

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

1st SUNDAY in LENT
February 18th, 2018

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM;
 Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM;
 Saturdays & Public Holidays, 9:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Fri: before 8 AM Mass;
 Sat: 9:30 AM & 4:15 - 4:45 PM.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUN	February 18 th First Sunday LENT	9 am 11 am	FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	February 19	8 am	† Rosa Lugay
Tue	February 20	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Aida Millare</i>
Wed	February 21	8 am	† Leo Sullivan
Thu	February 22 St Peter's Chair	8 am	† Peter Seeley
Fri	February 23	8 am 7:00 PM	<i>Sp. Int. Purdy & Yin Tsui</i> † Gina Charles
Sat	February 24	9 am 5 pm	† Fr. Ted Brereton † Emanuele Fumagalli
SUN	February 25 th Second Sunday LENT	9 am 11 am	FOR PARISHIONERS
			† Wegner † Kiefer Families

Johnny told his wife that he is giving up liquor for Lent. One evening the wife accosted him: "Johnny, you promised to give up liquor!" Johnny answered, "I promised to give up liquor, hard liquor. This is just a beer." Today, we find Jesus in the desert being tempted by the devil. The Gospel tells us that Jesus and the devil are not alone. That Jesus was with wild beasts and the angels ministered to Him. But that is only one way of reading this text. It is also possible to see the presence of the wild beasts and the angels not as additional characters but as descriptions of the ways in which Satan comes to test Jesus. But can we imagine Satan approaching as an angel?

In the Sistine Chapel, there is a fresco of today's Gospel, painted by Botticelli. The onlookers will have no idea that its topic is the temptation of Christ. The painting presents Jesus in conversation with a man dressed as a monk with a Rosary in his hand. But scrutinizing the painting, you'll see that under the hem of the monk's habit are two clawed feet and that on the back of the monk, there are two small black wings. Botticelli understood that the devil does not usually come to us as a wild beast but often approaches dressed in something that is holy and good.

During this time, we need to know the true nature of evil. Peace is a genuine good. But when the desire to keep the peace leads us to be dishonest, or prevents us from telling our friends that what they are doing is wrong, then peace becomes merely a garb to cover something harmful. The devil is pleased to use peace so that we might enable others to fall. Be wary of the devil's deception.

Service and giving of ourselves for the sake of another, is following the example of Christ. But when others abused our generosity or manipulate us, or when our service is used to abuse or hurt us, it is no longer good. The devil can use our desire to give as a way to enslave us. That is why we must draw boundaries to protect ourselves. Be wary of the devil's sham.

Love is Jesus' greatest commandment. The love of our family and friends is a profound good. But love of the people close to us can be used to diminish those who are different from us. The devil delights in using the love of our family and friends or the love of our country to lessen and denigrate others. Be wary of the devil's tricks.

If the devil were to come to us as a wild beast, we know and would run away. But when an angel approaches, we should also pay attention.



Today's Gospel warns us to examine the words of any angel. If the voices we hear distract us from loving God and others, do not listen. Run!

Fr. Joseph

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

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Catholic Cemeteries are a link between the living & the departed.



DATE	Sat. Feb 24 th : 5 PM	Sun. Feb 25 th : 9 AM	Sun. Feb 25 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	LORETTA van UNEN PAT BATTENSBY	BARBARA PENNEFATHER HANAN HADDAD	LORNA DALINGHAUS JOAN FORRESTER
LECTOR	THE WALTONS	MARTINE BORE	DELIA HUGHES
EMHC	STEPHANIE LOCKING	DON VICIC	JAN HERRICK
SOCIAL HOSTS	◊	ROCIO HAUSER	KAREN BALOGH

St. Anthony's **P**arish **R**eligious **E**ducation **P**rogram (**PREP**): Every Wednesday for students in Grades 1 - 7 not attending Catholic Schools. For other Sacramental Information, phone the Parish Office or email: parish.sawv@rcav.org.

DURING LENT @ ST ANTHONY'S . . .

THIS SUNDAY, February 18th, everyone is invited to a *Eucharistic Holy Hour* from 6:00 - 7:00 PM.

This is a WEEKLY opportunity for us to spend an hour in silent prayer. We conclude with *Vespers* and *Benediction*.

EVERY FRIDAY, **MASSES** are at 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM; The 7:00 PM Mass will be followed by *Stations of the Cross*.



"ROAD TO LA VERNA"

Feb. 19th, 7 PM & 20th, 9:30 AM.
Secular Franciscans, Don & Anna,
will lead us on a enriching journey to
La Verna where St. Francis received
the Stigmata. **ALL WELCOME!**

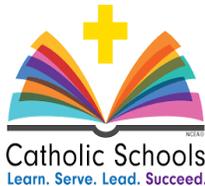
SA Elementary School

OPEN HOUSE

Tue. Feb. 20th

6:00 - 8:00 PM.

