

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 19th, 2018

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM;
 Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM;
 Saturdays & Public Holidays, 9:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Fri: before 8 AM Mass;
 Sat: 9:30 AM & 4:15 - 4:45 PM.

In today's Gospel, Jesus again presents Himself as the living bread that has come down from heaven. He promises us three times that if we eat this bread, we will live forever. That's quite a promise, isn't it? Eternal life! And since that promise is so important, we should understand it correctly.

When Jesus says that He is going to give us eternal life, He is not presenting that life to us like a gift in a box that we unwrap and possess. Jesus instead is telling us that He will work with us to see that the present life that we are living will continue forever. Eternal life, then, is something that we shape and build. Our forever is being determined by the life we live today. The daily decisions that we make are building blocks to eternity.

Ben Pattison in his book, "The Grand Essentials" says,
"I believe that when life has whittled us down, what will remain of us is what we have been all along - our essence, our inner spirit."

He goes on to give the example of his grandmother in her nineties; lost most of her mental faculties; and deteriorating physically. But if asked to say grace before dinner, she would reach out for the hands of those sitting next to her, and with a broad smile on her face lifts her eyes to heaven pouring out her love: love for God, and love for the people around that table.

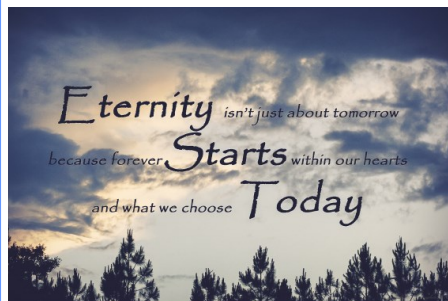
Grandma could no longer remember the names of those in her family. Life had whittled that away. But what was left was her essence, and that essence was love for God and people.

You and I are building our essence today. Who we are in our heart is being determined by the choices we make. So, if we choose resentment, if we choose anger or embrace prejudice or hatred, when life whittles everything else away, what will remain is anger and hatred. If we choose own comfort and indulgence, if we choose pride over compassion or status over service, our essence will emerge as one of pride and selfishness.

You and I are building our essence today. Jesus promises us eternal life, but He can only work with the life that we give Him. So today we should choose to be people of integrity, justice, and

love, so that when life whittles everything else away, those good things will emerge as our essence. And it will be that essence that will live forever.

Fr. Joseph



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUN	August 19 th 20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 am 11 am	†Hernando & Lucy TORRES †Wegner & Kiefer Families
Mon	August 20 St. Bernard	8 am	†Takaaki Okamura
Tue	August 21 St Pius X	8 am	Sp. Int. Tricia Andrew
Wed	August 22 Queenship of BVM	8 am	†Hernando & Lucy TORRES
Thu	August 23	8 am	†Iris Chu
Fri	August 24 St Bartholomew	8 am	†Patrick Murray
Sat	August 25	9 am 5 pm	†Elsie Lorraine Wright †Mulej †Skumavec Families
SUN	August 26 th 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 am 11 am	FOR PARISHIONERS †Nadine Desserault

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

(604) 922-0011;

S. T. A. HIGH SCHOOL

(604) 987-4431

Catholic Cemeteries are a link between the living & the departed.



DATE	Sat. Aug. 25 th : 5PM	Sun. Aug. 26 th : 9 AM	Sun. Aug. 26 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	LORETTA van UNEN PAT BATTENSBY	ROCIO HAUSER BARBARA PENNEFATHER	JOANN CULLEN ELIZABETH HOLMAN
LECTOR	ROBERT BUTLER	IVY WEI	DANTE AGOSTI-MORDO
EMHC	STEPHANIE LOCKING	ROSE ZALWANGO	MONIQUE CATTERMOLE
SOCIAL HOSTS	◇	ROCIO HAUSER	KAREN BALOGH

St. Anthony's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Every Wednesday for students in Grades 1 - 7 not attending Catholic Schools. For other Sacramental Information, phone the Parish Office or email: parish.sawv@rcav.org.



WHO AM I?

4-day PRH workshop
August 20th - 23rd, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
St. Anthony's Parish Hall
Facilitator: John McCarthy

This workshop aims to help you better appreciate the riches your life holds and offers, and to aid your ability to access strongholds that allow you to face life's difficulties.

