Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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Augustinian Friars in the Parish: Fr. Francis Galvan, OSA – Pastor Fr. Michael Martell, OSA

Daily Mass in the Chapel Monday to Saturday at 9:00am

Sunday Mass Schedule (Church) Saturday (Anticipated) at 5pm Sunday at 9am and 11am and 5pm

<u>Chapel open Mon-Sat for private prayer</u> (Closed Sunday and holidays) Mon- Fri 8am to 4:30pm - Saturday 8am – 3pm

Spanish Mass First Saturday of the Month at 7:30pm (Church)

> Confession Saturday 10am-11am (Chapel)

Parish Office Hours Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. Closed on all statutory holidays. Closed for lunch from 12-12:30

Baptisms

Last Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office to register and for information.

Marriages

Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of their date.

Funerals

Please call the parish office to inquire about the processes for arrangements.

Parish Contacts			
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Parish Contacts



Ascension of the Lord. May 12, 2024 ...and they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere... Mark 16.15-20

Sunday Focus. The Solemnity of the Ascension invites us to raise our eyes to behold Christ's glory. Christ does not leave us in the Ascension. Instead, he lifts our eyes, inviting us to behold his power and glory. We do so in a particular way through the sacraments. He is with us in our struggles. He carries our burdens with us. He makes his glorious presence known to us in a way that we can taste and see in the Eucharist. LITURGY OF THE WORD In the first reading, we hear witness of Jesus' appearances after his resurrection, as well as the disciples' experience of him being lifted up into a cloud and being taken from their sight. In the second reading, Paul prays that the hearts of the faithful be enlightened to know Christ's glory. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved. Faith Catholic.

A WARM WELCOME to all new parishioners, visitors and the faithful to our Parish Community! We invite new parishioners to register with our parish. Please register online at our website: www.sacredheartparish.ca or find a registration form at the back of the church. If you have moved, have a new phone number or email address please let us know by contacting the parish office. Thank you. Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the scawa' an (Tsawwassen) and xwmakwayam (Musqueam) First Nations and speakers of the hanq'amin'am' (Hun'qumi'num) language who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

Death: Mary Joyce Appleby of our parish passed away on Sunday, May 5th at the age of 94 and her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, May 13th at 10am in our Church. We offer our deepest sympathy to her husband, Ken and entire family and pray for Joyce's eternal rest in heaven.

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A Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love Can understand our tears, Can soothe our disappoints And calm all of our fears. There are times when only a mother's love Can share the joy we feel When something we've dreamed about Quite suddenly is real. There are times when only a mother's faith Can help us on life's way And inspire in us the confidence We need from day to day. For a mother's heart and a mother's faith And a mother's steadfast love Were fashioned by the angels And sent from God above.

- Author Unknown-

A Happy and Blessed Mother's Day



Thank you to all our parishioners who supported our Catholic school by pledging Fr. Michael in our recent walk-a-thon. \$1,600 was donated. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. We offer our Congratulations and ask for God's blessings on Christy and Gordon Maxwell who had their marriage blessed in our Chapel this past Tuesday.



Tuesday, May 14th

PREP Confirmation Interviews Confirmands who attended PREP classes this year, will meet in the church on Tuesday, May 14 from 6:15 – 7:30pm. Interviews will be conducted as a review and final preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Erin Seddon at 604.946.2618 or <u>eseddon@shsdelta.org</u>.

To register elementary aged children for 2024/2025 PREP classes & to prepare them to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Communion & Confirmation next year, contact Erin Seddon (see above) or go to: <u>https://sacredheartparish.ca/ministries/parish-</u> religious-education-for-children-prep#registration

Wednesday, May 15

Everyone is welcome to join us for our School Mass today at 9:15am in the Church.

Everyone is invited to join our <u>Mother of Perpetual</u> <u>Help Novena & Devotion group</u>. We will meet in the chapel at 6pm on Wednesday evenings. For more information please contact: Melanie at: <u>devotionministry@shshdelta.org</u>

Thursday, May 16

Our ladies <u>Craft Group</u> will meet tonight starting at 7pm in the Craft Room (Parish Hall) All ladies are invited to join – no experience necessary. For more info contact: saintmonicaguild@shshdelta.org.

