



HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH

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Sunday Mass: Saturday 5:00pm (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JUNE 23, 2024



STEWARDSHIP IN THE EYES OF GOD

Project Advance is now underway at our parish! Success in the eyes of God is not about the quantity or quality of our material goods. Instead, it's about how we use these goods: do they move us closer to God, or are they an obstacle? God calls us to share what we have to help others. By providing support for many different ministries of the Church, Project Advance offers everyone a chance to exercise Christian stewardship. There are many ways to give: online at projectadvance.ca, by phone at 604-683-0281, in-person after Mass with our volunteers at the Welcome Table, or at our parish's office. Your gift to Project Advance provides critical funding to key ministries and projects in our parish and Archdiocese.

Archbishop J. Michael Miller issued this message for Pro-Life Sunday, which we celebrated on Father's Day, June 16, in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On this Father's Day, we express our gratitude to all fathers who love and protect their families. It is fitting that this is also Pro-life Sunday in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.



Cardus, a Canadian think tank, recently released a research paper titled, *Still Christian, What Canadian Christians Actually Believe*. When respondents were asked whether they agreed with the statement that abortion is the killing of an unborn human being, just 39% of Catholics said yes. It is very disturbing that over 60% of surveyed Catholics did not agree.

The Declaration On Human Dignity, published by the Holy See this April, quotes Pope Francis as saying, “the dignity of every human being has an intrinsic character and is valid from the moment of conception until natural death” (n. 47). The Declaration continues, “The acceptance of abortion in the popular mind, in behaviour, and even in law itself is a telling sign of an extremely dangerous crisis of the moral sense, which is becoming more and more incapable of distinguishing between good and evil, even when the fundamental right to life is at stake.” (n.47)

On “Medical Assistance in Dying” the Declaration has this to say: “There is a widespread notion that euthanasia or assisted suicide is somehow consistent with respect for the dignity of the human person. However, in response to this, it must be strongly reiterated that suffering does not cause the sick to lose their dignity, which is intrinsically and inalienably their own” (n. 51).

We must take every opportunity to proclaim the sacred value of human life, by prayerful intercession, by witnessing to others, and by supporting organizations whose goal it is to help those facing times of crisis. Ours is the voice of truth about life to our family, friends and the wider community. Let us ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Life, to guide us in our efforts to increase reverence for life and a culture of life in our world.

With my blessing and the assurance of my prayers for you and your families, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,
J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver



THANK YOU FROM BIRTHRIGHT!

Debbie Miotto, Board Chair of Birthright of Vancouver thanks Holy Name of Jesus Parish for hosting their annual walk-a-thon. A lovely day was had, the rain held off, and love and friendship was overflowing.

It's not too late to donate to support pregnant women and their children: www.birthright.org

IMPORTANT SAINTS THIS WEEK

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Monday June 24

John the Baptist is the only saint whose birth and death are both observed in the Church calendar (in addition to Mary and the Lord Himself). Since John was conceived six months before Jesus, the date of his birth is June 24, six months before that of Jesus on December 25th.

In old England, this festival of John the Baptist was known as Mid-summer's Day when the day is the longest of the year...

St. Augustine, always ready to draw a lesson from nature, saw the celebration of the birth of John the Baptist in summer as appropriate to the words of John the Baptist, "I must decrease, He must increase," because with John's birth the days begin to shorten and with the birth of Jesus in December, the days begin to lengthen. John's light begins to diminish as Jesus' light begins to grow.



SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Saturday June 28

Peter is the enduring rock of apostolic faith on which the Church is built and embodied for us today in the Holy Father. Paul represents the dynamic push of faith always reaching out not only to new geographical regions of the world but to new areas of human experience.

This day in honour of Saints Peter and Paul reminds us that we are an apostolic Church. When we profess in the Creed that we believe in one apostolic Church, we are affirming our faith that the Church traces its life back to the Apostles and to the Lord Jesus himself. Although there

may have been gaps between the election of Popes, there is absolute, convincing, verified and unbroken historical continuity between the Church today and the Church of the Apostles. In the life of the Church there is no gap.

There is, however, more to being apostolic than historical continuity. It means to live the apostolic faith. Just as the Apostles preached and glorified Jesus Christ, so do we. Just as they encountered the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread, so do we. Just as they cared for the sick and poor, so do we. Just as they saw everything that happened to them as a participation in the dying and rising of Jesus, so do we.



Adapted from: *Captured Fire* by Father S. Joseph Krempa

Artworks: St. John the Baptist with the Scribes and Pharisees, Fitzwilliam Museum. Saint Peter and Saint Paul, El Greco.

JULY DATES ADDED!

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY



The Parish Photo Directory photo appointments this July are now available to book in-person at the sign-up table before and after all

Masses. Bookings are first-come, first-served, so sign up early to get your preferred spot!

Thursday July 25, 1:30pm to 8:30pm

Friday July 26, 1:30pm to 8:30pm

Saturday July 27, 10:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday July 28, 1:30pm to 7:30pm

Tuesday July 30, 12:00pm to 7:00pm

If you haven't heard, we are producing a Parish Photo Directory to help us acquaint ourselves with one another and strengthen the bond of our faith community! You can have your portrait taken professionally at no cost to you. There is no obligation to purchase your portrait, however Visa, Mastercard, debit, cash, and personal cheques will be accepted. Each household who has their photo taken will receive a free copy of the Parish Photo Directory book.

You are all members of our church family and our directory is not complete without you!

SEEKING KIDNEY DONOR

One of our parishioners needs a kidney organ donation. Please speak with Monsignor Smith if you are able to help with this urgent plea.



Donate to our Weekly Collection and 2nd Collection

Scan this QR code to make your donation online or visit www.holynameparish.ca/donate

SUMMER FAITH STUDY

Following the Feasts of Corpus Christi and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, please mark your calendars for our summer faith study:

PRESENCE—The Mystery of the Eucharist

Tuesdays July 9, 16, and 23

10:30 AM to 11:45 AM in the Parish Hall

A recent Pew Research survey found that only 29% of Catholics in the United States believe that the Eucharist is the actual presence of Jesus. Come and learn why the Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation, and the “source and summit” of Christian life.

2024 BURSARY AWARD



The CWL Holy Name of Jesus is pleased to award its 2024 Bursary to Anthony Athans in recognition of his accomplishments in high school and for his service and contribution to the Catholic

community. The bursary is also awarded to him as a small token of our support for his studies at UBC where he will be pursuing a degree in engineering. A ceremony honoring Anthony will take place at the 11am Mass on **Sunday June 30**. May God bless him and be with him always! Congratulations, Anthony!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 24 - Sunday, June 30, 2024
(† Deceased)

- Monday..... Celebrant's Intention
- Tuesday..... George Mitro †
- Wednesday..... Rupert Tom Yick †
- Thursday..... Hilda Abi-Rached & Family
- Friday..... Kenneth Yeung
- Saturday 9:00am..... Edward Ko †
- Saturday 5:00 pm Parishioners
- Sunday 9:00am..... Lawrence Wong Koon Heong †
- Sunday 11:00am..... Joseph Ing †