ALL WELCOME!



St. Thomas Aquinas School

Gr 8 Placement EXAM

Tue. Feb. 20th

9:00 AM.

ALL WELCOME!

FREE WORKSHOP @ C/REDEEMER PARISH

Thursday, February 22nd, 7 PM

"Power of Attorney and Representation Agreement"

It is important to know the difference and what they represent.

Presenters: Tim Lack & Jacy Wingson, QC.

Register, at: <http://rcav.org/epg>.



LECTIO DIVINA

Reading the Scripture
Reflecting on the Meaning
Responding through Prayer
Resting in God
Responding in Action

Lectio Meditatio Oratio Contemplatio Operatio

LECTIO DIVINA
Saturday, February 24th
10 AM, in Church.
Praying with Scriptures
with Fr. Gary.
ALL WELCOME!

"LIFE IN THE SPIRIT" SEMINAR

Yesterday, (February 17th) we had the FIFTH speaker of our 7-Saturday seminar called, "*Life in the Spirit*".

Very Rev. Fr. Gary Franken,

our very own pastor presented, "BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT".

NEXT SATURDAY, (February 24th), our Guest speaker, **Rev. Msgr. Gregory Smith**, Christ the Redeemer pastor, will be presenting, "GROWTH".

Please join us in your prayers for all the people who are attending "*Life in the Spirit*" Seminar and for the Speakers.

VIRGINIA FORSYTH BURSARY FUND

2 Students from St. Anthony's Parish pursuing post-secondary education are invited to apply for the Bursary Fund.

Virginia Forsyth was a St. Anthony's parishioner.

Information package will be available from the Parish Office, **SOON!**

CWL CORNER . . .

Mass & General Meeting, Tuesday, 27th Feb, 7 PM.

Guest speaker, **Very Rev. Fr. Gary Franken.**

Retreat at the Abbey, April 13th -15th;

Retreat Director, **Rev. Fr. Vincent Hawkswell.**

Only 17 spaces available.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2018 CAMPAIGN

The campaign for *Vancouver 40 Days for Life* will take place from February 14th to March 25th.

We invite all parishioners to take part in this campaign by committing to an hour of prayer at BC Women's Hospital.

Our Saint Anthony's Parish assigned date is:

Thursday, March 8th, 7 AM - 7 PM.

Sign-up sheets are in the Vestibule and we encourage you to sign up for one hour. Unable on that date, please visit *Vigil Sign Up Online* and pick your date and time.

Thank you for helping with this very important endeavor to end abortion in Canada.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION . . .

First Sunday in Lent

Images in the modern media are exercising powerful negative influences in our culture.

"Whoever controls the images, controls the culture"

Bishop Robert Morneau.

We do well to be aware of the images that tempt us.

Images that tempt us to chase after things that hinder our ability to be the best disciples and stewards we can be.

Prayer, patience, and perseverance

give us the strength to resist temptation.

"Don't worry about anything, but pray about everything" (Phil. 4:6)

Be patient in getting things, resist becoming a slave to instant gratification. When you are weak,

seek God's unconditional mercy and He will give you strength.

And, with hope and joy, persevere in your journey to being the best disciple and steward you can be.

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D&P FREE WORKSHOP

Saturday, Feb. 24th, 9:30 AM @ St. Patrick's, Vancouver

Development & Peace – Caritas Canada

invites you to a free workshop, "*Together for Peace*",

Register: pinky.devpeace@gmail.com; (604) 612-9677.

SHARE LENT SPECIAL COLLECTION

March 17th - 18th

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada's

Share Lent theme is "*Together for Peace*," which follows up on our fall 2017 write-in campaign of "Peace be with Her."

After 10 years of campaigning, we celebrate the just-announced

appointment of an ombudsman to oversee the responsible social behaviour of the extractive mining industries at home

and abroad and are thankful for the over \$1-million D&P response to the Rohingya crisis in Myanmar.

In a world rife with religious, ethnic, and political conflicts,

D&P is working to heed the words of St. Francis

and be "instruments of God's peace and of bringing hope where there is despair."

Thank you for your generous D&P support .

CARDINAL TAGLE IN VANCOUVER

Monday, March 19th, 6 PM, *QE Theatre*, Vancouver

Cardinal Luis Antonio TAGLE, Archbishop of Manila, will highlight one of our Archdiocesan Priorities and Goals:

Strengthening Marriages and Families.

Cardinal Tagle will address the challenges of living the faith within family life. *Family time*, continues to be an almost lost reality for many today due to many distractions.

Visit: <http://rcav.org/event/cardinal-tagle>.