

Archdiocesan Announcement

Advance Planning Estate & Memorial Presentation

Dear parishioner,

The Archdiocese has gathered local Catholic experts to share wisdom and practical advice on topics of advance care, estate, wills, legacy, and memorials. This is a unique opportunity to plan ahead so your family can have peace of mind.

Please confirm your attendance by filling out the form at rcav.org/planning

Thurs, Sept. 21

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Canadian Martyrs Parish , Richmond



Wills and Estate Planning

Joe Ven der Buhs
Financial Advisor, Mountain Strong Financial Inc.



Advance Care Planning

Dr. Robert Breen
*Executive Director
Catholic Health Association of BC*



Meaningful Funerals & Sacred Burial Planning

Peter Nobes
Director, Catholic Cemeteries



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 27, 2023

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Pastor

Fr. Paul Chu
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(for emergency sick-call only)

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Parish Office Hours

Tue-Fri 8:30 AM-4 PM

Weekend Masses

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Sat 4 PM (Cantonese),
5:30 PM

Sun 9 AM, 11 AM, 5:30 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

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
778-834-1234

Baptisms

by appointment

Marriages

at least 6 months notice

August 27 — Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?”
-Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything - He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

26 Saturday, Our Lady (W).....Maria Chow Leung +
28 Monday, St. Augustine (W).....Chew Wei & deceased family +
29 Tuesday, Passion of St. John the Baptist (R).....Kho Eik & deceased family +
30 Wednesday, Ferial (G).....Margaret Larkin INT
31 Thursday, Ferial (G).....Joseph & Margaret Carroll +
01 Friday, Ferial (G).....Rosa Salas INT
02 Saturday, Our Lady (W).....Sophie Spurr +

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, Bernadette Percy, May Wong, Claire Harrison, Margaret Wong, Ruby Ko, Warren & Sean Hughes, Edwin & Suzanne Pearson, Ann Monahan, Peggy Gunn, Margaret Redmond, Megan Maddock, Shirley Sullivan, Sheila Murray, Katherine Griffin, Valentia Abbott, Maravilla Melchor, Malou Limcangco, Catherine Fox, Divinia Magbanua, Riley Lo, Wendy Stuart, Rosana Ruiz, Lennon Limcangco, Nelia Cuevas

OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR



PROJECT ADVANCE 2023 Empowering our Parish Vision

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Project Advance continues in our parish. We have received 75 pledges, total \$45,550.62. A modest gift from many will make a real difference that will help secure the future of your parish and the charitable works of the Archdiocese.

If you did not receive a Project Advance pledge form in the mail, please pick up a pledge form with the brochures available at the entrance of the church and drop them off in the Sunday collection basket. You can also visit the archdiocesan website, www.rcav.org to donate online and make your pledge to our parish. Together, let us continue to "Empower Our Parish Vision". You can make a real difference in our community.

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



*"It's not how much we give but
how much love we put into giving."*

Mother Teresa



Thank you to all the new volunteers
who enriched our parish with
your willingness to serve.



*"Nothing liberates our greatness like
the desire to help, the desire to serve."*

Marianne Williamson, Author/Lecturer

VOLUNTEER
you can make a difference!



NEW ORGAN



Archbishop Miller has granted permission to purchase a new organ to replace the 30-year-old organ in the church.

After deliberation and contacting various organ representatives, the Johannes Ecclesia 255 would be the ideal fit for the church which cost around \$55,000.00

Please help raise funds through our Project Advance. We have already met the Archdiocesan goal of \$31,800.00, all additional funds received will be redirected to our parish to fund our special project.

Thank you for your continued support.



Parish Religion Education Program (PREP) at St John The Apostle

Registrations will start from
AUGUST 3rd - SEPTEMBER 5th

Class will start
SEPTEMBER 12th at 4:00 PM—5:15PM @ Parish Hall

CGS Level 1 (5 to 6 years old)
Saturdays from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon
CGS Level 2 (7 to 9 years old)

We invite

Children preparing to receive the sacraments
of First Communion and Confirmation
as well as those who desire to grow in love for
our Lord Jesus and the Holy Mass.

CONTACT

The parish office to register @ 604 266 8800

More information for CGS

Ada Arango @604 221 6821

Volunteers needed: Catechists to help with PREP class
Please contact the parish office



LEGION OF MARY

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work.

The unit of the Legion of Mary usually holds a weekly meeting, where prayer and community-building are prioritized. The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual.

The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in their homes, in nursing homes, and in hospitals, and through collaboration in every apostolic and missionary undertaking sponsored by the parish.

Every legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary.

Weekly meeting: Sunday 12:15 pm in the church basement.

*"Act as if every day were the last of your life,
and each action the last you perform"*

—St. Alphonsus Liguori

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. Hope this resource will help us to love Jesus more and to be more well equipped for the work of evangelization.

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

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the way adults come to learn about and experience the Christian life, specifically our Roman Catholic tradition, and become initiated into the life of our Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

If you are interested or know anyone who is interested in being initiated into the Roman Catholic Church, please consider attending Mass in our parish and contact the parish office at 604-266-8800 or send us an email at office@sjaparish.ca to inquire about our RCIA program.

Purity & Chastity is possible

Away from pornography? Two booklets, "Equipped" and "Confidence" are available at our foyer for parents to help the young ones.

English as a Second Language (ESL)

If you know of your neighbours who want to learn English, an ESL teacher is available here to help them and to introduce our faith to them. Please pass their name and contact to the parish office.

Sony Handycam Hi8 CCD-TR705 8mm Camcorder

"Does anyone have a "Sony Handycam Hi8 CCD-TR705 8mm Camcorder to lend? Fr. Ken Forster OMI would like to view and digitize some old Hi8 Cassettes from the mission in Kenya."

