

# **ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

The World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation is observed every **September 1**. This year's theme, *Hope and Act with Creation*, is inspired by the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (Rom 8:19-25). On this occasion, the Holy Father calls on the faithful and all people of goodwill to pray for our common home.

This day marks the beginning of the Season of Creation, an ecumenical observance that continues until October 4, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

### **Pro-Life Mass & Prayer Vigil**

One of the fundamental answers to abortion is prayer. Join your voice with ours as we pray on the first Saturday of each month for a new culture of life. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver, we will begin with Mass, followed by the rosary and other prayers either at a church with Adoration or at a local hospital.

The next Mass and vigil takes place on **September 7**, 9:00 a.m. at St. Jude's Parish in Vancouver. All are welcome! Learn more at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

## Orientation to the Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWC)

How do you plan and implement the Liturgy of the Word with Children (LWC)? This hands-on course offers practical, step-by-step training that equips participants in leading or assisting in LWC.

On Saturday, **September 7**, 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Event cost is \$10, including snacks and materials. All new catechists, helpers, presiders and coordinators in LWC are welcome! Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

### **Grief to Grace Healing Retreat**

Experience healing at Grief to Grace, a five-day overnight retreat with a program designed to combine the latest psychological tools for trauma treatment with a Catholic Christian perspective on the human person. Engage and care for your body, mind, and spirit in a holistic approach to healing.

From Tuesday, **September 24 to Saturday, September 28**. **Registration deadline: Thursday, August 15**. Retreat cost is \$1,500. Due to the confidential nature of this experience, the exact location will only be shared with those who are accepted into the program. Learn more and register via <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.





# ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2024

August 25, 2024

#### **Pastor**

Fr. Paul Chu pchu@rcav.org 778-834-1234

(for emergency sick-call only)
Deacon Kenneth Fung
kfung@rcav.org

#### Office Administrator

Melita Soriano office@sjaparish.ca

### 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 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

"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve. As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." —Joshua 24:15

When we commit to serving the Lord, we become disciples in His work. A disciple is someone who dedicates time to daily prayer, joyfully participates in charitable works, and generously supports their local parish and the Church's mission. If we claim to serve God, our words and actions should reflect the Gospel message to others.

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- 24 Saturday, St. Bartholomew (R)...Elizabeth & James INT
- 26 Monday, Ferial (G)...All the Souls in Purgatory +
- 27 Tuesday, St. Monica (W)...Donald and Benny +
- 28 Wednesday, St. Augustine (W)...Chew Wei and deceased family members +
- 29 Thursday, Passion of St. John (R).....Paul Perry +
- 30 Friday, Ferial (G)...Sandra Young INT
- 31 Saturday, Our Lady's (W)...Patrick Perry +

**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, 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, Francis Clare

#### **OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR**





Getting to know JESUS will change your life!

Join our Catechism 2024-2025

Do you feel empty in your life?

Jesus said, "I come so you'll have the fullness of life."

**Are you tired with all the darkness in the world?**Jesus said, "I'm the light of the world."

Our Catechism is here to help.

For Adults: Please fill out the RCIA form

Mandarin: Wednesdays 10:30am-12:30pm Start: Sep. 11 Cantonese: Tuesdays 7:00pm-9:00pm Start: Sep. 11

Enalish: TBD

Baptized Catholics seeking Confirmation are welcome!

For Children: Registrations is open until September 3.

CGS Level 1: for children 4 to 6 years old

Saturdays 10:30 am to 12:00 noon Start: September 07

CGS Level 2: for children 6 to 9 years old Tuesdays 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm Start: September 10

ALL FORMS can be found at the Church vestibule.

We invite children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation as well as those who desire to grown in love for our Lord Jesus and the Holy Mass

For more information: Ada Arango (604) 318-6229

Come early for

# Confession

If you plan to have Confession, give yourself time.

Do not come a minute before mass starts. Confession ends 5 minute before mass to give priest time to prepare.

There are more tears shed over answered prayers than over unanswered prayers.

St. Teresa of Avila



# Fr. Paul Chu will be away on his annual vacation

Fr. Terry Bileski will be covering for Fr. Paul Chu during his vacation from August 20—30, 2024.



Fellowship Sunday, Sep. 01,
After the 11:00AM Mass
Hosted by:

# Legion of Mary

Share a bite to eat and mingle with parishioners and friends after the 11:00AM Mass at the parish hall.

Please bring some food to share. Everyone is welcome. **Free will donation is accepted.** 



# ANNUAL PARISH BARBEQUE

September 15 after the 11:00am 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. Music, and talent show.

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!



The Estate Planning free seminar last August 10, Saturday, held here at St. John the Apostle had a good turnout and it was an informative event. We had a total of 36 attendees.

Anyone who would like to follow up with this, Johnny Yang, our parishioner, will be willing to help. He can be reached at jyang.consulting@gmail.com or call 778-773-8375.





Mark your calendar for the Next Gala Dinner October 2024



# **JOY MUSIC CLASS**

HOW TO SING
HOW TO ENJOY SONGS
HOW TO SHARE LOVE THROUGH SONGS
Instructor Angelina Park
\$80 per month
EVERY FRIDAY 6:30~8:30PM

# EVENING CHOIR

5:30PM on Sunday Namhee Lee

St. John the Apostle Parish
5457 Trafalgar St, Vancouver, BC V6N IC1
Basement of church

**2** 604)619-3524





# Worldwide Overseas Chinese Pastoral & Evangelization Convention 2025

It will be held from **June 29 to July 6, 2025** in a cruise from Vancouver to Alaska- Vancouver.

Keynote speaker is Archbishop Savio Hon, SDB.

All details are in website: <a href="http://www.wocpec2025.com">http://www.wocpec2025.com</a>
Enquiry: wocpec2025@gmail.com

Registration accepted now.

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Free bus service from Vancouver to Gardens of Gethsemane and back once a month on a Saturday as per posted on website. Bus leaves St. Patrick's Vancouver parking lot at 12 noon. Registration required.

### **HOW TO REGISTER:**

- Log onto to: https://rccav.org/events/
- click on **Bus Service From Vancouver To Gardens** on the day chosen
- then click: **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

fill in form, one per person

Phone: (604) 531-2141 (call to confirm)