

# September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 <b>LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY</b> Mass at 9:00AM	4 PREP Registration 6:15-7:30pm (PH)	5 Arbutus Mass 10:30am	6 FLL Evening Recollection in Cantonese 6:30 pm	7 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am First Friday Devotions Benediction at 6:30pm 7:00pm Mass Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:30pm	8 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
9	10	11 PREP Orientation 6:30-7:30pm (PH)	12 Arbutus Mass 10:30am	13 Immaculate Heart Circle 10-12noon (PH)	14 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am	15 Madonna House-Morning of Recollection 9:30-noon (PH) Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
16 Catechists Commissioning Sunday 11:00am <b>SJA Annual Picnic</b> After the 11:00am Mass	17	18 PREP Opening Mass, 6:30-7:30pm(PH)	19 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7:30pm (PH) 普通話道班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	20	21 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:30pm (PH)	22 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese RCIA 2:30pm (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
23	24	25 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Guadalupe Faith Study Grp 6:30-7:45pm (RH)	26 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7:30pm (PH) 普通話道班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	27 Immaculate Heart Circle 10-12noon (PH)	28 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am	29 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Cantonese RCIA 2:30pm (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm
30 Coffee, Cookies & Community after the 9am & 11am Mass	1	2 PREP class 6:30-7:45pm (PH) Guadalupe Faith Study Grp 6:30-7:45pm (RH)	3 Arbutus Mass 10:30am Mandarin RCIA 6-7:30pm (PH) 普通話道班 6:00pm English RCIA 7:00-8:30pm (PH)	4 FLL Evening Recollection in Cantonese 6:30 pm	5 Crofton Manor Mass 10:30am First Friday Devotions Benediction at 6:30pm 7:00pm Mass Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:30pm	6 Legion of Mary 8:45am (PH) Fatima Ladies Circle 10am- noon Cantonese RCIA 2:30 (PH) Cantonese Mass 4:00pm 廣東話道班 2:30pm 廣東話彌撒 4:00pm



## ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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September 16, 2018

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 16, 2018

#### Pastor

Fr. Anthony Ho 何庭耀神父  
fatheranthonyho@gmail.com

**Emergency sick call only:**  
604-729-7638

#### In Residence

Fr. Nick Meisl

#### Administrative Assistant

Melita Soriano

#### 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 morning 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

#### September 16, 2018 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34*

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 15 Saturday, Our Lady of Sorrows (W).....Imelda Suen (AM) INT  
Manuel & Lydia Ty (PM) INT

Sep 16 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G).....Rebecca Woo INT

Sep 17 Monday, St. Robert Bellarmine (G).....Thomas Fung INT

Sep 18 Tuesday, Ferial (G).....Clement, Gigi & family INT

Sep 19 Wednesday, St. Januarius (R).....Yvonne Yee & Wan Lam +

Sep 20 Thursday, St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon (R).....Noel Connolly +

Sep 21 Friday, St. Matthew (R).....Dr. PC Fan +

Sep 22 Saturday, Our Lady of Sorrows (W).....Pietro Bolongaro (AM) INT  
Helena Kan (PM) INT

**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, Mane Galbraith, Fr. Peter Chiang, Margaret Frizell, Mark Siy, Maravilla Melchor, Edwin & Suzanne Pearson, Ann Monahan, Peggy Gunn, Margaret Redmond, Barbara Jurencyk, Megan Maddock, Joseph Wong-Sing, Shirley Sullivan, Joseph Correa Duro



**PROJECT ADVANCE 2018**  
**Total Pledges received \$117,559.80**

Project Advance 2018 continues in our parish. To date, we have received 161 pledges, **\$117,559.80** Thank you to all the parishioners and friends of our parish who have donated to our Project Advance. If you have not yet made a contribution, you can drop off your pledge/donation at the parish office or donate online by visiting [https://rcav.thankyou4caring.org/Project Advance](https://rcav.thankyou4caring.org/Project%20Advance).

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



**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**AND SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2018,**  
**St. John the Apostle Parish**  
**77th year Anniversary Dinner at**  
**Victoria Chinese Restaurant sponsored**  
**by Knights of Columbus chapter 16692**

**St John the Apostle Parish Religion Education Program**  
**(SJA PREP)**

**COME ONE, COME ALL!**

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) is an Archdiocesan program of religious instruction for children in Grades 1-7 who attend the public or independent schools. In SJA PREP, we also welcome children who attended Catholic School to enhance what they learn in school and have the opportunity to meet same age children from the parish.

Thank you to parents who completed their registration to 2018 – 2019 SJA PREP.

For those who wish to join but have not yet registered, please come and join us at our Parish Hall for PREP Orientation/ Information Evening on Tues, Sept 11 at 6:30 – 7:15 pm. *Bring a Friend!*

For more information: <https://sjaprep0.wixsite.com/home>  
Or email Evelyn Siy at [sjaprep@gmail.com](mailto:sjaprep@gmail.com)

**Fatima Ladies Circle**

Meets every First Saturday at 10 am—noon in the Parish Hall. Prayers, DVDs and sharing. Next meeting will be on **October 6**. For more information please contact the Parish Office.



