



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
 We, the Catholic community of St. Anthony of Padua,
 relying on the wisdom and the grace of God, unite
 ourselves to the call for renewal and transformation of
 our spiritual, social and economic life

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 07, 2016



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SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Sunday 09:00 am, 11:00 am

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

and Saturday 09:00 am Tuesday, 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Monday,

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 8 to 8:40 am,

Tuesday 6:30 pm to 6:55 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday at 09:30 am (Benediction at 10:30 am)

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Year of Mercy Reflection

"...not only does this mystery of God's love and mercy constitute the content of worship of and devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, but in the same way it is likewise the content of all true spirituality and Christian devotion" Pope Benedict XVI

Project Advance Annual Appeal

In this Holy Year dedicated to Mercy, please support our annual appeal, Project Advance, which helps us meet the pressing material and spiritual needs of our parishes and ministries that assist so many in our Archdiocese. Let us bring the light of hope to others, as Pope Francis is asking us to do.

For more information and to donate, visit

Thank you to those of you who have already donated to Project Advance in our parish. **So for we have received \$14,270. To date, we have 34.1% participation** Let's go for 100% participation! Every amount, large or small, helps!

Purple Orchid Holy Land Tour

Visit Israel, Jordan, Palestine & Egypt with **Fr. Steny Mascarenhas** September 2 to 12, 2016. Tour includes return flights to Vancouver, accommodation in first-class hotels, transportation, sight-seeing entrance fees as per itinerary, and all breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. Cost: \$3,300 per person, inclusive (includes gratuities) For more information: Brian Andrade (778) 999-4599 purpleorchidholidays@shaw.ca

St. Anthony of Padua
PARISH PICNIC
28th August 2016

There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area. Please indicate how many will attend and what you will contribute – either a Salad or a Dessert. Everything else will be provided by generous donors! Thank you!!!

THANK YOU
 Thank you everyone who helped at the golf tournament on Saturday. Special thanks to K of C for organizing it and for all of you who participated in it. Thank you.

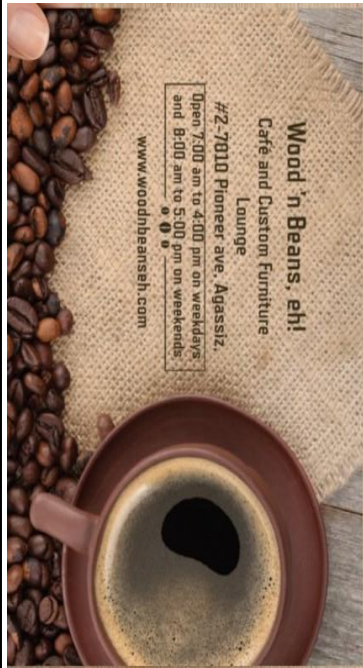
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Something to think about: All the good works in the world are not equal to the holy Sacrifice of the Mass because they are the works of Men; but the Mass is the work of God. Martyrdom is nothing in comparison for it is but the sacrifice of man to God; but the Mass is the Sacrifice of God for man. By; St. John Vianney.

PERMANENT DIACONATE ACCEPTING NEW APPLICATIONS. Archbishop Miller has announced that a third group of men will begin formation for the Permanent Diaconate in September. Classes will run from September to June, on one Friday evening and one Saturday each month. Efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of men with younger families. Men aged 31-60 are eligible to apply, with the firm support of their wives. For more information or application forms, contact Msgr. Gregory Smith at deacons@rcav.org



There will be a parish photo directory completed this upcoming October 3 through 8th. There is no cost to you nor to the parish, and so we hope that we will have great participation! Please keep that week available. You will be contacted in early September to set an appointment for your photo session..

