

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH - Archdiocese of Vancouver



4th SUNDAY of Easter May 7th, 2017

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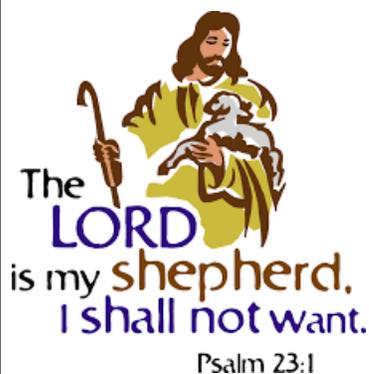
A motorist pulled up to a red light and saw a truck towing a trailer full of sheep. The man rolled down his window and yelled to the truck driver. "You shepherds don't move your sheep around like you used to." To which the truck driver replied, "I'm not a shepherd. I'm a butcher."

Today is the fourth Sunday of Easter. It is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." That is because in all three cycles of the Liturgical Year, the Gospel presents us with an image of Jesus as the shepherd and we as the sheep. Now preaching on this Sunday has its own challenges. Each year United States sheep farmers bring in sheep shearers from Australia or New Zealand to remove the wool from the sheep. But because of the present weakness of the American dollar, fewer and fewer sheep shearers have been willing to come to the United States. Therefore, the farmers have begun to train Americans to shear the sheep. The newspaper interviewed a number of the trainees who insisted that the traditional image of the sheep as being peaceful and docile is way overblown. Sheep will indeed, allow you to shear them but only if you know what you are doing, only if they trust you. If they do not trust you, they will assert themselves and run away. And when a hundred-pound sheep makes a decision to run away, it takes a great deal of experience and muscle to hold them where you want them.

Now I thought that this new information might be used to enlarge and deepen the traditional image of sheep. We might begin to see them not only as peaceful and docile but also as assertive and strong. These two qualities together might indeed provide a very useful image for discipleship in the twenty-first century.

We are called by Christ to be disciples who are not only peaceful but also assertive, not only docile but also strong. As followers of Christ, we must be people of peace. We must be people opposed to violence. At the same time, we must also be people of strength. We are not doing Christ's will when we avoid taking a stand against evil and injustice. We are not following the Gospel when we accept abuse in our workplace or in our home. It is part of our mission to oppose evil, to assert ourselves against those forces which can harm us and harm the people we love.

If Christ is the shepherd and we are the sheep, it is important to know what a sheep is: a peaceful animal but one who is willing to assert itself against the evil which surrounds it. We are called to be people of peace but also people of strength, and this is the balance of the Gospel. We who are called to follow the shepherd commit ourselves to find and live that balance in our lives. Those who are called to be shepherds, if they don't follow Christ's example, then they are butchers.



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	May 7 th 4 th Sunday Easter	9 am 11 am	<i>Sp. Int. John Christopherson</i> For Parishioners
Mon	May 8	8 am	† Gina Charles
Tue	May 9	8 am	<i>Sp. Int. Angela Seymour</i>
Wed	May 10	8 am	† Sam Reinis
Thu	May 11	8 am	† Roger Latta
Fri	May 12	8 am	† Gabriella Micallef
Sat	May 13	9 am 5 pm	† Emanuele Fumagalli For Parishioners
SUN	May 14 th 5 th Sunday Easter	9 am 11 am	<i>Sp. Int. Rev. Giovanni Schiesari</i> † Wegner † Kiefer FAMILIES

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

(604) 922-0011;

S. T. A. HIGH SCHOOL

(604) 987-4431

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



DATE	May 13 th : 5 PM	May 14 th : 9 AM	May 14 th : 11 AM
HOSPITALITY	GLORIA LOWE	ROCIO HAUSER KATHY NG	LORNA DALINGHAUS JOANN CULLEN
LECTOR	GLORIA LOWE	MARTINE BORE	DELIA HUGHES
EMHC	ANNE FIELD	SHARON BISHOP	BEATRIZ RAYNARD
SOCIAL HOSTS	*	NERLYN LONTOK	JULIE BARTLETT

St. Anthony's **P**arish **R**eligious **E**ducation **P**rogram (**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.

ONE FAITH, ONE CHURCH, ONE FAMILY

Our annual Project Advance Appeal launched last weekend. We gratefully welcomed a number of new donors. This is very good news, as one of our main goals is to have full participation by all members of the parish in the Appeal. Thank you to all who have already made their gift.

Your donation supports ministries and projects in the Archdiocese and pays for capital projects here at St. Anthony's. The main project we are saving for is our seismic upgrade of the church building. (About 2/3 of the money raised is returned to the parish. If more funds are raised there is a greater return).

