

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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March 03, 2024 : Third Sunday of Lent

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners,

“In order to worship in spirit and in truth, we must prepare our hearts and minds by being faithful to the covenant relationship (keeping the commandments) and seeking the wisdom of God, which is the wisdom of the cross. We have to let Jesus cleanse us, as he cleansed the Temple, leave our sins behind, and simplify our lives, getting rid of any needless clutter. Then we are able to enter into the new Temple, which is Jesus himself, praying in and through him.” (Association of Catholic Priests).

We are on the third Sunday of Lent and we are invited to have a new heart and a new spirit in order to better understand and enter into the new temple. In the temple or the church, which is a sacred place, any abuse is to be condemned. “Guard your steps when you go the house of God. Go near to listen rather than to offer the sacrifice of fools, who do not know that they do no wrong. (Eccl 5:1)

As we move forward in this season of lent, it is an opportune time for us to cleanse our inner temple, so that we can enter the heart of God undefiled. Allow Jesus to cleanse your heart as he did the temple in Jerusalem.

Please attend our Lenten retreat, please find the details in the bulletin or in the poster. Please join the ministries, I want you to be involved in our parish. Also, to understand fully our goals and values and to commit to it, please read and be familiar of our Vision & Mission Statements & Core Values.

Lent is a time to sacrifice, please donate generously to our community cupboard and other charitable activities we do in our parish. Your giving of time, talent and treasure will bring vitality to the parish.

You will also find in this bulletin detailed accounting of the result our financial year 2023.

Father John - Pastor

Parish Lenten Recollection

When: Saturday | March 16, 2024

8:30am - Holy Rosary | 9am - Holy Mass

9:45am - Talk #1: **“What’s happening? I am on the verge of giving up?”**

10:30am - Confession | Coffee Break | Silent Prayer

11:30am - Talk #2: **“Cast your burdens unto Jesus.”**

12:15pm - Adoration & Benediction

Theme: **“Come to me, all you who are weary & burdened, and I will give you rest.”**

Retreat Master: Rev. Mario Fernandes, OCD

SACRAMENTS

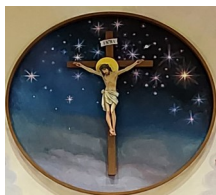
Confessions: Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:50pm;

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

Revenue and Expense Summary of

Guardian Angels Parish

For the Year Ending December 31, 2023

Recurring Revenue

| | | |
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| | Ordinary Collections | \$ 184,935.33 |
| | Diocesan Collections | 10,117.60 |
| | Charitable Works | 2,685.00 |
| | B.C. Catholic Collection | 772.50 |
| | Building Fund | 11,713.00 |
| | Special Collections and Donations (Note 1) | 11,480.76 |
| | Project Advance Rebate | 26,869.00 |
| | Fundraising | 5,921.20 |
| | Income from Sales | 5,410.90 |
| | Religious Education Income | 705.00 |
| | Rental Income | 9,823.00 |
| | Interest Income | 40,402.81 |
| | Other Revenue (Note 2) | 24,792.36 |
| | Total Recurring Revenue | \$ 345,628.46 |
| | Non Recurring Revenue: Bequest | 1,526.00 |

Revenue Total \$ 337,154.46

Expenses

| | | |
|--|--|----------------------|
| | Salaries and Benefits | \$ 97,728.64 |
| | Professional Development | 1,720.00 |
| | Property Taxes | 3,920.29 |
| | Repairs & Maintenance (Note 3) | 78,487.33 |
| | Utilities | 22,697.32 |
| | Other Property Expenses (Note 4) | 25,082.12 |
| | Diocesan Assessment | 26,872.00 |
| | Diocesan Collections Remitted | 13,862.46 |
| | Subsidies - High School | 2,700.00 |
| | Supplies | 9,752.45 |
| | Honoraria & Professional & Consulting Fees | 7,814.35 |
| | Fundraising Expenses | 2,110.12 |
| | Parish Organizations (Note 5) | 8,032.65 |
| | Parish Religious Education | 290.30 |
| | Rental Costs | 5,440.54 |
| | GST Expense | 9,269.45 |
| | Publications | 5,301.54 |
| | Bank | 580.08 |
| | Other Expenses | 4,882.03 |
| | Total Expenses | \$ 326,543.67 |

