

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

25th Sunday Ordinary Time September 18, 2016

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A woman says to her friend, "I was in a very generous mood today. I gave a poor beggar \$25." Her friend responded, "That is a lot of money to give away! What did your husband say?" The generous friend quipped, "He said, 'Thank you!'"

Today's parable is peculiar. Why is it that we find Jesus at the end praising a dishonest person? What is there about the crooked steward that Jesus finds good and invites us to imitate? Let's analyze it . . . The manager was not only dishonest, he also squandered his master's property and now he is fired from his position. Normally, we presume that he was cheating his master further, when he brought in his master's debtors and reduced their bills. But this is not the case.

In the ancient world, managers were given their income through commission. When the manager in the parable reduced the debtors' bills, he was not removing his master's profit but his own. His hope was that by giving back to the debtors what was his own; they would recognize his shrewdness and generosity. Then, once he was fired, they might welcome him into their own financial operations. It was a risk to be sure.

But what is noteworthy about this dishonest manager is that he had the insight to size up his situation and realize that the only possibility for future employment and security was to give away what he presently possessed. It is this insight that Jesus commends and invites us to imitate. Because Jesus knows that if we correctly size up our present situation, we will realize that the only way to our future security is to give away some of what we possess today.

Why is giving back so important? Two reasons: others need it and generosity is good for us. There is no doubt that others need the things that we possess. So whenever anyone is hungry or sick or depressed God is counting on us and on our resources to help that person. Christians know this better than anyone else because the Gospel tells us that whatever we fail to do for the least of our brothers or sisters we fail to do for Jesus.

We also give because generosity is good for us. The deepest joy in life is giving out of love. The deepest moments of joy occur in the context of generosity.

So when the dishonest manager in the Gospel saw how things stood, he did not hesitate. He swung into action. He started giving away what he had. We are called to follow his example. We could choose to hold onto all of these things and use them only for ourselves, but that would be a bad idea, a poor investment.

Fr. Joseph

The Parable of the Shrewd Manager



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	September 18 th 25 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	<i>Sp. Int. Emma Torresan</i> FOR PARISHIONERS
Mon	September 19	8 am	† Hernando † Lucy: TORRES
Tue	September 20	8 am	† Jan Hansson
Wed	September 21	8 am	† David Kritzwiser † Rosa Lugay
Thu	September 22	8 am	† Hernando † Lucy: TORRES
Fri	September 23	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Ray Torresan Jr.</i>
Sat	September 24	9 am 5 pm	† Ethel Cheung FOR PARISHIONERS
SUN	September 25 th 26 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	† Emanuele Fumagalli <i>Sp. Int. Sarah Seymour</i>

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

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



DATE	Sept. 24 th : 5 PM	Sept. 25 th : 9 AM	Sept. 25 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	PAT BATTENSBY LORETTA v UNEN	HANAN HADDAD WENDY GRAY	RITA RACZ ELIZABETH HOLMAN
LECTOR	SUSAN MURPHY	WENDY GRAY	LARRY TRACH
EMHC	STEPHANIE LOCKING	ANDREW ADAM	ELIZABETH HOLMAN
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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.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

If you, or someone you know, is seeking more information about the Catholic Church, with a desire to enter into full community through the Sacraments, this is the program to consider.

We meet every Thursday,

7:15 - 8:45 PM in the Hobson Room,
beginning September 29th, 2016.

For more details, call me at: (778) 877-8661.

Tony Gray

ST ANTHONY'S RELICS VISITING US !!!

Wednesday, October 12th

8 AM Mass, Veneration All Day & 7 PM Mass.

After successful visits to America, Canada, Europe, Asia and Australia, two first class relics of St. Anthony of Padua will return to Canada for an eight-day tour of the Archdiocese of Vancouver beginning on October 5 and ending on October 12. "Relics are parts of the body of a Saint who was the Temple of the Holy Spirit."

Pope Francis

WHEN and WHERE in BC

October 5th - Our Lady of Sorrows (Vancouver);

6th - St. Luke's (Maple Ridge);

7th - Our Lady of Fatima (Vancouver);

8th - Our Lady of the Assumption (Port Coquitlam);

9th - St. Anthony of Padua (Vancouver);

10th - St. Patrick's (Vancouver); 11th - St. Helen's (Burnaby); &

Wednesday, October 12th, St. Anthony's relics visit St. Anthony's.

PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE!

We have just completed the first week of photo-taking. It was a lot of fun, and the photographer takes excellent photos.

We will take photos again the week of October 10th.

Please book your appointment now as the schedule is filling up.

You can book online by clicking on the link on the parish website: sawv.rcav.org or by calling the parish office (604) 926-6881 or me, at (604) 926-3326.

Susan Wynne

**THANKS from St Anthony's CWL
to ALL who worked tirelessly
in the days leading to our Thrift Sale.
Thank you to ALL the donors, and
to ALL who supported by shopping!**



ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

Thursday, Oct. 27th, 6 PM at *The Hyatt*, Vancouver.

We invite you to join us at the 5th Annual Archbishop's Dinner celebrating the Year of Mercy and support our expanding efforts to serve the poor and marginalized in our community. Ticket, \$150 with a portion receipted as a charitable donation.

UPDATE!

With the Szocs', Vivic's, Nowakowski's, Kloefer, Gonzalez & Verbaarschot families signing-in, we are now able to support the Archbishop's Dinner by purchasing a 2nd Table.

Hosting at each table is our pastor Fr. Gary and assistant pastor, Fr. Larry. Please join us or invite a friend! Phone the parish office.

YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"Let us address her (Mary) in the words of the *Salve Regina*, a prayer every ancient and ever new, so that she may never tire of turning her merciful eyes upon us, and make us worthy to contemplate the face of mercy, her Son Jesus."

St John Paul the Great

PILGRIMAGE with FR LARRY!

April 17-29, 2017 to Milan, Padua,
Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rome...Italy.
Call Priscilla/Isabel (604) 874-9533.



COMMUNICATION - BRIDGING THE GAP

Monday, Sept. 19th, 6:15-8:30pm

All 25 - 45 year olds! Tired of feeling misunderstood?

Learn how to communicate with greater ease.

Speakers: Sarah Ruggier, MA in Counselling Psychology at UBC, and Clayton Imoo, Director of the Youth Ministry Office.

\$20/person. Register: rcav.org/cah

HELP CHILDREN BE THEIR BEST

Saturday, Sept. 24th, 9 AM @ JPPI Pastoral Centre

A one-day sensitization module aimed at helping parents to: "Explore how to best recognize and respond to the capacities and aspirations of their children"; and "Discover their own traits and capabilities in the art of apprenticing their children in becoming themselves". Cost: \$35. LUNCH PROVIDED!
Register: <http://secure.rcav.org/helping-my-children-be-their-best>.

ANNUAL WALK TO KEEP DREAM ALIVE

Sunday, Sept. 25th, Tynehead Regional Park

Domestic Abuse Services - Lady of Good Counsel Society invites ALL on a Run, Walk, Bike, or Roll through beautiful Tynehead Regional Park. Registration at Noon on site.

For more information call (604) 585-6688.

NEW HOPE FUNDRAISING GALA

Thursday, September 29th, 6:00 PM, View Hotel, N-Van.

"The Canadian Institute for Education on the Family" invites all to the 1st Annual New Hope Fundraising Gala.

Guest speaker, Bobby Schindler, of

"Terry Schiavo Life and Hope Network".

Tickets, \$75, available in the Parish Office or Phone Mac & Renata Nowakowski (604) 926-0260.

ST MOTHER TERESA'S MASS

Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 2:30 pm, Holy Rosary Cathedral

Join Archbishop Miller marking the canonization of St. Mother Teresa. Reception to follow in Rosary Hall.

ST EDMUND'S INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Saturday, Oct. 8th, 6 PM in Parish Hall

7th Annual International Night. Food, good company and fun!

50/50 Draw; Door prizes; Dinner for 2 at Pinnacle Hotel, etc.

Tickets: \$5.00/adult; \$2.00/child 12 year old & younger.

Tickets or Information: (604) 988-3211.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOU!

We are urgently looking for volunteers to help at the St. Vincent de Paul's store, 1738 East Hastings Street.

Please contact Anselmo at (604) 873-1303 or

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