

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

10th Sunday Ordinary Time June 5th 2016

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Johnny's boss asked him, "Do you believe in life after death?" Johnny replied, "Yes, Sir," the boss continued, "Well, that makes everything just fine." With Johnny's face looking quizzical, the boss went on, "After you left early yesterday to go to your grandmother's funeral, she stopped in to see you."

In this Sunday's First Reading, the prophet Elijah is driven out of his home by famine and ended in a foreign land. He befriended a poor widow who's got nothing but her last morsel of food for herself and her only son. Elijah asks the widow for something to drink. He is also hungry and asks her for a bite to eat. A BITE TO EAT? She has nothing but the last handful of meal and a few drops of oil for her and her son to survive on; but somehow she is convinced that the ancient law of hospitality can and must be obeyed.

But then her son dies anyway. Let's not try to be nicely pious and say, "All shall be well". Life is hard. Life is cruel. Ask any tsunami survivor. Ask any Syrian refugee, and that's just the survivors. The drowned, the suicides can't answer you.

And Elijah says, "Give me your son". Like any passionate and compassionate believer Elijah is furious with God for doing this to the widow who has saved his life. He prays and tells God what he thinks. God listens, and the boy came back to life and Elijah gives her son back to his mother.

St. Luke the scribe of Jesus, the only Son of God and the Lord of life, refers Christ's compassion towards parents and their lone children: Jairus' daughter; the demon-possessed son of the distressed father at the foot of the mountain of Transfiguration; and today encounters a widow of Nain who has lost her only son.

Jesus doesn't know the widow of Nain, but his compassion for her and her son is as strong as Elijah's. The compassion of Christ includes anyone, friend or stranger, whom He encounters. The compassionate Lord indicates that majesty and mercy go together.

We reflect, this year, on the mercy of God. The one who brings life into deathly situations is not an effortless dispenser of comfort. Compassion is suffering with the distressed, and we know of many who have been Christ-like in bringing health and light into broken and dark places.



Some years ago a friend sent me an unusual Christmas card: it had a picture of a candle - half burned down - and the message was: "Those who would bring light shall endure the burning".
Fr. Joseph

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM;
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM;
Saturdays & Public Holidays, 9:00 AM.

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Fri: before 8 AM Mass;
Sat: 9:30 AM & 4:15 - 4:45 PM.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SUN	June 5 th 10 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	Sp. Int. Kieh Christopherson FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	June 6	8 am	† Marlene Andrade
Tue	June 7	8 am	† Andrea Dearnley
Wed	June 8	8 am	† John † Margaret Micallef
Thu	June 9	8 am	† Wilfred Ellerbeck
Fri	June 10	8 am	† Hildegard Rupprecht
Sat	June 11 St Barnabas	9 am 5 pm	Sp. Int. Mikaela/Paul Kitchener FOR PARISHIONERS
SUN	June 12 th 11 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	† Gabriella Micallef Sp. Int. of Jonathan Torresan

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Catholic Cemeteries: are a link between the living & the departed.



DATE	June 11 th : 5 PM	June 12 th : 9 AM	June 12 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	FLORENCE HIGGS	JOANN CULLEN WENDY GRAY	R RACZ / L TRACH JOAN FORRESTER
LECTOR	ROBERT BUTLER	RAVEN TSANG	LARRY TRACH
EMHC	JANE TORRESAN	DON VICIC	MONIQUE CATTERMOLE
SOCIAL HOSTS	*	BEVERLY CARSON	JULIE BARTLETT

St. Anthony's Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Every Wednesday for students in Grades 1 - 7 not attending Catholic Schools. For other Sacramental Information, phone the Parish Office or email: parish.sawv@rcav.org.



KAMLOOPS' NEW BISHOP!

Congratulations to Fr. Joseph Nguyen, our Vicar General, who has been named the next Bishop of Kamloops!

God bless you in your shepherding. And congratulations to outgoing Bishop David Monroe who will be returning to Vancouver for his retirement after 15+ years of service for the Kamloops Diocese.

LOBSTER DINNER

Join us on Friday, June 10th, 6:00 PM in the church hall. Hosted by our parish CWL with Special Guest, Fr. Craig Scott. Door Prizes, 50/50, and Wine Bar. Tickets \$40 each. Proceeds to the Monastery and the North Shore Palliative Care. Phone Pat @ (604) 926-4291.

