

St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church

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WELCOME

If you are new to our parish, please be sure to register, complete the registration form and get Sunday donation envelope.

Registration forms are available at the Information Centre, or at the Church entrance.

If you are moving from the parish, changing address, or phone#, please notify the Parish Office. Thank you.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Last Saturday of the months of January, March, May, September, and November @ 11am.

PREPARATION

Baptism Class is required for Parents and Godparents, offered on the 2nd *Wednesday* of the months of January, March, May, September, and November @ 7pm. Requirements must be all completed before attending the Baptism Class. Contact Parish Office to register.

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday – 10am to 12pm & 1pm to 4pm

MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses –

Saturday 5pm Sunday 9am, 11am & 4pm

Weekdays –

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:15 am Tuesday 6pm Friday 9am First Friday 9am & 6pm Saturday 9am

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Every Wednesday after 8:15am Mass

School Mass Wednesday 9:30am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9:30am – 10:30am in the church

MARRIAGE

Contact Father Joe through the Parish Office at least six months before making any plans. FUNERALS, ANOINTING OF THE SICK, COMMUNION FOR ELDERLY, AND HOUSE/CAR BLESSINGS Contact Father Joe & Father Francesco anytime.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P.)

Classes on Sundays for Grades 1 to 7 & Post-Con, 10:30am to 12pm, from September 2023 to June 2024.

For more information, please contact Ana Alayan @ 604.872.2900.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Non-Catholic adults who desire to join the Catholic Church and also Catholics who wish to deepen their faith.

Every Thursday, 7pm to 8:30pm from September 2023 to June 2024.

For more information, please contact parish office @ 604.327.2824.



Ash Wednesday is coming up in few days, marking the beginning of the Lenten season. Lent is primarily a time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus used during His forty days of preparation in the desert for His public life. It is also the time for renewing our lives for the celebration of Easter with our Risen Lord who conquered sin and death by His suffering, death and Resurrection.

Every one of us is tempted to seek sinful pleasures, easy wealth and a position of authority, power and glory, and to use any means, even unjust or sinful ones, to gain these things. Jesus serves as a model for us in conquering temptations by strengthening Himself through prayer, penance and the effective use of the Word of God.

During this Lent, let us confront our evil tendencies with prayer especially by participating in the Holy Mass, by finding time to be with God every day of Lent, by being reconciled with God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and reconciled with others by asking their forgiveness for our offenses against them; and by sharing our love with others through selfless and humble service, almsgiving and helping those in need.

- Excerpt from Radio Vaticana on Liturgical Reflections

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 14 (Day of Fasting and Abstinence)

MASSES @ 8:15AM & 7PM SCHOOL MASS @ 9:30AM

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40-day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and where Satan tempted him.

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT with Father Francesco FRIDAYS, FEBRUARY 23 AND MARCH 1, AFTER THE 6:30PM MASS

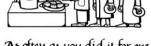
Encourage your family members to come. This will be a great preparation for our Lenten journey.



DURING LENT, STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY @ 6PM FOLLOWED BY HOLY MASS.

Soup Night for the Poor





s often as you did it for one of my lease brothers, you did it for me.

Saturday, March 9 @ 6:30PM, church basement Proceeds go towards helping the poor

in the Third World through Development & Peace.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.

TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2023

For income tax purposes, please ensure that your mailing address is correct. Call parish @ 604.327.2824 during office hours for any changes.

Tax Receipts for 2023 will be available for pick-up in the Luminous Hall on February 17 & 18 and February 24 & 25, during weekend Masses.

THANK YOU for all parishioners who have continuously supported the parish in any way especially by using the Sunday Envelopes or through Online Giving.

Make sure to use ONLY envelopes for 2024. Thank you for your cooperation.

SECOND COLLECTION – TODAY FOR BC CATHOLIC

February is Catholic Press Month and with it comes the annual Catholic Press Collection. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to show their appreciation for receiving The B.C. Catholic. The collection helps defray our parish's costs for mailing the paper. Help us to deliver the stories of Faith to your mailbox and inbox. Please be generous in giving.

It's award-winning publication to parishioners in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Visit www.bccatholic.ca for more information on the Catholic Press Collection and the Catholic Press Association

R.C.I. A.

Our RCIA Team looks forward to meeting you every Thursday, from 7pm - 8:30pm, in church basement.

Topics: February 8 ~ Why Do I need the Church?

February 15 ~ The Last Things

For more information, please contact parish office, 604.327.2824.



LUNCH FOR SENIORS

Inviting all Seniors to join us for lunch on Wednesday, February 7 @ 11:30am in the church basement. All Seniors are welcome!

INVITING EVERYONE AGES 11-18!

Saint Andrew's Youth Ministry (SAYM) is hosting their first event of 2024. Join them in the Church Basement on Saturday, February 10, from 10am-2pm. Come meet the youth community, grab some pizza, play some games, and learn more about your relationship with God.



