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PARISH HIGHLIGHT

CELEBRATING PENTECOST: THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

PENTECOST



Today, as we gather to celebrate Pentecost, we are reminded of the profound significance of this feast in the life of the Church. Pentecost, often referred to as the "birthday of the Church," commemorates the momentous event described in the New Testament book of Acts when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and disciples of Jesus Christ.

On this sacred day, we reflect on the powerful imagery of Pentecost - the rushing wind, the tongues of fire, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the early believers. It was a moment of divine empowerment, as the apostles were filled with courage, zeal, and divine inspiration to proclaim the Gospel to people from all nations.

Why do we wear red on Pentecost Sunday? Red symbolizes the flames of the Holy Spirit that descended upon the apostles, filling them with

divine grace and enabling them to carry out their mission with boldness and fervor.

By wearing red, we outwardly express our solidarity with the early disciples and our openness to receiving the same Spirit that animated their lives and ministry.

As we celebrate Pentecost today, let us open our hearts to the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. May we be renewed in our faith, empowered to proclaim the Gospel boldly, and inspired to live lives of holiness and service to others.

Join us in prayer and celebration as we reflect on the enduring significance of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and in our own lives. Together, let us be a beacon of light and hope in our community, guided by the same Spirit that descended upon the apostles at Pentecost.



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 19TH, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

May.31
Youth Ministry Meet

June.1
Eucharistic Procession

Oct.19
PROJECT CANA - Mass
Wedding

SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR B

FIRST READING
ACTS 2: 1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
PS 104: 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

SECOND READING
1 CORINTHIANS 12: 3B-7,
12-13

OR GALATIANS
5: 16-25

GOSPEL
JOHN 20: 19-23 OR JOHN
15: 26-27; 16: 12-15

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2024 YEAR OF PRAYER AS DECLARED BY HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

SUNDAY MASSES (AND SATURDAY)

SAT 05:00 pm (anticipated mass)
SUN 08:00 am | 09:30 am | 11:15 am | 01:00 pm
03:00 pm (Tagalog) | 05:00 pm | 07:00 pm

DAILY MASSES

SUN ☀️ MON - FRI SAT WED-FRI MOON
08:00 am 08:30 am 07:00 pm

CONFESSION

SUNDAY before & after mass | WEEKDAY after mass

DEVOTIONS

MON - FRI 07:15 am Rosary & Lauds
WED 06:00 pm Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
THU 06:00 pm Rosary & Prayer for Vocations
FRI 03:00 pm Divine Mercy
06:00 pm Novena: Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary
07:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
09:00 pm Benediction
SAT 07:45 am Rosary & Lauds

FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS UPDATES | NEWS | EVENTS

VBS Rocky Railway 2024 - Registration extended! *Vacation Bible School*

A summer kids event hosted at Saint Mary's church basement on August 19 to 23 from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

To register **forms and payment** can be made at the **parish office**. Forms also available at stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs
① For more info, Dana & Christina cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com

Eucharistic Procession | Sat - June.1 After 5pm mass *Feast of Corpus Christi*

Join us as we come together as a parish community to celebrate the solemnity of Corpus Christi with a Eucharistic Procession. This event will be a beautiful testament to our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, as we publicly proclaim our belief and invite others to encounter the Risen Lord.

2024 Man's Destiny Men's Conference | Sat - June 15th 8:30am *Knights Of Columbus @ St. Matthew's Parish 16079 88th Ave Surrey*

This year's conference aims to educate men and their sons about the value of Catholicism and how to combat the evils that are so corrosive in modern society with special guest Keith Nester! For more info scan the **QR or go to saintmatthews.ca/events**



Seniors Gatherings | Save the dates!

