



# HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Explore life faith & meaning

Is there more  
to life  
than this?

Starting from  
September 13

Every Saturday,  
6:30 pm

[holynameparish.ca/alpha](http://holynameparish.ca/alpha)

## HOW TO INVITE SOMEONE TO ALPHA

It isn't always easy inviting our family members, friends, classmates, or co-workers to "just come and check out" the Catholic faith. Mass can be disorienting or intimidating for someone who has been away for some time or someone who has no religious formation.

We need to provide a welcoming, hospitable, friendly, and non-judgmental place to invite people to. A place where they feel they can be themselves and ask questions.

That's what Alpha is.

If you don't think you're ready to invite a certain someone to Alpha, then ask the Holy Spirit to do the heavy lifting for you! God has someone in mind for you to introduce to Jesus. You just need to ask Him who it is.

**Step 1:** Identify someone in a spirit of humility.

**Step 2:** Intercede for that person in communion with the Holy Spirit.

**Step 3:** Connect in Eucharistic friendship.

**Step 4:** Invite that person on a path most suitable for him or her.



### Pray, then invite

Share this QR code with the person you invite, or go to  
[holynameparish.ca/alpha](http://holynameparish.ca/alpha)

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Weekday Mass: Monday – Saturday 9 am

Sunday Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm (Anticipated Mass), Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Confession: Monday – Friday 8:40 to 8:55 am | Saturday 9:30 to 10:00 am | Saturday 4:00 to 4:50 pm

# WE HAVE TWO MORE SAINTS!!

Pope Leo will canonize two Saints – one teenager and one young adult – on Sunday, September 7 at 10:00 am local time in Rome (1:00 am Vancouver time).



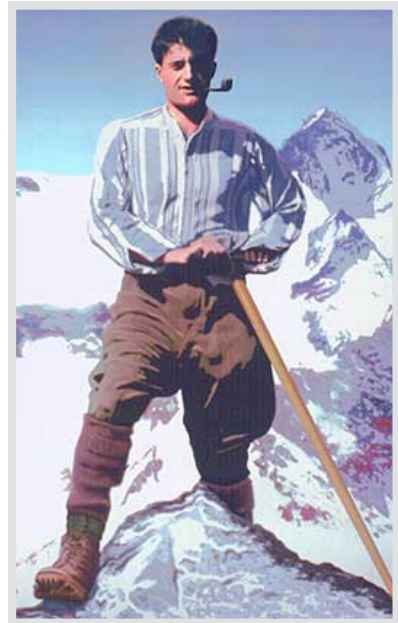
## CARLO ACUTIS

The first millennial Saint  
a.k.a. “God’s Influencer”

Carlo, a British-born Italian who died of leukemia in 2006 at age 15, was an ordinary boy who loved playing video games such as Halo, Mario, and Pokémon, although his mother claims he limited himself to just one hour of gaming a week to avoid addiction. Carlo learned several computer coding languages before his death and built websites to spread his faith.

Carlo’s sainthood is credited with healing a 4-year-old Brazilian boy who had a serious pancreatic malformation and a 21-year-old Costa Rican woman who was near death after a bicycle accident.

Saint Carlo Acutis, patron of the internet and “God’s influencer”, be our friend in heaven and pray for us, that we who struggle with internet and gaming addictions may be healed by the Holy Spirit with gifts of fortitude and self-control.



## PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

Patron for youth, young adults,  
athletes, and "ordinary people"

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925) was a young man filled with joy who lived a life of charity, faith and social justice. Upon completing his studies in engineering, his father gave him a large fund as a graduation present, and he chose to give it to the poor instead of using it for himself.

Frassati was considered extraordinary in his “ordinariness”, and is a great role model for ordinary people who strive to live their everyday lives to the fullest.

He saw many parallels between Catholic life and his favorite pastime sport, mountain-climbing. After what would become his final climb he wrote a simple note on a photo: "Verso L'Alto", which means "to the heights."

Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati, pray for us that we may encounter Christ in our lives to the fullest.

# PREP BEGINS THIS WEEK

PREP Parent/Teacher  
Orientation Night

**Thursday,  
September 11**  
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm



First Day of Classes

**Thursday,  
September 18**  
6:00 pm to 7:15 pm



PREP classes—our parish program for children not attending Catholic schools—begins next week. This is your reminder to register your child(ren) using the paper forms on the Welcome Table at the back of the church, or download them as PDF files from: [holynameparish.ca/prep](http://holynameparish.ca/prep).