Friday, May 17th

SOUTH DELTA CHURCHES PENTECOST ECUMENICAL CONCERT OF PRAYER - Friday, May 17th here at Sacred Heart Parish - This is a gathering of our local churches to pray together for our community. The evening begins with Prayer & Praise (6:30 PM) with Traditional & Contemporary Congregational Singing. The Concert of Prayer (7 to 8 PM) will be led by local clergy, praying for various aspects of our common life in South Delta. ALL members of ALL churches are warmly invited to attend. For further information, please call parishioner, Dr. John Roddam at (672) 515-1855 or at john roddam@hotmail.com email A light reception and social time will follow.



Sacrament of Confirmation will be received by youth of our parish during mass on Thursday, May 23 at 7pm in the church with Most Reverend J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver. A light reception follows the Mass in the school, hosted by families of gr 6 students. For information, contact Erin Seddon: 604.946.2618 or eseddon@shsdelta.org

Join us for our Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, May 26th

following the 9am and 11am Masses

By donation, cash only please. Hosted by our Knights of Columbus In our parish hall.



Our Saint Monica Guild invites all women of our parish to our Ladies Luncheon on Sunday, June 2nd in our Parish Center ~ following the 11am Mass

> Our Guest Speaker will be Sister Izah Aldover, OSA

Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend- \$35.00 each



SAVE THE DATE:

OUR PARISH PICNIC WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT Year to date up to April 30, 2024

	Actual	Target	Variance
Year to Date	\$217,083	\$ 216,223	\$ 860

Works of Vocations: \$4,082.15 Pope's Pastoral Works: 3,543.50

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our parish. It is greatly appreciated.



"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, abides in him, and he in God." God -1 John 4:15 How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness RCAV: Copyright with others. From \bigcirc 2024 Archdiocese

FIAT Hike

All single women aged 18-35 are invited to spend quality time with the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese and enjoy some outdoor activity and fun on Saturday, June 1.

We will start with 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony's Parish in West Vancouver and then drive to Cypress for the hike up Black Mountain.

There is no cost to join. **Registration deadline:** Wednesday, May 29. Learn more and register at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

Ordinations of Permanent Deacons

The Archdiocese of Vancouver will be celebrating the Ordinations to the Sacred Order of Deacons to the Permanent Diaconate through the imposition of the hands by Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, on Saturday, June 1, 10:00 a.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver. All are welcome to attend this joyous occasion!

Grief to Grace Healing Retreat

Grief to Grace is a retreat program to help those who have endured physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse to find healing. Centered on Jesus Christ, the five-day program is facilitated by mental health professionals and will be held in Kelowna, B.C. from Tuesday, May 14, to Saturday, May 18. Due to the confidentiality and sensitivity of this retreat, the exact address will only be shared to those who register. For more information, please email <u>grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com</u> or make a confidential phone call to 250-808-6403. Register at <u>grieftograce.org</u>.

"Who am I?" Workshop (Korean)

Are you longing to discover the richness within yourself? Improve your relationships? Increase your happiness and productivity?

This two-weekend workshop (May 25-26 and June 1-2) will help you:

- Discover and experience your dynamic inner core
- Improve your relationship with family, friends, and workplace ministry
- Increase your productivity in life and ministry
- Find greater solidity in decision-making

The workshop is offered in Korean at the Spirit of Formation House in Langley. Cost is determined by a sliding scale of fees based on income. Everyone (aged 18+) is welcome! **Registration deadline**: **Wednesday, May 22.** Learn more and register at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

<u>Alpha Marriage Course, St. Francis de Sales</u> <u>Parish</u>

When life gets busy, it is easy for married couplestoforgetaboutdatenights.

