

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver

29th Sunday Ordinary Time October 16, 2016

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Johnny stood up in court. "As God is my judge, I do not owe my ex-wife any money." Glaring down at him, the judge replied, "He's not. I am. You do."

Luke especially records Jesus telling us stories, parables, involving some disreputable characters. On recent Sundays we heard about the manager who was commended because he continued swindling his boss even as he was being sacked. We also heard about the foolish shepherd who abandoned the 99 sheep to look for the one lost sheep. We also heard about the rich fashionable glutton who would not spare even the leftovers for poor Lazarus lying outside his gates. Today, we meet the unjust judge who respects neither God nor his fellow citizens.

Jesus tells us today's story to encourage us to pray continually and to never lose heart. So let's dwell on the story a bit. The widow keeps coming to the judge and demands that he deal with her case. He just can't be bothered. But the widow kept coming back! Eventually, he relents and deals with her case, presumably in her favour.

Jesus' listeners would have known the prophets and the law. Within both subjects, justice for orphans and widows in particular was a constant theme. So a good judge, for Jesus' listeners would have been the judge who dealt rapidly and promptly with cases brought by widows. Justice done late can lack integrity, and for the poor and people of low social standing, delayed justice can often involve great hardship.

Jesus points out the words of the unjust judge as he is finally stirred into action; "I must give this widow her just rights". Yes he is a judge and must do so, though this perhaps begs the question of who, if anyone, is monitoring the competence of his judicial administration. God is indeed our judge, as well as our Creator. He judges well, and with mercy. So the simple moral of today's story is to be persistent in prayer. But how do we persist in prayer? And what is prayer anyway?

St Therese of Lisieux wrote "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned towards heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy". She picks up the whole Christian tradition, that prayer is a response in faith of love. So prayer is a manifestation of our mystic union with God. To pray constantly is to live a Christian life humbly before God, seeking to love our neighbours as ourselves. By doing this, our will becomes aligned with the divine will and our prayer is constant. This is faith on earth.

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 16 th 29 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	Sp. Int. Jed Joseph Jimenez Jr. Sp. Int. Gwendoline Allison
Mon	October 17 St Ignatius of Antioch	8 am	† Angela Torresan
Tue	October 18 St Luke	8 am	Sp. Int. Sr Rita White, SSND
Wed	October 19	8 am	† Hernando † Lucy TORRES
Thu	October 20	8 am	† Patrick Leslie
Fri	October 21	8 am	† Joanne McMahon
Sat	October 22	9 am 5 pm	† Robert Blake † Basim Azzam
SUN	October 23 rd 30 th SUNDAY ORDINARY	9 am 11 am	FOR PARISHIONERS † Ray Torresan

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



DATE	Oct. 22 nd : 5 PM	Oct. 23 rd : 9 AM	Oct. 23 rd : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	PAT BATTENSBY LORETTA v UNEN	GLORIA LOWE	LARRY TRACH
LECTOR	SUSAN MURPHY	MARTINE BORE	LARRY TRACH
EMHC	IRENE BOHJALIAN	ANDREW ADAM	MIMI TANG
SOCIAL HOSTS	*	RODIO HAUSER	JOAQUIN CUE-GONZALEZ

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.



40 - HOUR DEVOTION AT ST ANTHONY'S

Wednesday 26th to Friday, 28th October

The *Forty Hours Devotion* can be seen almost like a parish mini-retreat or mission. It provides a wonderful opportunity for the spiritual growth of each person and the parish as a whole. In a world where temptation and evil abound, where devotion to the Mass and our Lord in the Holy Eucharist have declined, where the practice of penance and confession have been forgotten, we need the Forty Hours Devotion more than ever.

Forty Hours Devotion begins each day with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament right after the 8 AM Mass and ends with Benediction,

LECTIO DIVINA

Saturday, Oct 22nd

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

PARISH VOLUNTEERS APPRECIATION

The last several years, our parish has hosted in the fall a social evening to recognize the many individuals who through their gift of time and talent help to make St. Anthony's a vibrant community.

