

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Days of Mercy 2024

Lent is a time to draw closer to God, to reflect on our lives, and to seek forgiveness and healing through the Sacrament of Confession.

Many parishes are extending their arms wider, offering additional times for Confession so everyone has the chance to experience God's mercy during Lent. These special times are in addition to the regular confession schedules of each parish.

Whether it's been a while since your last Confession or you frequent the sacrament regularly, know that Jesus is waiting for you with open arms. As Pope Francis once said: "God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy."

Rediscover the joy and peace that comes from reconciliation with God and with one another. For special Lenten Confession times, please visit rcav.org/confession.

The Role of Mary in Salvation History

Father Emmerich Vogt, OP, will reflect on the role of Mary in salvation history. In that context, he will explore what the message of Our Lady of Fatima means for us Catholics today. He will consider what it means for the individual Catholic to belong to a Church which on earth is called "The Church Militant." Practically speaking, how does a Catholic fight against demonic evil?

From Tuesday to Friday, **March 19-22**, 8:00 a.m. at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Vancouver. The conference will be preceded by Mass, with time for coffee and crumpets. All are welcome to these Passiontide talks to prepare well for Easter. Learn more via beholdvancouver.org/events

Canadian-American Young Adults Snowshoe at Mount Baker (Artist Point)

In the past, the young adults from the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the Seattle area (specifically from University of Washington) have come together for an annual American-Canadian snowshoe. This year, Frassati Young Adults from Seattle have invited us to join them to continue the tradition. Joining us will be Fr. Chrysostom, OP, and the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia. Weather permitting, Mass will be celebrated at the top. All young adults aged 18-35 are welcome! On Saturday, **March 23**, at Artist's Point on Mt. Baker in Deming, WA, United States. **Registration deadline: Tuesday, March 19.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Come all who are weary Adoration Night

A Lenten Adoration event to bring your burdens to the Lord and get filled up

You are invited to an evening of candlelit Adoration: Come spend some quiet time before the Lord and prepare your heart for Holy Week so you can fully receive Jesus when Easter arrives.

Stay for as little or as long as you like. Throughout the three hours, there will be times of gentle song and times of reverent silence, accompanied by the beautiful ambiance of candlelight. You will also have an opportunity to light a candle and bring it before Jesus.

Jean-Paul and Mary-Rie de Fleuriot from faithroom.ca will be facilitating the event and music.

Bring your loved ones and come find rest in the Lord. On Saturday, **March 23**, 7:00 p.m. at St. James Parish in Abbotsford.



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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March 17, 2024

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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

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2024

"I will be their God and they shall be my people." - Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- 16 Saturday, Ferial (P)...Christopher Leung +
- 18 Monday, Ferial (P)...Hing Laksmono +
- 19 Tuesday, St. Joseph (W)... Alfonso & Lorette Salas INT
- 20 Wednesday, Ferial (P)...Djen Laksmono +
- 21 Thursday, Ferial (P)...Ralph Michael Soriano INT
- 22 Friday, Ferial (P)...Joe Zinetti +
- 23 Saturday, Ferial (P)...Cherilyn Roxas-Chua 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 Churchgoers 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, Rosana Ruiz, Nelia Cuevas, Paul C. Torres

OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LENTEN MISSION

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH

MARCH 18-20, 2024, 6:30PM

To be a servant of Christ is to be truly free
St. Agatha

Sunday, March 17
Second Collection for Share Lent



Share Lent second collection will help the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace fight poverty in third-world countries and foster international justice. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATE

Holy Week & Easter Mass Schedule
Mar 28-Mar 31

(No 8:00AM Mass on Holy Thursday to Holy Saturday
and No 4:00PM and 5:30PM Mass on Holy Saturday)

Palm Sunday	Mar 24	SATURDAY Anticipated 4PM, 5:30PM Sunday Services 9AM, 11AM, 5:30PM
Daily Masses	Mar 25-27	8AM Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
EASTER TRIDUUM		
Holy Thursday	Mar 28	7PM Mass of the Lord's Supper ADORATION AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE UNTIL 10PM
Good Friday (Day of abstinence & fasting)	Mar 29	10AM Stations of the Cross 3PM – Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English) 6PM (Chinese)
Holy Saturday	Mar 30	9PM Easter Vigil Liturgy with the Celebra- tion of the Sacraments of Initiation
Easter Sunday	Mar 31	Mass at 9AM, 11AM, 5:30PM
Easter Monday	Apr 01	Mass at 9AM



During Lent, there will be an evening mass
every Friday at 6:00pm
followed by Stations of the Cross.



PREP Spring Break
No classes on March 19 & 26, 2024



Next Sunday is Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday is the day we remember and
honor Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem a week
before his crucifixion would take place
Start of the Holy Week

Procession of the Passion
Stations of the Cross
at St. John the Apostle Parish
Good Friday, March 29, 10:00AM



Everyone is welcome to join and participate in the
Procession of the Passion at St. John the Apostle
Parish. The procession will begin in the Church and
proceed out of the Church and around Elm Park.
We need volunteers to carry the cross from station to
the next station.

(For the Stations of the Cross, we have two groups.
One group will process outside the church, the other
group is for those who prefer to remain in the church.
Both groups will be together to pray the first station in
the church)



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT
THE ARBUTUS LONG
TERM CARE HOME

Every 1st Wednesday of each
month at 10:30AM

Do you have a few hours to spare a month? Are you
interested to volunteer in bringing the Catholic ministry
to the seniors at the Arbutus Long Term Care Home?
This could include assisting in the monthly Mass and
pastoral visits. Please see Father Paul for details.

"When I was aged, you bothered to smile; when I was
restless, you listened a while; now enter into the home
of my Father." By Willard F. Jabusch in the hymn
'Whatsoever you do'.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ADDICTION

Choose LIFE

2024 Campaign:

Evening Zoom Rosary

- From Wednesday, February 14 until Sunday, March 24, 2024
- Nightly at 8:00pm
- Register on Behold Vancouver
- 40 Days For Life: Nightly Rosary

Mid-way Rally

- Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 2:00pm (Details TBA)

Closing Rally

- Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 2:00pm (Details TBA)

40daysforlife.com/en/vancouver-bc
@40DaysVancouver

Coordinator: Alba Stevens
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Dear parishioners, please keep our Elect in your prayers.



"Dear Elect, thank you for your response to the call of
God. Can't wait for your Baptism in Easter!"



MEDIATRIX CONFERENCES IN COLLABORATION WITH ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH PRESENT:

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH | 5457 TRAFALGAR ST. | VANCOUVER | SJAPARISH.CA
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THE PERSONAL CALL TO HOLINESS AND
Divine Mercy

MISSION LED BY:
REV. MARTIN SCOTT, SDM
Archdiocese of Lima, Peru

MONDAY, MARCH 18 6:30 pm Mass followed by Mission talk

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 6:30 pm Mass followed by Mission talk

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 6:30 pm Mass followed by Mission talk

6:15 pm Confessions

MON - WED | MARCH 18-20 | 6:30 PM | MASS FOLLOWED BY MISSION TALK | FREE WILL LOVE OFFERING

Padre Martín Scott, formally Rev. P Ricardo Scott Chavanches, attended Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. In May 1988 he was ordained a diocesan priest for the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. For the next 15 years he was assigned to several parishes in the diocese. In 2003 he was granted permission from the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. to move to Peru with all of his priestly faculties. He is the founder of the religious community called "Siervos de la Divina Misericordia" in Chosica, Peru. He is a missionary priest whose religious community lives entirely off Divine Providence. The charism of his religious community life is based on the messages concerning our Lord's infinite Divine Mercy given to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska.