereavement Support Group is hosting a nine-week program for those seeking support in the devastating loss of a loved one. The support group will help participants find ways to grow emotionally and spiritually even in the midst of grief and mourning. It is a safe setting for sharing your experience, expressing concerns, working through emotions, experiencing spiritual growth, and feeling a sense of belonging. **Every Thursday, starting April 4 from 9:30am to 11:30am at St. Joseph's Parish in Langley. Cost is \$35.** The fee includes book and materials. Learn more and register via beholdvancouver.org/events

HIGHLY SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND POLAND. MAY 1-8, 2024, HOLY MASS DAILY. Spiritual Director Fr. Alvin Matias is currently the Pastor of St. Andrew's Church in the Diocese of Prince George. He is a young priest who originally came from the province of Tarlac in the Philippines. He will be your spiritual director and tour leader. The price of this 8-day pilgrimage is CDN. \$3,385 per person. This pilgrimage is for a small group and requires a minimum of fifteen (15) persons to go ahead. Spots are limited. **Register early by March 31, 2024.** For additional information, please call Teresita Nixon at 604.940.2360 or 604.802.0990. Email enquiries to info@aquinasinstitute.ca

