

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY December 30th, 2018

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A woman sitting on her front porch was watching little Johnny furiously riding down the sidewalk on his tricycle past her house. A few moments later, he turned the corner at the other end of the block and rode again past her house as fast as he could. This happened several times. Finally, the woman called out, "Johnny, where are you riding to in such a rush?"

The boy answered, "I'm running away from home. My family hates me." The woman inquired, "But, if you're running away from home, why do you keep riding around the block?" Johnny called back, "My mother won't let me cross the street by myself."

Family: Can't live with them, and can't live without them. And that's just the way that it is. If I were to ask you who are the people you love most in life, the answer would often be family. If I were to ask you who has hurt you the most in your life, family could also be the answer. The people in our family are the people whom we care for and are proud of. They are also the people who worry us and disappoint us. It is clear that family is a mixed bag.

This is true of the Holy Family. Even though we tend to idealize Jesus, Mary, and Joseph - picturing them the way that they appear on holy cards - today's Gospel makes clear that they had their moments. In this visit to Jerusalem at Passover when Jesus remains behind, the holy family fails to communicate with one another, misunderstands and hurts one another. Mary says to Jesus, "Son, why have you done this to us?" And Jesus answers, "It's not my problem. You should have known." That's rather typical of a family argument. But the important thing about this story is what happens after the argument.

The Gospel tells us that Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth and remained obedient to them. In other words, Jesus learned something from living in His family. We easily imagine that Jesus learned from Joseph and Mary how to pray and love. But it is also true that Jesus learned how to bite His lip and forgive.

The same is true for us. We learn in our families how to love and serve others. We also learn how to adjust and to say we are sorry. So instead of setting up some idealized picture of family that makes us feel guilty every time we argue or hurt one another, it might be better to see family as a place to learn: a place to learn how to live. In family we learn what is easy and joyful.



We also learn what is difficult and painful. All of this is what makes family important.

Fr. Joseph

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	December 30 Holy Family	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS <i>Sp. Int. Nowakowski Family</i>
Mon	December 31 New Year's Vigil	8 am 5:00 PM	<i>In Thanksgiving</i> FOR PARISHIONERS
Tue	January 1 st Holy Mother of God	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS FOR PARISHIONERS
Wed	January 2 Sts Basil/Gregory	8 am	† Betty Harrison
Thu	January 3	8 am	† Consuelo Tiu
1 st Fri	January 4	8 am 7 pm	† Gina Charles <i>Sp. Int. Maria Micallef</i>
Sat	January 5	8 am 5:00 PM	† Bernard Rovner † Basim Azzam
SUN	January 6 Epiphany	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<i>Sp. Int. Maria Micallef</i> FOR PARISHIONERS

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



DATE	Sat. Jan. 5 th : 5PM	Sun. Jan. 6 th : 9 AM	Sun. Jan. 6 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	LORETTA van UNEN ROSE ZALWANGO	VALERIE DUNCAN WENDY GRAY	LARRY TRACH LORNA DALINGHAUS
LECTOR	ROBERT BUTLER	MARTINE BORE	LARRY TRACH
EMHC	ROSE ZALWANGO	DEACON TONY	MONIQUE CATTERMOLE
SOCIAL HOSTS	◊	ROSE MOJECA	CECILIA SON

St. Anthony's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Every Wednesday for students in Grades 1 - 7 not attending Catholic Schools. For other Sacramental Information, phone the Parish Office or email: parish.saww@rcav.org.



**NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES
SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD**

December 31st 2018
5:00 PM
January 1st, 2019
9:00 AM
11:00 AM

**Thank you for your generosity
towards Flowers for Christmas.
NEW YEAR'S Holy Masses
are for the Intentions you've
written on the Flower Envelopes.**



**2019 Calendars & Sunday Envelopes
Ready for pick-up in Vestibule.
Can't find your set of Envelopes?
Phone Joseph (604) 926-6881.**

FR. LARRY LYNN, MARCHING FOR LIFE

Friday, January 18th, in Washington, D.C.

