

## 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; 4:15 to 4:45pm

September 29th, 2024

### 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### Stewardship Reflection:

*"For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward." Mark 9:41*

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Christ in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generosity become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ: when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

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#### Mass Intentions

Mon.	Sept. 30	Samuele Buonassisi +
Tues.	Oct. 1	Bruno Mannella +
Wed.	Oct. 2	Angelina de Sousa +
Thurs.	Oct. 3	Carlos Hernandez +
Fri.	Oct. 4	Tony Bettencourt +
Sat.	Oct. 5	Ian Carmichael +

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH, 2024

##### 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat.	Oct. 5	5:00pm	Intention of Pastor
Sun.	Oct. 6	9:00am	Parishioners
Sun.	Oct. 6	11:00am	Pope Francis

**Please Pray for our Parishioners who have health challenges:** Aldora Bettencourt, Bob Curley, Peter de Jong, Riet de Jong, Greta Derewenko, Kathleen Ethier, Paola Giacometti, Lilia Huff, Garth McSween, Mabsie Merz, Patricia Peters, Eileen Roberts, Elaine Webster and Zachary Restiaux.

**The Chosen:** We're excited to continue watching The Chosen, Session 3 on **Thursday, October 3 at 6:30pm** in the **church basement** (please park below as front doors will be locked). We will be watching **Episode 3** this week. Come join us, as Fr. Craig gives us some insightful information to make the Bible stories come alive. For those that missed Seasons 1 &/or 2, you can watch it at home to catch up at <https://watch.thechosen.tv/>

**St. Joseph's Legion of Mary invites you** to view the documentary, PRAY, the story of Fr. Patrick Peyton. He spread the message of the power of the rosary and family prayer throughout the world using television, rosary films and rosary rallies which drew thousands. He coined the phrase, "The family that prays together, stays together." We will show this documentary **today, Sunday, Sept. 29 at 1:30pm in the Bob Stevens Hall**. All are welcome. The viewing time is about an hour.

**Altar Server Training: Saturday, October 5th, 11:00am.** Consider this a review for the experienced Altar Servers and training for new Altar Servers. Daniel Vu, who was an Altar Server for many years, will be assisting Fr. John.

**Calling all youth in grades 8 - 12!** We invite you to come and join us for a youth group get-together after the Saturday Mass on **October 5th!** Join us for Mass at 5pm and then head downstairs to the Hall for some food, games and devotional time. Meet other youth your age who share your Catholic beliefs and grow in your faith as we use LifeTeen resources and play some fun games. This group will meet on the first Saturday of every month during this school year. We look forward to seeing you there!

**LIFE CHAIN:** Once again we are being given an opportunity to stand up for life by participating in this year's Life Chain on **Sunday, October 6th** from **2pm to 3pm**. St. Joseph's Parish will be on the north side of Lougheed Highway, from Haig Street to the Cedar Valley Connector. Be a voice for the voiceless by standing in a peaceful and prayerful manner.

#### Calling all crafters:

The CWL is hosting an Oktoberfest Craft Fair.

Date: Saturday, October 26 Time: 10am-4pm Tables: \$25 each  
Call or text Tracey Faria at 604.615.2069 to book a table or for further information.

It's time to start thinking about ..... the **PARISH BAZAAR!** The boxes will soon be put out to receive your donations. The earlier you bring your donation in the better because it gives more time for sorting. Items donated to the Bazaar must be in good condition (new, nearly new). **NO USED CLOTHING, NO BOOKS, NO OLD ELECTRONICS!!** People who attend our Bazaar expect quality. This year the Bazaar will be on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH** from **10am to 3pm**.

**National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, September 30:** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour survivors of residential schools and those who support them. In a special way, we remember the children that never returned home. We recognize this painful history and, as a Catholic community, acknowledge our involvement in the residential school system. On this day, we pray, educate and advocate, looking for opportunities to discern how each one of us can participate in the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope.

**Help wanted: Little Flower Monastery at Carmel Hill in Deroche, BC** features new retreat facilities including guest rooms, meeting spaces and places of worship. The retreat facilities are seeking to hire part-time/casual House-keeping Attendants. If you are interested in these positions, please send your questions or résumé to [lmhubenig@integratedhospitality.ca](mailto:lmhubenig@integratedhospitality.ca)

**When a Loved One Dies by Suicide:** Suicide is often misunderstood and insufficiently discussed in the Church even though it is a major cause of death. The film by Sanctuary Mental Health entitled *When a Loved One Dies by Suicide*, aims to dispel misconceptions about Church teaching on suicide. It offers support to individuals journeying through grief towards healing.

This presentation by Father Nevin Jacob is intended primarily for those who have lost loved ones to suicide, although others may find it helpful and informative. Registration (\$8) required.

Saturday, October 5, 1:00pm - 3:00pm at St. Joseph's Parish in Langley. **Registration Deadline: Wednesday, October 2.** Register online for \$8 at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**Bereavement Training Program:** This 5-week training course is designed for those who wish to start a bereavement ministry in their parish or who wish to grow in their ability to journey with those who are grieving. Topics include understanding grief, how to actively listen, facilitating a bereavement ministry, and how to provide resources for those who are grieving. On **Wednesdays, from October 2 - 30, 7pm at All Saints Parish in Coquitlam** Cost is \$30. Learn and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**Spiritual Care Training Program:** Pope Francis has challenged everyone to think about their brothers and sisters in a new way as many are experiencing profound loneliness and isolation. The Archdiocese of Vancouver is offering the Spiritual Care Training Program as one way to answer this call. The eight-week course teaches how to make yourself more available to seniors and others who can benefit from your genuine concern and presence in their lives. Some topics covered include aging, communication, boundaries and self-care. The training is offered online via **Zoom every Thursday, from October 3 to November 21, from 1:30pm to 4:00pm.** Cost is \$30. Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**Addressing the Stigma: Equipping Parishes to Bridge Faith and Mental Health:** Mental health is more and more "on the radar" in our culture as both awareness of the topic and the challenges many people experienced increase. The media gives more attention to this topic and our schools are often spaces where mental health takes a prominence. However, sometimes as a Church or parish there can be uncertainty about how to engage well with this topic. And the need is increasing.

If you'd like to be a part of the movement towards a Church culture that has a healthy response towards mental health challenges and appropriately understands and bridges the gap between faith and mental health, please join us on Saturday, October 12th as we take a deeper dive into the topic and invite you to consider how you could be a part of moving the needle forward within your own parish.

**Saturday, October 12: 9:30am - 12:30pm at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey.** Registration is \$10. Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**"Being With" Volunteer Training:** The Archdiocese of Vancouver and Compassionate Community Centre present "Being With" a free training to gain the confidence to visit and journey with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick, or dying, in order to renew their hope and purpose in life. This practical training session will give you the tools you need to make a difference in someone's life. A workbook is included. **Saturday, October 19, 10am - 3pm** with lunch included at St. Patrick's Parish in Vancouver. Learn more and **register by October 16** at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

**St. Joseph's Bereavement Support Program** is hosting a nine-week program for those seeking support in the devastating loss of a loved one. To help facilitate sharing, we will provide guidelines for connecting and writing about your lived experience. The group will work with the book *Grieving With the Help of Your Catholic Faith* by Lorene Duquin. There will also be practice exercises and guest speakers. Your journey will be supported with scripture and prayers. Registration (\$35) includes book and materials. **Thursday, October 10, 9:00am - 11:30am at St. Joseph's Parish in Langley.** Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)