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CHURCH • 599 Keith Road, West Vancouver, BC, V7T 1L8 RADIATING THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL WITHIN OUR PARISH FAMILY AND BEYOND

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 19, 2020

## Just six days To Have Your Voice Heard

First they came for the socialists, and I did not speak out— Because I was not a socialist.

Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out— Because I was not a trade unionist.

Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out— Because I was not a Jew.

Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.

-Original poem credited to Martin Niemöller

We have failed to protect the unborn.

There may still be time to protect the elderly. Respond to the Government of Canada in their public consultation this week at https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/cons/ad-am/index.html.

The consultation ends Monday, January 27. It is in the form of a questionnaire: some of its questions imply we accept the present law when asking about possible changes. You can say "no opinion" to those questions and use the comment box to express your convictions. The questions in Section D are particularly important and are much easier to answer without confusion. The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition offers a guide to answering the questions at <a href="https://alexschadenberg.blogspot.com/2020/01/">https://alexschadenberg.blogspot.com/2020/01/</a> guide-to-answering-canadian-maid.html



#### A Glance at Our Parish Calendar

Monday	January 20	7:00 p.m.	Ladies' Evening of Recollection	Mallon Room	
Tuesday	January 21	7:00 p.m.	R.C.I.A. Launch	Mallon Room	
Wednesday	January 22	9:00 a.m.	School Mass	Church	
-	· ·	6:30 p.m.	C.W.L. Mass and AGM	Mallon Room	
Thursday	January 23	9:00 a.m.	Great Adventure Bible Study—Prophets	McCarthy Room	
•		9:00 a.m.	Knitting for Charity	Mallon Room	
		7:00 p.m.	Faith Studies Evening (Pre-Registration Required)	Mallon Room	
Friday	January 24	6:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	Church	
		1:00 p.m.	¡Quiero Conocer la Verdad!	McCarthy Room	

#### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sun Jan 19	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Jane Smith †  2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon Jan 20	8:15 a.m.	Inga Radosevic †
Tues Jan 21	8:15 a.m.	Peter Fensslein † St. Agnes
Wed Jan 22	9:00 a.m.	Maria Poweska <b>†</b>
Thu Jan 23	8:15 a.m.	Floresto Repayo Pallada †
Fri Jan 24	8:15 a.m.	Sarah Rock † St. Francis de Sales
Sat Jan 25	9:00 a.m.	John Andrew Fernandes †  Conversion of St. Paul
Sun Jan 26	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Jane Smith †  3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 2020 Envelopes Available

Your 2020 Sunday Contribution envelopes are now available for pickup in the church foyer. See the Welcome Centre if you weren't assigned envelopes and would like to.

## Name Tag Sunday—Next Week

Our next Name Tag Sunday will take place at all Masses next Sunday, January 26. Please plan to come to Mass a few minutes early, and speak to our Welcome Ministers to pick up a name tag.

Please take this opportunity to say hello to someone you haven't met before, and create personal connections by using your neighbour's name. Perhaps you can take it one step further and get to know them by starting a conversation during coffee after Mass!

## Please Pray for

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### We Continue to Pray For

Kenneth Beesley, Ron Buziol, Veronica Chan, Leo Dy, Ted Ewbank, Mireille Farwagi, Germaine Guay, Gemma Konar, Annie Mackenzie, Margaret McCormick, Juanita Nazareth, Eduardo Peralta, Graham Ridsdale, Breda Sheehan, Theresa Sheehan, Linwood Trask, Molly Waechter, Denise Wild, and Terry Zweng



## We Need Your Help!

A poem by Msgr. Smith's father:

Do I love

The beautiful snow?

No.

This week, the parish spent over \$4000 on plowing, salt, and other expenses related to snow, which was more than we received in the collection basket last Sunday.

Might we ask for your extra support this coming Sunday by doubling the usual amount in your envelope for one week? Your generosity would be much appreciated and needed during this chilly time. If you're on Dedicated Giving, and would like to make an extra donation, please contact the office.

We also wanted to thank many parishioners who generously assisted us in shoveling to make entry to the church safe in between our scheduled plows and salting.



#### 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. Participants are taken through formation & teaching in preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist) into the Church. RCIA begins at 7 p.m. this Tuesday, January 21. Register with Glen at g2mail2@gmail.com.

#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

This week, January 18—25, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. 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 reav.org/christian-unity.

## Refugee Donations

The Gatare family is in urgent need of winter boots (women's shoe size 6-10; men's size 8-11) and coats (women's and men's M to L), as well as donations of used cell phones, equivalent of iPhone 6 or higher for the family's use. If you have any boots and coats in good condition, or old phones that can be wiped and donated, please contact Meg Maledy at mmaledy@shaw.ca with a description of your items.

## Seminary Vocation Live-in

On the weekend of February 7 to 9, 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, Mission, BC. For more information call 604-826-8715, or email Fr. Gerlich at <a href="mailto:rector.majors@yahoo.ca">rector.majors@yahoo.ca</a>.

## 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 <a href="mailto:bdougan@aquinas.org">bdougan@aquinas.org</a>.

## Catholic Women's League News

Please note that the CWL General Meeting and AGM has been moved to this Wednesday, January 22. We'll begin with Mass at 6:30 p.m.

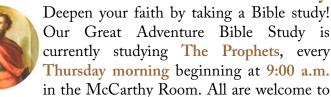
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#### St. Anthony's School

St. Anthony's School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten and Grade 2 for the 2020-2021 school year. Consider the value of a Catholic education for your child!

Please email office@saswv.ca for more information.

## Great Adventure Bible Study



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 nicuralli@telus.net.

## Help Available

During Snowy & Icy Days

Parishioners who have mobility issues are reminded that the parish can help locate rides and other forms of help if you are snowed in or if it is not safe to walk outside. If you don't have someone able to assist you when weather conditions

have someone able to assist you when weather conditions create problems and you can't move about safely, do not hesitate to call the rectory and make your need known. Many generous parishioners have been helping others already—thank you!

## Into the Deep

#### Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

How would you answer someone who asked the question, "Where does the Church stand on issues of sexual orientation and gender identity?" Into the Deep is a free bi-monthly series of talks,

lectures and experiences for seeking disciples.

This free event, with Peter Nation as the guest speaker, takes place on Friday, January 24 at 7 p.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre (4885 Saint John Paul II Way, Vancouver). Register online at <a href="mailto:secure.rcav.org/into-the-deep">secure.rcav.org/into-the-deep</a>.



### Virtuous Leadership

Bringing Out Greatness in Others

Join Dr. Havard, founder of the Virtuous Leadership Institute, in a morning of practical insights on the virtues related to leadership and how we can cultivate them in ourselves, our families, communities, churches, and workplaces. The event runs 9:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, January 25

at the JPII Pastoral Centre (4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver). Tickets are available online www.virtuousleaders.ca. For more information, contact Tim Dumas at info@virtuousleaders.ca.

## University Mass

All students, alumni, faculty, and staff with their friends and families from public and private post-secondary institutions are invited

to this annual Mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller on Saturday, February 8 at 7 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral.

#### 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.

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#### **RCAV Winter Institute**

The Winter Institute is a day dedicated to ministry training and faith formation courses, taking place on Saturday, January

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sacred space

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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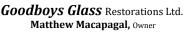
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