# Passion of the Lord

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#### LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$1505.00
Loose	\$439.90
Other	\$1120.00
TOTAL	\$3064.90

#### April 13 - Palm Sunday

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

#### 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, Bev Sargent, Prudence Donfack

Please pray for the most recently deceased:

Sigmund Altenried

#### Mission Statement

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.

SAT	April 12	5 PM	Marguerite Rocheleau (birthday)
SUN April 13	April 12	10:00 AM	Paul McKenzie
	1:00 PM	Darryl Martino (healing)	
MON	April 14	9 AM	Paul McKenzie
TUE	April 15	9 AM	+Grace R. Montecillo +Florence Dumont
WED	April 16	9 AM	Ly Bui (peace & health)
THU	April 17 Holy Thursday	7 PM	Chris & Aurea Bailon & Family
FRI	April 18 Good Friday	3 PM	Passion of the Lord
SAT	April 19 Easter Vigil	9 PM	Shannon Campbell

Upcoming at St. Anthony's

PREP April 24: 3:15 pm RCIA: April 24: 6 pm

Stations of the Cross: Friday at 11 am



"RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS" is SYMBOLIC!

We invite couples in our parish community to celebrate and bless the ongoing commitment of marriage in the sense of revitalizing or reinvigorating it. This is a powerful reminder for the couple and for all present of the significance of the sacrament and how the power of God has brought the couple to such a milestone.

If you are celebrating a milestone this year such as: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 ... 50 years of togetherness, please inform the parish office. This will be held during Mass on May 4th at 10:00 a.m.

## **Prayer for the Holy Father**

Almighty ever-living God,
eternal health of believers,
Who willed that our infirmities
be borne by your Only-Begotten Son
for our salvation,
listen in kindness to our prayers
for your servant Francis,
our Pope and Shepherd:
grant him, we implore you,
your merciful help,
so that he may be restored to your Church in
aood health.

good health,
ever ready to serve the flock you have entrusted
to his care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen
Lenten Penitential Service
April 9th at 7 pm

# **Easter Egg Hunt**



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for all the children following the 10 AM Easter Sunday Mass

Please remember to bring your own basket to collect your eggs

## **Local Pilgrimage Sites**

Clarification on Holy Doors during the Jubilee of Hope

The Archdiocese of Vancouver has received many inquiries regarding Holy Doors during the Jubilee Year of Hope.

This Jubilee Year, Pope Francis has designated Holy Doors exclusively at the four major papal basilicas in Rome to highlight the unity of the universal Church and to invite Catholics worldwide to make the traditional pilgrimage to Rome. There are no Holy Doors in Vancouver, though Catholics can still obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by following the instructions below.

How to receive Jubilee Indulgence
During the Jubilee Year 2025, you can receive a
plenary indulgence in the Archdiocese of
Vancouver (the complete remission of the
temporal punishment of sin), by completing the
following:

- 1. Detachment from sin (even venial)
- 2. Visit a Jubilee Pilgrimage site:
  - Holy Rosary Cathedral, Downtown Vancouver
  - St. Jude's Parish and Shrine, East Vancouver
  - St. Anthony of Padua Parish and Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebu, Agassiz
  - Or another site dedicated by Pope Francis or the local Bishop
- 3. Attend Holy Mass or any of the following, ideally at the pilgrimage site:
  - · Celebration of the Word of God
  - Liturgy of the Hours
  - Way of the Cross
  - Rosary
  - Penitential Celebration with individual confession
  - Confession at the same time or at least within about 20 days of visiting a pilgrimage site
- 4. Pray for the Pope
  - Our Father, Hail Mary etc.

The plenary indulgence is available until December 28, 2025.

## **Triduum Schedule**

Holy Thursday: 7 pm Good Friday: 3 pm Easter Vigil: 9 pm

Would you like to contribute for the flowers

for our Easter Altar Display?



Simply place your name and the people you would like to be honored through your donation into an envelope and place it in the offering basket or take it to the

parish office! Thank you for your generosity! This donation is tax receiptable.



