

Saint Anthony of Padua

Parish Bulletin

PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 20th, 2018

The Holy Spirit has a mission for each of us



Our opening idea is insecurity and how it makes us jealous. I remember, for example, one woman who said with utter sadness about her sister, “Taller, prettier, more outgoing.” Or, I remember one time I was with another choir member practicing a chant. Another guy came in, looked at the sheet music, and started sight reading it perfectly. And my friend said, “I hate guys like that.” [...]

Today is the solemnity of the Holy Spirit, the third person in the Blessed Trinity, and Jesus tells us today that, “When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth” (Jn 16:13). This is important, because our insecurities and jealousies are founded on lies. Jesus said about the devil: “When [the devil] lies, he speaks according to his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies” (Jn 8:44). So, the devil is always telling us various lies: We’re not loved, we’re useless, we have no gifts, we have nothing to offer so why even try? But the Holy Spirit always tells us what’s true. On Dec. 31, we went over ten promises of God, and one of them was that we’re always loved by God. Jesus says, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love” (Jn 15:9). And today He tells us some other truths: We all have gifts and all have something to offer.

In the first reading, it’s striking that when the Holy Spirit came down upon the 120 Christians, He doesn’t just come down upon some, but upon “each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages” (Acts 2:3-4). St. Bede says different languages signify different gifts (Ancient Christian Commentary on Scripture). And St. Paul tells us, “There are varieties of gifts... services... and... activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone” (1 Cor 12:4-6).

Each of us are given unique gifts by God so that we can accomplish a specific mission. Bl. John Henry Newman said, “God has created me to do Him some definite service; He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission—I never may know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next.... I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place... if I do but keep His commandments and serve Him in my calling.”

If we really believe we have a specific mission that no one else has been given, then we’ll understand why we’re not given the best gifts. It’s because we don’t need them. It also doesn’t matter, because God has given me everything I need to accomplish my mission. If He made someone smarter, more beautiful and more talented than we, it’s because they have a different mission!

I told you about the time I was jealous that I wasn’t the smartest or best athlete in the seminary. I said to myself, “I can’t keep up with these guys. What am I good at?” What I didn’t tell you is that peace came from recognizing a truth: I’m just a simple nice guy called to be a simple priest, and I’ve been given everything I need to accomplish that. I never felt jealous after that. And the times I did feel jealous was because I forgot that truth.

The 24-year old St. Thérèse of Lisieux had a desire to be a priest, a martyr, a missionary, a doctor (teacher) in the Church; she wanted to do every vocation and accomplish the best! But because she was a nun she couldn’t do any of them and this frustrated her. So, one day, she opened up the Bible to the second reading today and read that not everyone can be an apostle, prophet or doctor—but this didn’t yet satisfy her. So St. Thérèse kept on reading and learned that “all perfect gifts are nothing without love,” so she realized that her vocation was to be love, to be the heart of the Church, because, without someone dedicated full-time to prayer, the apostles, missionaries, and teachers wouldn’t have strength to carry out their mission.

What was the gift, vocation or role of St. Gianna? To be a wife, mother of four, and doctor. She was given the right combination of gifts just to do that, and because she fulfilled that role, she was more important and more influential than any regular pope, because the power of saints is always eternal and the most positive. What was the gift of Bl. Pier Giorgio? To be an engineering student, going to daily Mass, helping the poor, giving his money away, getting involved in politics, etc. What was the gift of Bl. Chiara Luce Badano? To love her family and friends, to be attentive to the least among people, to be patient when she had to

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Parish Registration

Our parish family warmly welcomes new parishioners. Please register at your earliest convenience by filling out a registration form located in the vestibule or by stopping by the parish office during office hours. If you are registered and moving, please advise the parish office.

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday 8:15 am
 Tuesday 7:30 pm
 Wednesday-Friday 8:15 am
 Saturday 9:00 am

Lauds

Weekday 8:00 am *except Tuesday*
 Saturday 8:45 am
 Sunday 7:45 am

Confession

Weekday 8:00 to 8:10 am *except Tuesday*
 Saturday 9:45 am & 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm
 1st Saturday each month 9:45 am to 1:00 pm;
 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm;
 7:00 pm to 9:45 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

(1365 West 73rd Avenue) Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 am to 10:00 pm in the chapel

First Friday of each month: 8:45 am to 10:00 am in the church followed by Benediction.

First Saturday of each month: 9:30 am to 9:30 pm in the church during all-day confessions.

Please call the parish office for more information on other Sacraments and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes.

