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## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 20, 2019

# World Mission Sunday

### Baptized and Sent

*Excerpted from Pope Francis' Message for World Mission Sunday 2019.*

Full text at <http://www.october2019.va/en/messaggio-giornata-missionaria-2019.html>

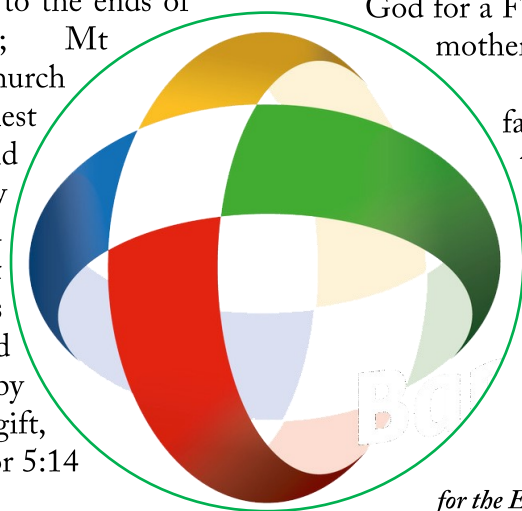
The Church is on mission in the world. Faith in Jesus Christ enables us to see all things in their proper perspective, as we view the world with God's own eyes and heart. Hope opens us up to the eternal horizons of the divine life that we share. Charity, of which we have a foretaste in the sacraments and in fraternal love, impels us to go forth to the ends of the earth (cf. Mic 5:4; Mt 28:19; Acts 1:8; Rom 10:18). A Church that presses forward to the farthest frontiers requires a constant and ongoing missionary conversion. How many saints, how many men and women of faith, witness to the fact that this unlimited openness, this going forth in mercy, is indeed possible and realistic, for it is driven by love and its deepest meaning as gift, sacrifice and gratuitousness (cf. 2 Cor 5:14-21)!

This missionary mandate touches us personally: I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptized man and woman is a mission. People in love never stand still: they are drawn out of themselves; they are attracted and attract others in turn; they give themselves to others and build relationships that are life-giving. As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant. Each of us is a mission to the world, for each of us is the fruit of God's love. From eternity he has destined each of his children to share in his divine and eternal life (cf. Eph 1:3-6).

This life is bestowed on us in baptism, which grants us the gift of faith in Jesus Christ, the conqueror of sin and death. Baptism gives us rebirth in God's own image and likeness, and makes us members of the Body of

Christ, which is the Church. In this sense, baptism is truly necessary for salvation for it ensures that we are always and everywhere sons and daughters in the house of the Father, and never orphans, strangers or slaves. What in the Christian is a sacramental reality – whose fulfillment is found in the Eucharist – remains the vocation and destiny of every man and woman in search of conversion and salvation. For baptism fulfils the promise of the gift of God that makes everyone a son or daughter in the Son. In baptism we receive the origin of all fatherhood and true motherhood: no one can have God for a Father who does not have the Church for a mother (cf. Saint Cyprian, *De Cath. Eccl.*, 6).

Our mission, then, is rooted in the fatherhood of God and the motherhood of the Church. The mandate given by the Risen Jesus at Easter is inherent in Baptism: as the Father has sent me, so I send you, filled with the Holy Spirit, for the reconciliation of the world (cf. Jn 20:19-23; Mt 28:16-20).



### Prayer of Pope Francis

*for the Extraordinary Missionary Month—October 2019*

Heavenly Father, when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he commissioned his followers to “go and make disciples of all nations” and you remind us that through our Baptism we are made sharers in the mission of the Church. Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be courageous and zealous in bearing witness to the Gospel, so that the mission entrusted to the Church, which is still very far from completion, may find new and efficacious expressions that bring life and light to the world.

