

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

27th Sunday Ordinary Time October 2, 2016

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A honeybee is very small. If one bee were eaten by a bird-of-prey, or washed away in a rush of water, the loss of that single bee would not seem that significant and important.

But bees together have a tremendous influence on our life. They are the glue that binds together our agricultural system. One out of every three bites of food that we eat comes to us through the pollination of fruits and vegetables by honeybees. A bee on a single trip from the hive can visit over a hundred different blooms. To create one pound of honey, the colony of bees has to fly fifty-five thousand miles and visit over two million flowers.

As an example from nature, the honeybee demonstrates how a very small creature can have a tremendous impact. With the story of the mustard seed, Jesus shows how small things can have immense effects. He does so in today's Gospel. He does so in the context of faith.

The apostles asked Him, "Increase our faith." The apostles' request spoke for us in all the times when we feel that our faith is insufficient, when our faith is too small. Having lost someone we loved deeply perhaps we question, "Will I really see that person again in heaven?" Amidst violence, greed and hatred, perhaps we asked, "How can I believe that God is in charge?" Like the disciples, we ask Jesus, "Increase our faith".

Today, Jesus says in the Gospel that small faith is sufficient; that if we have faith the size of mustard seed, however little that seed may be, it still can have great results. But how can mustard-seed-sized faith be enough and sufficient?

Here is where the honeybee might help. A single honeybee does not have much impact. But as a hive of bees, they become a very important glue that makes our agricultural system work. So too, when we look at ourselves as an isolated individual, we are very small. But when we feel the smallness of our faith, then it is time that we draw upon the faith of others. When we doubt whether there really is a heaven, it is time that we turn to the people around us whose faith is stronger than ours and draw on their strength.

Our faith might be the size of a mustard seed but we are a Church, a part of a community of believers. We need to draw upon one another for faith and hope. Like a bee, alone our faith is much too small. But it is still sufficient. It still has power, because we do not fly alone. *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	October 2 nd 27th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	FOR PARISHIONERS † Harro Wegner
Mon	October 3	8 am	† Jess † Junior MARAVILLAS
Tue	October 4 St. Francis Assisi	8 am	† Patrick Leslie
Wed	October 5	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Irene Walls</i>
Thu	October 6	8 am	†John †Margaret MICALLEF
FIRST FRIDAY	October 7 D. Lady of the Rosary	8 am 7 PM	<i>Sp. Int. Alexandra Sirutis</i> For Vocations
Sat	October 8	9 am 5 pm	† Susan Stastny † Terry Sangster
SUN	October 9 th 28th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	† Maria De Cotiis FOR PARISHIONERS

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



DATE	Oct. 8 th : 5 PM	Oct. 9 th : 9 AM	Oct. 9 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	PAT BATTENSBY LORETTA v UNEN	GLORIA LOWE HANAN HADDAD	LARRY TRACH LORNA DALINGHAUS
LECTOR	ROBERT BUTLER	GLORIA LOWE	ADRIENNE LOUIE
EMHC	ELAINE MOONEN	DON VICIC	MONIQUE CATTERMOLLE
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.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am grateful to each of you for achieving your 2016 Archdiocesan goal in this year's Project Advance annual appeal.

In this Holy Year of Mercy, when we are called to open our hearts and practice more intensely and deliberately the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, I am deeply moved by your generous and thoughtful donations to your parish and to the local Church.

Your gift to Project Advance helps us care for the needy and marginalized, build and renovate schools and churches, and develop programs for enriching the faith of our youth and young adults. Project Advance provides the means to build a solid foundation of growth for every parish and the wider faith community.

For those who have not taken the opportunity to make a gift this year, I ask that you consider supporting Project Advance 2016. Your gift will allow your parish to meet its increasing spiritual and temporal needs.

Let us continue together on this path of mercy and give thanks to the good Lord for the many blessings of faith, family and treasure that we have been given.

Invoking God's abundant grace upon you and your family, I remain Sincerely yours in Christ,

+J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver

TODAY, we welcome STA Students presenting their Walkathon. Please support them through your Pledges. Phone parish office if your miss to make your pledge this weekend. God bless!

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.

For more information and details, call Tony at: (778) 877-8661.



PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE!

Don't miss out! We would love to have your smiling face in the parish photo directory. You can also bring the dog.

There are a few appointments left for next week (October 10-15). If you wish to book an appointment, please call the parish office (604-926-6881) or Susan (604-926-3326) or go to the parish website (sawv.rcav.org) and click on the link.

