

# ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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We are just a few days into our new calendar year, and perhaps resolutions we might have made have already fallen by the wayside. It takes more than a solemn pre-midnight declaration to change the course of our lives. Yet our desire for change as we start a new year is perfectly understandable. What would we be without goals and ambitions to pursue?

The story of the Magi, the wise men, which is at the heart of this great solemnity of the Epiphany, is a story of a life changing revelation and encounter with the Christ child. The word "Epiphany" means "showing forth" or "revelation". Today, we celebrate God revealing Himself, in the person of the baby Jesus. It was a most significant encounter for the wise men. They, who lived their lives seeking for the truth, find the very source in the Christ child. And having done Him homage and offered Him gifts they went home, transformed taking the message of salvation with them.

The need to change the course in life is an expression of a deeply rooted desire to find fulfilment. For those who believe in God, this fulfilment is found in Jesus Christ. It is through this relationship with Christ that the human quest for happiness and fulfilment is given shape and direction, and by grace, can be shaped towards the goal of human life, which is God himself.

But, somehow, we still get caught in the same kind of struggles as non-Christians, and we often show little or no sign that we have had that encounter with Christ, or any evidence that we are truly in relationship with Him. Our lives, rather than heading in the direction shaped for us by grace, remain within the confines of our own attempts at self-improvement.

At the beginning of Christ's life, God reached out to the pagan world and offered it His salvation. God continues to reach out to us and reveal Himself to us.

One key thing about our celebration of the Epiphany is that it should bring us back to an encounter with the Child in the manger - and so back to the object of our faith. And having encountered and worshipped Him, as the wise men did, we should go on our way by a different path, with lives lived in and through a growing relationship with Him.

*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	January 6 The Epiphany of the Lord	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sp. Int. Maria Micallef FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	January 7 St. André Bessette	8 am	† John † Margaret Micallef
Tue	January 8	8 am	† Ed Hauser
Wed	January 9	8 am	† Remo Gambioli
Thu	January 10	8 am	Sp. Int. Johannes Klunder
Fri	January 11	8 am	† Gabriella Micallef
Sat	January 12 St. Marguerite Bourgeoys	9 am 5:00 PM	Sp. Int. Alf & M. Dumont FOR PARISHIONERS
SUN	January 13 The Baptism of the Lord	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sp. Int. Brandon & Alena † Severina Aquino

### ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

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 between the living & the departed.

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DATE	Sat. Jan. 12 <sup>th</sup> : 5PM	Sun. Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup> : 9 AM	Sun. Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup> : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	GLORIA LOWE JANE TORRESAN	BARBARA PENNEFATHER KATHY NG	RITA RACZ JOANN CULLEN
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EMHC	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY
SOCIAL HOSTS	◊	LOLLIE ADAM	JULIE BARTLETT

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.sawv@rcav.org](mailto:parish.sawv@rcav.org).



## 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 - which this month is  
**THIS SUNDAY**, January 6th @ 6 PM  
with Benediction at 7:00 PM;

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

(Matthew 26:40)

### **“Catholic Faith” in Plain English IS BACK!**

**Monday, Jan. 7th, 11 AM in the Hall.**

**Topic: “SUPERNATURAL LIFE”**

**Catholics & non-Catholics, WELCOME!**

**Attend, even for just a few sessions.**

The Catholic Faith  
In Plain English



### **WE’RE ALSO BACK!**

NOT JUST “Catholic Faith” in Plain English, but also . . .

*Silent Meditation*: Tuesdays, 7 PM;

*Parish Religious Education Programme*, Wednesdays, 6 PM;

*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*, Thursday, 7:15 PM;

*Charismatic Prayer Meeting*, Saturdays, 7:00 PM.



### **URGENT NEED @ SA PARISH . . .**

**2nd Sundays, 9 AM After-Mass Host**

**to replace our former volunteer  
who just delivered her baby.**

**Please call Lollie (604) 926-1411.**

### **FR. LARRY LYNN, MARCHING FOR LIFE**

Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 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>.

### **EXERCISES @ SA PARISH . . .**

**“Aging Backwards” with Blanca,**

**Tuesdays, 4:15 PM;**

**“Breathing & Relaxation” with Maria,**

**Thursdays, 1 PM & Fridays, 10 AM.**

**ALL WELCOME!**



### **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION . . .**

In Hispanic congregations, Epiphany is a time  
for festive celebration and sharing gifts in response to the story  
of the Magi bringing gifts to the house (not the stable)  
where Jesus and Mary were.

Of course, there are plenty of jokes around about what gifts might  
have been offered if the travelers had been women.

What gifts are you bringing, to celebrate the arrival of Jesus?

On this first Sunday of a new calendar year, may we all consider  
ways we can offer treasures from our own lives:  
time, talent and treasure.

*God of all life, we remember the story of the Magi  
who traveled long distances and shared their gifts.*

*We are eager to share our gifts as we begin this new year,  
anticipating the journeys and opportunities  
of these next twelve months.*

*Help us use this offering to share the Good News of Jesus  
as we put it to use in the ministries to which He call us.*

AMEN.

### **CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

**Jan. 12th & 13th & 19th & 20th.**

**Time to RENEW for members and**

**Non-member Ladies of our parish . . .**

**check us out, or better still, JOIN US.**



### **JOURNEY DISCIPLESHIP COURSE**

**Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM @ 10<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver.

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

### **WINTER INSTITUTE**

**Saturday, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM @ Notre Dame High School**

This one-day course equips Catholics with the knowledge,  
skills, and spiritual foundation necessary for active participation  
in the life of the Church.

*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](http://rcav.org/winter-institute).

### **SAVE THESE DATES . . .**

**MEN’S SILENT RETREAT:**

March 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>, @ Westminster Abbey, Mission

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

**WOMEN’S CONFERENCE:**

May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, in Surrey, BC.

Visit: [www.liferestoration.ca/womensconference/](http://www.liferestoration.ca/womensconference/)

### **LOOKING FOR EMPLOYMENT? . . .**

Visit these sites for more information:

[humanresources@rcav.org](mailto:humanresources@rcav.org); or [hr@corpuschristi.ca](mailto:hr@corpuschristi.ca); or [www.cisva.bc.ca](http://www.cisva.bc.ca).

### **“FIAT” - FOR ALL SINGLE WOMEN**

**Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

*FIAT*, the Archdiocesan women’s vocation discernment group  
invites 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 12<sup>th</sup> *Snowshoeing Expedition*.

Email: [womensvocations@rcav.org](mailto:womensvocations@rcav.org) for more information.

### **“QUO VADIS” - FOR ALL SINGLE MEN**

**Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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](mailto:vocations@rcav.org).