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ST. MARY'S PARISH MISSION

LENTEN RETREAT | MARCH 3-8



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TOGETHER IN HOPE

4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 28TH, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 30 - TUES
Seasons of Hope

Feb 2 - March 24
CLP - CFC Handmaids

Feb 10 - SAT
Estate and Memorial
Planning Seminar

Feb 16 - FRI
Alpha Program

March 3-8
Lenten Retreat
Fr. Claudio Piccinini,

In March 2020, plans for St. Mary's Parish Mission with Fr. Claudio Piccinini were interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. But now, after facing challenges, the event is back, offering a chance for spiritual growth and connection with the divine. This article invites you to rediscover the profound joy of faith through a week-long retreat led by Fr. Claudio Piccinini, C.P.

Feel God's Presence:

"Do you feel God's presence in your life? If not, you're missing out! Time keeps moving, so let's seize this opportunity!" These words capture the spirit of St. Mary's Parish Mission, encouraging people to reflect on their spiritual journey and find God in their lives. Fr. Claudio Piccinini, known for his insightful teachings, will guide participants in deepening their connection with God.

Enrich Your Spiritual Journey:

St. Mary's Parish Mission offers a structured program to meet diverse spiritual needs. Daily Mass provides a time for community worship, and Fr. Claudio Piccinini's talks explore Catholic teachings, offering guidance for modern life.

Retreat Dates: March 3-8, 2024

March 3 - 7pm: Retreat Mass

- The Parish Mission starts with a special Mass, setting the tone for the week.

March 4 (Mon) - March 8 (Fri):

- Two Sessions Daily: 8am and 7pm
 - Each session begins with Mass, followed by a talk by Fr. Claudio Piccinini.

Look forward to March 3-8, 2024, and join St. Mary's Parish Mission. With Fr. Claudio Piccinini as your guide, it's a week for reflection, growth, and reconnecting with the divine. Don't miss this chance to revitalize your spiritual life and rediscover the joy of walking with God.



Get Involved:

For those wanting to be part of this experience, volunteer opportunities are available. To learn more or contribute your time, contact Mildred at 778-885-9611 or the Parish office at 604-435-9611 ext. 0 or reception.smarv@rcav.org

SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR A

FIRST READING
DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
PSALMS 95:1-2, 6-7AB,
7C-9 (R.7C+8A)

SECOND READING
1 CORINTHIANS
7:32-35

GOSPEL
MARK 1:21-28



**20
24** YEAR OF PRAYER
AS DECLARED BY HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS





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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

****TO THE DEARLY DEPARTED****

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon her, may she rest in peace, Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS UPDATES | NEWS | EVENTS

Estate and Memorial Planning Seminar Archdiocese of Vancouver & Gardens of Gethsemani

A free presentation on Wills, Executors, Probate, and more by the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Gardens of Gethsemani covers funeral rites and pre-need arrangements. Attendees receive a free planning guide and refreshments.

Saturday, Feb 10, 2024 9:30 – 11:00 am
@St.Mary's Parish - Vancouver
Register via link or scan the QR



planning.rcav.org/estate-and-memorial-planning-seminar/

SSS Benefits for Filipinos Webinar | Feb.3d - Sat 6:00pm St. Mary's Migrant Ministry and ISSofBC

Topics for discussion are different types of SSS benefits, eligibility, how to apply, and how to maintain SSS membership even if you are outside the Philippines. facilitated by Jonnah A. Cruzada, Foreign Representative, SSS Vancouver Office.

February 3, 2024 Saturday from 6:00 - 7:30 pm
To register, please email Resochita Arma at:
resochita.arma@issbc.org or call 778-554-2004

Seasons of Hope | Tuesdays - Jan 30 to Mar 5 (6 weeks) Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry

A faith and scripture-based support group for those who have lost a loved one and those who know of someone who is struggle with grief. Join us in the **rectory living** room every **Tuesday starting Jan 30 - Mar 5 | 7:00pm - 9:00 p.m.**

To register call/e-mail the parish office, or attend the first night

Non-perishable Food Drive | Jan 13 - June 30 Knights of Columbus | St.Mary's Council 13072

We'll be collecting canned goods, packaged noodles/ramen, and other non-perishable food items beginning on Saturday, Jan 13, @ 5 p.m. mass until Sunday, June 30, 7 p.m. mass, in specially marked boxes located in the Church foyer.

All collected food items will be delivered to The Door Is Open at the end of June 2024.

Catholic Street Missionaries + St.Mary's Street Min

HOPE ON THE HORIZON

CSM SUMMER OUTREACH | **AUG 6-21 2024**

A young adult multi-week homeless outreach and leadership program. Interested? catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon

Donations for the homeless

Wrapped bite-size chocolates, new men's socks, blankets, sleeping bags, winter clothing. Label donations as "Street Ministries" and drop off to either ushers or the parish office during regular hours.

