

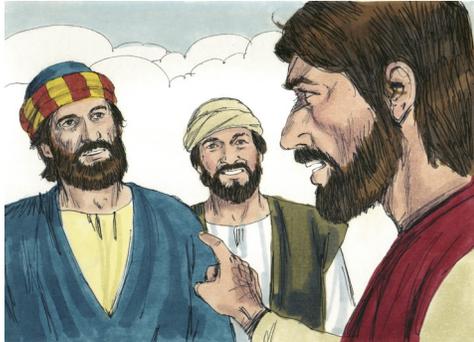


October 21st, 2018
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Authority as Service



The first reading is an excerpt from Isaiah's fourth Servant Song. The Servant offers his life in atonement of his people. His death will be the beginning of glorification for him and be a source of blessings for

others. By reflecting on passages such as this, the early Christians came to an understanding of the saving sufferings and death of Jesus.

In the Gospel we see how far the apostles are from this spirit of self-sacrifice. James and John want the top places in Jesus kingdom. Obviously they thought that his kingdom would be modelled on worldly kingdoms, where those in high places enjoy honour, power and glory. But Jesus tells them that his disciples are not to imitate the Gentiles, whose rulers lord it over people. In his kingdom, service is what makes one great. He would set the example himself. He came 'not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many' – a reference to his saving death. Authority in his Church must wear the unmistakable vestments of service.

World Mission Sunday - October 21st

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. **In 2018, World Mission Sunday is celebrated on October 21.**

Annually, World Mission Sunday is celebrated on the next-to-last Sunday in October. As described by Pope John Paul II, World Mission Sunday is "an important day in the life of the Church because it teaches how to give: as an offering made to God, in the Eucharistic celebration and for all the missions of the world" (see Redemptoris Missio 81).

Every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow - as new dioceses are formed, as new seminaries are opened because of the growing number of young men hearing Christ's call to follow Him as priests, as areas devastated by war or natural disaster are rebuilt, and as other areas, long suppressed, are opening up to hear the message of Christ and His Church. That is why the involvement and commitment of Catholics from around the world is so urgently needed. Mission dioceses - about 1,100 at this time - receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected.

This Week

Monday, October 22

7:00pm Mass
7:30pm Prayers +Anna Dirk

Tuesday, October 23

6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group
8:00am Mass +Cecilia Wadsworth
10:00am Meeting Busy Hands Craft Group
7:00pm Mass
7:30pm Meeting Luke Bible Study

Wednesday, October 24

8:00am Mass +Fr. John J. Fitzgerald, OMI
7:00pm Mass +Lily Espiritu
7:30pm Meeting Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Thursday, October 25

8:00am Mass +Eduardo Ang
11:00am Funeral +Valerie King
7:00pm Mass +Rebecca and Rolita
7:00pm Meeting Parish Pastoral Council

Friday, October 26

8:00am Mass
10:00am Meeting Moms & Tots
7:00pm Mass +Martin Perez
Annual White Mass

Saturday, October 27

8:00am Mass
9:30am Meeting Legion of Mary
11:00am Wedding
5:00pm Mass
6:00pm Event Harvest Dinner (Sold Out)

Sunday, October 28

9:00am Mass
Bapt
11:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass

OFFERTORY

We are grateful for these gifts.
 Sunday Envelopes: \$8458.65
 Loose: \$746.60

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Evie Seana-Marie Fairleigh

REST IN PEACE

Koa Krakowsky Horwitz

Anna Dirk

Pope's message



The second reading tells us that “the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword (Heb 4:12). It really is: God’s word is not merely a set of truths or an edifying spiritual account; no – it is a living word that touches our lives, that trans-

forms our lives. There, Jesus in person, the living Word of God, speaks to our hearts.

The Gospel, in particular, invites us to an encounter with the Lord, after the example of the “man” who “ran up to him” (cf. Mk 10:17). We can recognize ourselves in that man, whose name the text does not give, as if to suggest that he could represent each one of us. He asks Jesus how “to inherit eternal life” (v. 17). He is seeking life without end, life in its fullness: who of us would not want this? Yet we notice that he asks for it as an inheritance, as a good to be obtained, to be won by his own efforts. In fact, in order to possess this good, he has observed the commandments from his youth and to achieve this he is prepared to follow others; and so he asks: “What must I do to have eternal life?”

