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PARISH HIGHLIGHT

MAY YOU GROW IN FAITH



The month of May let's honor Mary, celebrate mothers, and open our hearts to the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome to participate in these special events as we journey together in faith and community.

We kicked off the month with the [Catholic Women's League \(CWL\)](#) hosting two wonderful events. On May 4th, we had a heartfelt **Crowning of Mary Ceremony** where attendees adorned the Blessed Virgin Mary with a flower crown, symbolizing our devotion to her.

Then, on May 5th, the CWL treated us to a delightful Mother's Day Brunch, celebrating the love and dedication of all mothers in our community.



As Mother's Day approaches, don't forget to stop by the [Knights of Columbus](#) Carnation Sale on May 11th and 12th to show your love and appreciation for the mothers in your life with a beautiful carnation.

On **May 12th**, we'll commemorate both the **Ascension of the Lord** and **Mother's Day**. Let's reflect on Jesus' ascension into heaven and the loving presence of mothers, who reflect the love of God in our world.



Looking ahead, join us on May 18th for a powerful Pentecost Vigil hosted by [Mission Ablaze](#). We'll gather in prayer and adoration, inviting the Holy Spirit to renew and inspire us for **Pentecost Sunday on May 19th**.



ST.MARY'S PARISH VANCOUVER
IN CHRIST WITH MARY
TOGETHER IN HOPE

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 12TH, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

May.11/12
Mother's Day Carnation Sale

May.19
Pentecost Wear Red

May.31
Youth Ministry Meet

Oct.19
PROJECT CANA - Mass Wedding

SUNDAY MASS READINGS YEAR B

FIRST READING
ACTS 1: 1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
PSALMS 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9

SECOND READING
EPHESIANS 4: 1-13

GOSPEL
MARK 16: 15-20

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2024 YEAR OF PRAYER AS DECLARED BY HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

SUNDAY MASSES (AND SATURDAY)

SAT 05:00 pm (*anticipated mass*)
SUN 08:00 am | 09:30 am | 11:15 am | 01:00 pm
03:00 pm (*Tagalog*) | 05:00 pm | 07:00 pm

DAILY MASSES

MON - FRI 08:00 am | SAT 08:30 am | WED-FRI 07:00 pm

CONFESSION

SUNDAY before & after mass | **WEEKDAY** after mass

DEVOTIONS

MON - FRI 07:15 am Rosary & Lauds
WED 06:00 pm Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help
THU 06:00 pm Rosary & Prayer for Vocations
FRI 03:00 pm Divine Mercy
06:00 pm Novena: Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary
07:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
09:00 pm Benediction
SAT 07:45 am Rosary & Lauds

****FAITHFULLY DEPARTED****

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace, Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS UPDATES | NEWS | EVENTS

 **Hope on the Horizon EXTENSION!**
Catholic Street Missionaries **May.15th**
New Deadline

Calling all young adults, a summer full of spiritual enrichment is waiting! CSM is hosting a summer outreach program empowering those to live like Christ and help the homeless. **Financial support offered. Special bursaries are available for those who want to join this summer!** Visit site for info *Limited spots available so make sure to sign up before we close*


Registration extended, May.15 tinyurl.com/CSMHorizon

 **VBS Rocky Railway 2024 - Registration extended!**
Vacation Bible School

A summer kids event hosted at Saint Mary's church basement on August 19 to 23 from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

To register forms and payment can be made at the parish office. Forms also available at stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs

For more info, Dana & Christina cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com

 **2024 Man's Destiny Men's Conference - Sat. June 15th 8:30am**


Knights Of Columbus @ St. Matthew's Parish 16079 88th Ave Surrey
This year's conference aims to educate men and their sons about the value of Catholicism and how to combat the evils that are so corrosive in modern society with special guest Keith Nester! For more info scan the **QR or go to saintmatthews.ca/events**



 **New Young Adult Group Meetup - Friday June 7 @7:00pm**
St.Mary's Young Adult Group

Join us for the first-ever meet and greet of our new Young Adult group in the school gym. Be part of this exciting new venture as we gather for fellowship and community building. All young adults are welcome!