Father Larry Lynn is going to Washington, D.C.
to march for joy, for love, for peace...to march for life.
Anyone interested to join him? Clergy? Youth ministers,
Old Guard Pro-Lifers?

Come to Washington and help Father Larry bring back some of
that beautiful energy that is generated by 500,000 people,
mostly young people, all celebrating the simple fact
that life is precious.

Phone: (604) 926-6881 or Visit: <https://rcav.org/event/march-for-life-3>.

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Every Thursday: 5:30 PM
with Benediction at 8:00 PM;
Every First Friday: following the 8 AM Mass
with Benediction at 4:00 PM;
Every First Sunday, @ 6 PM
with Benediction at 7:00 PM;

**"So, could you not watch with me
one hour?"**

(Matthew 26:40)



**Evening Charismatic
Prayer Meeting is
NOW ON SATURDAYS
starting January 5th, 2019
@ 7:00 PM. All Welcome!**



"FIAT" - FOR ALL SINGLE WOMEN

Saturday, January 12th

FIAT, the Archdiocesan women's vocation discernment group
invite all single Catholic women 18+ who are *open to
discerning and responding to God's call in their life,*
to another year of events starting with
January 12th *Snowshoeing Expedition.*

Email: womensvocations@rcav.org for more information.

THANK-YOU!



To all the generous parishioners who
spent hours and energy in gathering,
building and shopping materials
to create beautiful Christmas decorations for our church.
Apologies if we missed anyone...thank you Bruno and
Paul for building the Creche platform; Kaayla and Bob for
securing and getting the Christmas trees up; Cecilia, Kathy,
Christine, Niko & Sophie for setting up the decorations.
Thank you also to Christine and her volunteers for the
refreshments at the Boxing Day Skating Party.
Thank you to all who in their very quiet way have been
very much a part of the parish "Elves working party"
in the background.

God bless for 2019!

Fr. Gary & Fr. Larry

Also, Thank-you to all for your personal kindness to us.

JOURNEY DISCIPLESHIP COURSE

Jan. 15th, 7 PM @ 10th Church, Vancouver

The Journey Discipleship Course is a comprehensive course
that incorporates prayer, providing in-depth discipleship and
spiritual care with the goal of helping individuals experience
Jesus in their relationships, sexuality, and identity.

Venue: Tenth Church, 11 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver.

For more info or to register visit [journeycanada.org/...](http://journeycanada.org/)

*Journey Canada is a non-denominational community-based,
Christ-centred discipleship ministry supported by the
Archdiocese of Vancouver.*

WINTER INSTITUTE

Saturday, Jan. 19th, 10 AM @ Notre Dame High School

Archdiocesan Institutes are dedicated to the Church's mission of
lifelong faith formation. Our one-day courses equip Catholics
with the knowledge, skills, and spiritual foundation necessary
for active participation in the life of the Church.

With Winter Institute approaching, take this opportunity to
prepare yourself and your catechists for the start of the new
year. *Basics of the Faith* and *Discovering the Gospels* are great
courses to renew, refocus, and refresh yourself for 2019.

Cost: \$40 per person, includes lunch.

Register at: rcav.org/winter-institute

SAVE THESE DATES ...

MEN'S SILENT RETREAT:

March 15th -17th, @ Westminster Abbey, Mission

Visit: <https://rcav.org/event/mens-silent-retreat/>

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

May 3rd & 4th, in Surrey, BC.

Visit: www.liferestoration.ca/womensconference/

LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT?...

Visit these sites for more information:

humanresources@rcav.org; or hr@corpuschristi.ca; or www.cisva.bc.ca

"QUO VADIS" - FOR ALL SINGLE MEN

Wednesday, January 23rd

Join us for a Discernment Evening with Fr. Nick Meisl
at St. Patrick's, 2881 Main Street, Vancouver.

Open to all single Catholic men 18+ who want to answer the
question: *"What is God calling me to do with my life?"*

Please register by contacting the Vocations Office by
Phone: (604) 443-3254 or Visit: vocations@rcav.org.