For more information, contact John McCarthy:
(604) 916 - 4009, or jmccarthy@rcav.org.

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Every Thursday: 5:30 PM with Benediction at 8:00 PM;
Next **First Sunday**, September 2nd: 6:00 PM
with Benediction at 7:00 PM;
Next **First Friday**, September 7th: 8:30 AM
with Benediction at 4:00 PM;

"So, could you not watch with me one hour?"

(Matthew 26:40)

**Our Friday evening
Charismatic Prayer Meeting
continues through summer
@ 7:00 PM. All Welcome!**



SATURDAY EVENING CINEMA!

Join us for a light meal, and a great movie.
Saturday, August 25th, after the 5:00 Mass.
"BERNADETTE"

(Story of St. Bernadette and the apparitions of Our Lady).
This is the film chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes. A story of spiritual conviction and the inspirational power of faith.

**CWL Annual Thrift Sale
September 8th, 2018.
Donations WELCOME,
Tuesday, September 4th.**



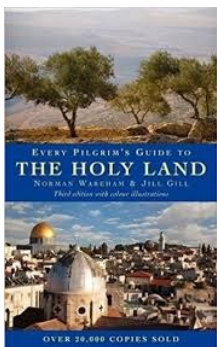
COME TO THE HOLY LAND WITH FR. LARRY!

April 1st - 14th, 2019

Saint Anthony's parishioner, Lisa Dimakis, invites everyone to this *Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan* with the Knights and Dames of the *Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem* and with our Assistant Pastor, **Fr. Larry Lynn**.

These dates are ideal to avoid the rush and the big crowd of other pilgrims. The group will be staying at the *Notre Dame* and at *Mount of Beatitudes Guesthouses*, favourite Catholic facilities.

Phone: [Marlin Travel \(604\) 681-0117](tel:6046810117); or
directly to Lisa @ (604) 562-4567;
Email: lisa.dimakis@marlintravel.ca.



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"Watch carefully then how you live,
not as foolish persons but as wise..."*

Ephesians 5:15

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God.

A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings.

A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that

He wants us to help Him build His kingdom on earth.

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SUMMER INSTITUTE

Saturday, Aug. 25th @ N. Dame High, Vancouver

A day-course to know the *Faith* and feel confident to share it and knowing the *3L's*: *Living, Loving & Learning*.

\$40/person. Register, <http://rcav.org/oc-summer/>.

FORUM ON TEMPORARY ALIEN WORKERS

Sunday, Aug. 26th, Noon @ O.L. of Mercy, Burnaby

Discuss updates on Temporary Foreign Workers (TFW) Program, and abuses of TFW by employers.

Contact: (604) 240-1353.

PRO-LIFE MASS & VIGIL

Saturday, Sept. 1st, 9 AM, Gardens of Gethsemane

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents at *Gardens of Gethsemane* (Evangelist Chapel), Surrey, followed by the Rosary.

Visit: <http://rcav.org/pro-life-mass-and-prayer-vigil/>

"ROOTED" - WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 14th - 15th @ St. Luke's Parish, Maple Ridge

Back by popular demand, Heather KHYM leads us on a spiritual journey to deeply root our faith.

An opportunity for women to come together, make new Catholic friends and have some fun together.

This Retreat is for all women 16 and older.

Registration fee includes all coffee breaks, catered lunch, and a beautiful welcome gift.

Join us Friday, September 14th, 7 - 9 PM (6 PM check-in); and Saturday, September 15th, 10 AM - 5:30 PM at St. Luke's Parish Family Centre, Maple Ridge.

The retreat will end with Mass. Invite your friends and family. Cathy Piche, (604) 836-2252 or Email, mcpiche@telus.net.

MEN'S RETREAT "A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART"

September 28th - 30th, 2018

Rockridge Canyon in Princeton, BC.

We will follow the story of King David and rediscover the fulfillment that comes from

directing our entire lives toward God.

With powerful presentations, time for prayer, sacraments, fellowship, adventure, rest, and the rugged beauty of Rockridge Canyon, this retreat offers something for everyone.

This is The Men's Retreat you do not want to miss!

Registration/information:

www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat.

