

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

5th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME February 10th, 2019

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Two old friends were catching up on their lives over drinks at a sidewalk café. One asked the other, "Why is it that you are still single?" The other responded, "Well, I've been looking for the perfect woman my whole life. In Barcelona I met a beautiful and intelligent woman. But then I found out that she was vain and conceited. Met a woman in Boston who seemed perfect to me in every respect. But found out that she was flighty and irresponsible. Then recently I met a woman in Montreal who was intelligent, beautiful, generous, warm, and dedicated herself to others. I said to myself, this indeed is the perfect woman that I should marry." The friend enquired, "Why didn't you marry her?" The other man fingered his glass and replied in a quiet voice, "Because she was looking for the perfect man."

Our society is a consumer society. Unfortunately, consumerism can have a dangerous influence in our relationships: the way that we relate to others, the way that we relate to God. You cannot choose a wife in the way you would shop for a new car. You cannot analyze your relationship with God in the way that you would analyze a stock market investment. For all the differences in our race, religion, education, and economic status, we are all the same - consumers. All of us do not have the same level of wealth, but what we have is our money to spend, and spending it gives us power!

Consumerism is a part of our culture whether we like it or not. But my point is that it is dangerous to allow consumerism to influence our relationships. Fundamentally as consumers, we could be approaching our relationships as a kind of commerce. Taking this step is asking for trouble. Therefore, I want to name three expectations of consumers and illustrate how none of these are helpful in directing our relationship to God or our relationships with others.

Consumers expect that life is going to be *fair*, *beneficial* and *free*. Consumers expect that life is going to be fair. We are always looking for a fair price for what we buy. Consumers expect life to be beneficial. We only buy things because we think they will be good for us. Consumers think that life should be free. Consumers expect to have the discretion of choosing one thing over another.

Consumers value fairness, benefit, freedom.

But these categories are inadequate to the realities of human relationships and our relationship with God.

Jesus calls us to look in a countercultural direction.

He calls us to open ourselves to acceptance, to service, to commitment. His Gospel insists that it is only when we change our attitudes to that direction that we can truly appreciate the breadth and mystery of life.

It is only when we make room for countercultural values that we will have the clarity to see the Kingdom of God.

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	February 10 th 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	February 11	8 am	† Gabriella Micallef
Tue	February 12	8 am	† Chris † Jonathan REARDON
Wed	February 13	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Lourdes Sampaga</i>
Thu	February 14 Sts. Cyril & Methodius	8 am	† Ondrej Truhan
Fri	February 15	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Pat Battensby</i>
Sat	February 16	9 am 5:00 PM	<i>In Honour of St. Philomena</i> † Suzanna Olivieri
SUN	February 17 th 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	FOR VOCATIONS FOR PARISHIONERS

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

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S. T. A. HIGH SCHOOL

(604) 987-4431

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

Visit: rcav.org



DATE	Sat. Feb. 16 th : 5PM	Sun. Feb. 17 th : 9 AM	Sun. Feb. 17 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	ROSE ZALWANGO LORETTA van UNEN	KAREN BALOGH KATHY NG	JOANN CULLEN LARRY TRACH
LECTOR	SUSAN MURPHY	PETER BALOGH	JOANN CULLEN
EMHC	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY	DEACON TONY
SOCIAL HOSTS	◊	A & CAROLINE ANDREW	MARRY VERBAARSCHOT

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.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK - ANOINTING MASS

Monday, Feb. 11th, 11:00 AM

Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Vancouver
Mass Celebrant, Archbishop Michael Miller.
All the sick and their caregivers WELCOME!

Refreshments follow in the gym.

Phone: 604-524-3427 Email: info@chabc.bc.ca.



CATHOLIC FAITH in Plain English

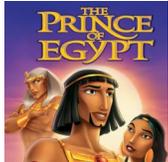
Monday, Feb. 11th, 11 AM in the Hall.