EXCESS OF EXPENSES \$ 10,610.79

Note 1: Special Collections & Donations

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Initial Offering | \$ 852.00 |
| Flower Collections | 2,220.15 |
| Grotto Bench Donation | 1,493.61 |
| Church Roof Beam Donation | 6,655.00 |
| Simbang Gabi | 260.00 |
| Total | \$ 11,480.76 |

Note 2 : Other Revenue

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Stole Fees | \$ 2,585.00 |
| Diocesan Grant –Evangelization | 9,500.00 |
| Parking & Use of Facilities | 3,107.36 |
| Board & Lodging of Fr. Victor | 9,600.00 |
| Total | \$ 24,792.36 |

Note 3 : Repairs & Maintenance

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Ordinary Maintenance | \$ 17,597.23 |
| Extra-ordinary Repairs: | |
| - Audio System Upgrade | 16,193.10 |
| - Church Flooring Upgrade | 14,000.00 |
| - Church Window Painting | 12,250.00 |
| - Roof Beam Repair | 18,447.00 |
| Total | \$ 78,487.33 |

Note 4 : Other Property Expenses

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Supplies & Expenses | \$ 9,350.15 |
| Insurance Expense | 9,116.97 |
| Janitorial | 6,615.00 |
| Total | \$ 25,082.12 |

Note 5 : Parish Organization Expenses

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Music/Organist | \$ 4,720.00 |
| Alpha | 2,417.53 |
| Hospitality/Parish Events | 895.12 |
| Total | \$ 8,032.65 |

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

| Mass Intentions | | | | |
|-----------------|-----|----|---------|------------------------------------|
| Day | | | | Intention |
| Sat | Mar | 02 | 4pm | +Antonio Soriano & Aurelia Caoili+ |
| | | | 6pm | El Shaddai Prayer Group |
| Sun | Mar | 03 | 9am | For the Parishioners |
| | | | 11am | +Nicolau Sebastio Cardozo+ |
| | | | 12:30pm | +Henry & Alan Lew+ |
| Mon | Mar | 04 | 8am | +David Yanor+ |
| Tues | Mar | 05 | 7pm | +Jesus Bagaipo+ |
| Wed | Mar | 06 | 8am | +Monseigneur Joseph Salameh+ |
| Thurs | Mar | 07 | 8am | +Amelia Garside+ |
| Fri | Mar | 08 | 8am | +Conrado Fajardo+ |

Word of Gratitude

Thank you Fr. Victor & Terry for leading the Stations of the Cross last Friday, the 23rd. Also, a word of gratitude to the following, who have been involved in organizing the Memorial Mass and reception for Bernie Petite, Fr. Victor, Terry, Silvio, Cecile & Brenda.

Carmelite Retreat Online

Prepare yourself for Easter together with the Discalced Carmelites from Feb 14 to March 31, 2024. Theme: *"Through the Cross Toward the Light."* To register, go to <http://www.retreat-online.karmel.at/>

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday:

- March 23; 4pm Anticipated Mass
- March 24; 9am, 11am, & 12:30pm

Holy Thursday (March 28): 7pm

Good Friday (March 29): 12pm & 3pm

Holy Saturday (March 30): 9pm

Easter Sunday (March 31): 9am, 11am, & 12:30pm

Parish Vision & Mission Statement

Vision Statement

A welcoming community of faith sharing the light and truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement

At Guardian Angels we are committed to cultivating a welcoming community of faith by fostering a sense of belonging through service to others. We are dedicated to nurturing disciples through the teachings of Christ by guiding others with compassion, humility and love, in order that everyone feels valued and supported on their journey of faith and in their relationship with Christ.

Core Values

- 1.) **Welcoming Community** - Guardian angels is a welcoming community living our baptismal calling by encouraging and sharing our gifts with one another.
- 2.) **Forming Disciples** - We at the guardian angels develop our relationship with Christ and living as disciples in our daily activities.
- 3.) **Sharing our Faith** (Evangelization) - As a parish community we share our Faith through our words and actions.
- 4.) **Service Through Actions** - At the west end of Vancouver, we live the Gospel through our commitment to ecclesial social action.

*Many are the plans in a person's heart,
but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails.*

Proverbs 19:21

Reading Reflection From One of our Own

Jesus purifies the Temple. --- (by: Agustin G.)

