

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 2nd, 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.

Brother Francis and an elder monk, while walking down a muddy road by the river came upon a lovely young girl dressed in fine silk, who was afraid to cross because of the flood and the mud. "Come on, girl," said Brother Francis. And he picked her up in his strong arms, and carried her across the river. The two monks walked on in silence till they reached the monastery. Then the elder monk couldn't bear it any longer. "Monks shouldn't go near young girls," he said, "certainly not beautiful ones like that one! Why did you do it?" Brother Francis replied, "Dear brother, I put the girl down across the river bank, but you have brought her into the monastery."

In these two monks we see two often conflicting approaches to Christian spirituality: **avoidance and involvement.**

The spirituality of avoidance emphasizes the devout fulfilment of pious religious obligations, and shuns away from those regarded as sinners for fear of being contaminated. It aims at keeping unstained by the world, not at changing or making a difference.

The spirituality of involvement, on the other hand, emphasizes active solidarity with sinners, who are often perceived as the untouchables of the world. It extends a helping hand to them, believing that it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.

Balance in Christian spirituality consists in reconciling these two tendencies and bringing them into harmony.

As James tells us, "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world" (James 1:27). This is the spirit of true religion.

Jesus focused on the spirituality of inclusion.

Unmistakably He says: "**Listen all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile**" (Mark 7:14-15).

This single sentence Jesus demolishes religious homophobia, and the fear and avoidance of people who are different from us. Let us take a look at our spiritual orientation. Do we cultivate a spirituality of avoidance or embrace involvement?



Today's Gospel challenges us to be more like Brother Francis who would reach out to all those in need, knowing that unless we carry the defilement in our hearts already, nothing and nobody outside of us can defile us.

Fr. Joseph

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUN	September 2 nd 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 am 11 am	†Tan Kwong Pong †Phoon Siew Eng FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	September 3 St. Gregory	9:00 AM	For Vocations
Tue	September 4	8 am	†Gina Charles
Wed	September 5	8 am	†Ed Hauser
Thu	September 6	8 am	†Stafia Maciorowski
1 st Fri	September 7	8 am 7:00 PM	<i>Sp. Int. Lisa Dimakis</i> †Patsy Cole
Sat	September 8 BVM's Nativity	9 am 5 pm	†Fernando Campos Torres FOR PARISHIONERS
SUN	September 9 th 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 am 11 am	†Marlyn Andrade <i>Sp. Int. Ibañez Family</i>

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. Sept. 8 th : 5PM	Sun. Sept. 9 th : 9 AM	Sun. Sept. 9 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	GLORIA LOWE LORETTA van UNEN	WENDY GRAY VALERIE DUNCAN	JOAN FORRESTER LARRY TRACH
LECTOR	GLORIA LOWE	WENDY GRAY	DELIA HUGHES
EMHC	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY
SOCIAL HOSTS	◇	NERLYN LONTOK	JULIE BARTLETT

St. Anthony's **P**arish **R**eligious **E**ducation **P**rogram (**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.



EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

“So, could you not watch with me one hour?”

Matthew 26:40

TODAY, September 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every First Sunday of the month.

Vespers - Adoration.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

24-HOUR PRAYER & ADORATION

Sunday, September 2nd - Monday September 3rd

“Like you, I am devastated by these profound evil of sexual abuse. What the victims have endured has shaken me and broken my heart. I call on the faithful of the Archdiocese to join me in doing penance in reparation for the grave sins committed within our Church against our brothers and sisters.” *Archbishop Miller*

Several parishioners have organized 24-Hours of Prayer & Adoration from this Sunday evening (6 PM) until Monday night (6 PM). Sign-up up sheet in the Vestibule.

**Monday, September 3rd
Labour Day Holiday
Mass is at 9:00 AM;**



**Tuesday, September 4th
First Day
Back to School.**

PREP @ ST. ANTHONY'S

Sister Angela Marie, FSE our Parish Religious Education Programme (PREP) coordinator is inviting all parents of students attending public schools in Grades 1-7 to register in our parish PREP in preparation to receiving the Sacraments.

Classes begin on Wednesday, September 19th:

Grade One's from 5:00 - 6:00 PM;

Grades Two to Seven, from 6:00 - 7:15 PM.

Phone or Email the Parish Office or

Email: prep.sawv@rcav.org.



**CWL Annual Thrift Sale
September 8th, 2018.**

**Donations WELCOME,
starting Tuesday, Sept. 4th.**

ALPHA @ ST. ANTHONY'S

Our parish will once again be offering the *Alpha* programme.

Opening session will be on **Thursday, September 20th**, and will continue for 10-weeks. There will be a one Saturday program offered (date to be determined).

If you would like to participate, please sign up.

Contact Deacon Tony Gray.



“TESTAMENT OF A NAKED MAN”

A “one-off” opportunity to experience the Gospel of St. Mark. Rev. Angus Stuart, Rector of *St. Francis-in-the-Wood*, presents this live performance in our Parish Hall,

Sunday, September 16th, 2:30 - 5:00 PM.

If you would like to attend, please sign up.

Contact Deacon Tony Gray.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“Be doers of the Word and not hearers only...”

James 1:22

It is easy to understand the definition of Stewardship.

The hard part is living it!

What do you do to live God's word?

Do you share your time in prayer with God?

Do you use your talent to help those in need?

Are you generous with your financial resources?

If not, what are you waiting for?

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**DONATIONS for Wildfire VICTIMS
Whitehorse Diocese is asking for help.**

Financial donations, please visit:

<https://rcav.org/whitehorse/>

**Pls. pray for all victims,
for firefighters & volunteers.**



ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA MASS

Wed. Sept. 5th, 7 PM @ Sacred Heart Parish, Vancouver
Archbishop Miller, main celebrant, in honour of St. Teresa.

Hosted by the Missionaries of Charity.

All Welcome!

ROSARY RALLY

Wednesday, Sept. 15th, 10 AM @ Vancouver Art Gallery

Our Lady said: “Only I can help you.”

Come ask her to obtain graces for the world and our families.

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!

www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat.



“SEMINAR OF HOPE” LIVE & FREE!

Saturday, Sept. 29th, 9 AM @ Christ the Redeemer Parish
As seen on *EWTN* programme, Mr. Vernon ROBERTSON,

will conduct this Free and Live Seminar of Hope on

“*How to Pray for your Sons, Daughters and Loved Ones*”.

Parents, do you suffer from guilt over the spiritual condition of your children? Have your loved ones stopped practicing the

faith? Do they no longer believe in God?

FREE Participants' Manual & Lunch. Babysitting, too!

To register: (604) 922-1371 or office@ctrwestvan.ca.

Catholic CHARISMATIC Conference

21st & 22nd September

Broadway Church, 2700 E. Broadway, Vancouver.

Holy Mass by Vicar General, Very Rev. Gary Franken.

Ticket: \$15. Phone Angela (604) 926-7590.