Join us for... **Tea Time Jun 21st**
For more info **604-435-9611 ext. 0**



Magnificat Spring 2024 Luncheon | Sat - May 25 11:00 AM *John Paul II Pastoral Centre Vancouver*

Join us and bring a friend for a brunch for all women where we will, eat, pray, and engage with our guest speaker's experiences of the transforming love of Christ in her own life. Cost is \$30. **Registration deadline: Friday, May 17.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

National Conference *From Anxiety to Peace July 5-7* *Canadian Christian Meditation Community*

The solution to the ecological crisis hosted at UBC, Vancouver, BC. Register at bit.ly/CCMC-NC2024



Volunteer Opportunities | Let's make an impact!

 **VBS Rocky Railway 2024 | Help grow the next gen in faith!**
We are also still looking for volunteers! E-mail Dana & Christina @ cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com
Volunteer form available at: stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs


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Are you looking to improve your skills in project management, event planning, marketing, designing, and have a heart to serve the home homeless? We want you!
778-885-9611 or email mmoy_ca@yahoo.com

New Young Adult Group Meetup - Friday June 7 @7:00pm *St.Mary's Young Adult Group*

Join us for the first-ever meet and greet of our new Young Adult group in the school gym. Be part of this exciting new venture as we gather for fellowship and community building. All young adults are welcome!
① Joyce | **(604) 435-9611 ext. 209** | youth.smarv@rcav.org

Catholic Youth Conference | Sat - June 8th 10am - 9pm *Mary Pattison Chapel, Pacific Academy, Surrey*

Join us at CYC 2024! For grades 8-12 and the adults that are journeying with them as their parish youth ministry leaders, teachers, and mentors. To group register contact:
① Joyce | **(604) 435-9611 ext. 209** | youth.smarv@rcav.org


 **Donations** | Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Chalice is coming to St. Mary Parish!

On the Feast of Corpus Christi, At the June 8-9 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. For more information about Chalice and its mission, please visit chalice.ca

PROJECT ADVANCE 2024 Building our Parish Community

Project Advance 2024 is back
our goal of our parish goal of **\$120,000**



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New and previous donors can donate online or drop off your donations in regular Sunday collections. For more info contact Teresa Lung tky.lung@telus.net

St.Mary's School Announcements

SMS Parent Support Group Raffle | Now till June.19

Tickets will be on sale for **\$2.50 per 1 ticket**. Get a ticket for some great cash prizes! **Raffle ends June.19th and Draw Date on June 21st - 2:00pm at the school.**
1st Prize \$5,000 | 2nd \$2,000 | 3d \$1,000 | 4th & 5th \$500
All proceeds are for the development project of the school. Thank you for your support and good luck!! *Raffle license # 148639*

Kindergarten 2024-2025 | Accepting Applications

Now accepting applications for the kindergarten 2024 - 2025 school year. **Child must be born in 2019 and turn 5 by Dec 31st.** Apply/ info contact **604 437-1312** | office.smarv@cisva.bc.ca

Mass Wedding | Join us Oct 19, 2024 *St.Mary's Project Cana*

Married outside the Catholic Church? Desire to regularize your union for sacramental access? Join Fr. Joseph D'Souza, OP, in celebrating the Mass Wedding for civilly married couples. A cost-effective, communal celebration awaits!
For more info rcia.smarv@rcav.org or **604-435-9611 ext. 205**

Check out our Ministries! next page!

Each Ministry is updated each bulletin so don't miss out on your chance to join!

PARISH MINISTRIES

St. Mary's Praesidium A Legion of Mary Youth Program **NEXT MEET MAY.26**

Next Event: Flores de Mayo - May 26, 2024 at 2:00
 Inviting all girls and young ladies to join the traditional offering of flowers to the Blessed Mother during the month of May. The procession starts at the school hallway. To join, contact:
Mercedes Pedro - (604) - 780 - 4940
Catherine Gregonia - (778) - 926 - 4882

St. Mary's Youth Ministry **NEXT MEET MAY.31**

Next Event: ATP... JESUS IS CALLING, Praise & Worship
Friday May.31 - 7:00pm @ St. Mary's School Gym
 Join us for a special Praise and worship night featuring the LOJ youth band. Experience the theme "ATP" (answer the phone) as we return to simpler times. Refreshments provided.

