



CHRIST THE REDEEMER

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RADIATING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL WITHIN OUR PARISH FAMILY AND BEYOND

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Epiphany of the Lord—January 5, 2020

Time, Talent, and Treasure



Time

"A cold coming we had of it, just the worst time of the year
For a journey, and such a long journey..."

—T.S. Eliot, *The Journey of the Magi*



Talent

"We saw his star when it rose and
have come to worship him."

—Matthew 2:2



Treasure

"Then they opened their treasures and presented him
with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."

—Matthew 2:11

How do we decide to share our gifts?

Do we pray for it, plan it, follow Scripture, choose carefully with a purpose and give without strings? Do we follow and seek like the Magi, giving in worship?

Maybe all we need to know about the Magi is that they made themselves available, they followed and they gave. Today, let's learn from the Magi and maybe we'll have an epiphany of our own.



A Glance at Our Parish Calendar

Monday	January 6	10:00 a.m.	Christopher Boon Chua Funeral Mass	Church
		7:30 p.m.	Word of God Bible Study	Mallon Room
Wednesday	January 8	9:00 a.m.	School Mass	Church
Thursday	January 9	9:00 a.m.	Great Adventure Bible Study— <i>Prophets</i>	McCarthy Room
		9:00 a.m.	Knitting for Charity	Mallon Room
Friday	January 10	6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	Church
		1:00 p.m.	¡Quiero Conocer la Verdad!	McCarthy Room
Sunday	January 12	6:00 p.m.	Youth Ministry— <i>Anchor</i>	Mallon Room

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sun Jan 5	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Jane Smith † <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>
Mon Jan 6	8:15 a.m.	Peter Fensslein †
Tues Jan 7	8:15 a.m.	John & Breda Sheehan (int) <i>St. Basil the Great</i>
Wed Jan 8	9:00 a.m.	Lt. Corey McNamara (int)
Thu Jan 9	8:15 a.m.	Russell Sheehan †
Fri Jan 10	8:15 a.m.	Phil Gleeson †
Sat Jan 11	9:00 a.m.	Erich Puchinger †
Sun Jan 12	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Rev. Msgr. Francis Bickford † <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>

2020 Envelopes Available

Your 2020 Sunday Contribution envelopes are **now available for pickup** in the church foyer. Please contact the Welcome Centre or the Parish Office if you weren't assigned envelopes and would like to receive them.

Discovery

No matter where you're at in your faith journey, the Discovery faith study series is for you. Jesus desires a personal relationship with you. Come explore what this means for us through six weeks of small-group discussion. **The next Discovery faith studies begin on Thursday, January 16 at 7 p.m.** For more info, visit the Discovery table in the foyer, fill out the online form at bit.ly/ctrchristmas, or email Discovery@ctrwestvan.ca.

Please Pray For

Germaine Guay
Denise Wild



We Continue to Pray For

Kenneth Beesley, Ron Buziol, Veronica Chan, Leo Dy, Ted Ewbank, Mireille Farwagi, Hank Giefing, Gemma Konar, Annie Mackenzie, Margaret McCormick, 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

Fr. Benno Burghardt
Msgr. Pedro Lopez-Gallo

In Memoriam



Please pray in particular for the repose of the souls of Msgr. Gallo and Mr. Christopher Boon Chua.

Mr. Chua's funeral will be celebrated at **CTR tomorrow, January 6** at 10 a.m.

Msgr. Gallo's funeral will be celebrated at **Holy Rosary Cathedral on Wednesday, January 8** at 10 a.m. There will be prayers at **St. Pius X** the evening before.

St. Thomas Aquinas



STA will be holding an Open House for all prospective students on **Wednesday, February 12**. There will be student led tours from **1:45 to 2:45 p.m.**, and full staff will be attendance in the evening from **6 to 8 p.m.** All students applying for Grade 8 in September 2020 should pre-register with **Barbara Dougan** at 604-987-4431 or at bdougan@aquinas.org. The **STA Placement Exam** will take place **Friday, February 21** at 8:30 a.m. Registration packages are distributed to all grade 7 feeder schools and PREP.

New Year's Resolutions

Some ideas for a new year and a new decade!

Sacramental Life

- ❑ Encounter the Lord's mercy — commit to **going to confession once a month**. Confessions are heard at CTR on Wednesdays 8:45—9 a.m.; Saturdays 9:30—10 a.m.; and Sundays 4:15—4:45 p.m.
- ❑ Commit to being **on time for Sunday Mass** and staying until the recessional hymn ends.

Spiritual Life

- ❑ Expand your prayer life by spending **ten minutes a day** reading **sacred Scripture** using *lectio divina*.
- ❑ Have a **spiritual conversation** with a good friend once a week.
- ❑ Listen to a new podcast instead of the radio or music on your commutes to work. Men can try Brett Powell and Jake Khym's **Way of the Heart**; women—try Heather Khym's **Abiding Together**.
- ❑ Commit to spending **half an hour** with the Lord every week. Our church is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. most days.

Stewardship

- ❑ Commit to giving at least **one hour of your time a month** to a parish ministry—ideas include the Men's Hostel Outreach, volunteering at Alpha, and lectoring at Mass. Start by visiting the Welcome Centre or emailing the parish office at office@ctrwestvan.ca and we'll connect you!
- ❑ Take the **spiritual gifts inventory** and explore a parish activity that you might not have tried yet—see the inventory at ctrwestvan.ca/sgi.
- ❑ **Increase the financial support** you give to the parish, and/or sign up for **Dedicated Giving**. More info at ctrwestvan.ca/dedicated-giving or find us at the Welcome Centre.