Our *Annual Parish Volunteers Appreciation Social* will be scheduled for late spring-early summer, 2017 as we continue the reorganization of the Parish Leadership Team and also look forward to welcoming those individuals who have recently started volunteering.



NEW Booklets/DVD's AVAILABLE!

Check our Lighthouse Media Display.

Check website below & order thru parish

<https://www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org/>

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY- FINAL CALL!

We have completed two weeks of photo-taking. It has been a lot of fun, and people are pleased with their photos. We have just added some additional appointments in early December for those who have not had the opportunity to participate. You can bring your pet. There is no cost, unless you decide to purchase additional photos.

To make an appointment, call the parish office (604-926-6881) or Susan Wynne (604-926-3326) or visit the parish website (sawv.rcav.org) and click on the link.

Thanks for participating. The directory won't be complete without you!



PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

Friday, 28th October, 5:30 pm

for Children & their Families.

Bring your Pumpkin & Tools.

Judges: Frs Gary & Larry & Sister.

RSVP Sr. Angela/Parish by Oct. 24th.

STA CORNER . . .

The Senior Boys Soccer Team finished in 2nd Place at the BC Catholic School Provincial Tournament.

STA welcomes Kurume Shinai of Japan, our Sister school!

YEAR OF MERCY REFLECTION . . .

"The Church does not regard God's mercy as an exclusive privilege, nor does the greatness of the privilege it enjoys make it feel unconcerned for those who do not share it. On the contrary, it finds in its own salvation an argument for showing more concern and more love for those who live close at hand, or to whom it can go in its endeavor to make all alike share the blessing of salvation." *Blessed Paul VI*

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Theme: "Church, Family, let us be merciful"
Sharing in solidarity with the pastoral life of the poorest Churches, worldwide.

POPE FRANCIS - UNDERSTANDING REFORM

Wednesday, Oct 19th, 7 PM, @ C/Redeemer Parish
Presenter, Peter Nation on: Pope Francis: Understanding the Reform. A presentation created by Pope Francis' definitive biographer, Austen Ivereigh. Everyone is welcome!

ANNUAL WHITE MASS

Friday, Oct 21st, 7 PM, St Augustine's Church, Vancouver
Inviting all Healthcare workers and their families to Mass with Archbishop Michael J Miller. Reception follows Mass.

Info: (604) 430-2712 or email: drtoniparsons@telus.net.

BC LIONS FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT

Saturday, Oct 22nd, 4 PM

BC Lions vs Edmonton Eskimos. Bonuses: Discounted ticket, a BC Lions hat, and post-game Lions coaches' and players' talks.

For the discount code, please visit rcav.org/event/40163.

CLIMATE ACTION AS PEOPLE OF FAITH

Sat, Oct 22nd, 1:30 - 3:30 pm, @ 10th Church, Vancouver
Learn about *Earthkeepers*, an ecumenical group in Vancouver living out biblical teachings on issues of ecology, love of neighbor, and climate justice. Find out how you can get involved so that we can work together towards climate justice.

Register, rcav.org/event/climate-action-as-people-of-faith

SAINT OF CALCUTTA EXHIBIT

Saturday & Sunday, 22nd-23rd, 9:30 AM, St Jude's Parish

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Saint of Calcutta! This exhibit has travelled the world and we are blessed to have it displayed within our Archdiocese.

Special thanks to the Missionaries of Charities for making this exhibit possible! Visit: rcav.org/mother-teresa/



Are you Young? 12 to 18 years old?

In Love? With Christ?

Hungry? For knowledge of your Catholic Faith?

GREAT NEWS !!!

Youth Alpha is coming, November 1st, 6:30 pm.

What is it? A fabulous way to feed body and soul.

Youth Alpha meets 10 times, 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, as well as Young Adults.

Bring your appetite! PIZZA! Chicken Wings! Pulled Pork, etc.

Please come, bring a friend, even if they are not Catholic.

Phone parish office (604) 926-6881.



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