



The Parish Bulletin

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PASTOR'S CORNER

THE CHURCH LIVES FROM THE EUCHARIST

Dear Parishioners,

First of all, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated in and helped organize our Corpus Christi celebration and Eucharistic Procession. It was truly a beautiful witness of faith as we carried our Eucharistic Lord through our neighborhood, proclaiming that Christ is alive and present among His people. Special thanks to all the volunteers, liturgical ministers, choir members, altar servers, organizers, flower arrangements, school band, PREP teachers and students, VPD and its officers, MAGI and parishioners whose dedication made the celebration so meaningful.

What made the day even more remarkable was the weather. The forecast had predicted unfavorable conditions, yet God blessed us with a beautiful day. It felt as though the Lord Himself acknowledged and blessed our efforts to honor Him publicly. As we walked together in prayer and song, we fulfilled the mission of being witnesses to Christ in the world. As St. John Paul II once said, "The Church draws her life from the Eucharist." Our procession was a visible reminder of this truth.

In these days, our readings from the Book of Exodus remind us of God's covenant with His people. Through Moses, God tells the Israelites, "I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself" (Ex 19:4). God chose Israel not because they were stronger or better than others, but because of His love and His plan for the salvation of all nations. Being "chosen"

was not a privilege for self-glory but a responsibility to reflect God's holiness. The same is true for us. Through Baptism, we too are God's people, called to live faithfully and bear witness to His love.

St. Paul, in Romans 5:6-11, reminds us of the astonishing depth of God's love. "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Human beings may occasionally sacrifice themselves for a good person, but Christ gave His life for the ungodly, for sinners, for all of us. In this way, God proves His love beyond all doubt. As St. Augustine beautifully wrote, "God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us."

In the Gospel, Jesus looks upon the crowds and is moved with compassion because they are like sheep without a shepherd. His response is not merely sympathy but action. He sends His disciples to proclaim that "the Kingdom of Heaven has come near." The Church continues that mission today. Pope Francis reminds us that "the Church is called to be the house of the Father's mercy."

May our participation in the Eucharist strengthen us to be compassionate disciples, faithful to God's covenant and courageous witnesses of His love in our homes, workplaces, and community.

God bless you all.

Fr. Joseph



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TOGETHER IN HOPE

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 14, 2026

SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR A

1st READING

EXODUS 19: 2-6A

℟ - RESPONSORIAL PSALM
PSALMS 100: 1-2, 3, 5

2nd READING

ROMANS 5: 6-11

✠ GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9: 36 - 10: 8

SUNDAY MASSES (AND SATURDAY)

SAT 5:00 pm (*anticipated mass*)
SUN 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am
1:00 pm | 3:00 pm (*Tagalog*)
5:00 pm | 7:00 pm

DAILY MASSES

MON - FRI 8:00 am | SAT 8:30 am | WED - FRI 7:00 pm

CONFESSION

SUNDAY before/after mass
WEEKDAY after mass

DEVOTIONS

MON - FRI | 7:00 am
Rosary & Lauds
WED | 6:00 pm
Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
THU | 6:00 pm
Rosary & Prayer for Vocations
FRIDAYS
03:00 pm Divine Mercy
06:00 pm Novena: Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary
07:00 pm Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
09:00 pm Benediction
SAT | 07:45 am
Rosary & Lauds

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Join us...
June 14th



THIS SUNDAY



JUNE.26



NOV.14

✠ TO ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ✠

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen

Office hours
Mon, Wed - Fri
9am - 5pm

Tues
9am - 1pm

Closed
Weekends

Parish Office
Located in the "Rectorry" which is the red brick house next to the church on Joyce Street.



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PARISH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

To see all events visit:
stmarysvancouver.ca/events

For general updates, news, and programs visit:
stmarysvancouver.ca/announcements

St. Mary's INTERNATIONAL SUMMER FAIR

THIS SUNDAY - FREE EVENT
June 14 - Sun @ 10am - 5pm
@ St. Mary's School

INTERNATIONAL FOOD | BOUNCY CASTLE | LIVE MUSIC | CULTURAL DANCES
 FAIR GAMES | VENDORS MARKET | RAFFLE DRAW

GET YOUR TICKETS

A chance to win some cash prizes

Available in the church foyer and at the parish fair Jun. 14 CASH Prizes: 1st \$5000 // 2nd \$2000 // 3rd \$1000 // 4th & 5th \$500.

- \$3/ticket
- \$30/booklet

All proceeds are for the development project of the school. For more info, please contact Teresa Lung by email tky.lung@telus.net

Faith on Wheels Bike Ride - Young Adults Min
 Friday, June 26 @ 6:30pm
 Meet at corner of Denman St. & West Georgia St.

You're invited for a relaxed Seawall bike ride together as a faithful community. Bring your bike (or rent within the area). Make sure to have helmet, sunscreen, water bottle, and snacks to share.
 For more info contact Joyce: youth.smarv@rcav.org

PREP 2026 Parish Religious Education Program

The Parish Religious Education Program (also known as P.R.E.P) offers religious instruction for children who attend grades 1-7 in public schools. Registrations for the next ministry year will begin on **June 24th**. *There will be no online registration at this time.* Please register directly with the PREP Coordinator at the Parish Office. **To book an appointment, please call: 604 435 9611 ext. 205 or email prep.smarv@rcav.org**

Thank You, Susan - Welcome, Sam, Rosy & Teresa! St. Mary's Music Ministry

Susan Diewold has stepped down as the choirs coordinator at St. Mary's Parish after 7 years of dedicated service. On behalf of St. Mary's Parish family we thank her for her generous, selfless and dedicated service and wish her all the very best and God's blessings.