**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Program will commence this fall**

Interested in becoming a Catholic? Looking to update your understanding of the Catholic Faith? Have any questions about the Catholic Faith? Then **join the RCIA program**.

RCIA will commence on September 19, Wednesday

If you know anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic or just wants to inquire into the Catholic Faith please have them contact our parish office at (604)266-8800 or email Father Anthony at [fatheranthonyho@gmail.com](mailto:fatheranthonyho@gmail.com)

**Wednesday, September 19:** English 7:00PM  
Mandarin 6:00PM

**Saturday, September 22:** Cantonese 2:30PM

**“Dying Healed is preparatory training and volunteer recruitment program for those who would like to spend time with the elderly, ill, disabled and dying.”**

3 nights in a row Wed, **Oct. 10th - Fri, Oct. 12th**

7 pm - 9 pm

\$45/person -

Refreshment and workbook is included

**Location:**

St. John the Apostle - church hall

**Registration:**

Please register a week in advance of workshop

Call 604-733-6266

Please pay \$45 / person at the door

Cash or cheque - Please make cheque to 'Vancouver Right to Life Society'

Organized by Vancouver's Life Community

<https://lifecollective.io/vancouver/get-involved/our-work>

**SAINT FRANCISCO BOYS CLUB**



Calling all age group boys 7-14. Every one is welcome to join.

For more information, please send an email to Alfonso Salas at [asalas@telus.net](mailto:asalas@telus.net)

**SAINT JACINTA GIRLS CLUB**



Calling all age group girls 4-10. Every one is welcome to join. For more information,

please send an email to Lorette Salas at [Ltsalas@telus.net](mailto:Ltsalas@telus.net)

**Let us continue to keep one another in our prayers**



**Please do not read bulletin during Holy Mass! Thank you!**

**Mystic accepted crosses**

Bishop D. Salvador de Ribera of Quito consecrated the statue of Our Lady of Good Success on February 2, 1611. He placed the crosier and the keys of the cloisters of the Conceptionist Convent in the right hand of the statue. Through this ceremony requested by Our Lady, she took possession of the Convent. In the past 400 years, Our Lady of Good Success has been honored in Quito, with February 2 as the day of special commemoration. On February 2, 1991, with the approval of the Holy See, the Archdiocese of Quito celebrated a canonical coronation of Our Lady of Good Success as Queen of Quito. The same year, the Church of the Conceptionist Convent was declared an Archdiocesan Marian Sanctuary.

After the ceremony of 1611, the nuns of the Convent experienced the motherly care of Our Lady and the community flourished with vocations. From 1610 to 1613, the nun who received private revelations from Our Lady, Mother Mariana de Jesus Torres, served the community as Abbess. Towards the end of her term, Mother Mariana suffered a severe fall which injured her left arm. Her patience during suffering edified both the nuns and the doctor.

In the midst of her suffering, Mother Mariana begged Jesus to relieve her from the position of Abbess, so that she might dedicate herself more freely to the spiritual life and disengage herself from earthly concerns. Her prayer was answered. When it was time to elect a new Abbess in 1613, Mother Ines de Zorrilla was elected. Mother Mariana happily stepped down and was content to perform the most humiliating and heavy monastic duties.

However, in 1616, Mother Mariana was again elected Abbess. She admitted that the offices of Superior and Mistress of Novices had been for her the heaviest crosses of her whole life. She felt that the Novice Mistress bore an even greater responsibility, for the Novice Mistress provided for the sisters' future and their eternal destiny.

Towards the end of the three-year term, Mother Mariana begged Our Lord and Our Lady to spare her the great cross of being Abbess. Our Lord granted her request, and in place of the cross of being Abbess, He invited Mother Mariana to experience the cross of interior suffering for the next three years. In 1619, the nuns thought it better to let Mother Mariana rest for one three-year term so that they could elect her again in the future. Hence, they elected Mother Ines.

Mother Mariana attracted vocations to the Convent. Mother Mariana had the gift of discernment. When she perceived the grace of religious vocation in young girls, she would speak to them of the sublimity of this state. To those who did not have this vocation, she would explain that in order to serve God and to save one's soul, it is not necessary to be a religious, but rather to know the state to which God calls each creature. Mother Mariana would not accept those without vocations into the Convent. Many of the young girls whom Mother Mariana eventually got married and had children. Their daughters would later become nuns in the Conceptionist Convent.

Couple days after the election of Mother Ines, Mother Mariana entered into interior suffering in the form of mortal sadness. In the first year, she experienced the interior suffering of Christ in the Garden of Olives. In the second year, Christ in the prison, and in the third, Christ stood condemned in the houses of Annas, Caiphas, Herod and Pilate. Until her death, Mother Mariana accompanied in spirit year after year in His sorrowful Passion. However, Our Lord would grant her a respite from interior suffering during the season of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Mother Mariana contemplated the Christ Child with extraordinary devotion.



**Welcome to visitors/New parishioners**

For those who requested for box of envelopes, please pick up your box at the church vestibule (back of the church) **pick up only the box with your name printed outside the box.** Thank you.

**A friendly reminder**



On the side street of the church, along 39th & Trafalgar, the area between the hydrant and the driveway should be kept clear for those who need it.