

# ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

## 13th Sunday Ordinary Time June 26<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Pastor:** Fr. Gary Franken  
**Office Hours:** Mon - Fri: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

**A** middle-aged married couple were walking through an arcade by a seaside resort. They came across a machine that promised not only to tell your weight but also to evaluate your character. *"Really?"* said the man, *"I'm going to give it a try."* So he stepped on the scale and he placed a coin in the slot. A few seconds later a little brown ticket came out and on it, it said, *"You are admired by many because of your intelligence and creativity. Your keen competitive edge places you in a position where the rest of the world is left behind."* The man beamed at such a positive evaluation and gave the ticket to his wife. She read it, smiled, and said, *"Well, you do realize, dear, that they also got your weight wrong?"*

We all have had an experience where the wind was knocked-out of our pride, where a comment by someone or an experience reminds us that we are not as smart, not as popular, and not as successful as we thought we were. We are all a mixture of gifts and deficiencies, talents and liabilities, blessings and flaws. And the sooner we accept this truth about ourselves, the sooner we can get on with living.

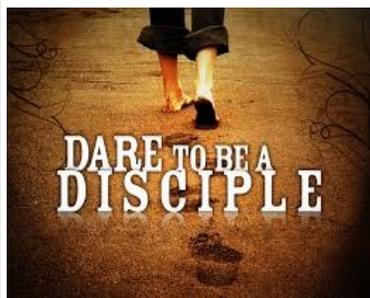
We often delude ourselves into imagining that God is looking for perfect disciples. The truth is, God is looking for real people. Real people often make mistakes and frequently fall short. All twelve Apostles, despite their shortcomings and failures were called by Christ.

In today's Gospel, people were trying to find excuses not to follow Christ. Most of us understand what God is calling us to be, and much of the time know exactly what we need to do. But then the excuses begin. *"I'm not ready yet."* *"I'm too tired."* *"I'm not worthy."* *"I'm too afraid."* Those excuses, much like those in the Gospel, might well seem reasonable. But they are nevertheless preventing us from moving forward. If we build our life around excuses, we will end up getting nowhere.

The only way we can move through and beyond our excuses is to turn to Christ and ask for help. The way forward is not by depending on ourselves, but trusting in the God who loves us. To put this in another way: **none of our failings or shortcomings can be an excuse for us not to follow Christ. Imperfect as we are, we are still called to be disciples.**

God has no illusions. God knows who we are and all of our failings. Yet, God still calls us to love, to forgive, and to grow. If Peter, who denied knowing Jesus three times, could go on to be the foundation of the Church, then, even with all of our failings, we can still be the disciples Christ calls us to be.

*Fr. Joseph*



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### 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 26 <sup>th</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	Sp. Int. Ellysayiya & Tryton <b>FOR PARISHIONERS</b>
Mon	June 27	8 am	Sp. Int. Amanda Clark
Tue	June 28 St Irenaeus	8 am 7:00 PM	Sp. Int. Elias & Hanan Haddad Sp. Int. Sr. Angela Marie
Wed	June 29 Sts Peter & Paul	8 am	Sp. Int. George/Emily Haddad
Thu	June 30	8 am	Sp. Int. Hanan Haddad
First Friday	July 1 CANADA DAY!	8 am 7:00 PM	Sp. Int. Alexandra Sirutis <b>For Vocations</b>
Sat	July 2	9 am 5 pm	Sp. Int. Leonard Cho <b>FOR PARISHIONERS</b>
SUN	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	† William Wooster † Audrey Housden

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



DATE	July 2 <sup>nd</sup> : 5 PM	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> : 9 AM	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	PAT BATTENSBY LORETTA van UNEN	ROCIO HAUSER WENDY GRAY	MONIQUE CATTERMOLE LORNA DALINGHAUS
LECTOR	SUSAN MURPHY	WENDY GRAY	DELIA HUGHES
EMHC	JANE TORRESAN	ROCIO HAUSER	MONIQUE CATTERMOLE
SOCIAL HOSTS	*	ROSE MOJECA	SUSAN MORABITO

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](mailto:parish.sawv@rcav.org).

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

I'm away this weekend, officiating at a wedding on Hornby Island. I wish to thank **Fr. Vincent Hawkswell** and **Fr. John Joliffe** for covering in my absence.

Remember a month ago when I wrote about elections in the parish? It turned out that we had the exact number of candidates for positions that needed filling so no election was needed for our *Education Committee* for St. Anthony's school.