There is no cost. And you will receive a free directory and 8' x 10" photo *Susan*

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Join us praying the Glorious Mystery and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Sunday, 8:15 AM in the church.

ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

Thursday, Oct. 27th, 6 PM at *The Hyatt, Vancouver*. Ticket, \$150 with a portion receipted as a charitable donation.

St Anthony's 2nd Table is almost full now with 7 parishioners around it. Please join us! Phone the parish office.

UPDATE!

YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"May this merciful love (revealed in Christ) also shine on the face of the Church and show itself through the sacraments - in particular that of Reconciliation - and in the works of charity both communitarian and individual."

Pope Benedict XVI

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



JUBILEE FOR CATECHISTS

Saturday, Oct 8th, 9:30 AM, Holy Rosary Cathedral
Archbishop Miller will honour and thank our catechists in union with the universal Church through a special Mass. Social gathering and reception and short reflection by Archbishop Miller will follow at Rosary Hall after Mass. ALL catechists and family and friends are invited at Mass. To register, visit rcav.org/day-for-catechists

RECOVERING FROM GRIEF

Wednesdays, starting Oct 12th, 6:30 PM
Offered by *The North Shore Grief Recovery Society*. A six-week support group program on **Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm** in the Edgemont Village. Healing begins when your grief is shared and understood. For information/registration, please call (604) 696-1060 ext. 3.

MARRIED, SINGLES LIFESTYLE

October 14th-16th, 2016
The *Married Singles Lifestyle* describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are now living more like roommates. *Retrouaille* teaches couples how to survive these situations in their marriages and has helped 1000's of couples from disillusionment and deep misery. **Phone** (604) 530-6710; **email:** vancouverbc@retrouaille.org.

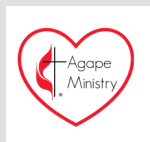
LIFE CHAIN 2016

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of Pro-life. Volunteer individuals stand at a designated location for 90 minutes, praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of our solidarity that abortion kills children and that the church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. **Visit:** rcav.org/lifechain for a list of dates and locations of Life Chain events within our Archdiocese.

AGAPE STREET MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

Agape Street Ministry is a Street Outreach for **Women** struggling with drug and alcohol addictions, and for those working in the streets through prostitution.

Men and women volunteers are needed in Vancouver, Surrey and Chilliwack areas. You need to be 19 years of age and be available one evening a week. Training and support provided. **Contact:** Dan Dobin at (604) 818-2585 or dldobin@gmail.com **Visit:** www.agapestreetministry.org.



ST ANTHONY'S RELICS VISITING US !!!

Wednesday, October 12th

St. Anthony's Parish, is privileged to host a period of veneration of two first-class relics of our Patron, St. Anthony of Padua. The period of Veneration will extend from the 8:00 AM Mass through to a 7:00 PM Mass that evening.

St. Anthony's Parish, will be the only North Shore location hosting the relics during this visit.



The relics are:

1. Fragments of Saint Anthony's skin:
in a reliquary that may be touched by those venerating;
2. A floating rib:
this particular relic visited Buenos Aires in 2000, and was hosted by then, Archbishop Jorge Bergoglio (now Pope Francis), and it was also taken to the Carmelite Convent in Coimbra, Portugal, where Sr. Lucia, the third seer of Fatima was in residence.

"First class relics are parts of the body of a Saint who was the Temple of the Holy Spirit."
Pope Francis



Are You Young? (12 to 18 years old)?

In Love? With Christ?

Hungry? For knowledge of your Catholic Faith?

Great News! ALPHA IS COMING!!!

What is Alpha? The **Alpha Youth Film Series** is a fabulous way to feed your body and your soul. Alpha meets 10 times, on **Tuesday evenings**. Each session includes food, a short video and discussion - a time when you can share your thoughts, ask questions, and discover the person of Jesus Christ.

Alpha is open to all youth. Young adults are welcome as well.

Bring your appetite!

PIZZA! Chicken Wings! Pulled Pork, Hot Dogs – you never know...



**Please come and bring a friend, even if they are not Catholic
it's a fun and mind blowing evening!**

Interested? Please let Joseph or Father Larry or Sister Angela know. Phone (604) 926-6881.

More information to follow!!! Starting date to be set soon!

Get to know Jesus better and help build a new era in **YOUTH MINISTRY** at St. Anthony Parish!