

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Canada Day CANADA DAY	2 Canada Day Holiday Morning Mass at 9:00AM	3	4 Arbutus Mass 10:30am	5 FLL Evening Reflection in Cantonese 6:30 pm	6 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am First Friday Devotions Benediction at 6:30pm 7:00pm Mass Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:30pm	7 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
8 Farewell potluck breakfast reception for Fr. Peter Chiang after the 9am Mass	9	10	11 Arbutus Mass 10:30am	12 Immaculate Heart Circle 10-12noon (PH)	13 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am	14 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
15	16	17	18 Arbutus Mass 10:30am	19	20 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:30pm (PH)	21 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
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July 8, 2018

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 8, 2018

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604-729-7638

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Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 8:30AM-4PM

Weekend Masses

廣東話主日提前彌撒: 星期六

下午四時

Sat 4 PM (Cantonese),
5:30 PM

Sun 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM

Weekday Masses

Mon-Sat 8 AM

Public Holidays 9 AM

Confession

20 minutes before all weekend Masses and
15 minutes before all weekday Masses

Morning Prayer

Mon-Sat 7:30 AM

Adoration

Fri 8:30-9:30 AM

1st Fri 8:30 AM-6:30 PM

Holy Rosary

Mon-Sat after the 8 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet

10 minutes before all weekend Masses

Visit to the Sick

Please call Parish Office or Emergency number
604-729-7638

Baptisms

by appointment

Marriages

at least 6 months notice

July 8, 2018 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you...'"
Ezekial 2:2-3

God asks each of us to do some special work for him. He gives us the resources we need to do his work. However, do we listen to God when he calls? Do we get up on our feet and use our talent to do the work he asks of us? Remember, God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

July 7 First Saturday, Our Lady (W).....Myra Hagemoen (AM) +
Felix & Cecilia Chan (PM) +

July 08 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G).....Carmen Ong +

July 09 Monday, St. Augustine Zhao Rong (R)...David Solaiman +

July 10 Tuesday, Ferial (G).....Jose Salas INT

July 11 Wednesday, St. Benedict (W).....Marita Bolongaro INT

July 12 Thursday, Ferial (G).....Jusuf Ibrahim +

July 13 Friday, St. Henry (W).....Arden Leung +

July 14 Saturday, Our Lady (W).....Gerarda Acena (AM) INT
deceased Acena & Quitoriano family (PM) +

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS: If you would like to become a member of the St. John the Apostle Parish Community, please complete a Parish Registration Form (located by the bulletin board near the main door of the Church) and introduce yourself to the priests. Envelopes are assigned to those who request for them. Please pick them up at the church vestibule or at the Parish Office.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PARISH REGISTRATION AND USE OF PARISH SUNDAY ENVELOPES: Some Church goers are requesting from the parish Letters of Good Standing or Reference Letters as part of Baptism and/or Confirmation Sponsor documents or for other religious certifications or wanting their children enter a Catholic Elementary or Secondary School. The only official and ordinary way to obtain them is to register in the parish and the regular use of envelopes so that when the time comes, it will be based on official records. This is to avoid unnecessary frustrations and misunderstandings when one claims that he/she attends Mass but does not use envelopes. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Please Pray for the Sick

Joan Archer, Maria Amelia Dias, George Murray, Monika & Adrian Poiron, Lisa Marie & Shanto Mark, Bernadette Percy, Elizabeth Schwertfeger, May Wong, Claire Harrison, Margaret Wong, Ruby Ko, Margaret Browne, Mane Galbraith, Ramon & Maria Marfori, Fr. Peter Chiang, Margaret Frizell, Guaikan Tanjuaquio, Mark Siy, Maravilla Melchor, Edwin & Suzanne Pearson, Ann Monahan, Peggy Gunn, Margaret Redmond, Barbara Jurencyk, Leonore Comesotti

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**Adults Catechism Classes:
(RCIA) starting mid-September**

**English: Wednesday 7:00 pm
Mandarin: Wednesday 6:00 pm
Cantonese: Saturday 2:30 pm**

廣東話道理班: 星期六下午二時半
普通話道理班: 星期三晚上六時



**PROJECT ADVANCE 2018
Total Pledges received \$97,020.00**

Project Advance 2018 continues in our parish. To date, we have received 139 pledges, \$97,020.00. Thank you to all the parishioners and friends of our parish who have donated to our Project Advance.

From the start, our objective has been to reach our \$\$ goal and to have all members of our parish family participate. As you can see, we have attained our first goal. Help us achieve our second goal too.

May God bless you abundantly and reward you for being a good steward.

