



# The Parish Bulletin

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## PASTOR'S CORNER

THE EUCHARIST: HEAVEN ON EARTH

Dear Parishioners and friends,

In the coming couple of Pastor's Corner on our Parish bulletin I would like us to contemplate on the mystery of the Eucharist. This we do with the hope that we arrive at a proper understanding of the eucharist we celebrate Sunday after Sunday and day after day. The Sacrifice of the Mass, as "the source and summit of the Christian life" (CCC 1324). Therefore, to have a correct and in depth understanding of what we celebrate will certainly enable us to do it with much more love and dedication.

The reflections below are those written by Fr. Gabriel Chadarevian OP, Assisting Pastor at St. Mary's Parish.

### The Eucharist: A Mystical Journey into the Divine Richness and Beauty

I would like to share with you the profound beauty and awesome richness of the Eucharist. This central sacrament of Christian life embodies a deep sense of mystery and holds immense mystical significance. It is a treasure trove of spiritual nourishment, historical development, and theological depth that bridges the divine and the human in a profound and transformative manner.

#### • The Sense of Mystery and Mystical Significance

The Eucharist is shrouded in mystery. It is a divine encounter where bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. This transformation, known as transubstantiation, transcends human understanding and invites us into a deeper communion with the divine. The Eucharist is not merely a symbol but a real presence of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, offering us His Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. This sacrament allows us to partake in the very life of Christ, uniting us with His sacrifice on the Cross and His glorious Resurrection.

#### • Historical Development and Different Names

The Eucharist has a rich historical development and has been known by various names in different traditions. In the East, it is often called the Divine Liturgy, emphasizing its heavenly nature. In the West, it is commonly known as the Mass, derived from the Latin *Ite Missa est*, which means "dismissal" or "sending

forth." Other names include the Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, and the Breaking of Bread. Each name reflects a different aspect of this multifaceted sacrament, highlighting its communal, sacrificial, and celebratory dimensions.

#### • The Doctrine of Transubstantiation

Central to the Catholic understanding of the Eucharist is the doctrine of transubstantiation. This teaching asserts that during the consecration at Mass, the substance of the bread and wine is transformed into the actual Body and Blood of the crucified and risen Christ, even though the appearances of bread and wine remain. This miraculous change underscores the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and invites us into a profound mystery of faith. The Eucharist becomes a true encounter with the risen Lord, offering us spiritual nourishment and sanctification.

#### • Holy Communion: A Foretaste of Heaven

Receiving Holy Communion is an intimate participation in the Body and Blood of Christ. It is an anticipation of the heavenly banquet and a foretaste of the beatific vision. In the Mass, we are mystically present at the Last Supper with Jesus and the apostles, at the foot of the Cross on Calvary with Mary, John, and Mary Magdalene, and witnessing the Resurrection and Ascension. We are also united with Mary, the apostles, and disciples at Pentecost, experiencing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

#### • The Mass: Heaven on Earth

The Mass is often described as "Heaven on earth." It is a sacred liturgy where the boundaries between time and eternity blur. In the Liturgy of the Word, Jesus speaks to us through the Scriptures, illuminating our minds and hearts. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we participate in the Paschal Mystery, the one sacrifice of Christ at Calvary made sacramentally present on the altar. This cosmic dimension of the Eucharist encompasses the past, present, and future, drawing us into the eternal now of God's love.

...to be continued.



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### THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 7TH, 2024  
UPCOMING EVENTS

July 27 - SAT  
Fundraising Golf Tournament

Aug 6 - TUE  
Shalom - Jesus Heals Event

Aug.17 - SAT  
Grotto of our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage

Oct.19 - SAT  
PROJECT CANA  
Mass Wedding

### SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR B

FIRST READING  
EZEKIEL 2: 2-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  
123: 1-2A, 2B, 3-4 (R.2)

SECOND READING  
2 CORINTHIANS 12: 7-10

GOSPEL  
MARK 6: 1-6

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#### 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

MON - FRI 08:00 am | SAT 08:30 am | WED-FRI 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

VISIT: [stmarysvancouver.ca/events/filter/all](http://stmarysvancouver.ca/events/filter/all)

 **Parent Support Group Raffle Winners** *Congrats!!!* 

- 1st - Rosa M. Esguera \_\_\_\_\_ 08544
- 2nd - Hipolita Magtajas \_\_\_\_\_ 18022
- 3rd - Cornelius Orquiela \_\_\_\_\_ 06168
- 4th - Cathy Boysie \_\_\_\_\_ 08269
- 5th - Freddie Parman \_\_\_\_\_ 19893

**Upcoming Programs**  
Don't miss out on your chance to grow in faith 

 **Summer Kid's faith event and day camp**  
*Registration extended for Vacation Bible School*

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


To register **forms + payment** can be made at the **parish office.** *Forms also available at [stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs](http://stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs)*

