

Saint Joseph's Catholic Church

20676 Fraser Highway
Langley, BC V3A 4G5

Ph: 604-534-3303 Fax: 604-534-6458

Email: parish.sjl@rcav.org website: stjlangley.rcav.org
Fr. Lawrence Donnelly www.didobonaparte.wordpress.com

We celebrate today the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time. You will find the readings for the mass on page 426 in the Blue missal in the pews.

Pastor:	Fr. Lawrence Donnelly	Secretary:	Pat Wright
Assistant Pastor:	Fr. Jude Onwana	Bookkeeper:	Trina Tang
Deacon:	Dan Ritchie	Catechism Coordinator:	Kris Blair
Music Coordinator:	Arthur Medina	Youth Coordinator:	Daniel Wack

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mon – Fri Closed for Lunch: 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 8:00 p.m.
Spanish Mass (1st Sunday of the Month) 5:30 p.m.
Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 11:00 a.m. Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday Evening 7:00 p.m.
Saturday and Holidays 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

30 MINUTES PRIOR to Sunday Mass:
8:30 AM., 10:30 AM and 7:30 PM.
Saturday 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. and 30 minutes before the weekday Masses.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays 8:45 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Mon – Thurs. 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

MARRIAGES

Six months' notice is normally required. Archdiocesan marriage preparation is mandatory.

BAPTISMS

Must attend the monthly Baptism Preparation Class. Call Parish office to register

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Contact: Adrian Fengler: faithjourney.saintjosephs@gmail.com

SCHOOLS:

ST. CATHERINE'S ELEMENTARY

20244 – 32nd Avenue
Langley, BC V2Z 2E1
Phone: 604-534-6564
School Fax: 604-534-4871
Principal: Jeff Brophy
www.stcatherines.ca

modonnell@stcatherines.ca

ST. JOSEPH'S PRESCHOOL

20244 – 32nd Avenue
Langley, BC V2Z 2E1
Phone: 604-530-4288
www.stjosephschurchpreschool.com

ST. JOHN BREBEUF REGIONAL SECONDARY

2747 Townline Road, Abbotsford, BC V2T 5E1
1-604-855-0571 www.stjohnbrebeuf.ca
Principal: Mr. Gianni Bittante

HOLY CROSS REGIONAL SECONDARY

16193 – 88th Avenue, Surrey, BC V4N 1G3
604-581-3023 www.holycross.bc.ca
Principal: Mr. Chris Blesch

ST. JOSEPH'S HOMESCHOOLERS' CHOIR

Contact: 778-233-4049

Can the Bible be Taken Literally?

Since the middle of the 19th century, there has been a ferocious battle between supporters and debunkers of a literal understanding of the Bible. The most well-known battles have been fought over whether creation really occurred in the manner described, and whether Adam and Eve really existed or humanity was merely a product of gradual evolution from human-like animals.

Before beginning to discuss specifics, the Catholic understanding of the literal truth of the Bible must be clearly explained. We believe that God is the principle author of Sacred Scripture, but that the human authors inspired by God used their own capabilities and powers, and wrote within their own limitations, as true authors of what God wanted written. Since God is the source of all truth, indeed Truth itself, Scripture teaches us the truth. "Since all that the inspired authors or sacred writers affirm should be regarded as affirmed by the Holy Spirit, we must acknowledge that the books of Scripture firmly, faithfully, and without error teach that truth which God, for the sake of our salvation, wished to see confided to the Sacred Scriptures (CCC 107).

Is it essential in reading any part of Scripture to learn what each human author intended to write, and to understand as completely as possible the cultures in which its authors lived and usual ways that each culture felt, spoke, and narrated events. Thus we should not regard Sacred Scripture as a textbook on science, as a manual on botany and zoology, or as a comprehensive history of Palestine. It is, rather, a composite of literary types, ranging from ancient family stories to royal chronicles, from allegory to drama, from prophecy to poetry, from regulations for worship to detailed laws regulating society, from sublime prayer to practical rules for living.

