25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2025



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"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13)

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run "neck and neck" as top priority. Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

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LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

Envelopes	\$1255.00
Loose	\$437.75
Other	\$415.00
TOTAL	\$2,107.75

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are ill, or housebound, in our Parish Family: Barry Bembridge, Baby Anthony Vu, Joanna Black, Stella Hildebrandt, Rudy Leon, Prudence Donfack, Clayton Jimmie, Leo Vantol, Fred Neilson, Lynda Van Scheyndel

Please pray for the most recently deceased: Margaret Bernt

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	September 20	5 pm	Carmen & Mel Cruz
SUN	September 21	10:00 AM	+Bernadette Hernandez +Huang Thi Nu
		1:00 PM	+Crisolog Patenio
MON	September 22	9 AM	+Elena Olay Tubera
TUE	September 23	7 PM	+Sean Paul Claggett Ma Corazon Yvette Doromal
WED	September 24	9 AM	LITURGY OF THE WORD
THU	September 25	9 AM	+Belinda Wood
FRI	September 26	9 AM	Gabundao Family
SAT	September 27	5 PM	Vince Roma (healing)



Are you interested in learning more about the faith and practices of the Catholic Church? Would you like to be part of journeying with the RCIA team?

Please call the Parish Office for more information, or speak to S. Olive, RVM.

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
 - Rosarv
 - 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.





Hope is what moves you to dream of a more vibrant parish.

It's the hope that your Church can be a place of welcome, renewal, and growth. It is the desire to see your community thrive, not just for today but for generations to come.

When you support Project Advance, you turn that hope into action. You help create spaces where families gather, where faith is nurtured, and where those in need find comfort. You make it possible for ministries to grow, for schools to thrive, and for your parish to be a place where everyone feels at home.

Your generosity to Project Advance builds a future where faith is strong, communities are connected, and the Church continues to be a source of hope for all.

Our Goal is \$10,500 this year. To date: \$3,160

Thank you for your continued support
As always, when our goal has been met,
All funds are returned to our parish without
assessment

Catechetical Sunday

This year's theme for Catechetical Sunday is: "Always be ready to give an explanation ... for a reason for your hope" (1 Peter3:15).

The theme is set within the context of the Jubilee Year, a year of Hope and a call to build a better world through compassion and social justice. All baptized Catholics are called to witness and share the Gospel, thus become: **MISSIONARY DISCIPLES**

This day is special for our Volunteer Catechists as they will be formally commissioned to recognize their dignity in the ministry of teaching in the name of the Church. They are the following:

- 1. Dumas, Karen
- 2. Reaume, Crystal
- 3. Rosario, Soshi Jopomala
- 4. Sarker, Alex
- 5. Harrison, Elma Rabanes

Parish Photo Directory: Jubilee Year 2025

The Dates for the Photo Appointments are

October 27: 4:00 to 8:30 PM October 28: 1:00 to 8:00 PM October 29: 1:00 to 8 PM October 30: 1:00 to 8 PM October 31: 1:00 to 7 PM

November 1: 10 AM to 5 PM

Our Parish hasn't had a new directory made since 2016. There are so many changes in our parish since that time, and so many new faces! This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other better by face, so I hope that you will all participate.

There's no charge for the photography session, and you will receive a complimentary Parish Directory for your participation.

You may, however, wish to purchase additional photos for yourself

Please take a moment to register for photo session. There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Area of the Church Simon Carton and Emee Wenk will be heading up the Team that will coordinate this project.

WELCOME to the "Sing to the Lord" Sacred Music Symposium presented by UNA VOCE CANADA

Join us at St James Parish on Sat. Oct. 25th for an afternoon of presentations regarding the role of music in worship. Three talks will be presented by guest speakers: Abbot Alban Riley of Westminster Abbey, Mission, BC, and Dr Peter Kwasniewski, scholar, author & composer. This event will bring together parishioners from all over, music lovers, choir members and composers to celebrate the rich tradition of Church Music. Engage and network with fellow attendees. Enjoy a delicious lunch! The day will conclude with a Holy Hour. To acquire a ticket, click on this link:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/cantate-dominosacred-music-symposium-tickets-1564441750389?aff=ebdssbdestsearch OR phone 604-864-8800



WALK FOR LIFE Saturday, September 27th, 2025

Chilliwack Alliance Church 8700 Young Road, Chilliwack

Registration – 9:30 am

Begins – 10:00 am

Ends – 12 PM

Lots of Activities and Door prizes

www.chilliwackprolife.com

See poster in Gathering Area



Fr. Dennis will be on vacation for the next three weeks in the Philippines! We sure will miss you, but we hope that you will enjoy being home with your family and maybe getting a little ...much needed rest.

We will be happy to welcome
Fr. Mario and

Fr. Donald who will be filling in for him during this time. The Parish Office remains open as is regularly scheduled.

Sister Marguerite Somers, GSIC, passed away on September 15 in Pembroke, Ontario. She was 98 years of age.

Sister Somers taught for 19 years before making a career change that led her to Prison Chaplaincy in service in many areas including Kent and Mountain Institutions in Agassiz. After she retired, she began a First Nations Ministry on reserves at Seabird Island and Chehalis, and served at Luke 15 House. In 2013, she moved back to Pembroke.

Let us remember Sister Somers in our prayers along with the Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception.

ROSARY FOR PEACE

Join Archbishop Richard Smith at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Saturday,



October 4 at 11:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary for peace, especially for those suffering in the Holy Land, Ukraine, and around the world. Attend in person or join the livestream as we entrust our petitions to Mary, Queen of Peace. Parish groups, schools, youth and young adult groups, and prayer groups are encouraged to take part. Consider making this part of your pilgrimage to the Cathedral during the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Learn more at beholdvancouver/events.