



HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR NEW SHEPHERD!



Appointment of The Most Reverend Richard W. Smith as Twelfth Archbishop of Vancouver, BC

Early in the morning on February 25, 2025, the Vatican announced that Pope Francis has appointed Archbishop Richard W. Smith as the next Archbishop of Vancouver and accepted Archbishop J. Michael Miller's resignation from the pastoral governance of the Archdiocese. Archbishop Miller has been named Apostolic Administrator of the Archdiocese of Vancouver until the new Archbishop's arrival.

Archbishop Smith, 65, has been Archbishop of Edmonton since 2007. He has been a priest for almost 38 years and a bishop since 2002. With his move to Vancouver, he will have served the Church from coast to coast. After ministering in the Archdiocese of Halifax, his birthplace, he was named Bishop of Pembroke, Ontario, before moving to Edmonton.

During his 17 years in Edmonton, Archbishop Smith served as President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, spiritual adviser to the Catholic Women's League of Canada, and on the board of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute. The Archbishop is currently a member of the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA).

Archbishop Smith was the general coordinator of Pope Francis' historic pilgrimage to Canada in July 2022—the fourth papal visit to Canada and the first since Saint John Paul II visited in 2002. In Halifax, he held the office of vicar general and was responsible for pastoral ministry to French-speaking Catholics in the Archdiocese.

Archbishop Smith was chaplain to the deaf community in Halifax from 1986-1991. He was also a professor of theology at St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario.

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Ordained to the priesthood on May 23, 1987, for the Archdiocese of Halifax, Archbishop Smith pursued further studies in theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, earning a licentiate degree in 1993 and a doctorate in 1998.

Archbishop Smith extended his heartfelt appreciation to Archbishop Miller “for the wonderful leadership he has provided. I wish him God’s choicest blessings as he enters retirement. He has served in exemplary fashion both the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the Church in Canada.



“I look forward to meeting the clergy, consecrated women, men, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese, and pray that the Lord will enrich us all with the grace we need to embrace anew and together the great mission of the Church.”

Archbishop Miller greeted the appointment with “gratitude to the Holy Father and great satisfaction,” assuring Archbishop Smith of his prayers and fraternal support.

Vancouver has been given a shepherd of extraordinary gifts and vast experience.

ARCHBISHOP J. MICHAEL MILLER

“We warmly welcome Archbishop Smith, who is already familiar with the challenges facing us here—evangelization, passing on the faith to

young people, Indigenous reconciliation, vocations to the priesthood, to name just a few.

“I am extremely happy knowing that the faithful of this Archdiocese are entrusted to such capable and dedicated hands.

“We are deeply grateful to Pope Francis for discerning this appointment over an extended period of time, allowing it to be announced even as he deals with serious illness.”

“We have waited a long time for the next Archbishop,” Archbishop Miller observed, “But it has proved well worth the wait.”

In connection with the announcement of the appointment, Archbishop Miller and Archbishop Smith called for renewed prayers for Pope Francis.

“We have been very close to the Holy Father in recent days, praying fervently for him throughout the Archdiocese. The appointment of a new Archbishop brings the Pope and his ministry as Successor of Peter even nearer to our hearts and minds,” Archbishop Miller said.

Archbishop Smith said “Let us unite in prayer at this particular moment for our beloved Pope Francis. May the Lord grant him strength and peace in this time of serious illness.”



Learn more about Archbishop Smith
rcav.org/archbishop-smith

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Catholic Women's League



Look for our Catholic Women's League (CWL) members wearing blue scarves in the church foyer after all Sunday Masses this weekend, **March 1 & 2**. They will be available to chat and answer your questions about the CWL, such as: *Who are the CWL? What does the CWL do? Why should I join CWL?*

Lent 2025 Draws Near



Ash Wednesday is this **Wednesday, March 5**. There will be Mass and Distribution of Ashes at **9 AM** and **7 PM**.