It is equally essential to interpret Sacred Scripture in light of what God wanted to

reveal. The Church has spelled out how this is to be done. First, the reader must regard the Bible as a single book, the unity of God's plan centred on the person of Jesus. Every part must be read in light of the whole, and the whole is illuminated and made plain by the entirety of Jesus' saving work. Second, the reader must interpret Scripture in light of the Church's living tradition. "Sacred Scripture is written principally in the Church's heart rather than in documents and records, for the Church carries in her Tradition the living memorial of God's Word" (CCC 113). The authority granted by Christ to his Church ensures that the Church will not err in interpreting Scripture, and Catholics are bound to submit to the authority of the Church in seeking the meaning of any part of Scripture. Third, the reader must pay close attention to the "analogy of faith," that is, the unity and harmony of all the truths of the faith among themselves.

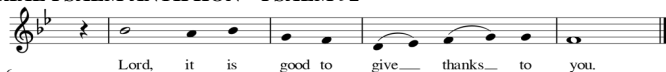
For example, most Christians understand that the story of creation in the Bible was not intended by its human author as a scientific description of events no one could possibly have witnessed. Instead, the book of Genesis, as the inspired Word of God, teaches us in poetic language that God exists, that he is a real and personal Being who is eternal, that he created everything from nothing by the force of his will alone, and that the universe he created has order and purpose. The story of the "six days of creation" is a patterned sequence that, in poetic form, expresses this order and hierarchical structure of creation. It is not necessary to see each day as a 24-hour period from sunset to sunset. The story of creation in the book of Genesis is only the beginning of God's progressive Revelation of himself and his plan of salvation to humanity, through his Chosen People. Through what is written in the Bible, God taught the mysteries of himself, our origin and fall from grace, and of our restoration to his friendship.

MASS ANTIPHONS FOR SUNDAY XI YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON PSALM 66



RESPONSORIAL PSALM ANTIPHON PSALM 92



COMMUNION ANTIPHON Psalm 96



June 17 2018

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S

Join us for Coffee & Fellowship in the Parish hall after the 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. masses.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Revival - All Ages

June 17th come out to the Parish from 6:45 - 7:45 for an evening of Adoration & Confession!! Everyone is invited! We'll see you there!

Family Movie Night - NET Fundraiser

June the 23rd come out to the parish hall at 7 PM for a family movie night!! Some of our youth are raising money for NET and are hosting! It'll be a great evening! Tickets are only \$5 or \$20/family and there will be snacks available for purchase!!

The Couples for Christ (CFC) Christian Life Program,

(Saturdays) from 1:30 - 4:00pm. In the parish hall. Information contact Romano 778-800-0142

PARISH NEWS

FAREWELL FOR FATHER LAWRENCE

It is with sad hearts that we must say goodbye to our dear Father Lawrence. On June 24th we will be having a luncheon in the hall after the 11am mass... The Knights and CWL will prepare hamburgers, hot dogs and salads. Let's show Father Lawrence how "sweet" we really are, by bringing your favorite sweet treat or dessert dish to share with everyone.

Second Quarter (for those after undergraduate, before middle age) is hosting a BBQ and film Saturday 23 June 6:30pm at Catholic Pacific College (7720 Glover Rd, Langley). Grilled things provided, just bring a side and BYOB! Please RSVP before the grocery run Fri 22, on Facebook or at sj2ndquarter@gmail.com

Travel to Kenya and celebrate Father James 25th ordination anniversary August 2019 Tegemeza (support) society is hosting an Information Night in the parish hall on Monday June 25 7-9pm to discuss an upcoming humanitarian trip to Kenya August 2019 with Father James. Desserts and coffee and tea served. Questions to Tegemeza@gmail.com.

Development & Peace: Dear Fellow Parishioners, We value and appreciate the support you have given Development & Peace over the years. Recently Archbishop Miller sent a letter regarding Share Lent funds, indicating that "The temporary withholding of funds is an action taken to ensure transparency and accountability in how monies are used". We trust the Archbishops guidance in this matter and will wait for further instructions from him. Please continue to keep D&P in your prayers. Our next meeting will be Monday August 13 from 7-8:30 pm in the Hall. Yours sincerely, St. Joseph's Development & Peace committee.