**“You will be enriched in every way for
your great generosity,
which will produce thanksgiving to God...”**

Mass Wedding for Civilly Married Couples

Have your church wedding this summer! If you got married civilly and would now like to have your marriage recognized by the Church there will be a great opportunity to do so again this year on **Saturday, August 25, at 1:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Surrey.** Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, will be celebrating a wedding Mass for a large number of civilly married couples (participants must be both baptized and married only once). You will need a copy of your marriage registration, a recent copy of your baptism certificates, and to complete some forms. Registration deadline: July 31. To register or for more info, contact the parish office at 604-589-2448 or Deacon Greg Barcelon at 604-771-2975 or email: filipinoministry@rcav.org

New Initiatives for St. John the Apostle Parish

1. **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** 10 minutes before all weekend Masses. Please come early to church before Mass to prepare oneself spiritually for Mass and Holy Communion and to meditate on the Passion of Christ. Let's pray together for the gift of conversion and the for the work of evangelization at our parish.
2. New website: **SJAPARISH.CA** with the on-line platform of **SJA.FORMED.ORG**.

FORMED is the revolutionary digital platform that gives unprecedented access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. 300+ episodes of video-based study programs, 35+ feature films and movies, 45+ audio presentations, 25+ eBooks Available in English and Spanish!

The access code of **SJA.FORMED.ORG** for our parishioners is: **TWNH4F**

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THE POWER OF THE PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ I am sorry for my sins
I acknowledge You as the Son of the Living God
I accept You as my Lord and my God
I invite You into my life
Lord Jesus Christ I receive you as my personal Saviour
Fill me with your Holy Spirit
Heal and strengthen me
I love You Jesus

Pro-life Mass & Vigil

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents on Saturday, August 4. Mass is at 9 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church, North Vancouver, followed by the Rosary at Lion's Gate Hospital. For upcoming dates visit <http://rcav.org/pro-life-mass-and-prayer-vigil/>



Friendly Reminders

*Please make sure your cell phones are turned off before you enter the church

*Please **dress appropriately** when you come to church. We understand that the summer heat is upon us once again, but please also respect the house of our Lord. Shorts, miniskirts, spaghetti straps, skin-tight and revealing clothes aren't really what one would wear to church.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding

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Mystic wrote Life of Our Lady

In 1627 Mary of Agreda was chosen Abbess of the monastery. That same year, God commanded her to write the Life of Our Lady. Mary of Agreda felt unworthy for such a task and resisted the command for ten years. Mary of Agreda wrote: "She [Our Lady] added the command that I write the history of her life according as her majesty herself should dictate and inspire me."

During the ten years before the writing of the book, Mary of Agreda was prepared for the task by trials and mystical experiences. When she found not able to resist the command to write any longer, she consulted her confessor. He commanded her, in virtue of holy obedience, to begin the work at once.

Our Lady appeared to Mary of Agreda and told her, "Remember that the truths which are to be revealed in this history do not proceed from the instrument used to relate them, but from the Author of truth, from Whom all truth proceeds. Even though an angel were to write my biography, there would be men who would find some way to calumniate him. Nor need you be wise and learned, otherwise these same men would say that it was the result of human wisdom. God chose a woman, just as He chose me for His greatest work to be His medium for His greater glory. I am especially glad that that woman is you."

Mary of Agreda received heavenly knowledge through intimate communication with Christ, instructions from Our Lady, frequent raptures, help of angels, and familiar conversations with the two holy virgins (St. Agnes and St. Ursula) whom God appointed to be her companions.

In 1637, Mary of Agreda began the writing of the "Mystical City of God" (the Life of Our Lady). She wrote the book in obedience of her spiritual director. However, while the director was away, there was a substitute confessor of imprudent judgment who ordered her to burn the book. However, under the direction of another prudent and learned priest, Mary of Agreda began to rewrite the Life of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1655.

The Lord Himself praised this work, the "Mystical City of God", in the following words: "Happy they who find it, and blessed they who shall appreciate its value, rich they who shall come upon this treasure, and blessed and very wise those who shall search into and shall understand its marvels and hidden mysteries."

A priest said, "Whosoever shall read this work with good will shall become learned; and whosoever shall 'pray' and meditate on it, will desire sanctity."

Today, the English translation of the "Mystical City of God" is in four volumes. There is also a "Popular Abridgement" version in one volume.

In addition to the "Mystical City of God", Mary of Agreda also wrote letters to Popes, Kings, Generals of Religious Orders, Bishops, nobles and every class of person in the Church and society. In 1642 she sent King Philip IV of Spain an account of one of her visions, in which she saw a council of devils plotting to destroy Catholicism and Spain. In 1643, Philip IV arranged to meet with Mary of Agreda and thus began a long correspondence with the King that lasted for more than 20 years until her death in 1665. The more than 600 letters that survive to this day reveal the great trust the Spanish Monarch placed in the cloistered Abbess. He consulted her on both spiritual and temporal matters. It was common for the King to write his questions on one side of the page, and for the Abbess to write her responses on the other side.

Mary of Agreda died on May 24, 1665. In 1909 her casket was opened for the first time after her death and her body was found to be completely incorrupt.