For more info: [cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com](mailto:cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com)

 **PREP 2024-2025 | Registration now open!**  
*Registration closes Sept 13, 2024*

Elementary P.R.E.P. offers weekly catechism sessions on Weds evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m (starting Sept.18th, 2024) for public school students in Gr. 1-7. Teen P.R.E.P. is for public school students in Gr.8-12

[stmarysvancouver.ca/prep2024](http://stmarysvancouver.ca/prep2024)

 **Seniors Gatherings | Save the date!**

**Join us for... July 19 - Movie Time**  
Friday afternoon - 1pm  
**Please register at 604-435-9611 ext. 200** 

 **Grotto of our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage | Sat - Aug.17**  
*Fraser River Heritage Park | 7494 Mary Street, Mission BC*


St. Joseph's Parish, Mission invites you to the historic Fraser River Heritage Park to celebrate the Holy Eucharist in honour of Our Lady at 1:00 PM. The principal celebrant will be the Most Rev. J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver. Confessions will be heard on-site starting at 10:00 AM

 For *bus service info* and *reservations* contact: **parish office** or [info@aquinasinstitute.ca](mailto:info@aquinasinstitute.ca)   
For event info: [MissionGrotto.com](http://MissionGrotto.com) | 604-425-0392

 **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](mailto:cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com) to get started  
Volunteer forms also online available at: [stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs](http://stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs)


 **Catholic Steeple Missionaries wants you!**   
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!  
Get started, contact Mildred at: **778-885-9611** or email [mmoy\\_ca@yahoo.com](mailto:mmoy_ca@yahoo.com)

 **Looking to advertise?** If your business is looking to promote, we still have spaces the bulletin! For more info **Teresa:** [tky.lung@telus.net](mailto:tky.lung@telus.net)

 **JESUS HEALS | Tue Aug 6 @6pm | FREE EVENT**  
*@St. Mary's Parish, Vancouver | Shalom World*


Experience the healing touch of Jesus with Fr. Roy Palatty CMI, Spiritual Director of Shalom World. This event includes Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, a spiritual talk, and special prayers for healing and blessing the sick. Free event, all are welcome!

 Dates/locations, info, and to register, visit: [conferences.shalomworld.org](http://conferences.shalomworld.org)

**PROJECT ADVANCE 2024** Building our Parish Community 

**Update as of June 29/30**

We are now at **\$28,892 / 24%** of our parish goal of **\$120,000**. Thank you for your generosity



**Pledge now at [projectadvance.ca](http://projectadvance.ca)**

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](mailto:tky.lung@telus.net)

 **Family Sponsorship Webinar | Sat - July.20 @6:00pm**  
*St. Mary's Migrant Ministry and ISSofBC*

This webinar we'll discuss different topics on family sponsorships like ; eligibility to sponsor; documents required, fees, and common issues and any updates!

 To register contact [resochoita.arma@issbc.org](mailto:resochoita.arma@issbc.org)  
**Resochoita Arma: 778-554-2004**


 **Fundraising Golf Tournament | Sat July 27 8:00am**  
*Knights of Columbus St Mary's Council #13072*

Join us for the 19th Annual Blessed Fr. McGivney Memorial Golf Tournament. Donation of \$100 includes green fee, lunch, and warm-up tokens. Format: Two-person team in best ball. *Prizes for 1st place, KP's, longest drive, and putting champion (men & women).*

 Register: [rpcadavido@yahoo.com](mailto:rpcadavido@yahoo.com)  
E-transfer donations at [jordan.niduakofc@yahoo.com](mailto:jordan.niduakofc@yahoo.com)

 **Kindergarten 2024-2025 | Accepting Applications**  
*St. Mary's School Vancouver*

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](mailto: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](mailto:rcia.smarv@rcav.org)  
**contact Edwin: 604-435-9611 ext. 205**

 **Winter Wonderland | Fri Nov 22 6pm**  
*St. Mary's Annual Silent Auction Gala Dinner*

Mark your calendars for an enchanting evening at our Winter Wonderland Gala. Doors open at 6pm, with dinner served at 7pm. Enjoy a silent auction, exquisite cuisine, and a night of faith, community, and seasonal celebration! Tickets are \$125 each. More info to come. Follow us on social media to stay up to date!

