

# May 20, 2018 - Pentecost

## ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today's Gospel: John 20:19-23** It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

**Vangelo di Oggi: Giovanni 15, 26-27; 16,12-15** *In quel tempo, Gesù disse ai suoi discepoli: «Quando verrà il Paràclito, che io vi manderò dal Padre, lo Spirito della verità che procede dal Padre, egli darà testimonianza di me; e anche voi date testimonianza, perché siete con me fin dal principio. Molte cose ho ancora da dirvi, ma per il momento non siete capaci di portarne il peso. Quando verrà lui, lo Spirito della verità, vi guiderà a tutta la verità, perché non parlerà da se stesso, ma dirà tutto ciò che avrà udito e vi annuncerà le cose future. Egli mi glorificherà, perché prenderà da quel che è mio e ve lo annuncerà. Tutto quello che il Padre possiede è mio; per questo ho detto che prenderà da quel che è mio e ve lo annuncerà».*

**Parish Hospitality Survey** Last week we included a survey in the bulletin. Please take the time to fill out the brief survey and return it to the office or place it in the collection basket at the next opportunity. More copies are available in the back of the church. We need your feedback in our effort to make St Francis as welcoming a parish as it can be!



**7th Annual Walk to Keep the Dream Alive**  
Domestic Abuse Services – Our Lady of Good Counsel Society Sunday, June 3rd at Tynehead Regional Park in Surrey. Run, walk, or bike. Registration opens at noon and the walk starts at 12:30. Bring the whole family; pets on leashes welcome. Enjoy a day in the park, a BBQ concession, face painting, prizes, and FUN, FUN, FUN! Register online at [www.domesticabuseservices.ca](http://www.domesticabuseservices.ca). For more information about the event or about Domestic Abuse Service in general, please call 604-585-6688.

**Men's Discernment Night** Do you have questions about discerning God's call for your life? Vocations in Progress for single men, aged 17 and up, is an opportunity to meet priests, ask questions, and learn about their life and spirituality. The informal event will include prayer, dinner, and discussion at St Patrick's, Vancouver, on Wednesday, May 30, at 7 pm.



*"Receive the Holy Spirit."*

Pentecost Sunday celebrates God's gift to us of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the essential ingredient that makes us distinctively Christian, the absence of which would change our life beyond recognition. The Holy Spirit dwells within us teaching us, guiding us, sanctifying us and strengthening us. He aids us in our relationships with others, helping us to love and forgive. The more we yield to him, the more he can give to and through us.

**20th Annual Focus on Life Gala Dinner: Hope for Canada**  
Life affirming voices are progressively silenced in Canada. Where do we go from here? What does hope for Canada look like? Come discover how together we can challenge and inspire our nation to be a place where all life is valued. Our keynote speakers are constitutional law expert Albertos Polizogopoulos and Fay Sonier, Executive Director of Physicians for Life. They are going to give us a lay of the land and speak to how we can move forward in the midst of our society that is de-valuing life and restricting our freedom of conscience and then lead into the practical initiatives that the Focus on Life committee is doing today. Monday, May 28. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Cost: \$85 per ticket, \$800 per table. [focusonlife.ca/gala](http://focusonlife.ca/gala)

**Preaching and Communicating in a Franciscan Era: What is the Church learning from an Argentine, Jesuit Pope?** Join us for a free public lecture featuring Fr Thomas Rosica, CSB, a highly respected Scripture scholar, executive producer, and Church spokesperson. How far has the Church come in her understanding of media and communications? Fr Rosica will discuss how Pope Francis has been modelling new methods of preaching and communicating, and how the Pope's blunt assessment of the epidemic of fake news reveals a world leader who is sophisticated, astute, wise, and bold in naming evil for what it is. May 24 at 7 pm at St Mark's College, Vancouver. To register, visit <http://stmarkscollege.ca/>

**Change of Date** The date for this year's carnival has been changed. It will now be held on Sunday, June 3. The Corpus Christi procession will be held inside the church.

**Fr Gino Away** Fr Gino will be away this week for the annual Clergy Retreat. During his absence, there will be no weekday Masses from Tuesday through Friday. Nearby Masses next week are at Our Lady of Sorrows 8 am in Italian; St Jude 8 am; St Helen 7:45 am (except on Friday).



**Coffee & Goodies Today** Come and enjoy some coffee and goodies outside on the veranda today after the 10:30 Mass. Everyone is welcome!

