

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

August 31st, 2025

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Stewardship Reflection:

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you."

(Luke 14:13-14)

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fund-raising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

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Mass Intentions:

Mon. Sept 1 9:00am Zachary Restiaux
Tues. Sept 2 9:00am Turgeon Family (Living & Deceased)
Wed. Sept 3 9:00am Tony Bettencourt +
Thur. Sept 4 9:00am Paul Rollheiser +
Fri. Sept 5 9:00am Ken Restiaux +
Sat. Sept 6 9:00am Vitaliano Marchet +

SUNDAY, SEPT 7TH, 2025

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Sep 6 5:00pm Pastor's Intention
Sun. Sep 7 9:00am Parishioners
Sun. Sep 7 11:00am Pope Leo

Please Pray for our Parishioners who have health challenges:

Estefania Canero, Peter de Jong, Riet de Jong, Greta Derewenko, Paola Giacometti, Bill Girard, Lilia Huff, Frank Muermann, Patricia Peters, Zita Walt, Eileen Webster, Zachary Restiaux, Herman Van Der Loos, Vern San Laurent and Benito Mar.

St. Joseph's Parish "Family Day"

Thank you to everyone who helped out with our parish Family Day last weekend! It was a huge success!

From the ladies who shopped for the food, and set everything up, to the guys setting up the tents, the guys on the BBQ's, the games set up, the pinata, the face painter, the music, the signs and all of you that brought delicious food to share.

A special *Thank You* to Jennifer for coming with her four beautiful horses! They were a huge hit and you kept going right up to the very end. We so appreciate you giving up your whole day for us!

Thank you to Greg and Philip for keeping the grass cut and perfect for a game of Bocce!

Congratulations to Macarius on winning the obstacle race despite your opponent (Fr. John) not following the rules and getting a head start!

Thank you to Nicolaas for his tireless work before and after the event, cleaning up and packing the tables away.

It was a fun day and great to see everyone working together to make it such a wonderful and enjoyable event.

Thank you!

Youth Group: The Youth Group will have their first meeting of the school year next Saturday, **September 6th**, after the 5pm Mass and finishing at **8:00pm**. Students from grade 7 through grade 12 are welcome to join us for some food, games and a chance to grow your faith. We hope to see you there!

Project Advance

The Diocesan Goal for this year is **\$18,900**. After the Archdiocese of Vancouver receives \$18,900, all additional funds received for Project Advance will be rebated back to the Parish. 12% of St. Joseph's parishioners have contributed so far. As of August 29th, **\$16,190** had been received. *We are only **\$2,710** away from reaching our Diocesan Goal.* If you have not already donated, please consider donating today! There are forms in the foyer or you can make a donation online at www.projectadvance.ca (Be sure to note that the donation is for St. Joseph's in Mission.)

Canadian Bishops' Statement on the Humanitarian Crisis in Gaza: The members of the Permanent Council of the Canadian conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) have issued a statement in response to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza. The statement calls attention to the suffering population of Gaza, particularly children and the elderly, whose lives continue to be endangered due to the ongoing violence and severe deprivation, as well as to the mounting casualties on all sides. The members of the Permanent Council echo Pope Leo XIV's recent statements about the war and they remind the faithful in Canada to fast and pray for lasting peace in the Holy Land. Read the full statement here: cccbb.ca

Artisan & Craft Fair - St. Nicholas Parish: Vendors wanted for the St. Nicholas Artisan & Craft Fair!

- \$60 per table rental
- \$50 for registered parishioners
- \$40 for youth

Free for vendors donating 100% of net proceeds to the Parish Building Fund. Craft and artisan food and products only please. On Saturday, **November 8th from 9:00am to 4:30pm**. Contact Cynthia by email to become a vendor, sponsor, or volunteer at stnicholasartisanandcraftfair@gmail.com

Sunday Coffee: Thank you for all those who have volunteered with Sunday Coffee! We are hoping to continue with it every week and so we continually need volunteers. There is a sign up sheet on the coffee table in the foyer. Unfortunately we won't be having any coffee or goodies on any week that we don't have volunteers signed up to host it.

PREP: Our Parish's PREP program for children who do not attend Catholic school will begin again on **September 16th, 2025**. Classes run **every Tuesday night from 6:00pm to 7:15pm** during the school year. Classes start at age 4 and run through grade 7. To receive a sacrament, your child must attend for a total of two years. Please download the registration form from the parish website and submit to prep.stjoseph.parish@gmail.com or the parish office before classes start. We look forward to seeing your children there!

Altar Servers: If your child has made their First Holy Communion they are welcome to join our Altar Servers in this ministry. Registration Forms can be found on our website or in the foyer. Practises are the first Saturday of each month from 11:00am to 12:00pm. Our next practise will be next **Saturday, September 6th, 2025 at 11:00am**.

REMINDER! Please do not leave religious books or articles in the church foyer. Anything that is left without permission from Fr. John will be removed and disposed of.

New Online Giving Option:

Thank you for your continued generosity! We are pleased to announce that online giving option is now available.

We invite you to consider enrolling today by visiting <http://stjosephmission.ca/> and select "Giving" tab or scan the QR Code to contribute securely.

Please feel free to reach out to the parish office if you have any questions - 604-425-0392



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Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Date:

Sat. Sept 6 5:00pm Anne McLaughlin
 Sun. Sept 7 9:00am Blake Lindgren, Pat Quinn
 Kevin Puthenangady
 Sun. Sept 7 11:00am Shaeleen Lochbaum, Patti Sunder,
 Joseph Livera

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Lectors

Date:

Sat. Sept 6 5:00pm Denise Reid, Aisla Reid
 Sun. Sept 7 9:00am Lauren Lomague, Rina Lomague
 Sun. Sept 7 11:00am Nicole Martires, Juliette Robertson

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Altar Servers:

Date:

Sat. Sept 6 5:00pm Gabriel Legaspi, Sophie Chan Kin, Bethany Bosco, Hunter Morton
 Sun. Sept 7 9:00am Emeé Ogbonna, Peter Krzus, John Paul Krzus, Timothy Krzus
 Sun. Sept 7 11:00am Philip Mbuya, Gianna Kanyago, Alia Schmidt, Kristofer Zeleznik, William Aluka