 **Check out our Ministries!**   
Updated each bulletin so don't miss out on your chance to join. Flip to the **next page!**

# PARISH MINISTRIES

**MISSION ABLAZE PRAYER GROUP** NEXT MEET JULY.9

Join us for: **Mission Ablaze Tuesdays!**  
 \*Tuesdays @ 07:30 PM - 09:00 PM at the Church Hall  
 Meet and experience the power and love of the Holy Spirit!  
 \*except on the Tuesday before the 3rd Friday of the month (July.16th) when the Music Ministry will sing at the Adoration after the 7 pm mass  
 For more info or zoom link Email: [missionablazesmv@gmail.com](mailto:missionablazesmv@gmail.com)

**St. Mary's Young Adult Ministry** NEXT MEET TBA

Last Event: **Summer Group Gathering**  
 Next event coming soon...  
 We invite all young adults to join us as we gather for fellowship, community building, and faith exploration. Hope to see you there!  
 Open to adults 19-39 | Catholics & non-Catholics, all are welcome!  
 Joyce | (604) 435-9611 ext. 209 | [youth.smarv@rcav.org](mailto:youth.smarv@rcav.org)

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

Last Event: **Book Of Wisdom | Online Bible Study**  
 Next event coming soon...  
 Learn spirituality and Catechism of the bible and St. Padre Pio!  
 Next In-person Meet: TBA  
 For more info + zoom link: [pppgvancouver@gmail.com](mailto:pppgvancouver@gmail.com)

## Stewardship Reflection

July 7, 2024 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you...'" - Ezekiel 2:2-3

God has a plan for each of us. He calls us to do something for Him. But He doesn't leave us on our own to figure out. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. Are you listening for God's call? When you hear it, do you get on your feet and do the work He asks of you? Do not be afraid. God doesn't call the equipped, He equips the called. Answer His call.

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**DNA** Discipleship | aNd | Accountability NEXT MEET JULY 13 - 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](mailto:fathergabriel1@outlook.com)

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

**5PM Saturday Mass** needs singers to lend their voice in praise. Every **SAT 3:30PM - 4:30PM** - Parish choir area (followed by 5pm mass)  
**Ruby** | [rub.cort@telus.net](mailto:rub.cort@telus.net)  
**1PM Mass** needs singers and piano players, to share praise in song. Every **FRI 7:30PM** - Parish choir area  
**Sam Law** | [samsgrman@gmail.com](mailto:samsgrman@gmail.com)  
**5PM Mass** is looking for singers, guitarists, bassists, cajon players).  
 \***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](mailto: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 **RESUMING AUG 7**

**Christian meditation will resume August 7, 2024**  
 For more information contact:  
**In-person** Contact Cora Alcuitas - [calcuitas@gmail.com](mailto:calcuitas@gmail.com)  
**Online** Contact Maeve Slein - [rms3018@gmail.com](mailto:rms3018@gmail.com)

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

Inviting all girls and young ladies to join our Jr. Praesidium. Guided by senior legionaries, learn about prayers, works of the Legion, and deepen your relationship to the Blessed Virgin Mary. **If interested, we have a sign-up sheet at the foyer or contact the parish office.**


## PARISH RESOURCES

**PARISH LIBRARY** Check it out!

Collection of books, CDs, and DVDs in our library? View online catalogue at [stmarysvancouver.ca/ministries/library](http://stmarysvancouver.ca/ministries/library). To borrow email our librarian, **Bill Murphy** | [wwmmurphy@hotmail.com](mailto:wwmmurphy@hotmail.com)

**FORMED** THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND. [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)

1. Go to the formed site and Search by postal code: V5R 4G8
2. Select "St. Marys Vancouver 5251 Joyce Street"
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check your emails for a link to begin using FORMED!

<b>PARISH OFFICE</b>	<b>Office Hours:</b> Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	<b>Located in the Rectory</b> which is the red brick house next to the church on Joyce Street. Buzz Reception.	<b>Office Phone:</b> 604-435-9611 (phone) + EXT 604-439-9413 (fax)	
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<b>Pastoral Assistant</b> Marriage	<b>Lorna Acosta</b> 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.		204	<a href="mailto:parish.smarv@rcav.org">parish.smarv@rcav.org</a>
<b>PREP &amp; RCIA Director</b> PREP RCIA	<b>Edwin Cruz</b> 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. Parish Religious Education Program. Catechism for children who are attending public schools. Registration opens in the summer of 2024 for SY 2024/25.		205	<a href="mailto:prep.smarv@rcav.org">prep.smarv@rcav.org</a> <a href="mailto:rcia.smarv@rcav.org">rcia.smarv@rcav.org</a>
<b>Youth Ministry Coord</b> Vanspec	<b>Joyce Villaverde</b> <b>Christina Reyes Ocampo</b> 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.		209 -	<a href="mailto:youth.smarv@rcav.org">youth.smarv@rcav.org</a> <a href="mailto:vanspec.smarv@rcav.org">vanspec.smarv@rcav.org</a>
<b>Finance and Property Reception</b> Baptism	<b>Michael Gabas</b> <b>Priya Menezes</b> 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. Please contact the parish office to schedule a visit, to speak to a priest or to arrange a service.		207 0	<a href="mailto:smpacc@telus.net">smpacc@telus.net</a> <a href="mailto:reception.smarv@rcav.org">reception.smarv@rcav.org</a>
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