

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

2nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME January 20th, 2019

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Today's Gospel is a model for Prayer. Mary asks Jesus for what she needs. I believe it would be wise for us to follow the way that Mary's request plays out.

Today's Gospel says, "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and His disciples had also been invited to the wedding." This implies that Mary was already at the wedding before Jesus and His disciples arrived and perhaps before the other guests came.

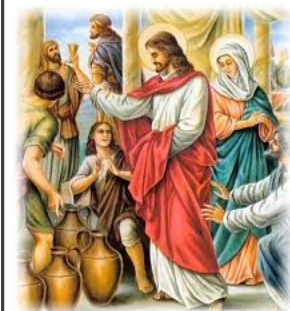
Some have suggested that the thirsty fishermen that Jesus brought with him drank a lot more than anyone had expected. When the wine did run out, it was possible that Mary saw it as her responsibility, to make things right. So, she turns to Jesus and says, "They have no wine." Just as we ask what we need from God, in this story Mary asks what she needs from Jesus.

Two surprises flow from Mary's request: The first surprise is Jesus' response. We would expect Jesus to be helpful towards his mother, but this is not the case. Jesus says to her, "Woman, how does this concern of yours affect me?" indicating that He has no intention of helping her. The second surprise comes from Mary. She moves ahead as if Jesus is going to help. She tells the servants, "Do whatever He tells you."

So the pattern of this story is this: Mary asks Jesus for help. He says no. And Mary moves ahead as if He said yes. Mary understands what is in Jesus' heart. She understands that He loves her and loves the young married couple. Therefore, although it seems that He has said "No," Mary is confident that He will say "Yes".

Mary's experience is a helpful model for us as we turn to God for what we need. Maybe we need a job; maybe a cure for a sickness or peace in our family. So we turn to God to help us. But sometimes it seems that God is not interested in helping. Sometimes things even get worse. Instead of an encouraging answer, we are faced with a deafening silence. Sometimes when we ask God for help, it seems that God says, "No".

It is then that we should follow the example of Mary. Like Mary, we should remember what is in God's heart. We should remind ourselves that God loves us and loves all the people in our lives whom we love. Because of God's love we move forward, convinced that God will do something.



Miracle happened at Cana, and there was wine for everyone. But that would not have happened had not Mary moved forward in faith and told the servants to do whatever He told them. So, pray. And when God says "No," move forward in the confidence that God will say, "Yes".

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 20 th 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	January 21 St. Agnes	8 am	† Mel Battensby
Tue	January 22	8 am 6 PM	† Hernando † Lucy TORRES † Alison † Peter SEELEY
Wed	January 23	8 am	† Mel Battensby
Thu	January 24 St. Francis de Sales	8 am	† Harry Kerin
Fri	January 25 St. Paul's Conversion	8 am	† Maria Albrighton
Sat	January 26 St. Timothy St. Titus	9 am 5:00 PM	† Pauline Boisvert † Mel Battensby
SUN	January 27 th 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS

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Visit: rcav.org



DATE	Sat. Jan. 26 th : 5PM	Sun. Jan. 27 th : 9 AM	Sun. Jan. 27 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	JANE TORRESAN ROSE ZALWANGO	WENDY GRAY VALERIE DUNCAN	KAREN BALOGH RITA RACZ
LECTOR	WALTONS	WENDY GRAY	DELIA HUGHES
EMHC	JANE TORRESAN	DEACON TONY	BEATRIZ RAYNARD
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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.

WORLD EVENTS . . .

◆ CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK January 18th - 25th

Recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, this universal week encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

This year's Prayer Service is prepared by the Indonesian Churches with the theme: "**Justice and Only Justice You Shall Pursue**". Visit: <https://rcav.org/christianunity> for schedule and locations of these Services.

◆ WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES January 20th

Instituted by St. Pius X in 1914.

"The phenomenon of migration today is a providential opportunity to proclaim the Gospel to men and women from various regions of the earth who have not yet encountered Jesus Christ or know Him only partially". *Pope Benedict XVI*

HEALING PRAYER MEETING @ SA PARISH

Sunday, January 20th, 1:30 PM in the Parish Hall
*"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest" Matthew 11:28*

We welcome the Prayer Group from Sacred Heart Parish who will be joining us in prayer. *Everyone is welcome.*

THEY'RE BACK!

Our Parish will again be offering the **DISCOVERY** and **SOURCE** programs. Each course runs for approximately one hour per week for six weeks, starting Sunday **January 27th**. There will be a variety of times available.

SIGN-UP IN THE VESTIBULE BEGINNING TODAY.

For more information see Deacon Tony.

CATHOLIC FAITH in Plain English
Monday, Jan. 21st, 11 AM in the Hall.
"MARY and JOSEPH"

Catholics & non-Catholics, WELCOME!
Attend, even for just a few sessions.

The Catholic Faith
In Plain English



CWL MASS, DINNER & MEETING

Tuesday, January 22nd, 6 PM.

Ladies of St. Anthony's Parish who are Non-CWL Members ARE ALL INVITED to join us at Mass and at Dinner. Check us out!

RSVP: saintanthonyscwl@gmail.com.

POT-LUCK DINNER & A MOVIE!

Friday, January 25th, 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Our Friday Night at the Movies this month is "*Les Miserables*".

Instead of the usual tiny repast before the movie, we are inviting everyone to join us with a *Pot-luck Dinner* for Fr. Larry's belated birthday celebration. Come share with us your Favourite Dish!



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

LECTIO DIVINA
Saturday, January 26th
10 AM, in Church.
Praying with Scriptures
with Fr. Gary.
ALL WELCOME!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION . . .

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 Corinthians 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason.

How has God blessed you?

Are you using your gifts according to God's plan?

How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth?

Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you, feel His love, peace and joy!

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"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.

THANKSGIVING MASS: "LIFE IN SPIRIT"

Friday, Jan. 25th, 7 PM, Immaculate Conception, Delta
Main celebrant: Fr. Gary Franken and 10 concelebrants.

The Charismatic Group of the Archdiocese will be consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Fr. Gary.

Healing Service after Mass & reception.

Everyone WELCOME! Phone Lennie: (604) 597-8227.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Wednesday, Feb. 6th, 7 PM, St. Francis of Assisi, Vancouver

International Pro-life presenter, Stephanie Gray will address challenging questions such as: "*What should a civil and humane response to suffering be? How can people of good will respond to euthanasia and assisted suicide? How can we speak about euthanasia and assisted suicide in a winsome and compelling way?*"

Call (604) 255-8855 for more details; or

Email: sfalifeteam@gmail.com

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

CWL and DAS

Our CWL is asking ALL LADIES to join them and ALL FAMILIES of the parish to support Domestic Abuse Services with your membership. Volunteers are in the Vestibule to help you.

WELCOME AND THANK-YOU!

Our parish family welcomes and thanks **Jolanta La Salle** who is volunteering to host our Social every 2nd Sunday, after the 9 AM Mass.

Thank you to ALL After-Mass Social Hosts for your generosity!