LECTIO DIVINA

Saturday, June 11th
10 AM, in Church.

Praying with Scriptures
with Fr. Gary. All Welcome!



LECTIO DIVINA
Reading the Scripture
Reflecting on the Meaning
Responding through Prayer
Resting in God
Responding in Action

Lectio Meditatio Oratio Contemplatio Operatio

CLERGY ABUSE: FINDING WAYS TO HEAL

Wednesday, June 15th, 7:00 PM

@ Canadian Memorial Centre for Peace, Vancouver

If you have been hurt or know someone who has been hurt or affected by the world-wide tragedy of clergy abuse, please come and join us. Healing is profoundly hopeful and we all desire wholeness for ourselves and for others.

This outreach evening will give voice to this topic by exploring ways which may lead to healing and by offering support to those who are hurting.

The evening will include a short presentation by an adult survivor of clergy abuse and will be facilitated by Bernadette Howell, who holds a Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies, and Brenda Knight, a Vancouver psychologist with experience in treating children and adults who have been sexually, physically and emotionally abused.

For more details please contact:
OutreachingForHealing@gmail.com.

Housing Security Meeting

Saturday, 11 June 11 AM
St. Anthony's Parish Hall.

"Lack of housing is a grave problem not only for the poor but for many other members of society as well."
Pope Francis

PRISON MINISTRY

After every Mass next week, there will be a representative from the Archdiocesan Prison Ministry who will be speaking.

This will be followed by an Information Evening scheduled for Tuesday, June 14th, 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

STA CORNER . . .

Congratulations to the 30 STA athletes who qualified for the BC Provincial Track and Field Championships in Nanaimo. STA Graduation Mass and Convocation, Friday, June 10. We ask that you keep them in your prayers.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE . . .

We pray for the repose of the souls of:
+Jacqueline CUMMINGS;

Late daughter of Susan & Roger LATTA;

+Concetta SCIANCAMERLI;

Late mother of Rosanna SCALDAFERRI.

May Jacqueline's and Concetta's souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Please continue to pray for those listed in our Prayer List posted in our church.



YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"We are here to hear the voice of the Spirit speaking to the whole Church of our time, which is the time of mercy. I am sure of this... We are living in a time of mercy, and have been for 30 years or more, up to today.

This was an intuition of Blessed John Paul II. He 'sensed' that this was the time of mercy..."

Pope Francis

ARCHDIOCESAN PRIORITIES & GOALS

So far, we have enumerated two: 1) Get closer to Jesus; 2) Strengthen Marriages and Families; and this week, 3) develop parish leadership & support. Parishes thrive when pastors are enabled to delegate leadership roles to a talented and evangelized team of parishioners. Visit: rcav.org/prioritiesandgoals.

FR. EVANKO AS ST. EUGENE DE MAZENOD

Friday, June 10th, 7 PM @ St Pius X

A new play, written and performed by Father Edward Evanko, an Eastern Rite priest and an Oblate Associate.

Portraying Eugene de Mazenod as a French nobleman until his conversion to minister to the poor and the marginalized.

For more on Fr. Evanko, visit: www.fatheredward.com.
Registration by DONATION @ the door.



ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, June 11th, 10 am @ Vancouver Art Gallery
Join us to pray the Rosary and if possible, please bring camp chairs for yourself or to help the elderly who need to sit.

This event is arranged by a small group of local Catholics, with no connection to any organization.

For more info, visit: rcav.org/event/rosary-rally-2/

BIRTHRIGHT INT'L. WALK & RUN

Saturday, June 25th, 10 AM - 1 PM, Holy Name Parish
Birtheright Vancouver, a downtown crisis pregnancy service, invites you to join this *Walk/Run* fundraiser. It's a fun way to support an important ministry in our archdiocese.

Details or to register: birtherightvancouver@gmail.com.

"SEEKING GOD"

5-day PRH workshop facilitated by Fr. John McCarthy
August 8-12, 2016 at St. Anthony's Parish

This workshop will guide you in your search for God, and provide effective means to help you continue your search to deepen your relationship with God.

For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board, or contact

Fr. John at 604-916-4009 or jmccarthy@rcav.org.

Registration Forms available in the Parish Office.