

OCTOBER 26, 2025

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BULLETIN

So, why a Church?

Have you ever been in a conversation with someone who says, "Oh you're Catholic? Yeah, I was Catholic, but I stopped going to church. I'm good with God. I'm spiritual, but not religious. God's everywhere, right?" And that last part is said with a kind of smug smile that is designed to end the conversation.

Yup, God is everywhere. Do you know this person? Isn't there someone in your family who spoke very similar words? Me and God, we're good.

I'm a spiritual person.

Here's the thing: that's only a half truth. Because if you were only a spiritual person, you would be an angel ...or God. You see, the fullness of a human person is spiritual and material. Our bodies are material and are just as important to who we are as is the soul. **We are a body and a soul, and they are inseparable.** As human beings we have a necessity to express ourselves through our bodies because we are not just spirits. The spiritual life of the person must include the body. That is why the liturgy is so important. What we mean by liturgy is public ceremonies, prayers and actions that express our worship of God.

As human beings we have a desire to express these spiritual realities bodily. At the Mass, we stand, sit, speak, listen. We sing. We use incense we can smell. We use bread and wine for the consecration of the Eucharist. We eat, we taste, we touch, we smile, we wish peace for our neighbors and our enemies.

Can't we just meet God in prayer alone? In our room? Of course you can. And you should. But that's not enough! Why is it not enough? Because we are made for relationship with God and each other.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that "

"...each human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but a someone, a someone who is capable of self-knowledge, self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons." (CCC 387)

We are made for community, to be in communion with others, in every aspect of our life and most especially in the spiritual life. We share because we need one another. We are made to be in solidarity with each other. St. John-Paul II wrote "Solidarity is not a feeling of vague compassion...it is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the Common Good, that is to say, for the good of all...because WE ARE ALL REALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL."

(Sollicitudo Rei Socialis, JP II)

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There is research that has been going on for over seventy-five years at Harvard University that has found that a predictor of happiness or well-being in one's life is that people who go through life in a community that they are closely connected to, and do not go through life alone, ended up both physically and emotionally in a much better place than their peers and are much happier than people who don't, even if those others have financial success, high status or wielded a lot of power. If people are not connected to community, they are less happy than those who are.

Come to church. Come and share in our parish community and may God bless you. You cannot be saved on your own.

Peace,

Father Larry



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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.

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Project Advance 2025 : Building Our Parish Community

Project Advance is an important fundraiser for the parish and the archdiocese. Your support, large or small, combined with others', allows us to fund projects and good works that would not be possible otherwise. To date this year, we are not doing well in achieving our goal of \$75,000. Please prayerfully consider an offering to help fund the fixtures, furniture and equipment needed for the basement. The basement will just be a large and bare room without these important additions. To donate, go to our website, olol.ca/donate, or drop an envelope in the collection basket or at the parish office. Thank you for your support!

Raised To Date

\$13,133



Down significantly from last year

Parish Participation

6.6%

Parish:

**Our Lady of Lourdes
Coquitlam**

Report Date:

October 25, 2025

Archdiocese Allotment

\$10,700

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**PROJECT
ADVANCE
2025**

**Archdiocese of Vancouver
Project Advance Parish
Progress Report**

Vocation Live-In

There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of **November 15 – 16** at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome to attend. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

Annual Mass for Deceased Bishops, Clergy, and Consecrated Men and Women

All are welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry. At Holy Rosary Cathedral on **Wednesday, November 5, 2025** at the 12:10 p.m. Mass. Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am
There is no morning Mass, Confession or Adoration on the First Saturday of the Month.

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

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

ADORATION

Tues. to Sat. starting at 9:00am (following Mass). The Church will remain open until 6:00 pm.

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 the Parish Office.

Coco, the Movie, Back by Popular Demand



Let's celebrate All Saints Day together on November 1 by watching Coco! Coco is an excellent family movie, produced by Disney/Pixar, and is perfect for All Saints/ All Souls Day. Coco is the story of Miguel, a young boy and aspiring musician, who travels to the Land of the Dead to discover why his ancestral family placed a ban on music. Join us after Mass for the movie, some pizza and some popcorn! **Saturday, November 1 at 6:30 pm** in the Upper Hall.



Bottle Drive

Please drop off your recyclables, in clear plastic bags, in the large wooden bin outside on the north side of the church. Access is from the parking lot and down the stairs. We accept aluminum cans, plastic bottles, glass bottles, milk and juice containers. Thank you for your support for the Knights of Columbus who in turn support the parish.



Neufeld Farms CWL Fundraiser

The CWL is pleased to offer their fundraiser of Neufeld Frozen Foods again this year. Neufeld Farms is a family farm based in Abbotsford. They offer a variety of meat, fish and baked goods for sale. Please use the QR below code to place your order.



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ORDER DEADLINE:

November 9, end of day

ORDER PICK UP:

Sat., November 15 at 10:00 am

PAYMENT: Credit card only

If you need help to place an order, CWL members would be happy to assist you at Coffee Sun. on Nov. 2.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

25-Oct	Saturday	5:00 PM	✝	Barona family
26-Oct	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
26-Oct	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Angie Solidum
27-Oct	Monday	8:30 AM	✝	Joe Supeen
28-Oct	Tuesday	8:30 AM	✝	David Lee
29-Oct	Wednesday	8:30 AM	INT	Herm Banico
30-Oct	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Linda Kowalski
31-Oct	Friday	8:30 AM	✝	Claudia Nistor
1-Nov	Saturday	8:30 AM		No Mass



**CONSTRUCTION
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BC Catholic during Mail Disruption

With Canada Post service resuming, we're mailing out the three print editions of The B.C. Catholic that were held at the printer during the strike. Delivery dates will depend on your local mail service. Meantime, you can read The B.C. Catholic digital edition online for free at digital.bccatholic.ca. If you'd like to switch permanently to our digital edition, you can do that at bccatholic.ca/subscribe. Thank you for your patience and continued support of The B.C. Catholic.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill, especially:

Kathleen Lauzon, Gilberte Collette, Father Lucien Larré, Fernand Finnigan, Ozina Finnigan, Father Alan Boisclair, Jose (JoJo) Alonco, Ralph & Marguerite Roberts and Sister Claire Marie.

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
Altar Servers Marilyn Sarte
ACRSS Rep. Sam Delli Santi & Elga Gonzalez
CWL Josephine (Dollie) Basa
Choir Roger De Villa & Agnes Wan
Couples for Christ Jet & Jane Sarmiento
K of C Anthony Marroquin
Lector Thelma Papas
Prayer Group Alex & Nancy Lim
PREP Marilyn Sarte
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