



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

1st Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7;
2nd Reading: Philippians 2.6-11;
Gospel: Mark 14.1-15.47

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BULLETIN



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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“You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the first born who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of the new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.” (Hebrews 12: 22-24)

That’s what we will find when we go up to the heavenly Jerusalem.

Since Ash Wednesday, we’ve been walking with Jesus on his journey up to Jerusalem. It’s always UP to Jerusalem. There are two reasons why going to Jerusalem is always referred to as going “up”.

First, Jerusalem is located literally “up,” in a mountain range and we must literally climb, for that’s where the Temple was. So whether you were coming from the north or the south, you were going up to the place where God dwells.

But Jerusalem was also theologically up, up to the holy city, to the new Jerusalem, the earthly location where all true believers will spend eternity with God. Up to Jerusalem, we shall also go!

And here we are at the end of Lent, entering Holy week accompanying Jesus as he goes up to Jerusalem on

Palm Sunday, riding on a colt that had never been ridden, like the conquering Prince of Peace he is.

As we have been reading throughout Lent, Jesus has been going up to Jerusalem and every step of the way, it seems, he’s been tangling with the Jewish authorities. They did not understand him because they hardened their hearts against him.

At the heart of the struggle between Jesus and the Jewish authorities is that they considered God Majestic and remote. They could take comfort in that idea because if God is remote, we can justify ourselves for not doing God’s will. It’s kind of like when the boss is away, sometimes the employees will slack off.

But Jesus declares that God is Majestic but NOT remote. **God is with us.** *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.* The Jewish authorities could not bear the idea that God is here, that he lives in us, that we are sacred beings fully connected to God in intimate ways. We must understand that everything we do – secular or sacred – has spiritual consequences. The Catholic Church has a sacramental worldview which means that everything and everyone is sacred. The sacraments are the reality through which God comes into us and spiritually nourishes us with sanctifying grace.

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WELCOME

We welcome all visitors. If you are new to the Parish, please fill out the registration form available at the entrance to the Church. And please introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Larry.


Pro-abortion claim: Women don’t regret abortion

Pro-Life response: Numerous post-abortive women make clear the devastation that abortion causes to them, harming them on many levels, including physically, emotionally, psychologically, and spiritually. On a very deep level, they mourn the lost relationship with their child. Medical research organizations, such as the deVeber Institute, collect and publish information on the negative impact abortion has on women. There are many ministries that seek to bring healing to post-abortive women who regret what they’ve done to their preborn child and who want help, such as Rachel’s Vineyard and Silent No More Awareness. Dismissing abortion regret is to ignore the lived experience of countless hurting women whose hearts are aching for their missing children.

Source: Campaign Life Coalition Monthly Newsletter


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Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

March 28, 2024

- There is no Morning Mass
- **Thursday of The Lord's Supper – Mass at 7:00 pm** followed by:
- **Procession and Eucharistic Adoration until 11:30pm**

The early Christian church introduced the custom to imitate the humility and selfless love of Jesus, who washed the feet of the Twelve Apostles at the Last Supper (John 13:1–15), the night before his Crucifixion.



Good Friday

March 29, 2024

- There is no Mass on Good Friday
- **Stations of the Cross around Laval Square** (weather permitting) **at 10:00 am** (in case of rain, the stations will take place in the church.)
- **Friday of the Passion of the Lord at 3:00 pm**

Good Friday is a day of fasting requiring Catholics to refrain from eating meat. Traditionally, there is no Mass and no celebration of the Eucharist on Good Friday. A liturgy may still be performed and communion, if taken, comes from hosts consecrated on Holy Thursday. Church bells are silent

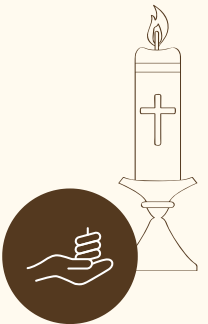


Holy Saturday

March 30, 2024

- There will be no Mass until the Vigil Mass at 9:00 pm
- **The Resurrection of the Lord – At the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**
Mass begins in front of the church at 9:00 pm
 - 1 Baptism
 - 1 Welcoming into the Church
 - 2 Confirmations

Holy Saturday, Christian religious observance that ends the Lenten season, falling on the day before Easter Sunday. The observance commemorates the final day of Christ's death, which many Christians traditionally associate with his triumphant descent into hell or "to the dead" (see also Apostles' Creed).



Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024

The Resurrection of the Lord – Easter Sunday – The Mass of Easter Day

- **9:00 am Mass**
- **11:00 am Mass**

Easter is the day Jesus rose from the dead after being crucified. The empty tomb means that Jesus's words rang true. He fulfilled the promises of Scripture and conquered sin and death.



WEEKDAY MASS

Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am
Thursday Mass will be followed by Adoration.

SUNDAY MASS

English: Sat.: 5:00pm and Sun.: 9:00am
English/French: Sun.: 11:00AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Masses: 8:30am and 7:00pm
Adoration: 9:00am – 10:00am and 5:45pm – 6:45pm

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

No morning Confession or Mass

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tues. to Fri. at 8:00am until 8:25am
Sat.: 4:00 – 4:45 pm. Or by appointment.

HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone who is not able to attend Mass and wishes to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISM

By appointment only.

MARRIAGE

All couples planning to be married in this Parish should contact the pastor at least 6 months in advance. Non-parishioners must obtain written permission from your parish.

FUNERAL

Contact Parish Priest before making arrangements.

SACRAMENTALS

For blessing of cars, religious articles and house blessings, please contact Parish Office.


23-Mar	Saturday	5:00 PM	✝	Edmund Lontok
24-Mar	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
24-Mar	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Mark Luke
25-Mar	Monday	8:30 AM	✝	Jensen Sarte
26-Mar	Tuesday	8:30 AM	INT	Marta Marroquin

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS. Please connect with the parish office to request an intention.

**40 Days for Life:
Nightly Rosary from**
Feb 14-Mar 24, 2024 @8pm
Zoom link:
beholdvancouver.org/events/40-days-for-life-nightly-rosary

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The sacraments are where the human and the divine touch, where eternity and time come together. Perhaps we often feel that God is too close to us, and we grow afraid of what it means for us. What changes do we need to make in our lives to accommodate God living in us?
During Lent, have we come to any greater discernment of God's will for us? Have we been transformed in some way? Are we struggling on our journey up to Jerusalem? Let him know you need help. Let him help you carry your burdens. Take up his cross and he will carry it with you.
Peace, Father Larry

It is not Coffee and Donuts. IT IS BREAKFAST!
To mark Easter on **Sunday, March 31, 2024**, we will have an honest-to-goodness BREAKFAST at the Upper St Anne's Hall after the 9am and 11am Masses- compliments of **the Halo-Halo Group, the PREP Parents and other volunteers.**
The Easter Egg Hunt will take place when breakfast after the 11am Mass is done.



Easter EGG HUNT
Let us all celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ on Easter **Sunday, March 31, 2024** at the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt following the 11 a.m. Mass - on the church grounds, weather permitting or the St Anne's Hall. Come with all the children. Bring their friends, too!




No CATHOLICISM on Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024. We shall resume on Thursday, April 4, 2024!

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PRAYER FOR THE SICK
Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill, especially:
Lina Aussant, Dr. Erb, Kathleen Lauzon, Ralph Roberts, René & Gilberte Collette, the Quek Family, Father Lucien Larré and Teresita Cunningham.
Through the intercession of St. John Paul II we ask that you heal them O Lord. Give them love and strength we pray, through Christ our Lord.

COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER MASS
Come and join us for coffee after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays. Celebrate with each other and get to know your fellow parishioners. This weekend we thank **the Choir** for sponsoring.



PARISH MINISTRIES
Alpha Anthony Marroquin & Alex Lim
Altar Servers Alex Lim
ACRSS Rep Irenaeus Lim
CWL Josephine (Dollie) Basa
Choir (Sun 9am) Josephine (Dollie) Basa
Choir (Sun 11am) Roger De Villa
Couples for Christ Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos
K of C Danny Kusnardi
Lector Suzanne Tkach
Prayer Group Alex & Nancy Lim
PREP Marilyn Sarte
Project Advance Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
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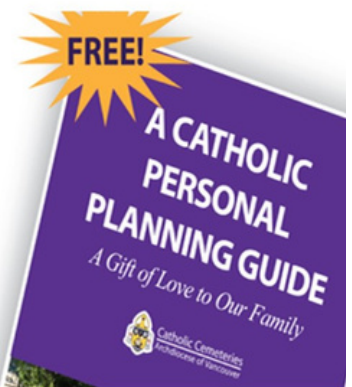
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