"THE MASS: SACRAMENT & SACRIFICE"

Catholics & non-Catholics, WELCOME!

Attend, even for just a few sessions.

The Catholic Faith
In Plain English



YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT!

Friday, February 15th

6:30 PM in Parish Hall.

"Prince of Egypt"

ALL KIDS, COME!

PROJECT ADVANCE 2018

"Now faith, hope, and love abide,
and the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13

Thanks to the generosity of our parish donors,
Project Advance had a very successful appeal in 2018.
The funds donated by our parish last year were the second
highest amount received since the inception of the project.

Together, our community raised over \$121,000.00.
These funds will not only be a great help to our own parish
but will also support the works of the Archdiocese.

We thank everyone for their efforts and sacrifices.

May God bless everyone.

"Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,
endures all things. Love never ends."

1 Corinthians 13:8

ST PHILOMENA

Saturday, February 16th

Prayer Meeting/Social

after the 9 AM Mass

in Hobson Room.

ALL WELCOME!



LECTIO DIVINA

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

LECTIO DIVINA

Saturday, February 16th
10 AM, in Church.

Praying with Scriptures
with Fr. Gary.

ALL WELCOME!

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY @ ST. ANTHONY'S

March 26th - June 18th

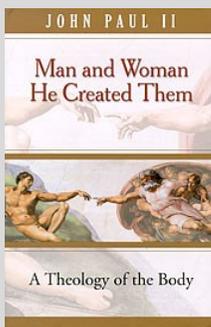
Discover human nature as the "Gift of Self"

in our relationship with God and one another
through *Theology of the Body*.

Using the teachings of Christ on marriage,
St. John Paul II reveals our true human
nature in the image and likeness of God as a
"communion of persons in the sincere gift of
self," giving us the authentic meaning of our
humanity now and in eternal life.

Sessions begin March 26th - June 18th
at St. Anthony Parish, West Vancouver.

(604) 926-6881.



FUNDRAISER DINNER

Tuesday, Feb. 12th, Between 5-9 PM @ Chipotle

Make dinner a selfless act & raise funds by dining
at *Chipotle Mexican Grill*, 879 Park Royal North.

Tell the cashier and 33% of the proceeds will be

Donated to St. Anthony's School.



COMMUNITY LUNCH @ ST ANTHONY'S

Friday, Feb. 22nd!

All Parishioners, Non-parishioners, Friends and Neighbours,
are all invited to come. Join us for **Lunch & Social**.

RSVP the Parish Office (604) 926-6881 for numbers.

See you on the 22nd!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION ...

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I
send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'"

Isaiah 6:8

Every day, in little ways and in big ways,

God asks, "Whom shall I send?"

Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry,
to give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of
encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides
opportunities to help someone in need.

The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk
through the door and say "Here I am, Lord."

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"I came that they may
have life..."

John 10:10

Do you think standing and praying
in front of places where

abortion happens has no effect?

Perhaps even a waste of time?

Think about this:

*** 40 Days for Life has saved over 15,000 babies
from abortion;

*** Closed down 99 abortion facilities;

*** Helped 178 workers quit the abortion industry; and

*** Activated 750,000 individuals and 19,000 churches
to stand for life.

Pray with our parish March 19th, 2019.

40 Days for Life:

March 6th (Ash Wednesday)

until

April 14th (Palm Sunday).

Fr. Larry Lynn



OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS' NEWS ...

Catholic Schools' Week: February 10th - 17th

Students in school uniforms will be at the weekend Masses.

Catholic Educators' Conference: February 14th & 15th

All Catholic School Teachers will be at the Conference.

OPEN HOUSES:

➡ **Saint Anthony's Elementary School**

Tuesday, February 12th, 6 - 8 PM

Come enjoy the School Choir's performance at 7 PM.

➡ **Saint Thomas Aquinas Regional Secondary School**

Wednesday, February 13th, 6 - 8 PM.

ALL WELCOME to these Open Houses!