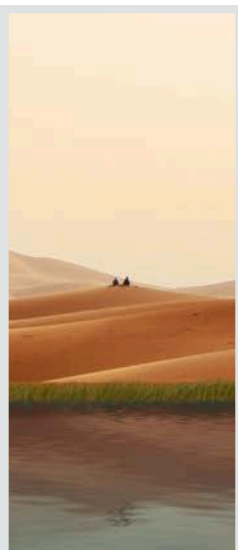
## HEALING & RECONCILIATION



Next weekend, **September 13 & 14**, there will be a Second Collection taken up for the Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Fund.

## OASIS

Every month on the 2nd Thursday, we open our church doors in the evening for those who are seeking calm. We call this hour Oasis. Oasis is a night of candlelit adoration, peaceful reflection, and uplifting music with prayer ministers available to pray with you for your intentions. Come to Oasis on **Thursday, September 11** at 7:00 pm until 8:00 pm, even if you only have time to light a candle and stay a few minutes.



## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



... or know a family member or friend who is on the path? Please speak with **Paul Vo**, our Parish Coordinator immediately because we are making plans to start RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) **this October**. Right now, there are two cohorts in the works: one for adults (ages 19 and up) and one for teenagers (ages 13-18). You can also email Paul at [rcia@holynameparish.ca](mailto:rcia@holynameparish.ca) to express your interest and ask any questions you may have.

## CAN YOU HELP?

The Sunday Collection helps support the parish's weekly operational needs, such as utilities, maintenance, salaries, and activities within the Church.



Scan the QR code to donate to this week's Sunday Collection or visit [holynameparish.ca/donate](http://holynameparish.ca/donate)

“All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God.”

Deuteronomy 16:17



# THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

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This Week on Formed  
Week of September 07, 2025

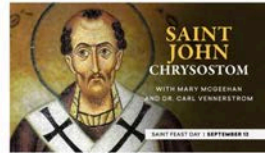


Next Sunday, **September 14** is The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This solemn celebration of Christ's triumph over death by resurrection falls on a Sunday once every seven years!



## The Boy from Milan

You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving 'gamer saint' of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



## St. John Chrysostom | Catholic Saints

From Antioch, the political center of the fifth-century world, arose a golden-tongued preacher and bishop: St. John Chrysostom. Listen to Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan discuss the life and preaching of this great doctor of the Church who gave us countless powerful prayers and homilies.



## Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer

"Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer" is a beautifully animated film that brings to life the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share the Catholic faith with the world.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](https://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

To celebrate this special Feast of Our Lord, Monsignor Smith will bring his relic of the True Cross and offer a blessing over the people after each Sunday Mass (Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 9:00 am, Sunday 11:00 am). After each Mass, the church will remain open for 30 minutes and there will be opportunities for public viewing and veneration of the relic, which will be displayed on the sanctuary altar.

Art: *It is finished* by [Jorge Cocco Santángelo](#)

## SUNDAY CAFÉ NEXT WEEK



Also next Sunday, **September 14** is our Sunday Café after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses (outdoors, weather-permitting).

Every month, we host a Sunday Café. The purpose of the Sunday Café is *community*. Come and say hello to a fellow parishioner

and learn their name, or make plans to meet a friend there and catch up. Every Sunday Café has a delicious treat served to you for free by our generous Catholic Women's League. This month's treat is freshly baked croissants!

**LINE DANCING** is postponed until further notice during hall construction.



## GLORY TO GOD

In gratitude for His great gift of faith, we want to thank God for all those who have become new members of our faith community in these past months, and last Sunday, we were blessed to be able to joyfully celebrate the baptism of Sophie Sy!

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday Sept. 8 to Sunday Sept. 14, 2025  
(† Deceased)

**MONDAY** Peter Tung Thu Nguyen †

**TUESDAY** Timmy Chan

**WEDNESDAY** Victoria Rodriguez

**THURSDAY** Jacqueline Athans

**FRIDAY** Mr. & Mrs. Lee Yuen Fong & Family †

**SATURDAY**

**9 AM** Narciso Sr., Teresita & Marivic Reyes †

**5 PM** Clemente Santiago †

**SUNDAY**

**9 AM** Joseph Ing †

**11 AM** Parishioners