Volunteer Opportunity | Street Ministries

Interested in homeless outreach, organizing events, and communication? Contact Mildred at:
778-885-9611 or email mmoy_ca@yahoo.com

Christian Life Program | Feb 4 - Mar 24 (On Sundays) CFC - Handmaids of the Lord Ministry

The program is FREE. Attend only 8 Sunday sessions and listen to talks and allow Jesus to reveal His call to you.

Feb 4 - Mar 24 | 8 Consecutive Sundays
St.Mary's Parish @ 10 am - 12 pm

 **Flora - 778-388-1938 | leetconstantino@gmail.com**
Leonora - 604-728-4424 | nora.ramos@gmail.com

Vocation Live-In Weekend | Feb 10 - 11 Seminary of Christ the King

There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of February 10 Saturday to February 11 Sunday at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more info contact:

604-826-8975 | rector.minors@sck.ca

Save the Dates Seniors! | Next events Feb.16th, Mar.15th Seniors Gatherings | St.Mary's Parish

More info: smvanseniors@gmail.com or 604-435-9611 ext.200

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

Mini-Bookcentre | Book Fair | Feb 10-11 Daughters of St. Paul & Pauline Books & Media

Explore a curated selection of Catholic books and DVDs for all ages, including titles for Lent, Easter, Communion, and Confirmation Join us in the Parish Hall **after the Saturday anticipated & Sunday Masses on February 10-11**. Various payment options (cash, Interac/Debit, Visa, Mastercard) available. We look forward to your presence!

We're running Alpha! | Feb 16, 2024 - Fri 7:00 pm Hosted by FFCC | At St.Mary's Parish Vancouver



Alpha creates a space where you can simply invite a friend to explore their questions over some food, a video talk, and small group discussion. The rest is up to God. Register now at:

forms.gle/KWarwyXdHYH2Ed5B7



REGISTER

Secondary School 2024-2025 | Accepting Applications Notre Dame Regional Secondary

We are now accepting applications for the 2024 - 2025 school year



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Placement Exam | Jan 24 & 25, 2024

Kindergarten 2024-2025 | Accepting Applications St.Mary's Elementary School - stmary.bc.ca

We are now accepting applications for the kindergarten 2024-2025 school year. *Child must be born in 2019 and turn 5 by Dec 31st.* To apply or for more info contact

604 437-1312 | office.smarv@cisva.bc.ca

PARISH MINISTRIES

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP & Fr. David Bellusci

**NEXT MEET
FEB 3 - SAT**

In-Person Bible Study Feb.3, 2024, Sat 9:30 am (after 8:30am mass)

Online Bible Study Feb.15, 2024, Thurs @ 7:00 pm (ZOOM)

Learn the spirituality of St. Padre Pio with catechism led by Fr. David

For more info + zoom link: pppgvancouver@gmail.com



DNA Discipleship | aNd | Accountability

**NEXT MEET
FEB 10 - SAT**

D.N.A. is a men's Group meeting on the **2nd and the 4th Saturday of every**

month, at 9:30am, in the Parish Rectory basement. For more info reach out to

Fr. Gabriel at: **604-435-9611, ext. 202 | fathergabriel1@outlook.com**



MISSION ABLAZE

**NEXT MEET
JAN 30 - TUE**

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**

Email: missionablazesmv@gmail.com



St. Mary's Youth Ministry

**NEXT MEET
TBA**

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!

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

**NEXT MEET
JAN 24 - WED**

Every Weds @ 07:00 PM - at the church rectory basement

Contact Cora: calcuities@gmail.com or **604-339-2904**.

PARISH RESOURCES

PARISH LIBRARY

Have you checked out the collection of books, CDs, and DVDs in our library? View online catalogue at stmarysvancouver.ca/ministries/library

To borrow any resources Email our librarian,

Bill Murphy | wwmmurphy@hotmail.com

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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!

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
604-435-9611 (phone)
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Located in the Rectory which is the red brick house next to the church on Joyce Street. Buzz Reception.

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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.



VANSPEC

Christina | vanspec.smarv@rcav.org

One-on-one 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.



INFANT BAPTISM

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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.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

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



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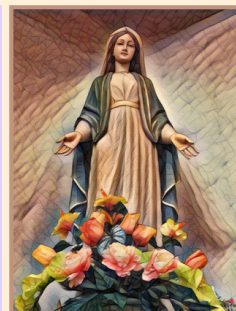
Stewardship Reflection

January 28, 2024 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this - use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then spend your time praying instead of worrying.

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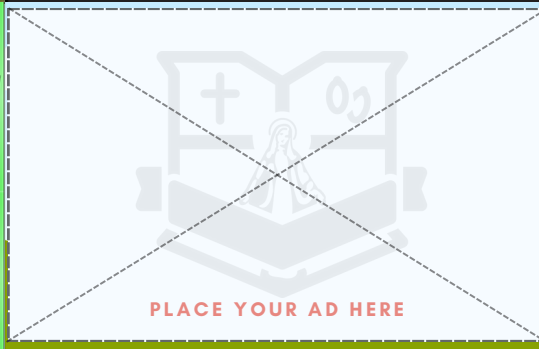
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