**Pilgrimage to the Grotto of Our Lady Of Lourdes
Fraser River Heritage Park, Mission, BC**
When: Saturday, August 20, 2016
Where: Fraser River Heritage Park, 7494 Mary St., Mission
Details: - Sacrament of Reconciliation on site 10 am to 1 pm
 - Mass @ 1 pm Archbishop Miller – main celebrant
 - Procession to the Grotto following Mass
 - Rosary prayed at the Grotto following Mass
Reminder: Bring your own chairs
There is a food concession on site, but you are welcome to bring a picnic lunch
For more information: info@aquinasinstitute.ca

Transform Your Parish With a Culture of Stewardship: Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbour. This year's International Catholic Stewardship Conference, "Stewards of God's Mercy", will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, Oct. 2-5. Discover how the Year of Mercy leads to more effective evangelization and how stewardship can transform your parish. For more information, at 604-683-0281 ext. 50316

Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Conference: Join us for the 2016 Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Conference with guest speakers Bishop Sam Jacobs and Dr. Margaret Schlientz on Friday, Sept. 23, from 7-9:30pm and Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9-7pm (closing Mass at 5pm). This conference will be held at Broadway Church, Vancouver. Cost: \$15 (before Aug. 31). To register, please contact Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services at 604-597-8227.

Up-Coming Events
 RCIA – resuming in the Fall
 PREP Classes – All Fridays at 3 pm, resume in Fall
 Adoration and Divine Mercy Novena on Friday 9.30am
 Parish Picnic August 28th
 Church Photo Directory October 3rd to 8th
Funeral on 11th August at 11am

Holy Communion for the shut in - may be given at home upon request. Please contact the parish office.

We remember in prayer all those who are sick, including: Peggy Turner, Florence Sinclair, Joe Yunick, Ken Ferguson,, Michelle Rickaby, Bill Beebe, Beverly Westlin.

We remember in prayer: those who have recently died:
 Jim Jonk

New in the Parish? Have you registered yet? If you are new or have not registered yet, please fill out a Parish Registration Form available in the gathering area. Drop off at the office or in the collection basket at Mass

Autumn Pilgrimage to Guadalupe: Join Fr. David Franco of Holy Family parish in East Vancouver for an unforgettable Pilgrimage, Cultural and Sightseeing Tour to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico City from November 14 - 19, 2016. \$200 discount for those who register before July 1st. Contact John or Natalie: info@oc-travel.com / 778-655-0387 / www.oc-travel.com

**St. Anthony of Padua Giant Garage Sale
September 24th, 2016**

Would you like to donate some 'treasures' for the garage sale? You may drop them off at the church any time, or if you need someone to transport them from your house, please call the parish office, and we will make arrangements to assist you with this. We really appreciate your generous support for this annual fundraiser in our parish, and it is because of you that it will be a success!! Thank you so much!

Jim Jonk passed away this past Tuesday, August 2nd.
We extend our deepest sympathies to his family
Prayer Vigil Service
 Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 7 pm
Funeral Mass
 Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 11 am

Basics of the Faith: This course is aimed at helping to understand the Catholic faith more clearly. This two-part course is based on the structure of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will provide participants with: knowledge of the basics of Catholicism; an integration of what we as Catholics believe, how we celebrate it in liturgy and sacrament, and how we live and how we pray. There will also be an opportunity for discussion, prayer and reflection. Saturday, Aug. 27, at St. Patrick's High School, Vancouver, from 10am-4pm. Cost: \$40 per person and includes lunch. For more info and registration, visit rcav.org/oc-summer

Reflection: What is the greatest joy and treasure we could possibly possess? The Lord Jesus promises that those who seek God and his kingdom first will not be disappointed (Luke 12:32, Matthew 6:33). The Lord Jesus offers us the greatest treasure possible - but we must first seek it and make it our true joy and possession above all else. We naturally want to have and keep whatever we think will bring us happiness, peace, and security. Jesus offers a priceless treasure and source of abundant joy and security that is worth selling all else for.

The priceless exchange and everlasting reward
 Jesus tells his followers to not be fearful or anxious about their present lives and future security (Luke 12:32). He urges them to sell their possessions and to give their money to those who need it most - especially those who have nothing to provide for their present needs and welfare (Luke 12:33). This seems to go against our natural instinct to hoard and save for the future. Why would anyone want to sell their possessions and give away their money - unless they wanted to exchange these goods for something far more precious and of greater value than all the money and possessions they could ever hope to acquire in this present life.

