## 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 29, 2023 : Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Souls Day

# Stewardship

Reflection

There is one command that summarizes this weekend's Gospel: to love. For Jesus there is no distinction between these two commands of loving God and neighbor. One naturally flows from the other. In fact, for Jesus, these commands constitute a way of life for Christian stewards; a unique approach to life and to their relationship with others. Our neighbors include everyone with whom we come into contact: family members, friends, people we don't like, strangers and particularly those most in need of our love and compassion. Love calls us to open our hearts and do more to help others grow closer to the Lord. How might we follow Christ's love command more fervently?

Source: catholicstewardship.com

### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Mass Intentions</u>				
Day				Intention
Sat	Oct	28	4pm	+Sydney & Barbara Isherwood+
Sun	Oct	29	9am	+Bud Bozyk+
			Ham	For the Parishioners
			12:30pm	+Florinda Flores & Bernardino Bernardo+
Mon	Oct	30	7pm	+Kuljeet Kaur Kaila+
Tues	Oct	31	7pm	+Luis Montoya+
Wed	Nov	01	7pm	Sp. Int of Alerome Botor
Thurs	Nov	02	8am	+Milagros & Levi+
			5pm	+Darlene Gurr+
			7pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri	Nov	03	7pm	+Gordon Uggla+

**Nov 01: Solemnity -** *All Saints Day* 

Nov 02: The Commemoration of All the Faithful

**Departed -** All Souls' Day

Nov 03: First Friday Devotion (6pm-7pm Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship & Benediction)
Nov 04: Memorial - St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

## **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



## **Church Roof Beam Repair**

Our Church Roof Beam Repair is ongoing. For Mass Schedule this week, please check hours under the Mass Intention column of this bulletin.

To conclude the month of October, please come and join for the prayer of the Holy Rosary on Sunday, Oct. 29, after the 11am Mass.

## NOVEMBER - Month of Holy Souls

All Souls Day Envelope

A Mass Intention Envelope details are as follows: 1) One envelope for one Mass; 2) Names can be mentioned in the envelope without limit for a minimum stipend of \$10 per one envelope. Remember only one (1) Mass will be offered for each envelope. 3) No cheques.

### **Unisex Hair Cut Fund Drive**

Do you need a new hair-cut? A professional hairstylist (specially in women's hair-cut) member of the parish is offering a "hair-cut fund drive" on Wednesday, November 15. The cost of a hair-cut is by donation and proceeds will go to the parish maintenance fund. "Get a radiant good-looking hair-cut from a professional hairstylist and support your parish at the same time." Call the parish office for details.

#### Annual Mass for Deceased Bishops, Clergy and Consecrated Men & Women of the Archdiocese of Vancouver

The annual Mass for the deceased bishops, clergy and consecrated men and women of the Archdiocese of Vancouver will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral at 12:10 pm on Wednesday, November 8, 2023.

# PROJECT ADVANCE 2023 Empowering our Parish Vision

Parish Goal - \$50,000

Diocesan Goal - \$21,600

"Your gift will grow your parish and expand the reach of Christ's love to those who need it most."

#### Thanking you for your generous support.

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

#### **CLEANING MINISTRY** Schedule for NOVEMBER

05 Team3 | 12 Team4 | 19 Team1 | 26 Team2
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT!!!

## **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**

#### **Hallowtide Triduum**

The Hallowtide Triduum consists of All Hallows' Eve (October 31), All Saints' Day (November 1), and All Souls' Day (November 2). This is a time to connect and remember the members of the entire Church – those here on earth, those suffering in purgatory, and those in heaven.

All are invited to a candlelight vigil procession on All Hallows' Eve and to our Masses on All Saints' Day and on All Souls' Day, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., in the Evangelist Chapel at Gardens of Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery in South Surrey. Learn more at <a href="rccav.org/events">rccav.org/events</a>.

## Stand for Peace in the Holy Land

St. Pope Paul VI reminds us, "If you want peace, work for justice." Let us stand united in prayer and respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. Get updates and learn about the ways you can help through CNEWA Canada at <a href="mailto:cnewa.org">cnewa.org</a>.

## Reading Reflection From One of our Own

## The greatest Commandment of God. --- (by: Agustin G.)

One of the Pharisees tested Jesus, asking Him, "Teacher, which commandment in the Law is the greatest?" and Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." The Mosaic Law consisted of the Ten Commandments of God plus over six hundred rules that were added by the Teachers of the Law, which the devout Jews observed as expression of faithfulness to the covenant of God. Therefore, the ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among them. The Herodians and the Pharisees had asked Jesus about taxes, the Sadducees about the Resurrection, and now a Pharisee asked Jesus about the greatest of the Commandments in the Law. Their intention was to trick Jesus into saying something that allowed them to get Him arrested. But Jesus answered the question with a two-fold summary: the love of God and the love of neighbor, which were central elements of the tradition that Jesus learned in His childhood and were central aspects of the contemporary Jewish religious understanding. However, the response of Jesus mentions the love of God expressed in the love for our neighbor (cf. Mt 22: 34-40), which were two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of neighbor meant loving those close to us: our parents, our own children and spouses, and our friends. Other bonds are honored, such as our devotion to the homeland and fellow citizens, comrades in arms, fellow workers in any profession or industry, and those who share our interests and culture. However, for Jesus the love of neighbor must be subordinated to Him as Son of God. Moreover, He gave us a new Commandment: to love each other as Christ loved us. This is more complete than negative Commands that begin with "Thou shalt not," which are obvious, for we mustn't never use the name of God in vain, never murder, shouldn't ever commit unchaste acts, never steal, nor lie. Jesus went even further telling us to love our enemies, saying, "Pray for those who persecute you," the merciful forgiveness, which is the greatest act of love that make us like Christ.

### **Final Chance for the Parish Photo Directory**

Your final chance to have your photo shoot for the Parish Photo Directory is on **December 16 from 11am to 5pm.** We need at least 10 bookings/10 families to finalize this scheduled date. Please call the parish office.

SecondSeminary of Christ the King Vocation Live-In (Nov 4-5), High School Grades 8-12

Comme & See: Arrive any time Saturday morning, preferably between 8:00-9:00 am. Bring a sleeping bag. School clothes, and some old clothes for sports, a towel, etc.

#### Spirit Day 2023

Spirit Day is an annual one-day event designed for Grade 7 students of our Archdiocese! It is a celebration of faith designed to awaken the Holy Spirit in young people and get them excited about receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The event includes engaging talks from APeX Ministries, praise & worship music, Holy Mass with Archbishop Miller, CSB, as well as skits and other fun bits created and performed by local youth and young adults.

On Saturday, November 4, OR Sunday, November 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Chandos Pattison Auditorium in Surrey. Spirit Day is also open to adult chaperones. Learn more, register as a group, or explore volunteer opportunities at rcav.org/spiritday

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