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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April 21, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Easter/Good Shepherd Sunday

Stewardship Reflection

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."

John 10: 14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions				
Day				Intention
Sat	Apr	20	4pm	+Pauline Chartrand+
Sun	Apr	21	9am	For the Parishioners
			Ham	+Rozalia & Ludovit+
			12:30pm	+Leonardo Tan+
Mon	Apr	22	8am	+Don Bruneski+
Tues	Apr	23	7pm	+Fr. Walter Lobo+
Wed	Apr	24	8am	OCD Community
Thurs	Apr	25	8am	+George Baladi+
Fri	Apr	26	8am	OCD Community

Rufina Amandiz Funeral Schedule

Prayer & Funeral Service at Guardian Angels Parish is as follows:

Thursday | **April 25** | **5pm** - Prayer Service and Viewing **Friday** | **April 26** - Funeral Mass at **10am**. Reception will follow at the Parish Hall after the Mass.

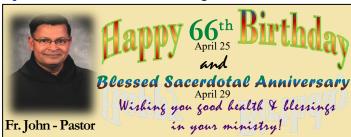
Friday | *April 26* - Burial/interment at *2:30pm* at The Gardens of Gethsemani in Surrey.

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



April 25: Feast - *St. Mark*, Evangelist



April 21: World Day of Prayer for Vocations
April 20-21 | Second Collection: Work of Vocations
A Message from Archbishop Miller

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Celebrated on April 21, Good Shepherd Sunday draws our attention to the need to pray for vocations to the priesthood and to support the Work of Vocations second collection.

This annual appeal helps to fund the discernment, formation and education of our seminarians. It ensures that they are well prepared to be effective and zealous shepherds of souls.

The Archdiocese of Vancouver urgently needs priests who are willing to devote their lives to the service of God and his people in our local Church. Without priests to offer the Mass, celebrate the Sacraments, preach the Word of God, and provide pastoral leadership in our parishes, the Church cannot fulfil her evangelizing mission of bringing Christ to the world.

More than ever, the formation for our seminarians is a costly and time-intensive process. Their training usually takes at least nine years. While this entails a significant investment of time and resources, such expenses are essential if we are to have well -formed priests to serve our parish communities.

Through your prayers and your generosity, many of you already generously support the Work of Vocations. I am deeply appreciative of your help.

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood from the men in our Archdiocese and, to the extent that you can, I also ask that you contribute from your heart to the Work of

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MASS TIME

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

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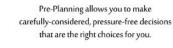
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Reading Reflection From One of our Own The Good Shepherd. --- (by: Agustin G.)

Some Jewish leaders, and the Pharisees that were present when Jesus healed a man that was born blind, censured Him. They said that Jesus was healing the blind man on the Sabbath Day, Jesus, for His part, challenged their leadership over the people of God, calling them the "hired shepherds," who abandon the sheep in the face of danger. And He called Himself the "Good Shepherd," who is ready to give His life for His lambs. Then He added, "I know my sheep and they know me and hear my voice, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold," that God wants in one flock under one only shepherd. They became so angry that attempted to stone Jesus right there, but before walking away He told them, "The Father loves me because I lay down my life to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have the power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father." (cf. Jn 10: 11-39)

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

(Message from Arch. Miller continued)

Vocations this Good Shepherd Sunday.

With my blessing and the assurance of my prayers for you and your families during this Easter Season, I remain

Sincerely yours in the Risen Lord,

+ J. Michael Miller, CSB

Archbishop of Vancouver

Second Collection: Work of Vocations

The second collection on Good Shepherd Sunday, April 21, will support the next generation of priests in our Archdiocese. It funds the discernment, formation and education of our seminarians, ensuring that they receive the preparation necessary for them to be good shepherds who are effective in their priestly ministry. You can make a tax-deductible donation in-person or online at reav.org/vocations.

Finding Mass and confession times just got a lot easier

Mass Finder is a digital tool that makes it easier to find Mass, confession times, and parishes anywhere in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. It can search more than 800 Masses in different languages across 94 locations and highlights the availability of 240 hours of confession every week, underscoring the commitment of the Archdiocese and its priests to making the sacrament of reconciliation more accessible. Visit massfinder.rcav.org.

From Anxiety to Peace

The Canadian Christian Meditation Community, invites you to attend the <u>National Conference Retreat</u> on July 5 - 7, 2024, to be held in UBC, Vancouver BC.

For more info, visit wccm-canada.ca/events or register online at www.bit.ly/CCMC-NC2024. Attend in person or online. Register early, as residential and commuter spaces are limited. All are welcome.

Contact JoAnn at 604-318-3429 or email Maeve at bccchristianmeditation@gmail.com

Pro-Life Mass and Prayer Vigil

The next Mass and vigil takes place on May 4 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Parish in Vancouver. Learn more at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.