Joyce | [604-435-9611 ext. 209](tel:604-435-9611) | youth.smarv@rcav.org

 **Seniors Gatherings | Save the dates! BINGO**

 **Join us for... Friday Bingo May 17th 1:00pm**
Hosted at the Columbus Tower Senior Residence Don't miss out on the fun! Cards will be \$25 each
For more info [604-435-9611 ext. 0](tel:604-435-9611)
Next date: Jun 21st

 **Magnificat Spring 2024 Luncheon - Sat May 25 11:00 AM**
John Paul II Pastoral Centre Vancouver

Join us and bring a friend for a brunch for all women where we will, eat, pray, and engage with our guest speaker's experiences of the transforming love of Christ in her own life. Cost is \$30. **Registration deadline: Friday, May 17.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

 **National Conference From Anxiety to Peace July 5-7**
Canadian Christian Meditation Community


The solution to the ecological crisis hosted at UBC, Vancouver, BC. Register at bit.ly/CCMC-NC2024



 **Volunteer Opportunities | Let's make an impact!**

 **VBS Rocky Railway 2024 | Help grow the next gen in faith!**
We are also still looking for volunteers! E-mail Dana & Christina @ cvbs.stmaryvan@gmail.com
Volunteer form available at: stmarysvancouver.ca/vbs

 **Catholic Steet Missionaries wants you!**
Are you looking to improve your skills in project management, event planning, marketing, designing, and have a heart to serve the home homeless? We want you!
[778-885-9611](tel:778-885-9611) or email mmoy_ca@yahoo.com

 **Looking to advertise?** If your business is looking to promote, we still have spaces the bulletin! For more info **Teresa:** tky.lung@telus.net

 **Wear Red Pentecost Sunday - May 19th**
Let's show our fire! Wear the colors of the Holy Spirit - **RED (or yellow or orange)**

PROJECT ADVANCE 2024 Building our Parish Community

Project Advance 2024 is back
our goal of our parish goal of **\$120,000**

Pledge now at projectadvance.ca

New and previous donors can donate online or drop off your donations in regular Sunday collections. For more info contact Teresa Lung tky.lung@telus.net


 **Mother's Day Carnation Sale | May 11-12 after every mass**
Knights Of Columbus #13072

Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Mother's Day Carnation Sale from May 11-12/24, Saturday & Sunday after every mass until supplies last.

 **Pentecost Vigil - Saturday, May 18th @ 7:00pm**
Mission Ablaze

All are welcome to join us for Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship, and teachings from Fr. Gabriel
missionablazestmary@gmail.com

 **St.Mary's School Announcements**

 **Chocolate Bar Fundraiser | May.12 - Sunday**

Dark and Milk Chocolate Bars - \$3.00
Milk Chocolate Bars with Almonds - \$6.00
Milk Chocolate Bars with Crisps - \$6.00
Cash only, exact change appreciated. Available while supplies last. Proceeds go towards a new school bus.



 **SMS Parent Support Group Raffle | Now till June.19**
Tickets will be on sale for **\$2.50 per 1 ticket.** Get a ticket for some great cash prizes! **Raffle ends June.19th and Draw Date on June 21st - 2:00pm at the school.**
1st Prize \$5,000 | 2nd \$2,000 | 3d \$1,000 | 4th & 5th \$500
All proceeds are for the development project of the school. Thank you for your support and good luck!! *Raffle license # 148639*

 **Kindergarten 2024-2025 | Accepting Applications**
Now accepting applications for the kindergarten 2024 - 2025 school year. *Child must be born in 2019 and turn 5 by Dec 31st.*
Apply/ info contact [604-437-1312](tel:604-437-1312) | office.smarv@cisva.bc.ca

 **Mass Wedding | Join us Oct 19, 2024**
St.Mary's Project Cana

Married outside the Catholic Church? Desire to regularize your union for sacramental access? Join Fr. Joseph D'Souza, OP, in celebrating the Mass Wedding for civilly married couples. A cost-effective, communal celebration awaits!
For more info rcia.smarv@rcav.org or [604-435-9611 ext. 205](tel:604-435-9611)

 **Donations | Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**

 **Knights of Columbus Food Drive | Now till - June 30**
Non-perishable food items accepted for donation in specially marked boxes located in the Church foyer. *St.Mary's Council 13072*
All collected food items will be delivered to The Door Is Open at the end of June 2024.

Check out our Ministries! next page!
Each Ministry is updated each bulletin so don't miss out on your chance to join!



PARISH MINISTRIES



St. Mary's Youth Ministry

NEXT MEET
May.31

Next Event: **ATP... JESUS IS CALLING, Praise & Worship**

Friday May.31 - 7:00pm @St.Mary's School Gym

Join us for a special Praise and worship night featuring the LOJ youth band. Experience the theme "ATP" (answer the phone) as we return to simpler times. Refreshments provided.

