

# Holy Name of Jesus Parish

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Mass Times: Weekdays: Monday—Saturday 9:00am

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

Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

## 1ST & 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 3 & 10



Image: Prodigal Son by Timothy P. Schmalz

## **ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES**

(Vancouver West Deanery)

## **Holy Name of Jesus Parish**

Thursday December 14, at 7:00pm in conjunction with our parish evening Holy Hour with music

### Saint Mark's Parish

Sunday December 10, at 2:30pm

#### Saints Peter & Paul Parish

Tuesday December 12, at 7:00pm

## Blessed Sacrament, Saint Augustine & Saint John the Apostle Parish

Wednesday December 13, at 7:00pm

#### **Immaculate Conception Parish**

Thursday December 14, at 7:00pm

## **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish**

Wednesday December 16, at 7:00pm

## **Saint Anthony of Padua Parish**

Sunday December 17, at 6:30pm

#### ARCHBISHOP MILLER'S MESSAGE FOR ADVENT

visit rcav.org/announcements/17028

**PLEASE NOTE OFFICE CLOSURES:** The parish office will be closed December 1, and December 6 to 11 for staff holidays. In emergencies, please call Msgr. Smith's cellphone at 604-657-3715.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend's second collection supports the work of the Ministries and Outreach Office in providing formation, training, and support for youth ministries across the Archdiocese. Parishes with active and intentional youth ministry receive a rebate from this collection. Tax-deductible donations can be made at the parish or online at

<u>rcav.org/second-collection</u> Thank you for your generosity!



# DONATE TO WEEKLY COLLECTION AND/OR SECOND COLLECTION

Scan the QR code to make your donation online or visit

www.holynameparish.ca/donate



## **Epiphany Sacred Arts Guild**

The Epiphany Sacred Arts Guild (ESAG) an association of Catholic artists, will visit our parish this Sunday, December 3, for the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses. Our mission is to create, teach, and promote Catholic Sacred Art for sale and look forward to meeting and talking with you about sacred art.

FOLLOWING YONDER STAR—ADVENT RETREAT: A prayerful entry into the Advent season, journeying with the Magi as they follow the star, guided by their holy desire to encounter the Divine. This online morning retreat will engage scripture, poetry, Ignatian discernment tools, music, art, and quiet time for personal prayer and small group sharing. Takes place on Saturday, December 9 from 9:00 am—12:00 pm online. Register online at <a href="mailto:beholdvancouver.org/events">beholdvancouver.org/events</a>. Registration is open until Friday, December 8 at 8:00 pm.

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH:** The CSO Baroque Ensemble, Belle Voci and professional soloists present Handel's Messiah, conducted by Paula DeWit, on December 9. The CSO Chorus will join them on December 15 & 16.

This best-loved oratorio includes favourites such as "Hallelujah" and "The Trumpet Shall Sound". Together they present this glorious oratorio, a musical rite of the holiday season.

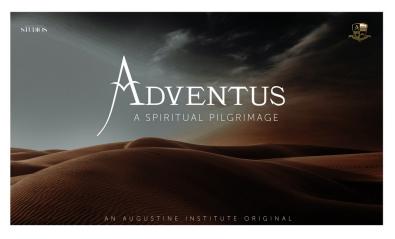
One of the special challenges in performing Messiah year after year is to keep the work sounding fresh, as if one had just discovered it. Those in attendance can expect to hear a more detailed, articulate style and quicker tempos based on Baroque dance rhythms and speech patterns.

Saturday, December 9 at Holy Rosary Cathedral at 2:00 pm.

Learn more and purchase tickets online for \$45 at beholdvancouver.org/events/messiah

**ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL** is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 School Year. An Open House for interested families will be held at the school on **Thursday, January 11, 2024** at **7:00 pm.** Please, visit the school website <a href="https://www.faithandfoundation.com">www.faithandfoundation.com</a> for more information or call the school office at **604-731-8024.** Limited spots are also available in Grades 1-7. Thank you.

