

Guardian Angels Parish

A welcoming community of faith sharing the light & truth of the gospel of Christ.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday 9am to 12:30pm; 1:30pm to 4:30pm CLOSED on Weekends and Statutory Holidays



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October 15, 2023 : Twenty – Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship Reflection

There are a number of Bible verses Christians have memorized. One of them is in Saint Paul's letter to the Philippians found in this weekend's second reading: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Phi. 4:13). Most people define themselves either by their problems or their possibilities. Fearful people wake up each morning ensnared by their problems. Christian stewards wake up reflecting on their possibilities with confidence and hope. Some stewardship reflection questions for the week: What challenges do you back away from because you doubt that you are up to them? What would you attempt tomorrow if you were sure God would help you?

Source: catholicstewardship.com

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions

Day				Intention
Sat	Oct	14	4pm	+Estelita & Manuel Seranilla+
Sun	Oct	15	9am	For the Parishioners
			11am	+Christian Marcelo+
			12:30pm	+Andre Fabri & Adriana Vargas+
Mon	Oct	16	8am	+Br. Baptist Rodrigues++
Tues	Oct	17	7pm	Thanksgiving — Sevarani R.
Wed	Oct	18	8am	+Albina & Eugene Turgeon+
Thurs	Oct	19	8am	+Robert Dagenais+
Fri	Oct	20	8am	+Rosemary, Ignatius & Frances Mascarnhas+

Oct 16: World Food Day

The church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remembering the words of the Son of Man, "... I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..." **ORDO 2022-2023 p. 371**

Oct 16: Memorial: *St. Marguerite D'Youville*, Religious

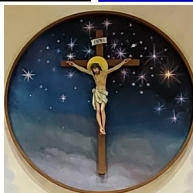
Oct 17: Memorial: *St. Ignatius of Antioch*, Bishop, Martyr

Oct 18: Memorial: *St. Luke*, Evangelist

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:50pm;
Saturday, 3:00pm to 3:45pm;
or by Appointment

For other Sacraments:
Please contact the Parish Office



October 15 - Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila

"Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything."



October - Marian Month



October is the Month traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We honor Mary as the woman who gave life to our Saviour.

October 22: World Mission Sunday

Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples. **ORDO 2022-2023 p. 382**



All Souls Day/November Month of Holy Souls - A Mass Intention

Envelope for this purpose will be provided next week. The envelope will provide greater clarity. Details are as follows: **1) One envelope for one Mass; 2) The suggested offering is indicated at the**

PROJECT ADVANCE 2023 Empowering our Parish Vision

Parish Goal - \$50,000

Diocesan Goal - \$21,600

Thanking you for your generous support.

For queries: please call the parish office @ 604-684-5775 or the parish PA Coordinator @ projectadv@guardianangelsvancouver.ca

MASS TIME

Weekdays: Monday, 8am; Tuesday, 7pm;
Wednesday to Friday, 8am;
First Friday Devotion, 6pm Adoration; 7pm Mass
Weekend: Saturday, 4pm (Anticipated)
Sunday, 9am, 11am 12:30pm

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ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

The Twelfth Annual Archbishop's Dinner

On Thursday, November 9, 6:00 p.m. at Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. Sponsorship opportunities are also available! Learn more and register at rcav.org/dinner2023

Magnificat Prayer Luncheon

Magnificat Vancouver invites you to join us for an opportunity to "fill your cup" - to be uplifted, inspired, and to experience the presence of the Lord through the Holy Spirit. Saturday, October 28, 11:00 a.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. **Registration deadline: Friday, October 20.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Reading Reflection From One of our Own

The wedding banquet. --- (by: Agustín G.)

Jesus had another parable for the religious leaders of His time. He compared the Kingdom of Heaven to a king who wanted to make friends with his own people. So, he sent his servants to tell them on his behalf, "Behold, I have prepared a banquet for the wedding of my son. My calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready. Come." But as the Lord had already said to one of his servants, the Prophet Ezekiel, **"They will ignore you as they did to me: for they are of a hard forehead and obstinate heart."** (cf. Ez 1: 7) So, many ignored the invitation, some even laid hold of the king's servants, mistreating and killing them; therefore, the king sent his troops against the murderers and burned their city. Then the king said to his servants, "The feast is ready, but those who were invited before are not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, to the roads and invite whomever you find, bad and good alike," which the servants did, bringing even Gentiles. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man not wearing the wedding garment, and the king said to him, "My friend, how is it that you are in here without a wedding garment?" And the guest was silent. Then the king ordered his attendants to, "Cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and the grinding of teeth. For many are invited, but few are chosen." (cf. Mt 22: 1-14) The Church explains to us that God is the king, who, allowed the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70. Those who were invited first, knowing the rules, proved rebels, and deemed unworthy to attend the wedding feast of the King's Son. So, we, the new guests, are required humility to attend the feast of Jesus, and must know about the necessity of wearing marriage attire, which is the State of Grace, by which God welcomes our presence. Otherwise, we risk being expelled to the outside where the demons around are in control. We must also be willing to accept the other obligations required by God in our full and sincere conversion of heart. Let's hope that all come to the King's friendship, including those who survived and were invited first, for that means our own salvation.

Pope Francis on the Opening Mass for the 16th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome, October 10, 2023

"Dear brothers and sisters,
Let us have a good journey together! May we be pilgrims in love with the Gospel and open to the surprises of the Holy Spirit. Let us not miss out on the grace-filled opportunities born of encounter, listening and discernment. In the joyful conviction that, even as we seek the Lord, he always comes with his love to meet us first."

For complete coverage, videos, photos, interviews and more, please visit synod.va.

Matt Maher & Friends: An Evening of Music and Worship

On Wednesday, October 18, 7:00 p.m. at The Centre for Performing Arts in Vancouver. Use code "CATHOLIC5" to receive \$5 off your ticket! Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

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