

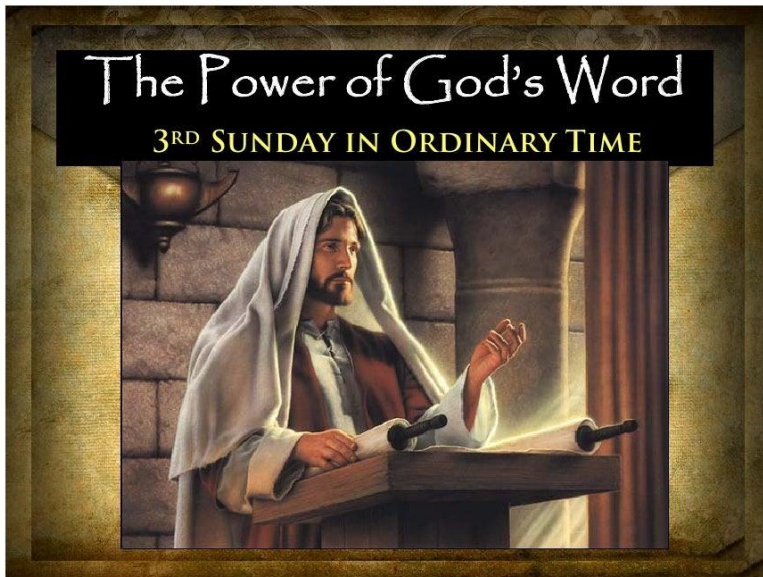


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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025



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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	1079.74
Loose	1100
Other	50.00
TOTAL	\$2229.85

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“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” (Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are ill, or housebound, in our Parish Family:

Barry Bembridge, Baby Anthony Vu, Joanna Black, Stella Hildebrandt, Paul McKenzie, Rudy Leon, David Lim

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

Virgil Hergott, Tammy Harris, Arnold McCombs

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

- MISSION STATEMENT -

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	Jan 25	5 PM	+Arnold McCombs
SUN	Jan 26	10:00 AM	De los Reyes Family
		1:00 PM	+Blair Henry
MON	Jan 27	9 AM	+Graham Family
TUE	Jan 28	7 PM	+Kate Davies
WED	Jan 29	9 AM	+Rodriguez Family
THU	Jan 30	9 AM	+Rodelio Lechuga
FRI	Jan 31	9 AM	+Lechuga Family
SAT	Feb 1	5 PM	+Cacnio Family



2025 Jubilee of Hope

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

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.

See the full schedule of ecumenical prayer services for January 2025 at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Upcoming at St. Anthony's

PREP: Thursdays 3:30 pm

RCIA: Thursdays 6 pm

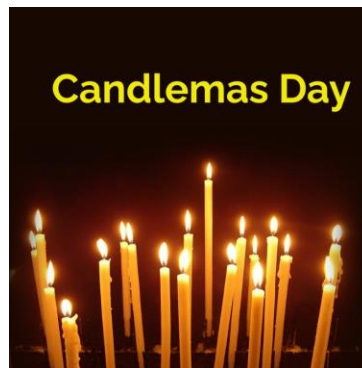


Please accept our apologies and thank you for your understanding while the parking lot is under construction.

Please bear with us while this construction is ongoing. Hopefully, this phase of preparation for pavement will be completed this week.



There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of February 8-9 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



Candlemas Day

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

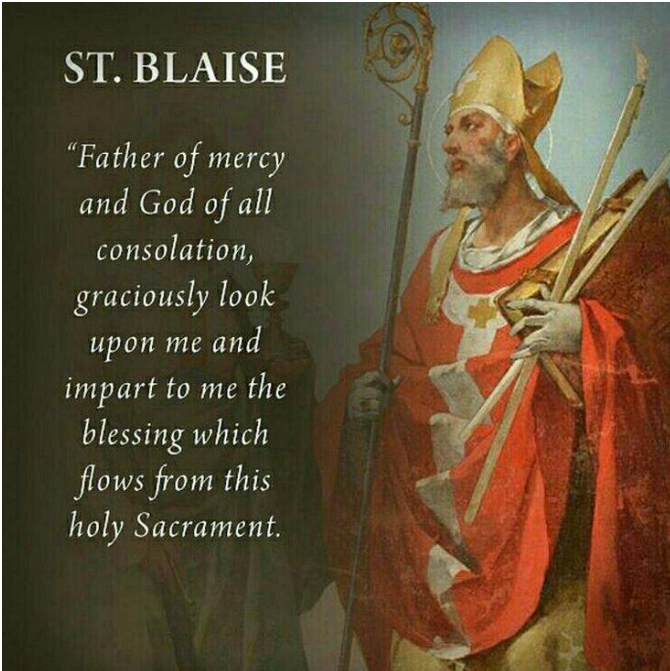
Please bring your candles in for blessing by next Sunday for