Sam, Rosy and Teresa have stepped into this role as choirs coordinators. We wish them all the very best and continued support.

Seniors Socials will be resuming in the Fall
 Have a great Summer!!

Hope on the Horizon | Aug 2026
 Summer Outreach Missionary Program
 Catholic Street Missionaries & Archdiocese of Vancouver

Are you looking for a way to grow in faith and serve the marginalized on the streets? Join Hope on the Horizon live-in summer program for young adults (19-35). It's a powerful experience of prayer, learning, community life, and outreach to the homeless.

1-WEEK | AUG 8-15, 2026 OR 2.5-WEEK | AUG 8-23, 2026
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catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon

Marian Pilgrimage 2026: A 15-Day Journey to the Sacred Heart of Europe | Oct 5 - 19, 2026
 Hosted by St. Mary's Parish - Vancouver

Journey with Fr. Joseph D'Souza and our parish on an unforgettable pilgrimage to major Marian shrines, like Medjugorje, Lourdes, Barcelona, Zaragoza, and Fatima. For any inquiries, contact Royal Orchid Tours:

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Thank You from Chalice - 23 Children Sponsored! Catholic international child sponsorship Charity

Chalice extends a heartfelt "thank you" to Fr. Joseph and St. Mary's Parish for hosting a Child Sponsorship Weekend on May 30-31. As a result, 23 children in need were sponsored, in addition to those who are usually sponsored after more time and consideration. On behalf of these children, thank you for your generosity and hospitality! You have revealed God's love to His precious children. Chalice envisions a world where all children and families have the means to overcome the cycle of poverty.

Please prayerfully consider a call to sponsorship, a unique way to live out your faith by providing hope for a child in need. Please visit chalice.ca or call **1-800-776-6855** for more info on our mission or to sponsor a child today.

Mass Slide Operators Needed - June 2026 Sunday 5:00pm Mass Choir

We are looking for individuals to operate the Mass slides during June. The more recruits, the better - we can schedule turns throughout the month. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Iven: yapiven@yahoo.com

Mass Wedding | Saturday - Nov. 14, 2026 St. Mary's Project Cana

Couples yet to receive the Sacrament of Marriage are invited to deepen their journey in Christ by celebrating in the Mass Wedding; a wonderful opportunity to open your heart to God's grace and receive the full blessing of the Church.

To register contact Edwin: rcia.smarv@rcav.org

MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Find your way to serve. St. Mary's is home to many groups and ministries. Get started at: stmarysvancouver.ca/ministries

Mission Ablaze - missionablazesm@gmail.com

PPPG (Padre Pio Prayer Group) pppgvancouver@gmail.com

Youth Ministry & Young Adult Ministry | Joyce

(604) 435-9611 ext. 209 | youth.smarv@rcav.org

DNA (Discipleship aNd Accountability Men's Prayer Group)

fathergabriel1@outlook.com | (604)-435-9611, ext. 202

Pier Giorgio Frassatti Bible Study | Fr. David | 778-928-5675

Migrant Ministry | Resochita Arma | resochita.arma@issbc.org

Christian Meditation | Cora | calcuitas@gmail.com

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St. Mary's Mass Choir Ministries | stmarysvancouver.ca/choir

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Digital Ministry | David.C | stmarysvancouver.ca/digimin

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Contact the Parish Office at 604-435-9611 for the following:

- Knights of Columbus
- Catholic Women's League
- St. Mary's Pro Life Ministry
- Seniors Gatherings
- St. Mary's Flower Ministry
- Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry
- St. Mary's Praesidium (A Legion of Mary Youth Program)

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PARISH CALENDAR

VISIT: stmarysvancouver.ca/all-events

 **Jun.14 - Sun @10am - 5pm | International Summer Fair**
@St. Mary's Parish - Vancouver | See pg.2 for details

 **June.15 - Mon 6:00pm | St. Mary's Pro-Life Ministry**
Every 3rd Mon/each month @ St. Mary's Church

 **Jun.16 - Tue 7:00pm | Mission Ablaze | Prayer Group Meet**
Every Tues @Church Basement | To join online contact: missionablazesm@gmail.com

 **Jun.16- Tue @7pm | Online Meditation**
To join meditations email: calcuitas@gmail.com

Jun.17 - Wed @6pm | Christian Meditation
Weds - In-person @Rectory Living Room

 **Jun.18 - Thu 2:00pm | CWL Line Dancing**
Every Thurs | Suggested donation - \$2 | @Church basement

 **Jun 26 - Fri @6:30pm | Young Adult Ministry**
Wheels of Faith Seawall Bike Ride
Start @Denman St. & West Georgia St., Vancouver

 **Jun.27 - Sat 9:30am | DNA Men's Group**
2nd & 4th Sat/each month @Rectory Basement

 **Padre Pio Prayer Group ON SUMMER BREAK till OCTOBER**
Resuming later this year in October

Stewardship Reflection

June 14, 2026 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'" Matthew 10:7

Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent." Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second - invite the Lord into your heart.

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The opening of our first renovation phase of the dental practice will be open on April 14, 2025 with a grand opening expected sometime in June 2025.

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