Help us make it possible for all peoples to experience the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

## A Glance at Our Parish Calendar

Monday	October 21	<b>Federal Election Day</b> (More Info at <a href="http://elections.ca">elections.ca</a> )	
		7:00 p.m. Ladies Evening of Recollection	Mallon Room
Tuesday	October 22	7:00 p.m. Alpha	Gym
Wednesday	October 23	9:00 a.m. School Mass	Church
		4:15 p.m. P.R.E.P.	McCarthy Room
Thursday	October 24	9:00 a.m. Great Adventure Bible Study— <i>Gospel of John</i>	McCarthy Room
		9:00 a.m. Knitting for Charity	Mallon Room
		7:00 p.m. Faith Studies (Pre-Registration Required)	Mallon; McCarthy
Friday	October 25	6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group	Mallon Room
		11:00 a.m. Annual Mass of Anointing and Lunch	Church
		9:00 a.m. Faith Studies (Pre-Registration Required)	Mallon; McCarthy
Saturday	October 26	<b>No Mass or Confessions</b>	

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sun Oct 20	9:00 a.m.	Laurena Choo †
	11:00 a.m.	
	5:00 p.m.	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon Oct 21	8:15 a.m.	Laurena Choo †
Tues Oct 22	8:15 a.m.	J. Maurice Sheehan † St. John Paul II
Wed Oct 23	9:00 a.m.	Michael Froh (int)
Thu Oct 24	8:15 a.m.	Maureen Baily (int)
Fri Oct 25	8:15 a.m.	Henry Bargaen †
Sat Oct 26	No Mass	Priests at Upper Room Conference
Sun Oct 27	9:00 a.m.	Joe Harrington †
	11:00 a.m.	
	5:00 p.m.	30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Upper Room Conference

The Upper Room Conference is an Archdiocesan conference that inspires and equips Catholics in Vancouver on how to live out your missional call in your homes and communities. You'll hear incredible speakers including **Cardinal Timothy Dolan**, **Shaila Visser** (Alpha Canada), **Angèle Regnier** (Catholic Christian Outreach); connect with other disciples, and gain insight and resources during times of worship, prayer, and community. The conference is on **Saturday, October 26** from **9—6 p.m.** at the Vancouver Convention Center (999 Canada Place). For more info and registration, visit [www.upperroomvancouver.com](http://www.upperroomvancouver.com).

### Please Pray For

Michael Froh



### We Continue to Pray For

*Kenneth Beesley, Ron Buziol, Veronica Chan, Leo Dy, Ted Ewbank, Mireille Farwagi, Hank Giefing, Sharon Kelly, Gemma Konar, Annie Mackenzie, Margaret McCormick, Fr. Peter Meienberg OSB, Juanita Nazareth, Eduardo Peralta, Graham Ridsdale, Breda Sheehan, Theresa Sheehan, Linwood Trask, Molly Waechter, and Terry Zweng*



### Pray for the Repose of the Soul of

Jane Smith (*mother of Msgr. Smith*)

### Parish Finances



**Last Week's Collection:** \$12,632.00  
(including Dedicated Giving)

**Weekly Parish Expenses:** \$12,022.00  
(to run parish and programs)

**Operating Surplus:** \$ 610.00



### Mass Time Changes

As both priests will be attending the **Upper Room Conference** this **Saturday, October 26**, please note Mass and Confessions on that day will be **cancelled**.

### World Mission Sunday—Today



Today is **World Mission Sunday**. A second collection will be taken up for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith**, in support of Catholic priests, sisters, and lay missionaries in worldwide mission areas. Please give generously in response to the Church's missionary call to make disciples of all nations.



## Federal Election 2019

Election Day in Canada is **tomorrow, Monday, October 21**. Catholics are reminded that they have a moral obligation to vote, according to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Archbishop Miller reminds the faithful that, "Voting is more than an act of civic participation.

It is a **serious responsibility** that lets us **bring our Christian values to the ballot box** in the hope of **positively influencing Canadian society**." For more information, visit [elections.ca](http://elections.ca) or see the Archdiocese's resources at [rcav.org/election2019](http://rcav.org/election2019).

## Liturgy of the Word for Children



Thank you to all for your patience during this time of ministry renewal. Weekly Liturgy of the Word for Children sessions will resume **next Sunday, October 27** at the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses.