Jesus’s answer catches him off guard. The Lord looks upon him and loves him (cf. v. 21). Jesus changes the perspective: from commandments observed in order to obtain a reward, to a free and total love. That man was speaking in terms of supply and demand, Jesus proposes to him a story of love. He asks him to pass from the observance of laws to the gift of self, from doing for oneself to being with God. And the Lord suggests to the man a life that cuts to the quick: “Sell what you have and give to the poor...and come, follow me” (v. 21). To you, too, Jesus says: “Come, follow me!” Come: do not stand still, because it is not enough not to do evil in order to be with Jesus. Follow me: do not walk behind Jesus only when you want to, but seek him out every day; do not be content to keep the commandments, to give a little alms and say a few prayers: find in Him the God who always loves you; seek in Jesus the God who is the meaning of your life, the God who gives you the strength to give of yourself.

Again Jesus says: “Sell what you have and give to the poor.” The Lord does not discuss theories of poverty and wealth, but goes directly to life. He asks you to leave behind what weighs down your heart, to empty yourself of goods in order to make room for him, the only good. We cannot truly follow Jesus when we are laden down with things. Because if our hearts are crowded with goods, there will not be room for the Lord,

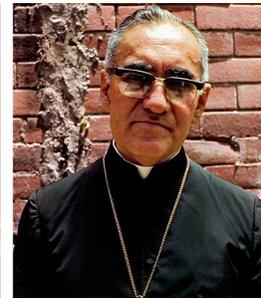
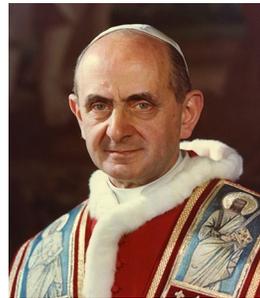
who will become just one thing among the others. For this reason, wealth is dangerous and – says Jesus – even makes one’s salvation difficult. Not because God is stern, no! The problem is on our part: our having too much, our wanting too much suffocates us, suffocates our hearts and makes us incapable of loving. Therefore, Saint Paul writes that “the love of money is the root of all evils” (1 Tim 6:10). We see this where money is at the centre, there is no room for God nor for man.

Jesus is radical. He gives all and he asks all: he gives a love that is total and asks for an undivided heart. Even today he gives himself to us as the living bread; can we give him crumbs in exchange? We cannot respond to him, who made himself our servant even going to the cross for us, only by observing some of the commandments. We cannot give him, who offers us eternal life, some odd moment of time. Jesus is not content with a “percentage of love”: we cannot love him twenty or fifty or sixty percent. It is either all or nothing.

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WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to – welcome and invite all to participate – celebrate in Word and Sacrament – foster evangelization and spiritual formation – advocate for social justice – care for

School News...

Kindergarten Registration

There will be a meeting for parishioners of St. Augustine's Church wishing to enroll their children in Kindergarten at St. Augustine School for the 2019-2020 school year. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 24th from 7:00pm - 8:00pm in the Learning Commons of the School. If you are an active, practicing Catholic at St. Augustine's Parish and are interested, please RSVP the St. Augustine School Office at (604) 731-8024.

(Adults only please)

Around the Parish...

Youth Ministry Co-ordinator

Part-time position with a partially Flexible Schedule.

Salary commensurate with training and experience. Start date to be determined.

St. Augustine Parish is seeking someone who has collaboration and organisational skills, ability to train and work with volunteers, and who is passionate about the Gospel and communicating the Gospel message to youth.

The successful candidate will oversee the outreach to the youth of the parish (13-18 year olds) Some facilitation with young adults in the parish may also be part of the role.

Applicants should be practicing Catholics who have some training and experience with youth, have a flexible and positive work attitude, and be able to think critically and theologically about their work. For a copy of the job description please contact Fr. Andrew Stenzina, OMI at astenzina@rcav.org or Linda Arnold at adminsvc.saug@rcav.org.

Letters of application and resumes should be e-mailed to Bill Borgen at parishcouncil@staugustineschurch.ca by November 23.

Taizé Prayer Service

Come and experience a quiet meditative Taizé prayer service with candlelight, music and prayers, scriptures and silence. Prayer Service Time: 7:45 pm - 9 pm, at the Church.