**(Post) Mother's Day Lunch** The Mt Carmel Club and Knights of Columbus will be hosting a special Mother's Day Lunch on Sunday, May 27 after the 10:30 Mass. It will be a full lunch, including pasta, meat, salad, dessert and coffee. Tickets are \$25 and are available through the parish office or by calling Maria at 604-255-9784.



**Project Advance is Underway!** Project Advance is an Archdiocesan initiative that benefits people all over the diocese as well as our own parish. Our parish goal this year is \$50,000. All donations over the \$20,000 Archdiocesan allotment will go towards the building of our new school. Plans are well underway and we are looking forward to a modern, spacious school with a gymnasium! Please support Project Advance. Every gift counts, whether large or small. Donations can be made at the parish or online at [www.projectadvance.ca](http://www.projectadvance.ca). Thanks for your support!

**Kairos Blanket Exercise** Join Deacon Rennie Nahanee for an afternoon of learning and experiencing the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. Bringing the past to the present through the blanket exercise and bridging our community as one through reconciliation. Reserve your spot and invite family and friends to share in this rare experience! Join us on Saturday, June 2, at 2 pm at St Augustine's Church, Vancouver. Contact: Linda Arnold 604-736-4455 or [faithformation@staugustineschurch.ca](mailto:faithformation@staugustineschurch.ca)



**Dr Ralph Martin - Parish Mission** Dr Ralph Martin, director of Renewal Ministries, is one of the most sought-after speakers in the English-speaking world. Christ the Redeemer is pleased to welcome him to give our parish mission on the evenings of May 30 and 31, from 7-9 pm each evening at Christ the Redeemer church. All are welcome to this event. For more info, please contact [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca).

**Estate & Memorial Planning Presentation** These presentations by the Archdiocese of Vancouver Catholic Cemeteries deal with matters you may not have thought about before but will help you gather your thoughts before you write your Will or prepare to update your Will. Learn about the beauty of the funeral rites and how to formulate pre-need arrangements. FREE guides and loads of practical advice. No investment services or insurance promoted or sold. Wednesday, June 13 at 6:30 pm at Corpus Christi Parish. To register visit [rccav.org/events](http://rccav.org/events)

Mass Intentions and Parish Activities		
Sat May 19	5:00 pm	† Argento Mascitti † Anna Angelillo
Sun May 20 Pentecost	9:00 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	All Parishioners † Rosa & Arturo Conte † Pasquale Grande <i>Coffee &amp; Goodies on Veranda</i> <i>SFO meeting</i> † Mora Carter
Mon May 21	8:00 am 7:00 pm	<i>Office Closed for the Holiday</i> † Enrico Torrelli <i>Symbolon Faith Study</i>
Tue May 22	7:30 pm 8:00 pm	<i>Ladies Faith Study</i> <i>Knights of Columbus meeting</i>
Wed May 23	7:00 pm	<i>Choir practice - Sat 5 pm</i>
Thu May 24	11:00 am 5:15 pm	<i>SFA Over 50 Club</i> <i>Legion of Mary meeting</i>
Fri May 25	6:00 pm	<i>Choir practice - Sunday 10:30</i>
Sat May 26 St Philip Neri	9:00 am 9:30 am 5:00 pm	† Carmela La Montagna <i>Confession</i> † Carolina Shannon † Loretto Ciaccia
Sun May 27 Trinity Sunday	9:00 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 5:00 pm	† Rosaria Paghotta & Luigi Bruno † Maria & Emilio Ruscitti All Parishioners <i>(Post) Mother's Day Lunch</i> <i>Baptism - Welcome to Luca</i> <i>Guarasio</i> SFA Parish & School

**Youth Group in the Fall** The SFA youth Group will re-launch in the Fall. Look for dates and details in September!

**Taize Ecumenical Prayer Service** All are welcome to an evening of Taizé prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, May 30, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at Immaculate Conception Church, Vancouver. Taizé is a unique form of Christian prayer that involves song, silence, and contemplation. For more information, please email [kelden.formosa@icschoolvancouver.com](mailto:kelden.formosa@icschoolvancouver.com).

**Baptisms** Baptisms are scheduled at noon on Sundays. Parents, please call the Parish Office to arrange a date for an appointment with Fr Eugenio.

**Weddings** Arrangements for weddings must be made at least six months in advance to allow time for the Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation classes. Please call the Parish for more information at 604-255-8855.

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