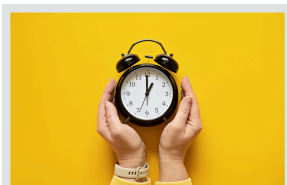
Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence in Canada for those ages 18 through 60 (unless impeded by health concerns).



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent, join us in praying Mary's Way of the Cross together in the church at 7 PM: **March 7, 14, 21, 28 & April 11**.

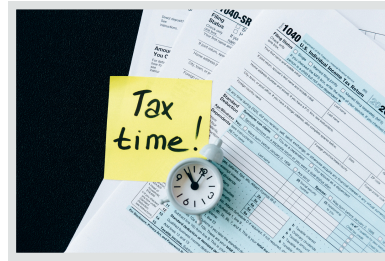
NOTE: There will be no Stations of the Cross on Friday April 4 due to a Memorial Mass for Fr. Fred Buttner at 7pm.



DAYLIGHT SAVING BEGINS

Next Sunday, March 9, remember: your clocks *spring forward* by one hour!

Going, Going, Gone!



Your **2024 Income Tax Receipts** are ready for pick-up in the church foyer this weekend, **March 1 & 2**. Project Advance

receipts are also enclosed. Please go to the Welcome Table and one of our Hospitality Ministers will be happy to assist you. Thank you for your generous donations.



Reminder: please pick up your **Parish Photo Directory** from the Welcome Table in the church foyer this weekend.

Have you ever sat next to someone in church for years and felt embarrassed because you could not remember their name? You are not alone! Our Parish Photo Directory is a handy resource for all our community members! If you did not have your picture taken but would still like a copy, you may purchase one for **\$5.00** from a Hospitality Minister or from the parish office.



Faith Study for Young Adults, Led by Young Adults

SATURDAYS IN LENT AT 6 PM

Young Adults ages 19-39 are invited to join Ignite for a Lenten faith study. This 6-week program will follow **Into His Likeness** by Dr. Edward Sri and will discuss what it means to be a disciple of Christ. The studies will take place at **6 PM** (after 5 PM Mass) on all Saturdays in Lent starting **next Saturday, March 8**.

The series will conclude with Easter Vigil on April 19th. Dinner will be provided for attendees. Please sign up at holynameparish.ca/ignite or email ignite@holynameparish.ca for more information.



Archdiocese of Vancouver
ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

March 2, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday March 3 to
Sunday March 9, 2025
(† Deceased)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I invite you to support our retired priests through the St. Joseph's Society collection on Sunday, March 9. This annual appeal assists our retired clergy who have dedicated their lives to serving our local Church.

Throughout their years of priestly service, these men have celebrated the Sacraments, preached the Gospel, and accompanied you in times of joy and sorrow. In our Archdiocese, priests are responsible for saving for their own retirement through a pension plan administered by the St. Joseph's Society. Their modest income means the Canada Pension Plan only contributes a small portion to their retirement allowance. Unexpected medical costs or long-term care can quickly deplete their savings.

While our retired clergy are no longer supported by a parish assignment, many of them continue to be active in their priestly ministry, offering the Sacraments and spiritual guidance to the faithful. This is a testament to their selfless desire to serve you and accompany you on your journey to heaven.

Your support ensures that our retired priests can live with dignity and security. The St. Joseph's Society relies on your generosity to provide for their essential needs, including living arrangements and quality medical care.

I ask you to express your gratitude for our retired priests' many years of service by contributing generously to the St. Joseph's Society collection on Sunday, March 9.

With the assurance of my prayers for you and your families during this Lenten season, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ J. Michael Miller CSB

J. Michael Miller, CSB
Apostolic Administrator

MONDAY

Celebrant's Intention

TUESDAY

Sabina Chow

WEDNESDAY

Max Lim

THURSDAY

Janine Lieu †

FRIDAY

Patrick Dunworth †

SATURDAY 9 am

Ong Chai Hua †

SATURDAY 5 pm

Kevin Byrne †

SUNDAY 9 am

Francisca Ong

SUNDAY 11 am

Parishioners

*For it is out of the
abundance of the
heart that the mouth
speaks.*

LUKE 6:45