Sharing the Gospel

- ❑ **Encourage a friend or loved one** once a month to join you for **Mass**.
- ❑ **Invite a friend** this year to join you in a **Discovery faith study**. Email discovery@ctrwestvan.ca to get started.



Beta

Beta is a new connect group for those who have completed Alpha and want to continue the experience of community and discussion focused on the person of Jesus before committing to Discovery Faith Studies or RCIA. Beta runs for **four Wednesday evenings** from **January to March, beginning Wednesday, January 15 at 7 p.m.** For more info, fill the form at bit.ly/ctrchristmas.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults



RCIA is a program for those who would like to become Catholic or learn more about the teachings of the Catholic Church. In RCIA, participants are taken through formation and teaching in preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist) into the Church. RCIA runs **Tuesday evenings at 7 pm.** from **January to June 2020, beginning Tuesday, January 21.** Register at bit.ly/ctrchristmas.



Fiat—Women's Discernment

The Fiat group will have their annual snowshoe trip on **Saturday, January 11.** They will meet for **9 a.m. Mass** here at CTR and then carpool up to Cypress Mountain for snowshoeing and a picnic at the viewpoint, returning by **3 p.m.** Bring snowshoes (available for rent on the way up the mountain), water, lunch, and dress for the weather. For carpools and more information on the event, see Vocations Vancouver on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/vocationsvancouver), contact them at **604-443-3254**, or email at womensvocations@rcav.org.



Liturgy of the Word for Children

L.W.C. classes will resume at the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses next **Sunday, January 12.**

Endow: Setting the World Ablaze

An Eight Week Faith Study for Women



Join Sr. Angela Marie, FSE and other women in the Archdiocese for an eight week faith study to pray, build community, and learn from the writings of St. Catherine of Siena. The study runs **Friday evenings 6:30—8:30 p.m.** beginning January 10 at the **JPII Centre** (4885 Saint John Paul II Way, Vancouver), and materials costs \$35. For more info email Sr. Angela Marie at samcastellani@rcav.org.



150

Why is this number important?
Find out in next week's bulletin!



Youth Ministry—Anchor

Teens grades 8-12, join us for Anchor, once a month beginning with Mass at 5 p.m. Our next Anchor is **next Sunday, January 12** from **6-9 p.m.** We'll have food, praise and worship, short testimonies, and of course, open gym and other activities! Stay on top of all of our youth ministry events by following us on Instagram [@ctrwvyouth](https://www.instagram.com/ctrwvyouth).



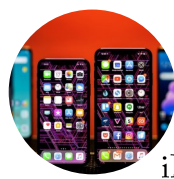
Great Adventure Bible Study

Deepen your faith by taking a Bible study! Our Great Adventure Bible Study is currently studying **The Prophets**, every **Thursday morning** beginning at **9:00 a.m.** in the McCarthy Room. All are welcome to join—no pre-registration is required! Beginning February 6, we will begin the study of the **Letter to the Galatians**. For more info contact Jane Curalli at njcuralli@telus.net.



Connect with CTR

The parish uses [Flocknote](https://www.flocknote.com) to connect with you outside of Mass, with the content you want to receive delivered right to your phone or inbox: whether that be alerts and important information from the parish; to emails with faith formation content and emails from different ministries. Join the network at flocknote.com/CTRRCav.



Refugee Donations

The Refugee Committee is looking for donations of used cell phones, equivalent of iPhone 6 or higher, for the Gatare Family's use. If you have any old phones that can be wiped and donated, contact Meg Maledy at mmaledy@shaw.ca.



White Mass

The Catholic Physicians' Guild of the Vancouver Archdiocese is hosting the annual **White Mass** for Healthcare Workers and their Families, celebrated by Archbishop Miller at **7 p.m. on Friday, January 10, 2020 at St. Augustine's Church** (2028 West 7th Avenue, Vancouver). For more information please contact drtoniparsons@telus.net.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is **January 18—25**. In a world marked by diversity in language and culture, we express our Christian faith in diverse ways. During this week we are called to celebrate this diversity and be faithful to Christ's call for the unity of his Church.

All are invited to join with brothers and sisters of various churches in prayer, song, and witness to unity as followers of Christ. Learn more at rcav.org/christian-unity.



Employment Opportunities

Work for the Archdiocese of Vancouver! See all the open positions at the Archdiocese, parishes, community organizations, and colleges and schools at this link here:

<https://rcav.org/employment/>.



Save the Date—Brave Life Restoration Women's Retreat

The Women's Retreat will take place from **April 17-19** at **Rockridge Canyon, BC**. The retreat is for every woman searching for deeper relationship with the Trinity and what it means to live bravely as a woman of God. This retreat weekend is an opportunity to get away from the busyness and demands of our schedules to personally encounter God and experience His generous love. For more information go to liferestoration.ca/womensretreat.



RCAV Winter Institute

The Winter Institute is a day dedicated to ministry training and faith formation courses, taking place on **Saturday, January 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at **Holy Cross Secondary** (16193 88th Ave, Surrey). For course descriptions and registration, visit rcav.org/oc-winter-institute.

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