



ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, Sept 30

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour Survivors of residential schools and those who support them. In a special way, we remember the children that never returned home. We recognize this painful history and, as a Catholic community, acknowledge our involvement in the residential school system. On this day, we pray, educate and advocate, looking for opportunities to discern how each one of us can participate in the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope.

Bursaries available for Catholic Gap Year Programs

Are you seeking God's will for your life? Looking for a way to take a pause from studies and work while also serving God? A Catholic Gap Year may be the perfect way to do both! \$500 bursaries are available to qualifying applicants who are entering a Catholic Gap Year program. The deadline to apply is **September 30!** Learn more about Catholic Gap Year and apply now here: catholicgapyear.ca

Bereavement Training Program

This 5-week training course is designed for those who wish to start a bereavement ministry in their parish or who wish to grow in their ability to journey with those who are grieving. Topics include understanding grief, how to actively listen, facilitating a bereavement ministry, and how to provide resources for those who are grieving.

On Wednesdays, from **October 2-30**, 7:00 p.m. at All Saints Parish in Coquitlam. Cost is \$30. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

The Marriage Course

Join The Marriage Course, a seven-week program by Alpha designed for spouses seeking practical support to strengthen their relationship, keep the spark alive and stay connected. The course is presented as a dynamic video with in-person and online options:

- **Wednesdays, October 2 to November 14** 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Online
- **Fridays, October 4 to November 15** 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Online and in-person (Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Surrey)
- **Tuesdays, October 8 to November 19** 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. St. Patrick's Parish (Shamrock Hall), Vancouver

Cost is \$35. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Visitation of the Sick

Please inform the hospital staff upon arrival that the patient is Roman Catholic and ask for the hospital's Catholic Chaplain. Also, please notify the Parish Office when a parishioner/family member is hospitalized or housebound. Call the Parish Office to arrange visitation, Holy Communion, Anointing.



ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH BULLETIN

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 29, 2024

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." Mark 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generously become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- 28 Saturday, St. Lorenzo Ruiz (R)...Maria Leung +
- 30 Monday, St. Jerome (W)...Kyumin Chung +
- 01 Tuesday, St. Therese of the Child Jesus (W)...Veronica Salas INT
- 02 Wednesday, Holy Guardian Angels (W)...Sebastian & Erika Salas INT
- 03 Thursday, Ferial (G)...Rosario C. Africa +
- 04 Friday, St. Francis of Assisi (W)...Kitty Lai INT
- 05 Saturday, Our Lady (W)...Felipe, Mary, Nancy Cajucom +

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

Pastor

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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

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

Vocations:

Priesthood

Permanent Diaconate

Sisterhood

Please call 604-683-0281

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

Cantonese: Tuesdays 7:00pm-9:00pm

Saturdays 2:00pm-3:30pm

English: Fridays 11:00am—12:30pm

Baptized Catholics seeking Confirmation are welcome!

For more information: Deacon Ken (604) 781-1278

Email: kfung@rcav.org

FAITH FORMATION FOR PREP PARENTS

Please come and join us study The Holy Mass, a central and profound aspect of the Catholic faith. Every Tuesday, at 4:00pm-5:00pm., at the parish hall.

Everyone is welcome.



All that's missing is **U**!

CATECHISTS

- ◆ No prior teaching experience
- ◆ Passionate on teaching about Jesus
- ◆ Be movers and doers of Christ
- ◆ Listening and patient with children

If interested, please contact the parish office or PREP Coordinator, Ada email at adaarango123@gmail.com

Christians, instead of arming yourselves with swords, extend your hands in prayer.
St. Athanasius



**Special Collection,
Sunday, Sep 29, 2024
Needs of the Canadian Church**



This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying, and caring for the Church in Canada.

Please support the Collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.



**Fellowship Sunday
Sep 29, after 11:00AM Mass**

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 accepted.



Long weekend!

**Monday, September 30
Morning Mass, 9:00AM**

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.



**LET US ALWAYS PRAY
FOR ONE ANOTHER**

POPE FRANCIS



Fellowship next Sunday, Oct. 06

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 welcome.**



Project Advance 2024
"Building our Parish Community"
continue in our parish.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Project Advance! Your generosity is greatly appreciated. For those who haven't had the chance to donate yet, we encourage you to consider supporting this important initiative.

How to Contribute:

- You can donate online at projectadvance.ca
- Drop in your project advance donation in the Sunday basket
- Mail your Project Advance donation in parish office

We have received 86 pledges totaling \$82,213.13 as of September 23, 2024. Your support can help us reach our goal and make a significant difference. Every contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to achieving our mission. Please consider making a donation today to help us continue our important work.

Knights of Columbus

Hosts

A Gala Dinner

Celebrating:

**Saint John the Apostle's
86th Anniversary**

and

Fr. Paul Chu's First Year at St John's

Date: Nov 9, 2024 (Saturday)

Location: The Arbutus Club, 2001 Nanton Ave, Vancouver

Tickets: Adults: \$100
Children (Under 12): \$50

Doors and Silent Auction Open: 6:30 pm
Buffet Dinner in Strathcona Room: 7 pm
Dancing in Quilchena Terrace: 8:30 pm

Tickets will be sold by Knights after Weekend Masses in October and November at the back of the church.

**DONATIONS WELCOME
Silent Auction**

Quality Items for Auction
worth \$50 or more

(Proceeds will go toward Coats for Kids and Columbia Christmas Meals)

Tax Receipts will be issued for all monetary donations towards dinner cost