We would like to invite you and your spouse to set a weekly date night to reconnect and build a more joyful family by thriving as a couple. The Marriage Course is a 7-week program produced by Alpha International for couples "seeking practical support to strengthen their relationship, keep the spark alive and stay connected."

The Thursday night sessions will be held at St. Francis de Sales Parish in Burnaby, starting May 30 at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$30, which includes a textbook (Please e-transfer to: <u>sfds.officemanager@rcav.org</u>). Learn more and register via <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh." -Ezekiel 36:26 Did you feel like your heart turned to stone the day you made your abortion decision, or maybe it felt that way over time? God can change that for you. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard[™] Retreat and see what it feels like to receive His merciful love flooding your new heart of flesh. Will you accept His invitation? The next retreat is on May 24-26. For confidential information, call 604-525-0999 or email <u>info@pacscanada.org</u>.

Pregnancy, Infant and Child Loss Memorial Mass

Join us for a special Mass on Saturday, May 18, 5:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Surrey as we remember our little ones in heaven. There will be candles lit in their honour and we will have light snacks and a chance to connect after Mass.

For more information, please contact Brittany Garisto at <u>b.garisto@outlook.com</u> or visit <u>elizabethministrybc.ca</u>.

The Catholic Church in Vancouver offers a variety of career opportunities for those who are passionate about serving the community and making a difference in people's lives. As an employee, you will work in a positive and supportive environment that values respect and encourages growth, collaboration, and creativity. The Archdiocese provides access to training and resources for continuous learning and professional development, as well as competitive compensation and benefits packages, including health and dental benefits, pension plans, and generous vacation and sick leave. To Apply for one of our postings to fulfill your career aspirations and serve our Christian community with purpose please go to this link: https://rcav.org/about/employment

Ladies, Registration is now open. You are invited to our MAGNIFICAT Ministry Brunch on May 25th.

To be held at Saint John Paul II Pastoral Centre, 4885 Saint John Paul II Way, in Vancouver. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. event begins at 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Our speaker Donna Ross is a cradle Catholic who strayed from the Church for many years before she realized what she was missing! A powerful call of the Holy Spirit brought her back to the Church with a new appreciation of her faith. She ended a 25-year career with the Magic Kingdom of Disney in 1994 to work for the Eternal Kingdom of God. She received the Diocese of San Bernardino's "Our Lady of Guadalupe Award" for using her God given gifts for the sake of God's people.

Prayer teams will be available at the end of the event for those interested. We hope you can join us as we gather for our 10th meal. Cost is \$30.

Contact Magnificat to Register please send an email to <u>magnificatvancouver@gmail.com</u>



We hope you can join us for this faith inspiring movie from FORMED.

Synopsis: Ninth Day

With The Ninth Day, acclaimed film director Volker Schlondorff creates a moral thriller that "succeeds in illuminating an almost unimaginably dark story" (The New York Times). Inspired by the true story of a dissident priest's temporary furlough from Dachau, The Ninth Day transforms an ethical crisis into a nail biting showdown and unspeakable horror into transcendent redemption.

From inside the hell of the Dachau concentration camp "Priest Block," Father Henri Kremer clings to a fragile life and challenged faith. But Gestapo officer Gebhardt, a young and ruthless lapsed seminarian, arranges a nine day reprieve for the priest. If Kremer can persuade his staunchly anti-Nazi Bishop to capitulate to Nazi occupation, he'll go free. But if he fails or tries to escape, death awaits. Torn between duty, faith, fear for his own life and for the lives of his loved ones, in just nine days Kremer must find a way to ease his conscience, protect his family, hold on to his faith and uphold his vows.

Ulrich Mattes is "eerily convincing as a man torn by moral choices" (Time Out New York). Together, pilgrim Kremer and tempter Gebhardt "are singularly fascinating as tension-filled incompatibles" (NY Observer). Matthes, Diehl and Bibiana Beglau, as Kremer's sister, contribute powerfully eloquent performances. The Ninth Day showcases the sensitive visionary precision that has kept Volker Schlondorff on the leading edge of international cinema for four decades.

