# St. Joseph's Parish

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<u>Weekday Masses:</u> 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



St. Joseph, Pray for Us

# November 30TH, 2025 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## **Stewardship Reflection:**

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come".



(Matthew 24:42)

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

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#### **Mass Intentions:**

Mon. Dec 1 9:00am Ken Restiaux +
Tues. Dec 2 9:00am Alannah Roberts
Wed. Dec 3 9:00am Bruno Mannella +
Thur. Dec 4 9:00am Eugene Power + (1 year)
Fri. Dec 5 9:00am Tony Mannella +
Sat. Dec 6 9.00am Tony Bettencourt +

### SUNDAY, DEC 7TH, 2025 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat. Dec 6 5:00pm Celebrant's Intention Sun. Dec 7 9:00am St. Joseph's Parishioners Sun. Dec 7 11:00am Celebrant's Intention

# Please Pray for our Parishioners who have health challenges:

Zita Walt, Peter de Jong, Riet de Jong, Greta Derewenko, Lilia Huff, Frank Muermann, Patricia Peters, Eileen Webster, Zachary Restiaux, Herman Van Der Loos, Vern San Laurent, Benito Mar, Joseph Shannon and Suzanne Maxwell.



Thank you to

everyone for

your amazing support and donations for this year's Annual Parish Bazaar!

Bazaar raffle winners and square raffle winner (Dinner with Fr. John & Fr. Craig) will be provided in next week's bulletin, along with fundraising totals.

St. Joseph's Christmas Dinner is tonight, Sunday, November 30th.

#### It is SOLD OUT!

Doors open at 5:00pm and dinner is at 5:30pm. We

CWL Christmas Dinner: Please join us for our CWL Christmas Dinner this *Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:00pm* at Mission Station Grill. We will be ordering off the menu. Please bring a gift for the gift exchange (maximum \$20.) if you wish to participate. Let Maria know by 4:00 pm today, Sunday, November 30th if you plan on attending as the restaurant requires number of guests attending so they can have adequate staff. Rides are available should you need one. 604-854-4858 or mariahedderson@aol.com

**Youth Group:** The Youth group will be meeting on **December 13th after the 5pm Mass, from 6-8pm**. Students from grade 7 through 12 are welcome to join us for some food, games and a chance to grow in their faith. We hope to see you there!

Young Adult Bible Study: The next Adult Bible study class will be on *Sunday, December 7th, 2025* from *6:30pm* to *8:30pm* in the parish portable. This runs on the first and third Sundays of the month and is open to all young adults 18-30 years old. All are welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Project Advance:** Thank you to everyone who has donated and helped us reach our Diocesan goal of **\$18,900** for this year! All future donations made to *Project Advance* will now be rebated back to the parish. This will greatly help with the upgrades needed for the church. If you have not already donated, **please donate today!** There are forms in the foyer, you can drop off a cheque at the parish office or you can make a donation online at <a href="https://www.projectadvance.ca">www.projectadvance.ca</a> (Be sure to note that the donation is for St. Joseph's in Mission.)

Momentum Christmas Gathering for Single Mothers: You are warmly invited to join us for a Christmas gathering. This will be a relaxed and welcoming time to connect with other single mothers, share in community, and enjoy the Christmas joy together. Children are welcome! There will be an opportunity to take photos with Santa! On *Saturday*, *December 13th*, *12:00pm to 2:30pm* at St. Joseph's Parish, Port Moody. Learn more and register by December 8th at *beholdvancouver.org/events*.

Christmas Outreach to the Homeless 2025: We love meeting new people, making new friends, sharing our love for God, praying for His presence and guidance, and going out bringing His hope and love to the homeless, the addicted, and the prostituted. Spend Christmas day with Catholic Street Missionaries (CSM) and reach out to our less privileged brothers and sisters on the streets of Vancouver. All young adults aged 19-39 are welcome! Thursday, December 25th from 2:00pm to 5:30pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

**Steel Fabricator:** If you are a Steel Fabricator and can assist with a small job at the parish please contact Eric at 604-835-7007 or Frank at 604-302-3255. Thank you!

**Part-time Bookkeeper wanted:** St. James and St. Ann's Elementary School is looking for a part time bookkeeper to start mid December. This would include 20 hours/week, benefits and pension. Please contact the principal, Onika Bryson if you are interested. Email your cover letter and resume to <a href="mailto:principal@stjameselementary.ca">principal@stjameselementary.ca</a>

Altar Servers: There will be <u>no practise</u> on December 6th, 2025. We will resume practise in the New Year.

**Guitar for Sale:** The Bazaar received a donation of a 1970's Ventura Acoustic Guitar (modelled after Martin's of the same era). Mahogany laminate top; some cosmetic wear. Otherwise in good condition. Favorable starter guitar for someone wanting to learn. \$175 or best offer. Text Greg at 604-230-4011.

CCCB Journey Through Advent - First Sunday of Advent Video: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has released it's annual Journey Through Advent video series to help Catholics prepare spiritually for the coming of Christ at Christmas. Watch the reflection for the First Sunday of Advent at <a href="mailto:cccb.ca">cccb.ca</a>

**The Giving Tree:** This year, for the month of December we will have a "Giving Tree" in the foyer with donation envelopes attached. We invite you to take an envelope and fill it with the amount indicated on the envelope. All funds raised will go to Catholic Street Ministry in Vancouver. Thank you for your generosity!



#### **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



#### Sun. DEC 7/25 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** 

Date:

Sat. Dec 6 5:00pm Mark Gervais

Sun. Dec 7 9:00am Blake Lindgren, Patrick Quinn

Kevin Puthenangady

Sun. Dec 7 11:00am Patti Sunder, Joseph Livera,

Shaeleen Lochbaum

#### Sun. DEC 7/25 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Lectors:

Date:

Sat. Dec 6 5:00pm Marizel Turingan,

Francesca Turingan

Sun. Dec 7 9:00am Lauren Lomague, Rina Lomague Sun. Dec 7 11:00am Nicole Martires, Naomi Kelly

#### Sun. DEC 7/25 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Altar Servers: \* M.C.

Date:

Sat. Dec 6 5:00pm \*Sophie, Gabriel, Bethany, Alia

Sun. Dec 7 9:00am \*Hunter, Emee, Timothy, John Paul, Peter Sun. Nov 7 11:00am \*Philip, Nimuna, Kristofer, Gianna, Loyal