Please remember it is your participation, not the amount you give, that is most important. You can make your gift online at www.projectadvance.ca, (please indicate the donation is for our parish), stop by the tables in the foyer, drop by the parish office, or drop an envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity.

Your Project Advance team,

Leo Cullen, Susan Wynne, and Joseph Maravillas



THIS SUNDAY . . .

Craft Sale after the 9 & 11 AM Masses & Social. Adopted Refugee Families will be joining our celebrations.

NEXT SUNDAY . . .

Mother's Day Flowers Sale by the Knights. \$1.00!



MOTHER'S DAY VIGIL @ LGH

Sunday, May 14th, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Join us at this peaceful gathering to speak for the weakest of our society - the unborn.

"It is horrific even to think that there are children, victims of abortion, who will never see the light of day" - Pope Francis

ANOINTING MASS

Thursday, 18th May, 11 AM followed by Reception.

ALL Elderly & the SICK PLEASE COME & JOIN US.



TONY GRAY'S ORDINATION

Friday, 26th May, 7 PM @ HR Cathedral

As a parish, we are very proud and thankful to God for calling one of our own, to His ministry of service.

Tony Gray will be ordained a *Permanent Deacon*.

From the word "*diakonos*" meaning *servant*, he receives the distinct vocation or calling to imitate Christ in His service to all humanity, to bring the world to Christ and Christ to the world.

All welcome to the Ordination Mass. Archbishop presiding.



HONEY SALE!
After Sunday Masses
27th/28th May.
Proceeds for a Charity.
Info: (604) 368-4004.

GREEK DINNER @ ST ANTHONY'S

Saturday, 10th June, 6 PM in Parish Hall

Organized by *St Anthony's Parish CWL* to raise funds for *Talitha Koum* and *The Northshore Neighbourhood House*.

Tickets are On-sale NOW after Masses. (604) 922-7752.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today, 7th of May, Good Shepherd Sunday

Today has also been traditionally designated by the Church as the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**.

The whole Church, therefore, is united today in praying that more men will answer God's call to be the visible face of the Good Shepherd in our world.

On this day, all are invited to pray the Rosary, or some part of it, especially as a family, with the intention of an increase in vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life.

Attached to this bulletin are **Special Meditations** on the *Glorious Mysteries* with a vocations theme; and on the reverse is **Archbishop Miller's Letter**.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday, 11th May @ The Legislature, Victoria, BC

12:00 PM Mass at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral;

12:00 PM Mass at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church.

After Mass, march to BC Legislature for Speakers & Music.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY RALLIES

Saturdays: 10 AM @ Vancouver Art Gallery

2017 is the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions!

6 Rosary rallies, South Plaza of the Vancouver Art Gallery:

13th May, June 10, July 15, Aug. 12, Sept. 16 & Oct. 7.

FOCUS ON LIFE GALA DINNER

Monday 15th May, 6:30 PM @ the Italian Cultural Centre

Please join Fr. Gary & Fr. Larry at our parish table in support of this event. *Phone Parish Office for your Ticket.*

Guest Speaker, **Kim Phúc** will recall the Vietnam event in 1972 which sent shockwaves throughout the world. *See Poster.*

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Thursday 18th May, 1:30 PM @ Christ Church Cathedral
For those who have been affected by the **Drug Overdose Crisis**.

Prayer services will be led by Clergy and Aboriginal elders.

1:30pm Opening Ceremony; 2:00pm Open Space for prayer, reflection, and mourning those that have died in our communities; 5:30 pm Interfaith Memorial Service.

Please share with community members, families, first responders, and anyone else who has been affected.

"LUMINOSITY" BY AMABILIS SINGERS

Saturday, 27th May, 8:00 PM @ HR Cathedral

30-minute composition from written texts of St John, St Teresa of Avila, St Julian of Norwich and St Isaac of Nineveh.

\$20 @ the Door; Kids under 12, FREE. (604) 503-2074.

DINNER & DANCE @ STA GYM

Saturday, 10th June, 6:00 PM.

\$60. Dance to the "*Gemino Boys Band*". (604) 988-3211.

PARISH ELECTION: Parish Education Committee

Parish election for our elementary school education committee takes place on the 27th/28th May weekend.

There are a total of eight members on the school Education Committee: 4 from Christ the Redeemer & 4 from St Anthony's. Two of the positions from each parish are renewable every year.

One position is open for election and one filled by appointment by the pastor.

We look forward to receiving nominations for this position.

Nomination Forms: In the Vestibule & Parish Office.