Archdiocesan Announcement

The Way of Beauty: Encountering Jesus in Scripture and the Arts

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) invites leaders of catechesis and evangelization to *The Way of Beauty*, a webinar series that reflects on beauty and its powerful witness in the life of the Church.

The three sessions of *The Way of Beauty* webinar series are:

- Beauty and Catechesis Thursday, September 7, 10 a.m. Speaker: Dr. Jem Sullivan
- •Beauty and Evangelization Thursday, September 14, 10 a.m. Speaker: Mr. David Dayler

Beauty and Liturgy Thursday, September 21, 10 a.m. Speaker: Fr. Paul Massel

All sessions will be held via Zoom, and will be recorded and packaged with a reflection guide for later release. Learn more and register at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

To Live of Love: Silent Retreat with St. Thérèse

You are invited to this special silent retreat with St. Thérèse of Lisieux in celebration of her 150th birthday, 100 years of her beatification, and 25 years of her nomination as Doctor of the Church.

St. Thérèse will guide you by the hand through her "Little Way of Spiritual Childhood", which has illuminated the lives of many who, like her, have believed in the transforming power of God's immense and unconditional love. Don't miss this opportunity to see yourself under the loving gaze of Jesus and let the Holy Spirit heal, beautify, and transform your life.

From Friday, September 8, to Sunday, September 10, at Westminster Abbey in Mission. Your donation of \$215 includes the retreat experience, accommodation, meals, and the book *To Live of Love* which will be used at the retreat. To learn more and register, please email Angelina at angelina@vidahumanaedu.org.

The Men's Retreat 2023: Yeshua

Are you yearning to know the real Jesus? *The Men's Retreat: Yeshua* delves deep into the heart of Christ. Join Jake Khym and Peter White for transformative talks, the Holy Mass, and space of adventure in the outdoors of RockRidge Canyon. Rediscover. Reconnect. Recommit.

From Friday, September 29, to Sunday, October 1, at RockRridge Canyon in Princeton, BC. Cost is \$275+, which includes the retreat experience, accommodations, activities and food. Bursaries available. Learn more and register at liferestoration.ca/mensretreat.

(the Bequest Clause can be added to your existing Will as a codicil)

Bequest Clause

I give and bequeath to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver, incorporated under a special Act of Legislative
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ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 03, 2023

September 03, 2023

Pastor

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778-834-1234

(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

September 03 — Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"
-Matthew 16:26

St. Francis of Assisi said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else." We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

02 Saturday, Our Lady (W).....Sophie Spurr +

04 Monday, Blessed Dina Belanger (W).....Chloe Limcangco +

05 Tuesday, Ferial (G).....Felipe, Mary, Nancy Cajucom +

06 Wednesday, Ferial (G).....Theresa McNicholl INT

07 Thursday, Ferial (G).....Isabel Salas INT

08 Friday, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (W)...Andrew & Mark Siy +

09 Saturday, Our Lady (W).... Anita Chan 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, 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

ANNUAL PARISH BBQ PICNIC September 10, after the 11:00 am Mass, on the parish parking lot, across the church Cars need to be removed after the 11:00am Mass

Our parish will provide burgers, hotdogs, condiments, plates, cutlery, and napkins. Everyone is welcome to bring dessert to share.

Please be sure to confirm your attendance on the sign -up sheet. This allows the organizers to ensure enough food are prepared for all attendees. Sign-up sheets can be found in the church vestibule.

Enjoy an afternoon of fun, food, and drink with your parish community!





PROJECT ADVANCE 2023 EMPOWERING OUR PARISH VISION

Project Advance continues in our parish. We have received **78** pledges, total **\$48,600.62**. 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.

September 4, 2023 morning Mass at 9:00AM



HAPPY LABOUR DAY LONG WEEKEND

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

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.



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**

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.

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.

Save on on Sacred Burial Space - Fall Open House

Fall is coming, and Gardens of Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery is hosting its Fall Open House. Catholics save 20% off burial space at our sacred grounds. Now is the perfect time to make pre-need burial arrangements for yourself or your parents at our local Catholic cemetery. On Friday, September 15, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., OR Saturday, September 16, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Learn more and register at rccav.org/event/fall-open-house.