The Chilliwack Pro-Life Society is offering two \$1,500 scholarship awards to two deserving students who live in the Chilliwack area. One will go to a student who is currently in Grade 12, and the other scholarship will go to a student in their first year of college/university. The winning awards will be granted upon submission of an essay to be judged by a committee appointed by the Society.



## Triduum Reflections by Pope Francis

## Holy Thursday

On the evening of Holy Thursday, as we enter the Easter Triduum, we will relive the Mass known as in Coena Domini, that is, the Mass in which we commemorate the Last Supper, there, in that moment. This is the evening when Christ left his disciples the testament of his love in the Eucharist, not as a remembrance, but as a memorial, as his everlasting presence.

Every time we celebrate the Eucharist, we renew this mystery of redemption. In this Sacrament, Jesus substituted the sacrificial victim – the Paschal lamb – with himself: his Body and Blood grant us salvation from the slavery of sin and death. The salvation from every form of slavery is there. It is the evening in which he asks us to love one another by becoming servants to one another, as he did in washing the disciples' feet, a gesture that anticipates his bloody oblation on the cross. And indeed, the Master and Lord will die the next day to purify not the feet, but the hearts and the entire life of his disciples. It was an oblation of service to us all, because with that service of his sacrifice he redeemed us all.

## **Good Friday**

Good Friday is the day of penance, fasting and prayer. Through the texts of the Sacred Scripture and the liturgical prayers, we will gather as though we were on Calvary to commemorate the redemptive Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. In the intensity of the rite, through the Liturgical Action, the Crucifix will be presented to us to adore. Adoring the Cross, we will relive the journey of the innocent Lamb sacrificed for our salvation. We will carry in our minds and hearts the sufferings of the sick, the poor, the rejected of this world; we will remember the sacrificed lambs", the innocent victims of dictatorships, everyday violence, abortions... Before the image of the crucified God, we will bring, in prayer, the many, the too many who are crucified in our time, who only from Him can receive comfort and meaning in their suffering. And nowadays there are many: do not forget the crucified of our time, who are the image of Jesus Crucified, and Jesus is in them.

Ever since Jesus took upon himself the wounds of humanity and death itself, God's love has irrigated these deserts of ours, he has enlightened our darkness. Because the world is

in darkness. Let us make a list of all the wars that are being fought in this moment; of all the children who die of hunger; of children who have no education; of entire populations destroyed by wars, by terrorism. Of the many, many people who, just to feel a bit better, need drugs, the drug industry that kills ... It is a disaster, it is a desert! There are small islands" of the people of God, both Christian and of all other faiths, that hold in their heart the desire to be better. But let us tell the truth: in this Calvary of death, it is Jesus who suffers in his disciples. During his ministry, the Son of God disseminated life by the handful, healing, forgiving, reviving... Now, in the hour of his supreme Sacrifice on the cross, he brings to fulfilment the task entrusted to him by the Father: he enters into the abyss of suffering, he enters into these disasters of this world, to redeem and transform. And also to free every one of us from the power of darkness, of pride, of resistance to being loved by God. And this, only God's love can do this. By his wounds we have been healed (see 1 Pt 2: 24), the apostle Peter says, by his death we have been reborn, all of us. And thanks to him, abandoned on the cross, no-one will ever again be alone in the darkness of death. Never, he is always beside us: we need only open our heart and let ourselves be looked upon by him.

## **Holy Saturday**

Holy Saturday is the day of silence, lived by the first disciples in mourning and bewilderment, shocked by Jesus' ignominious death. While the Word is silent, while Life is in the tomb, those who had hoped in him were put to a difficult test, they feel like orphans, perhaps even orphaned by God.

This Saturday is also Mary's day: she too lived it in tears, but her heart was full of faith, full of hope, full of love. The Mother of Jesus had followed her Son along the path of sorrows and remained at the foot of the cross, with her soul pierced. But when it all seemed to be over, she kept watch, she kept vigil, in expectation, maintaining her hope in the promise of God who raises the dead. Thus, in the world's darkest hour, she became the Mother of believers, the Mother of the Church and sign of hope. Her witness and her intercession sustain us when the weight of the cross becomes too heavy for each one of us.