A space where youth can make memories, ask deep questions, and learn how to grow in the faith with the fellowship of your friends!

Open to gr 7-12 | Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome!

Joyce | (604) 435-9611 ext. 209 | youth.smarv@rcav.org



MISSION ABLAZE

NEXT MEET
MAY.14

Come join the Mission Ablaze Prayer Group

Meet and experience the power and love of the Holy Spirit

Every Tues @ 07:30 PM - 09:00 PM at the church hall **IN-PERSON & ZOOM** except on the Tuesday before the 3rd Friday of the month when the Music Ministry will sing at the Adoration after the 7 pm mass

For zoom link + info Email: missionablazesm@gmail.com



PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

& Fr. David Bellusci

NEXT MEET
MAY 16 - THU

Next Meet: **Song of Songs | Online Bible Study**

Online Bible Study (zoom), May 16, 2024 - Thurs 7:00pm - 8:30pm

For more info + zoom link: pppgvancouver@gmail.com



DNA

Discipleship | aNd | Accountability

NEXT MEET
MAY 25 - SAT

D.N.A. is a men's Group meeting on the **2nd and the 4th Saturday of every month**, at **9:30am**, in the Parish Rectory basement. For more info reach out to Fr. Gabriel at: **604-435-9611, ext. 202** | fathergabriel1@outlook.com



ST. MARY'S 1PM MASS CHOIR

We need you!



ST. MARY'S 5PM YOUTH CHOIR

1PM Mass needs singers and piano players, to share praise in song.

Every **FRI 7:30PM** - Parish choir area

Sam Law | samsgman@gmail.com

5PM Mass is looking young adults who want to offer their musical talents (singers, guitarists, bassists, cajon players). Weekly practice

THURS 7:30PM - Rectory basement | **SUN 4:15PM** - Parish choir area

*Except 3d week of the month

Wen | **604-780-2830** | seals.stmarys@gmail.com



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

*I will come to you in the Silence...
Be still and know that I am God...
Come and rest in Me*

EVERY
TUE & WED

Join us for meditation and prayers once a week either:

In-person: Wednesday 7:00 pm @ Rectory Basement.

Contact Cora Alcuitas - calcuitas@gmail.com

Online: Tuesday 7:00 pm

Contact Maeve Slein - mms3018@gmail.com



Our Lady of Fatima Junior Praesidium

A Legion of Mary Youth Program

Inviting youths (and their parents/guardians) ages 6 - 18 years old to join the Our Lady of Fatima Junior Praesidium.

Guided by senior legionaries, learn about prayers, works of the Legion, and deepen your relationship to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

If interested, we have a sign-up sheet at the foyer!



CATECHISM & SACRAMENTS



MARRIAGE

Lorna | ext.204

One of the couple must be Catholic and a parishioner of St. Mary's Parish. Contact us at least six months prior to the wedding. Make no wedding arrangement until you have met with the priest.



RCIA

Edwin | ext. 205

rcia.smarv@rcav.org

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for adults in need of Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation, or who want to learn more about the Catholic Faith.



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ANOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office to schedule a visit, to speak to a priest or to arrange a service.



INFANT BAPTISM

ext.0

reception.smarv@rcav.org

For infants 5 years old and younger. Family must be registered parishioners or must reside within parish boundaries. Non-parishioners must obtain permission from the pastor of their parish.



PREP

Edwin | ext.205

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Parish Religious Education Program. Catechism for children who are attending public schools. Registration opens in the summer of 2023 for SY 2023/24.



VANSPEC

Christina | vanspec.smarv@rcav.org

1-on-1 special needs catechism. Vanspec classes are led by volunteer catechists and aides who, with the assistance of the Program Director, adapt the content of each lesson and learning materials to the needs of the individual student.

Stewardship Reflection

May 12 - Ascension of Our Lord

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God" - 1 John 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

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PARISH RESOURCES



PARISH LIBRARY

Have you checked out the collection of books, CDs, and DVDs in our library? View online catalogue at stmarysvancouver.ca/ministries/library

To borrow any resources Email our librarian,

Bill Murphy | wwwmurphy@hotmail.com

FORMED

THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

formed.org/signup

1. Go to the formed site and Search by postal code: V5R 4G8
2. Select "St. Marys Vancouver 5251 Joyce Street"
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check your emails for a link to begin using FORMED!

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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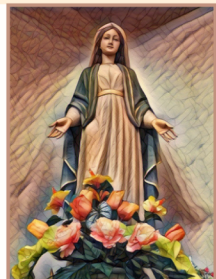
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