A space where youth can make memories, ask deep questions, and learn how to grow in the faith with the fellowship of your friends!
Open to gr 7-12 | Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome!
Joyce | (604) 435-9611 ext. 209 | youth.smarv@rcav.org

MISSION ABLAZE **NEXT MEET MAY.21**

Come join the Mission Ablaze Prayer Group
 Meet and experience the power and love of the Holy Spirit
Every Tues @ 07:30 PM - 09:00 PM at the church hall **IN-PERSON & ZOOM**
except on the Tuesday before the 3rd Friday of the month when the Music Ministry will sing at the Adoration after the 7 pm mass
 For zoom link + info Email: missionablazesm@gmail.com

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP & Fr. David Bellusci **NEXT MEET TBA**

Last Meet: Song of Songs | Online Bible Study
 Stay tuned for the next online Bible Study (via zoom)
 For more info + zoom link: pppgvancouver@gmail.com

DNA Discipleship | aNd | Accountability **NEXT MEET MAY 25 - SAT**

D.N.A. is a men's Group meeting on the **2nd and 4th Saturday each month**, at **9:30am**, in the Parish Rectory basement. For more info contact:
Fr. Gabriel at: 604-435-9611, ext. 202 | fathergabriel1@outlook.com

ST. MARY'S 1PM MASS CHOIR *We need you!* **ST. MARY'S 5PM YOUTH CHOIR**

1PM Mass needs singers and piano players, to share praise in song.
 Every **FRI 7:30PM** - Parish choir area
Sam Law | samsman@gmail.com

5PM Mass is looking young adults who want to offer their musical talents (singers, guitarists, bassists, cajon players). Weekly practice
THURS 7:30PM - Rectory basement | **SUN 4:15PM** - Parish choir area
**Except 3d week of the month*
Wen | 604-780-2830 | seals.stmarys@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION *I will come to you in the Silence... Be still and know that I am God... Come and rest in Me* **EVERY TUE & WED**

Join us for meditation and prayers once a week either:
In-person: Wednesday 7:00 pm @ Rectory Living Room.
 Contact Cora Alcuitas - calcuitas@gmail.com
Online: Tuesday 7:00 pm
 Contact Maeve Slein - mms3018@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 604-435-9611 (phone) 604-439-9413 (fax)	EXT. 201	Pastor	Fr. Joseph D'Souza, OP	jsouza@rcav.org
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Located in the Rectory which is the red brick house next to the church on Joyce Street. Buzz Reception.	203	Assistant Pastor	Fr. Gilles Simard, OP	gsimard@rcav.org
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	0	Reception	Priya Menezes	reception.smarv@rcav.org

CATECHISM & SACRAMENTS

MARRIAGE Lorna | ext.204

One of the couple must be Catholic and a parishioner of St. Mary's Parish. Contact us at least six months prior to the wedding. Make no wedding arrangement until you have met with the priest.

RCIA Edwin | ext. 205 rcia.smarv@rcav.org

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for adults in need of Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation, or who want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - VANCOUVER BC

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office.smarv@cisva.bc.ca
stmary.bc.ca

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office to schedule a visit, to speak to a priest or to arrange a service.

INFANT BAPTISM ext.0 reception.smarv@rcav.org

For infants 5 years old and younger. Family must be registered parishioners or must reside within parish boundaries. Non-parishioners must obtain permission from the pastor of their parish.

PREP Edwin | ext.205 prep.smarv@rcav.org

Parish Religious Education Program. Catechism for children who are attending public schools. Registration opens in the summer of 2023 for SY 2023/24.

VANSPEC Christina | vanspec.smarv@rcav.org

1-on-1 special needs catechism. Vanspec classes are led by volunteer catechists and aides who, with the assistance of the Program Director, adapt the content of each lesson and learning materials to the needs of the individual student.

Stewardship Reflection

May 19, 2024 - Pentecost Sunday

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." - Corinthians 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing? For God's plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.

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