ALTAR SERVERS ' PRACTICE

Saturday, February 10, 10:30am – 12noon This is in preparation for the upcoming Easter Triduum celebration.



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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 05 - 18, 2024 Mon Feb 05 St. Agatha Violet Tham (RIP) 8:15 am Mk 6:53-56 Monica Tobia (RIP) Tue Feb 06 Mk 7:1-13 St. Paul Miki and Companions Honorato De Guzman (RIP) 6 pm Monica Tobia (RIP) Fely Bejar (Thanksgiving) Wed Feb 07 Mk 7:14-23 8:15 am Monica Tobia (RIP) Maria Handley (Special Intention) 9:30 am Souls in Purgatory Thurs Feb 08 Mk 7:24-30 Agosto Ledesma (RIP) 8:15 am Monica Tobia (RIP) Fri Feb 09 Mk 7:31-37 Manuel Taboada (RIP) 9 am Monica Tobia (RIP) Sat Feb 10 Mk 8:1-10 St. Scholastica Urbana San Jose (RIP) 9 am Alicia Fuentebella (RIP) Deceased Family Mmbers of Lucio Taboada 5 pm Maria Lo (RIP) Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sun Feb 11 Mk 1:40-45 Alberto Britto (Thanksgiving) 9 am Jordan Nicdua (Special Intention) Aida & Meliton Quiapo (RIP) 11 am Emmanuel Aguilar (RIP) Arnold Oclida (RIP) 4 pm Sebastiao De Silva (RIP) All Parishioners Mon Feb 12 Mk 8:11-13 Harvey Chen (RIP) 8:15 am Nam Bui (RIP) Tue Feb 13 Mk 8:14-21 Josefina Ignacio (RIP) 6 pm Mauricio De Silva (Thanksgiving) Wed Feb 14 Ash Wednesday Mt 6:1-6,16-18 8:15 am Betty Kan (RIP) Pat Jorge (Thanksgiving) Souls in Purgatory 9:30 am Dely Quintans (RIP) 7 pm Thurs Feb 15 Lk 9:22-25 Daniel Aguila (RIP) 8:15 am Fri Feb 16 Mt 9:14-15 9 am Rodolfo & Gliceria Manuales (RIP) Antonio Verzosa (RIP) 6:30 pm Sat Feb 17 Lk 5:27-32 Teresita & Ignacio Cervantes (RIP) 9 am Enriqueta Umali (RIP) 5 pm Nino & Lisa Maclang (Thanksgiving) Sun Feb 18 Mk 1:12-15 First Sunday of Lent Santiago & Fidela Padernilla (RIP) 9 am Mark Castro (RIP) Nelly Rodriguez (RIP) 11 am Salvacion Fuentebella (RIP) All Parishioners Silvestre Lacerda (RIP) 4pm Anna Di Benedetto (RIP) Liliana & Aldo Petrella (RIP)

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For the terminally ill ~ We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS -



ALL OF THE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Kathie Coll, Merlita Dayrit, Reynaldo & Cynthia Dela Cruz, Lorna Delos Santos, Esther Fajardo, Cindy Ferrer, Michael Hughes, Elisa

Mohammed, Kristina and Mila Moser, Linda Navalta, John Smith, Josie Taboada, Katherine Tomei, and John Topp.



ALL OUR DEARLY DEPARTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS, ESPECIALLY: Noel Costales. ETERNAL REST, GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD... MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

Upcoming Events in our Archdiocese

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

As the church marks the World Day of the Sick on February 11, the Catholic Health Association of British Columbia (CHABC) encourages everyone to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The theme of this year's observance is "It is not good that man should be alone—Healing the Sick by Healing Relationships." The best therapy for those who are ill, Pope Francis adds, is to offer them our love and communion, despite the pace of our own frenetic lives. Schedule of Masses:

- Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (555 Slocan St. Vancouver)
 Celebrated by Archbishop Miller, CSB
 Saturday, February 10, 11:00am
 Reception to follow.
- St. Mark's Parish, UBC
 Sunday, February 11
 Mass Times: 9:30am, 11:30am, and 4:30pm
- St. Mark's Parish, UBC
 Prayers for the sick, healthcare workers, and families who support the sick
 Ash Wednesday, February 14
 All Masses: 12:10pm, 4:30pm, and 7pm

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: NIGHTLY ROSARY

40 Days for Life is an international-focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The Lenten campaign includes a nightly rosary at 8:00 p.m. Join us on Zoom every night as we pray together for an end to the injustice of abortion, **starting on Ash Wednesday, February 14, until Palm Sunday, March 24**. Learn more and register via *beholdvancouver.org/events.*

PASTORAL LETTER ON THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has released its Pastoral Letter on the use of social media titled: "Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious." The Pastoral Letter can be accessed and shared via rcav.org/announcements. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL WHO HAVE ADVERTISED IN THIS BULLETIN AND RECOMMEND WARMLY TO OUR PARISHIONERS!

