

Guardian Angels Parish

A welcoming community of faith sharing the light & truth of the gospel of Christ.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday 9am to 12:30pm; 1:30pm to 4:30pm CLOSED on Weekends and Statutory Holidays



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January 21, 2024 : Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Reflection

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”

Mark 1:17

Jesus’ call to “follow me” is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren’t always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions				
Day			Intention	
Sat	Jan	20	4pm	+Albina & Eugene Turgeon+
Sun	Jan	21	9am	For the Parishioners
			11am	+Andre Costa+
			12:30pm	Sp. Int. of Marcelina Baito
Mon	Jan	22	8am	+Virgilio & Marianita Umali+
Tues	Jan	23	7pm	Sp. Int. of Jennelyn Bermudez
Wed	Jan	24	8am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thurs	Jan	25	8am	Sp. Int. of Enrique
Fri	Jan	26	8am	Holy Souls in Purgatory

- Jan 21:** Sunday of the Word of God
- Jan 24:** Memorial - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor
- Jan 25:** Feast - The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle.
- Jan 26:** Memorial - St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops

⚠ Email Fraud Warning
Scammers are still around. Please **DO NOT BE A FALLEN VICTIM** of these scammers. Imposters are posing as the Pastor or ministry coordinators. When in doubt please call the parish office.

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:50pm;
Saturday, 3:00pm to 3:45pm;
or by Appointment
For other Sacraments:
Please contact the Parish Office



MASS TIME

Weekdays: Monday, 8am; Tuesday, 7pm;
Wednesday to Friday, 8am;
First Friday Devotion, 6pm Adoration; 7pm Mass
Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4pm (Anticipated)
Sunday, 9am, 11am 12:30pm

Unisex Hair Cut Fund Drive

“Get a radiant good-looking hair-cut from a professional hairstylist and support your parish at the same time.” A member of the parish, who is a professional hairstylist, is offering a “hair-cut fund drive” on Wednesday, January 31 from 11 am to 4pm. The cost of a hair-cut is by donation and proceeds will go to the parish maintenance fund. Please book your appointment by email to parish.ga@rcav.org or by phone at 604-684-5775.



February 14: ASH WEDNESDAY

Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

Distribution of ashes at Mass. - 8am, 6pm and 7pm.

Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return. - Ecclesiastes 3:20

Amen App: Catholic Bible & Prayers

Lent is fast approaching, commit to a habit of daily prayer with Scripture and Catholic meditations to watch God transform your life. Download *Amen* today. Amen is the free Catholic app that brings you beautiful prayers, faithful meditations and nourishing Scripture to draw your mind, body and soul to rest in God.

Support the Archdiocese Vocation Fund through Knights of Columbus GAP Council Stamp Collection

All stamps has value! Please save all your used stamps and drop them off from time to time in the Knights of Columbus stamp box located in the church foyer . Thank you.

Sunday Offertory Envelopes

If you need an offertory envelopes, please call the parish office.

Family Coaching - Come & See

Everyone is welcome, believers or nonbelievers.

When: Saturday, January 27 from 9:30am -11:30 am

Where: Rectory Basement

Vocation Live-In

There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of February 10 -11 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

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Reading Reflection From One of our Own

The Kingdom of God is already here. --- (by: Agustin G.)

The Gospel of St. Mark says that John the Baptist was in the Jordan river baptizing people. That he called himself, "the voice in the wilderness sent to prepare the way of the Lord. "I baptize you with water, but one mightier than I comes, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose. He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire" (cf. Lk 3: 16) He also said that he wasn't the Messiah but Jesus, "the Lamb of God," whom James and John, two of his disciples, followed when they heard the Baptist saying that. Andrew and his brother Simon followed later. The Gospel of St. Mark mostly deals with the Baptism of Jesus and His temptation in the desert, then of His public ministry, which begins after the arrest of John the Baptist. His pronouncement was also a call to repentance, saying to the people, "**This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel.**" And His healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that He announced. It was typical of the first-century rabbinical schools for students to seek out rabbis, and many ended up following Pharisees, but Jesus breaks with this tradition and invites His disciples to learn from Him. So, when Jesus walked by the shore of the Sea of Galilee and saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their fishing nets into the sea, Jesus said to them, "**Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.**" They immediately abandoned their nets and followed Jesus (cf. Mk 1: 14-20) Jesus was a person of action, with a magnetism in His personality that prompted the events to happen in rapid succession, so, the fishermen readily put aside their livelihood to become His followers when they heard Jesus that He will make them "**fishers of men.**" They immediately followed Him. Then He walked along a little farther by the shore, and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John, mending their nets and Jesus called them in the same way that He called Andrew and Simon. And they were also ready, and immediately left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed Him.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - Jan 18 to 25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

Prayer Services will take place at SFU, UBC, Sacred Heart Delta, St. Anthony's West Vancouver, St. Ann's Abbotsford, St. Peter's New Westminster, and the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver.

Learn more and register at rcav.org/ecumenism-and-interfaith-relations

Together for Good Marriage Workshop

On Saturday, March 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi Parish in Vancouver. Cost is \$60 per couple. Enjoy an early bird rate of \$50 per couple when you register by Friday, February 2. Learn more and register via beholdvancouver.org/events

Family-Friendly Career Options for Busy Moms

A virtual workshop hosted by Inspired With Grace Career & Life Coaching for mothers looking for work flexibility or remote work options. On Saturday, January 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Cost is \$39 USD. Learn more and register via beholdvancouver.org/events