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Weekday Masses & Intentions

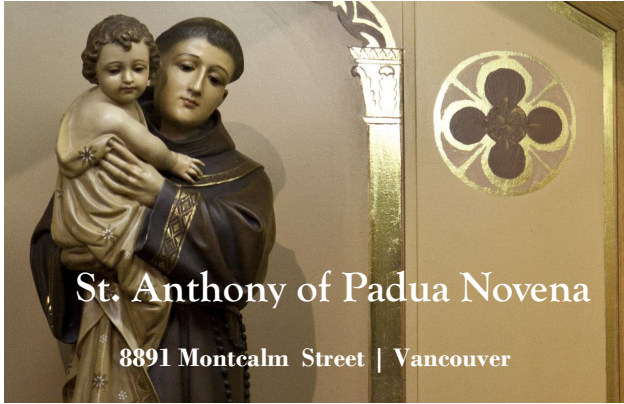
Day	Feast or Memorial	Missal Page	Intention
Monday, May 21	Ferial	937	Elizabeth Burke †
Tuesday, May 22	Ferial	940	Rev. Donald MacDonald †
Wednesday, May 23	Ferial	942	Cyril Burke †
Thursday, May 24	Ferial	943	Natividad Peralta †
Friday, May 25	Ferial	945	Mark & Gloria Gunther †
Saturday, May 26	St. Philip Neri	947	Rosalind Kriekenbeek

Prayers for the Sick At Holy Mass we remember the sick including:
 Nita Carvajal, Nung Chum, Isobel Clancy, Nick De Vos, Elaine dos Remedios, Teresa Gaio, Cecile Hernandez, Yvonne Kharoubch, Molly Loui-Ying, Huguette Piché, Barney Rousseau, Therese Rozario, Filomena Sison, Liliana Taylor, Fernando Tiago and Theresa Yoshioka.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



St. Anthony of Padua Novena

8391 Montcalm Street | Vancouver

June 5 to 12: Mass & Novena 7:30 pm
Confessions from 6:30 pm–7:15 pm

June 13: Feast Day Celebration
Procession 6:30 pm & Mass 7:30 pm

Celebrants / Preachers

June 5: Bishop David Monroe	June 10: Fr. Lucien Larre
June 6: Fr. Vincent Hawkswell	June 11: Fr. Lucio Choi
June 7: Fr. Gilbert Nunez	June 12: Fr. Anthony Ho
June 8: Fr. Nelson Santos	June 13: Fr. Justin Huang
June 9: Fr. Justin Huang / Deacon Andrew Kung	

* NOTE: NO MORNING DAILY MASSES FROM JUNE 5–13

Welcome new parishioners!

Thank you for joining our parish family – we are happy to have you! If you have any questions about St. Anthony's or would simply like to meet some fellow parishioners, please come by the **Welcome Booth** after any Sunday Mass. We would love to meet you! Note: All requested envelopes are now ready to be picked up in the foyer at the back of the church. If your envelope is not there, please call the Parish Office, 604.266.6131.



The Knights of Columbus are hosting Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 27th after the 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 pm

Masses. Enjoy a hearty breakfast downstairs in the church basement with your fellow parishioners. Cost is \$6 per adult, and \$14 per family.



Marian Conference 2018

Come and enrich your spiritual life, find fellowship, and listen to these inspiring speakers: Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, Monsignor Milivoj Bolobanic, Fr. John Horgan, Fr. Bill Halbing, Patrick and Joy Campbell, and Michael Russell O'Brien. Conference includes: Eucharistic adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, closing vigil Mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller, CSB, music by Stella Maris and exhibitor tables and displays. On-site parking available. Location close to public transportation and eateries. Saturday, May 26, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, Richmond. Cost: \$45 in advance, \$50 at door, \$25 students, free for priests and religious. For more info, visit rcav.org/event/marian-conference-2018.

First Holy Communion next weekend

On Saturday, June 2 on the Feast of Corpus Christi, our first communicants will receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist at the 5:00 PM Mass.

The Holy Spirit *...continued from cover*

repeat her first year of high school, to play tennis, swim and ski to the best of her ability, and to love Jesus when she was dying of cancer. She struggled at 17 to accept her cancer, but eventually said, "Jesus... If you want it, I want it too." She never lost an opportunity to love. One friend said, "At first we felt like we were going to visit her in order to support her, but quite soon we noticed that whenever we went into her room... we were being projected into... [an] adventure of God's love... Chiara didn't say any extraordinary words... She simply loved."

We're all called to be saints, and part of being a saint is living out the mission God has given us. I'd like to suggest three possible actions to become more secure and fulfill our vocation:

1) Pray to the Holy Spirit. How many already pray to the Holy Spirit? We need to ask Him to reveal the truth to us, the truth about who we are, our mission and gifts. We also need to ask for humility to accept our gifts. Almost all of us suffer from unhealthy pride and narcissism, where we want to be the centre of attention, and always thinking about ourselves.

2) Pray for the people you're jealous of! Be happy for them that they're better! Why? Because they have a different

mission than we. I never have felt jealous of my brothers even though they have gifts I don't. Why? Because I love them. If we're jealous of people, it's a sign we don't love them enough.

3) St. Paul says the Church is the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:12) and some of us are the hands who do works of mercy [...] Look at our church: It takes hundreds of people for it to flourish. I want to plant some seeds here: Each of us is called to serve this community in at least one way: Coming to Mass every weekend is the start, but it's doesn't stop there. How can we serve?

At the end of St. John's Gospel, St. Peter is walking with Jesus, and turns and sees St. John, the beloved disciple. So, St. Peter says, "Lord, what about him?" And Jesus responds, "What if I want him to remain until I come? What concern is that of yours? You follow me" (Jn 21:20-23).

The more we think unhealthily about ourselves and other people, the more jealous we'll be. But the more we look at Jesus and think about the mission the Holy Spirit has given us, the more we'll be secure.

- excerpt from Fr. Justin's homily, May 20, 2018

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