The two parishioners who begin two year terms are **Christine Siklic** (*acclaimed*) and **Julie Bartlett** (*appointee*). The two parishioners who are half-way through their two year terms are **Frances Watson** and **John Markic**. Many thanks for all your dedicated service! (There are also four parishioners from Christ the Redeemer Parish on the *Education Committee*).

The *Parish Pastoral Council* is undergoing a transition to a *Pastoral Leadership Team* in which each member will oversee an area of responsibility in our parish. We are being guided by Kyle Neilson who works for "*Evangelium*" which is based on the work of Patrick Lencioni.

I look forward to passing on more information on how this will help in the various ministries that our parish provides. I wish to thank the members of the *Parish Pastoral Council* for their years of involvement on the council: **Silvia Bitelli**, **Randy Holman**, **Stephanie Locking**, **Beatriz Raynard**, **Mimi Tang**, **Larry Trach**, **Don Vicic** and **Susan Wynne**.

The members of the *Pastoral Leadership Team*, which meets on weekdays rather than weeknights, are: **Patricia Battensby**, **Sister Angela Marie Castellani, fse**, **Tony Gray**, **Susan Murphy**, **Winfred van der Sande**, and **Susan Wynne**.

The new team also meets more often than the previous council; I wish to thank them for the time and effort they've already put in.

*Fr. Gary*

**CWL Members . . .**  
**General Meeting and**  
**Strawberry Tea Evening:**  
**Tuesday, June 28th starting**  
**with Mass at 7 PM.**



## CANADA DAY HOLIDAY: Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>

Holy Mass is at 9 in the morning (not 8) followed by *First Friday Adoration* with **Benediction** at 4:00 PM; *First Friday Evening Mass* is as per usual at 7:00 PM.



**Lighthouse Display Stand in Vestibule:**  
**Help yourselves to New Books & Booklets**  
**on display. Your donation allows us to**  
**bring in new materials to continue this**  
**parish ministry of Evangelization.**

## STA CORNER . . .

**Provincial Exams:** Grade 10, 11 and 12 students wrote their exams last week.

**Graduation Dinner/Dance - Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.**  
Grade 12 students' *Dinner/Dance* at the *Pan Pacific Hotel*.  
**Last Day of School - Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.**

## REQUIESCAT IN PACE . . .

We pray for the repose of the soul of:

+Ray McLEOD

Olga's late husband; Wendy & Marshall's father.

**Funeral Mass @ St Anthony's, Monday, June 27th, 1 PM.**

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



## YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"Looking at Christ, we feel at the same time looked at by Him. He whom we have pierced with our faults never tires of pouring out upon the world an inexhaustible torrent of merciful love."

*Pope Benedict XVI*

## PRO-LIFE MASS AND PRAYER VIGIL

**Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9 AM @ St Jude's Parish**

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for the unborn children and their parents. **Rosary follows at Burnaby Hospital.**

## LEARN WITH ST MARK'S COLLEGE

Courses in Faith Development (July 4-15);

**"Musical Praise: An Evening of Song for Everyone"**

**A FREE EVENT!** (July 6);

Workshops for Choir Directors/Members (July 7 & 9).

For more info: [StMarksCollege.ca/summer-saint-marks-2016](http://StMarksCollege.ca/summer-saint-marks-2016)

For group rate, email: [ContinuingEd@StMarksCollege.ca](mailto:ContinuingEd@StMarksCollege.ca)

or call Kirsty: (604) 822-4463 ext. 125.

## VOCATION LIVE-IN FOR MEN

**Weekend: July 8<sup>th</sup>– 10<sup>th</sup> @ Seminary of Christ the King**  
For all SINGLE men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life. **For more information, contact 604-826-8715.**

## MEDICAL AID FOR VIETNAM

**Medical Mission Dates: July 16<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>**

Support our medical mission for the poor people in Vietnam with your prayers and donation. Our volunteers pay their own expenses. All monetary donation will be used for the children's eye and heart surgeries. Phone Fr. Tien Tran (604) 617-0791 or *St Anthony's parishioner*, Dr. David NEIMA, (604) 521 3232.

## PERMANENT DIACONATE APPLICATIONS

Applications are now open. Classes will run from September to June: 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.

Contact Msgr. Gregory Smith at [gsmith@rcav.org](mailto:gsmith@rcav.org).

## "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](mailto:jmccarthy@rcav.org).

For more background details on this workshop,

**Visit:** [www.prh.canada.com](http://www.prh.canada.com) or [www.prh.international.com](http://www.prh.international.com)

Snacks included and

Lunch available at nominal cost.

**Registration Forms available**  
**in the Parish Office.**