the 10 am Mass, and leave them with your name(s) on them in the receptacle in the Gathering area.

February 3, 2025
Monday
St. Blaise Feast Day



St. Blaise was an early Christian bishop and martyr, one of the most popular medieval saints. He is venerated as the patron saint of sufferers from throat diseases and of wool combers and as one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers.



Today we celebrate the feast of Saint Blaise, who was bishop of Sebaste in Armenia in the fourth century. Before being martyred, he is said to have healed a boy who was choking. Since the eighth century, Saint Blaise has been venerated as the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat. We pray in a special way today for protection from afflictions of the throat and from other illnesses. The blessing of Saint Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick.

What can one person do? Over 100,000 abortions in Canada each year

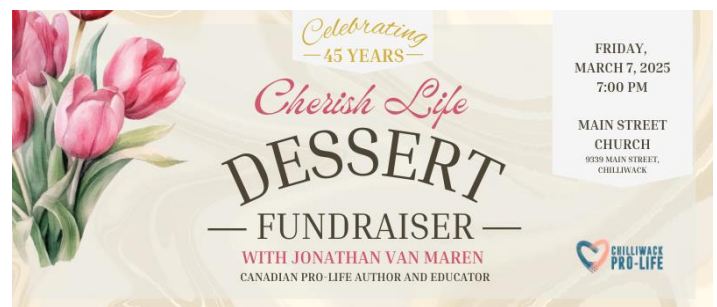
Pray - for politicians, for pro-life organizations, for your local pregnancy centre. To receive prayer updates from our centre via text, text PRAY, followed by your name, to 1-807-797- 5626.

Volunteer - Contact local pro-life organizations or your church about how you can help single mothers or further the pro-life cause.

Vote - Choose politicians who have a voting record that supports life in the womb. Get educated - Listen to pro-life podcasts (like the Pro-Life Guy's podcast) or go to a Chilliwack Pro-Life education event.

Donate - Support pro-life pregnancy care centres and other pro-life organizations which rely entirely on charitable donations to fulfill their mission.

Our Parish Pro Life Representatives are Jen & Aaron Sask





Jubilee Year 2025

A Jubilee Year is celebrated by the universal Church every 25 years, dedicated to encouraging the faithful to embark on pilgrimages, repent of their sins, forgive others, and renew their focus on spiritual life. Learn more about this special year, stay updated with the latest news, and explore how you can participate at rcav.org/jubilee.

Knights of Columbus Student Bursary Program

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The Knights of Columbus are privileged to offer fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted until June 30, 2025

Requests for applications should be addressed to:
Christopher Chen - State Bursary Chairman
Knights of Columbus BC Charity Foundation
#333 - 1231 Pacific Boulevard
Vancouver, BC V6Z0E2 Or
email chrischen.kofc@gmail.com or Chrischen.kofc@gmail.com.

Deadline for requests for application is June 1.

Local Pilgrimage Sites - Obtain the Jubilee 2025 Indulgence

The Archbishop's decree designates three sacred locations in the Archdiocese where pilgrims may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

- Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver, which the Archbishop said should be in a special way among the "sacred places of welcome and privileged spaces for the rebirth of hope" like the other Marian Shrines Pope Francis mentions in his proclamation of the Jubilee Year;
- St. Jude's Parish and Shrine in Vancouver;
- **St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Agassiz, along with the adjacent Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebu.**

The faithful can obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by visiting one of the designated sites and devoutly participating in Holy Mass or other sacred acts, such as the celebration of the Word of God, the Liturgy of the Hours, the Way of the Cross, or the Rosary. You must also go to Confession, receive Holy Communion at any church and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, within a few days of visiting the pilgrimage site.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

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