Jesus warns that money and possessions will not last and can be taken away at any moment by a thief or by death itself. But there is one treasure which can never be lost or destroyed because it is kept secure by God himself. What is that treasure? It is the Lord himself and his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit (Romans 14:17). This treasure is worth far more than anything we could possibly acquire on our own. If you make the Lord your treasure, then you will have in your possession the greatest source of joy and lasting peace and security. The wisdom of Scripture tells us, *If the Almighty is your gold and your precious silver, then you will delight yourself in the Almighty, and will turn your face toward God* (Job 22:25-26). Do you know the joy and happiness of making God your one and only true treasure and security?

The Lord knocks at our door - will we answer him?
 What is the meaning of the parable of the master who returns from a wedding feast to his home in the middle of the night (Luke 12:35-40)? The door to one's house in the ancient world was usually bolted from the inside, especially at night to keep out thieves and troublemakers. It was not possible to enter from the outside without help from someone inside. Household attendants (domestic servants) who knew their master's voice were expected to be always vigilant and prepared to unbolt the door and let him in without a moment's delay. This required an attentive watchfulness and listening ear for any sign of the master's approach. No distraction, not even sleep, could be allowed to interfere with the preparation for the master's return. If the servants failed to hear the voice of their master's return, they literally shut him out since he could not unbolt the door from the outside - only they could open the door from within and allow him to enter. Their failure to welcome and serve the master on his return brought shame and dishonor.

If the Lord Jesus knocked on your door today would you be ready and eager to receive him? He wants us to be prepared for his coming - today, tomorrow, at the hour of our departure from this life (our death), and when he comes again at the end of this present world to to judge all living and dead. The Lord will reward those who have believed in him. The Lord Jesus knocks on the door of our heart each and every day. Do we listen to his word and receive it with trust and joy. The Lord calls to each of us and he says, "Listen! I am standing and knocking at your door. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and we will eat together" (Revelations 3:20). Do you hunger for the Lord and for the treasure of his kingdom?

The Lord comes to reward his faithful servants
 Jesus' parable adds an unexpected reward for those who have patiently and faithfully waited for his return. When the master reaches home from the wedding feast at a late hour of the night, he does the unthinkable for his servants who are present to welcome him. He seats his servants at his own banquet table, and then begins to personally wait on them and serve them with a rich feast of choice food and drink as a reward for their faithfulness to him (Luke 12:37). Jesus' parable turns the world's way of thinking upside-down. The master rewards his faithful servants by serving them himself with the best he has to offer - a royal feast fit for a king and his loyal subjects. Are you prepared to feast with the Lord at his banquet table? Jesus' parable has an important lesson for each one of us. Just as Jesus was faithful and ready to obey his Father in everything - even to the point of laying down his life on the cross for us, we, too are called to be faithful and obedient to the Lord's will for our lives. How can we grow in faithfulness and obedience to the Lord? The Lord gives us his Holy Spirit who frees us from pride and fear, so we can hear the Lord and embrace his way of love and faithfulness. If we fail, the Lord will not fail us. He gives strength to the weak and to those who turn to him with trust in his mercy and help. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with his Holy Spirit and with a holy desire to seek the Lord and his kingdom first above all else.

Episcopal Ordination & Installation of Bishop-Elect Joseph Nguyen: All are welcome to the celebration of the episcopal ordination and installation of our current Vicar General and former Director of Vocations, Bishop-Elect Joseph Nguyen, as the sixth bishop of Kamloops. The ordination and installation will take place at the Sandman Centre in Kamloops on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 3pm.

Mass Intentions		
Sunday	9 am 11 am	Marian Skalicky+ St. Anthony's Parish
Monday	9 am	Peter Nguyen+
Tuesday	7 pm	Maria Nguyen+
Wednesday	9 am	Merle Lynam+
Thursday	9 am	Maria Nguyen+
Friday	9 am	Peter Nguyen+
Saturday	9 am	Maria Nguyen+

July 31, 2016	
Envelopes	\$1,200.00
Loose	\$367.00
Total	\$1,567.00