Jesus went up to the Temple of Jerusalem to pray as the Passover of the Jews arrived. And He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, and the money changers doing business there. According to the Jews, the worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifices, therefore, the merchants sold animals to the worshipers. There were also moneychangers trading with Roman coins that bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax. Jesus made a whip out of cords and shouting to them **"Take these out of here and stop making my Father's house a marketplace,"** drove them all out of the temple area; and overturning the tables spilled the coins to the floor. Later, His disciples recalled the saying of the Scripture, **"The zeal for your house will consume me."** The authorities of the Temple arrived and asked Jesus, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" and Jesus answered, **"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."** And they said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But Jesus was speaking of the temple of His body. So, when He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered this saying also, and came to believe. Still some believe in Jesus when they saw these signs and heard His words (cf. Jn 2: 13-25) The Gospel of St. John recalls this purification of the Temple by Jesus and uses the story to interpret the later destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70) It is also understood by some that what happened was among the events that led to the arrest and the Crucifixion of Jesus, because since then, the tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities increased. They started to openly persecute Him but feared the crowds that followed Him and waited for another opportunity to trap Him. With the time the disciples understood that in His passion, death, and Resurrection Jesus had surpassed the Jewish way to placate the Justice of God. Then the Temple of Jerusalem became less relevant; mainly when Jesus promised them that wherever two or more believers gathered in His name to pray, He would be among them.

WELCOME VISITORS, "THANK YOU FOR VISITING!"

"God Our-Father, guide and protect our visitors, especially those travelling from afar, keep them in your presence with peace and joy and allow them to reach safely to their final destination, through Christ our Lord. Amen."

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ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Take the Survey: Mental Health and Illness in Canadian Congregations

Catholics in the Archdiocese of Vancouver are encouraged to take this 10–15-minute anonymous survey on mental health in Canadian congregations. Click below for more details and to complete the survey: <https://www2.rcav.org/e/897551/SE-90-SMHM/3n8qxb/2479464639/h/F-moR7klmLf4GMYoUPE-ysPdFlz4wERHAH5nlfpJ4BM>

Estate and Memorial Planning Webinar

This free presentation provides general information for preparing or updating your will, learning about the beauty of the funeral rite, and formulating pre-need arrangements. You'll be pointed to complementary guides, tools and practical resources. The event is presented by Gardens of Gethsemani cemetery, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. The next session is on Thursday, March 7, at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom. Learn more and register at rccav.org/events.

Cenaculo (The Passion of the Christ)

Join us this Lent as we gather to watch *The Passion of the Christ*, brought to you by the Philippines Historama Society of BC and the Filipino Catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Let's come together in reverence and reflection, exploring the profound journey of Jesus who sacrificed His life for us. Don't miss this opportunity for a shared spiritual encounter during this sacred season! On Sunday, March 17, 2:00 p.m. at the Michael J. Fox Theatre in Burnaby. Cost is \$20. For tickets and inquiries, please get in touch with Mike at 604-375-2138, or Marilou at 604-828-9856, or Carmelita at 604-551-4883.

The Personal Call to Holiness and Divine Mercy

Everyone is welcome to come and attend the Lenten Mission at St. John the Apostle Parish in Vancouver, led by Rev. Martin Scott, SDM. The mission talks will be held from Monday to Wednesday, March 18-20, preceded by Mass at 6:30 p.m. There will be Confessions at 6:15 p.m. Padre Martín Scott, formally Rev. P. Ricardo Scott Chavanches, is the founder of the religious community called "Siervos de la Divina Misericordia" in Chosica, Peru. The charism of his religious community life is based on the messages concerning our Lord's infinite Divine Mercy given to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska.

The Role of Mary in Salvation History

Father Emmerich Vogt, OP, will reflect on the role of Mary in salvation history. In that context, he will explore what the message of Our Lady of Fatima means for us Catholics today. He will consider what it means for the individual Catholic to belong to a Church which on earth is called "The Church Militant." Practically speaking, how does a Catholic fight against demonic evil? From Tuesday to Friday, March 19-22, 8:00 a.m. at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Vancouver. The conference will be preceded by Mass, with time for coffee and crumpets. All are welcome to these Passiontide talks to prepare well for Easter. Learn more via beholdvancouver.org/events.

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 griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential phone call to 250-808-6403. Register at griegtograncelowna.org.