## Annual Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The parish will be holding its annual Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from **Wednesday, October 30 to Friday, November 1**. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration each of these days beginning after the morning Mass, until **8 p.m.** (until **9 p.m.** on Friday, as usual).

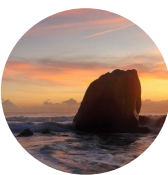
Benediction will occur each day at **7:45 p.m.** (**8:45 p.m.** on Friday). You can sign up for a time slot to pray in the foyer, or just drop in during the three days.

## Alpha



Have questions about life? Come start the conversation with ALPHA—a series of Tuesday evenings of videos and open discussion over dessert every **Tuesday** from **7-9 p.m.** Although we're in progress, all are still welcome to join. For more information, please email [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca).

## Ladies Evening of Recollection



All ladies are welcome to an evening of recollection **tomorrow, October 21 at 7 p.m.** in the Mallon Room. There will be a time for Confession. For more info, contact Jessica Choo at [jessicachoo@me.com](mailto:jessicachoo@me.com).



## In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mrs. Jane Smith**, Msgr. Smith's mother, who passed away this week. Jane was a Christ the Redeemer parishioner for most of the past eight years. Her funeral Mass will be held at Christ the Redeemer on **next Tuesday, October 29, at 11 a.m.** Vigil Prayers will take place **next Monday, October 28 at 7:30 p.m.**



## Parish Feast Day

Celebrate our Parish Feast Day, the **Solemnity of Christ the King**, in style at our annual **Feast Day Celebration** on **Saturday evening, November 23!** Don't miss out on an evening of food and fun with our whole parish community—check back here in the coming weeks for more details about the event and tickets! And plan to be at the **11 a.m. Mass** on **Sunday, November 24**, when we will welcome **Archbishop Miller**.



## Mass of Anointing

Our annual Mass of Anointing and Lunch will take place on **Friday, October 25 at 11 a.m.** All seniors are welcome; we will bless them and anoint those whose health is impaired. Volunteers are needed for prep and for food items—a sign up sheet will be in the church foyer. Contact Lorraine Ma for more details at [lorraine.ma@shaw.ca](mailto:lorraine.ma@shaw.ca).



## St. Vincent de Paul Society

Our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Society does many monthly charitable initiatives and activities including meals at the Door is Open and assistance and donations to the SVDP Thrift Store and the Men's Hostel. If you are interested in getting involved in the activities of the SVDP, or have any suggestions of where the SVDP could serve, email Shane Nossal at [shanenossal@icloud.com](mailto:shanenossal@icloud.com).

## Dinner with Deacon Felix Min



Join Archbishop Miller and fellow Catholics as we gather to support Deacon Felix Min who is soon to be ordained a priest. Join us **Tuesday, November 19**, at the Italian Cultural Centre (3075 Slocan Street, Vancouver). The cost is **\$50** (\$25 for students). There is also an option to sponsor a seminarian's attendance. To register, or for more info, visit [vocationsvancouver.ca](http://vocationsvancouver.ca).





## Seminary Vocation Live-in

On the weekend of **November 15-17**, there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the **Seminary of Christ the King** (34224 Dewdney Trunk Rd, Mission). For more information call 604-826-8975 or email Fr. Matthew Gerlich, OSB, at [rector.majors@yahoo.ca](mailto:rector.majors@yahoo.ca).



## Renewed Hope Counselling

Bryan Petkau is a Catholic Registered Clinical Counsellor endorsed by the Archdiocese specializing in counselling for those struggling with pornography.

Bryan offers individual and couples counselling in person and by encrypted video. You can email him confidentially at [bryan@renewedhopecounselling.ca](mailto:bryan@renewedhopecounselling.ca) or call 604-798-8943 for a free and confidential phone consultation. It's not too late!



## Annual Mass

*for Deceased Bishops, Clergy, and Consecrated Men and Women*

The annual Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on **Wednesday, November 6 at 12:00 p.m.** All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have labored for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry.



## FORMED

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