FORMED.ORG: The Catholic Faith On Demand. Free videos, Movies, Audio Book and eBooks streamed right to your electronic devices.

Inspirational, Educational, and Entertaining for all ages. Register at www.formed.org enter parish code

For further questions contact the parish office at: parish.ajl@rcav.org

Bursary Available. Our very own St. Joseph parish Knights of Columbus Council 2552 is now accepting applications for Council 2552's Bursary. This Bursary is open to all members of council 2552, their Spouses, Children or Grandchildren. For application form and details please contact Knights of Columbus Chancellor Ray Cornell 604-534-9239. **Deadline for applications June 30, 2018**

Project Advance 2018

Thank you to all those parishioners who have already pledged to Project Advance. Sharing and supporting the many goals and ministries of the Catholic Church in our diocese is Project Advance's primary objective. Please don't forget to fill out your pledge card and drop in the collection basket or donate online at www.projectadvance.ca and designate our parish as the recipient. Thank you for your support

The Supreme Court of Canada rules against the Trinity Western University's law school.

Vancouver Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, released a statement expressing his disappointment with the Supreme Court of Canada's ruling on the Trinity Western University law school. "I am saddened to see the Supreme Court of Canada's Trinity Western University law school decision, with its potential to undermine freedom of religion, conscience, and association in Canada. The decision runs counter to Canada's tradition of balancing rights and freedoms, and the implications of this decision for constitutional freedoms in Canada are severe. I agree with the ruling's dissenting justices, who pointed out that the decision "betrays the promise of our Constitution that rights limitations must be demonstrably justified" and that the law societies' powers are not absolute with respect to approving law programs.

To see the Archbishop's full statement, go to: <http://rcav.org/s-twu-decision-2018/>

SCHOOLS

St. John Brebeuf High School: SJB is planning **Phase III Expansion.** View the Plan Poster in the Foyer. Contact the School for more information 1-604-855-0571

St. Catherine's Elementary School is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. We anticipate vacancies at all grade levels. If you are interested in having your child attend an excellent school where developing the whole child in a Catholic

infused environment is our priority, please contact the school principal, Mr. J. Brophy at 604 534 6564 or jbrophy@stcatherines.ca

St. John Paul II Academy

St. John Paul II Academy is continuing to accept Gr. 8 Applicants for the 2018-19 school year. As there are a limited number of spaces available, all student applications must be completed and returned to Mr. Michel DesLauriers, Principal, 4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver, BC, V5Z 0G3. You can find the Application Form and more information about tuition and financial assistance on the school website: www.sjp2academy.com/admissions/
E: mdeslauriers@cisva.bc.ca T: 604. 683. 9331

YOUTH EVENTS

Edge: Wrap up Party - Gr 6-7

EDGE is finally back June 29th!!! It's our wrap-up!! We're going to be meeting at Douglas park from 7 - 9 pm!! It's going to be a fab night, we're going to be playing games, having some extra awesome snacks, and just having a great time!! Bring your friends!!

Life Teen: Wrap up Party - Gr 8-12

This is it!! Life Teen is having our wrap-up party June 24th!!! It's going to be all party - snacks, games, more games, and some special surprises!!! You don't want to miss it! June 24th in the parish hall!! 6 - 8!!

Upper Room Summer Mission - Gr 10 - 12

This summer, Saint Joseph's Youth Ministry is running a summer mission that any youth currently in grades 10-12 can participate in! The mission will include a week long retreat, 4 further partial weeks of formation, and 2 final weeks of leading ministry. For more details, or to apply to the program, please email: saintjosephs.youthmin@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Brainstorm @ Glass Canvas

If you're a young adult in the parish, we're looking for YOU!! We want your thoughts, and your ideas, when it comes to our Life Teen Program next year!! Come out to the Glass Canvas office, Thursday June 21st from 6 - 8 to have a voice in our teen-ministry next year!! We can't wait to see you!

Sports Nights!

Sports nights are happening Thursdays over the summer!! To keep up to date with locations & times, follow us on Facebook & Instagram @stjoes.youngadultsmin or email saintjosephs.youngadultsmin@gmail.com to get on the email list!