**FORMED:** Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select "Holy Name of Jesus Vancouver"



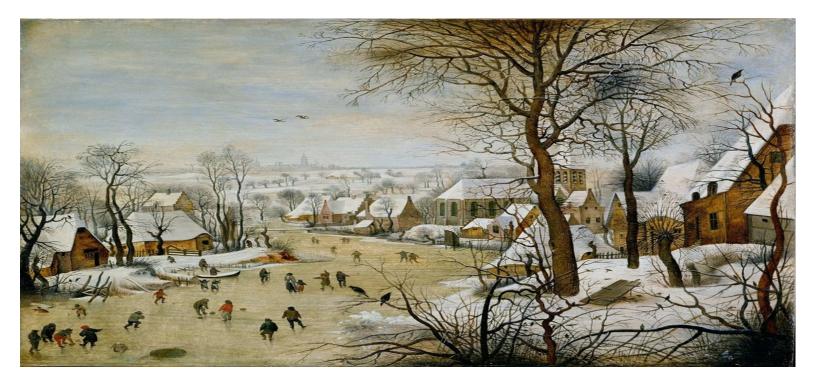
**ADVENTUS:** This special documentary takes you on a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land to see the places associated with Christ's Birth.



**FORGIVEN:** God invites each one of us to experience forgiveness and healing through His indescribable mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



SHALOM/PEACE I ADVENT: WORD STUDIES I THE BIBLE PROJECT: "Peace" is a very common word in English, that means different things to different people. It's also a very important word in the Bible that refers not only to the absence of conflict but also to the presence of something else.



AN ADVENT MESSAGE FROM SR. ANN SHIELDS — read the full piece at <a href="www.renewalministries.net/newsletter/">www.renewalministries.net/newsletter/</a>

Advent begins—preparation for the great feast of Christmas. It's time to anticipate the Savior's coming. Let's look at our priorities. What most takes our attention, time, and effort? Good things that lead to God or things that distract us from who we are and where we're going?

A well-lived Advent should nurture a desire for watching and waiting for the Lord in our lives.

Before Advent begins, let's consider how to carve out ten or fifteen extra minutes each day to say, "Lord, I want You to come into my heart and into my family more fully. Help us welcome You in body, mind, and spirit." When you open your heart to the Lord in that way, God will come.

Do you remember to thank God? If not, maybe you should pay attention to that during Advent. Is there a major sin in your life? Have you gotten through many other things and put them aside, but not this one area? I encourage you to pay attention to it now.

Do you know God's love for you? Do you read the Scriptures? Advent is a wonderful time to begin cultivating a habit. Read John 14-17 to better see God's love for you, his hope in you, and his desire for you to live with Him forever. God wants to ignite all of that in your heart. He wants to encourage you to receive all that He has for you, so that you can get rid of sin and draw closer to Him.

Give God ten extra minutes each day and say, "Lord, is there anything You want of me now? I look at my life, my sin, and my faults. I can't change all of those—but You can."

What would the Lord like us to look at with Him: problematic relationships, unforgiveness, anger, or animosity? Bring these things to God as well as gratitude for the good things He has done. Do we recall the good God has done for us, or do we forget? Do we recall great moments of grace? Do we cultivate them with gratitude so God can use us more and fill us with more peace?

This Advent season, look at the Savior who so loves us, He came in the flesh to be like one of us. Through his teaching and presence, and his life, death, and resurrection, Jesus became our Savior. He did that for you! He knows your strengths and weaknesses, the desires of your heart, and the dreams that have been shattered. He knows the pain you've experienced. He knows it all—and He says, "Come to Me."

## Christmas & New Year's Schedule

## 4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday December 23 Mass at 5:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday December 24 Mass at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

## **Christmas Eve: The Nativity of the Lord**

Sunday December 24 Mass at 5:00 pm (caroling at 4:30 pm) Mass at 10:00 pm (caroling at 9:30pm)

## **Christmas Day: The Nativity of the Lord**

Monday December 25 Mass at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday December 30 Mass at 5:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday December 31 Mass at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

## The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Sunday December 31 Mass at 5:00 pm (Anticipated Mass)

Monday January 1, 2024 Mass at 10:00 am

## The Solemnity of The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Wednesday January 3, 2024

Mass at 9:00 am

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

## Monday, December 4 — Sunday, December 10, 2023 († Deceased)

MondayPastor's Intention	
TuesdayPurificacion Hernandez †	
WednesdayMaria & Felipe Planta †	
ThursdayDawning & Henry Wong & Family	
FridaySr. Paula †	
Saturday	
9:00amTeresita & Narciso Reys †	
5:00pmRosa & Federicao Labis †	
Sunday	
9:00amHoly Name Parish	
11:00amJackson Yee	

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

## Monday, December 11 — Sunday, December 17, 2023 († Deceased)

MondayP	astor's Intention
TuesdayC	Carolyn Fung
WednesdayV	/anessa Sung
ThursdayJ	oan Murphy †
FridayD	ickson Co Lim
Saturday	
9:00am	Irene Lee
5:00pm	Dominic Tan †
Sunday	
9:00amh	loly Name Parish

11:00am......Mara Yuen †