Song practice session: 7:30 pm - 7:45 pm, at the Parish Centre

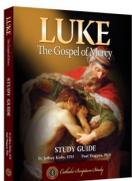
Starting September, the monthly Taizé Prayer Service is on every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

TaizePrayer@staugustineschurch.ca or Agnes Tao: 604.868.8063

Annual White Mass

Come to Pray for the Sick and all who Care for Them at the Annual White Mass for Healthcare Workers celebrated by Archbishop J Michael Miller, CSP Friday October 26, 2018. Hosted by the Catholic Physicians' Guild. Inf: 604-240-2725 or drtoniparsons@telus.net

Luke Bible Study



Come join St. Augustine's Adult Faith Group this Fall for an exciting new bible study on *Luke: The Gospel of Mercy*. It includes a teaching video, written commentary, small group discussion and a life application video for each of the sessions. Come discover St. Luke's unique insights into the heart of God presented by Dr. Paul Thigpen and Fr. Jeffrey Kirby.

Sessions are held in the Parish Hall on Tuesday evenings 7:30-9 PM, starting September 18. The cost is \$55 (financial assistance is available).

For more info or to register, biblestudies@staugustineschurch.ca



Rediscover Hope through the Message of Fatima!

The Message of Fatima is urgent not only for the war torn world of 1917, but for today's world, scourged by terrorism and confounded by relativism.

Friday, November 9th at 7pm - 9:30pm at St. Augustine's Catholic Church Parish Hall

Angie Dee, MA Theology, unpacks the complete message of Fatima beginning with the history which prepared Portugal for the apparitions and their intriguing connection with Islam.

We invite you to commemorate the **101st anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima** by attending this special presentation.

Register online at:

<https://eventgrid.com/Events/38707/our-lady-of-fatima>

OR contact Clara Lum at 604-736-4455

faithformation@staugustineschurch.ca

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)



Welcomes people who feel drawn to Christ. People from no particular background, Christians from Protestant denominations, and men and women from other religions. Baptized, Catholic adults who were never confirmed and who want to be received into full communion with the Church may do so through the RCIA.

RCIA runs from mid-September through May to Pentecost. The RCIA meets Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm to

9:00pm at St. Augustine's Parish Centre.

If you are interested in the Catholic faith or know someone who is, please contact Linda Arnold: 604 736-4455 Ext 229 or rcia@staugustineschurch.ca to register.

Around the Archdiocese...

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is back!



We are having a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** in the Lower Mainland again.

October 26-28, Deroche, BC (just east of Mission)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together whether they

have been married a short time or many years. Married couples learn how to rekindle the passion in their relationship and how to keep their love growing year after year. The communication skills learned on this weekend of discovery can enrich your marriage in ways you never thought possible. Don't wait to invest in your marriage.

Register at wwme.org Info at wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com

[Around the Archdiocese cont'd...](#)[Seventh Annual Archbishop's Dinner](#)

Each year, Archbishop Miller invites parishes and friends of the Archdiocese of Vancouver to gather for a gala dinner to celebrate our faith and to raise financial support for important Catholic charitable causes. This year the dinner proceeds will provide funding for the formation of our future deacons, along with continuing education of those deacons already ordained.

The 2018 Archbishop's Dinner is on October 30th at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Tickets are \$175 each. Tickets purchased by individuals will receive a tax receipt of \$90.

Visit the RCAV website for further details or telephone Henrietta Lam: 604 683-0281 Ext.50316 for more information.

[Oblate Corner...](#)**200 YEARS AGO: RESTORING AND MAINTAINING UNITY**

Posted by Frank Santucci

The annual retreat of the whole group lasted several days more after the General Chapter meeting, and became a preparation for the step of making their oblation on 1 November 1818.

The retreat conferences, given by the Superior-General himself, completed this rapprochement of minds and hearts. His appeals for total self-sacrifice were stirring and effective. He begged the retreatants to make the same decisions they would favor were they at the hour of death and about to appear before the Supreme Judge. Maunier and Mie then decided to follow the majority and pronounce their perpetual vows. Aubert asked to be

allowed to take only temporary vows; Deblieu no longer refused outright but requested a year's grace to give himself time to reflect; in 1819, he, too, made his religious profession like the others...

This clever apportioning of positions meant at one and the same time approving Eugene de Mazenod's firm determination to make his plan for the religious life prevail and proving to those who had opposed it that they still enjoyed everyone's esteem. Certainly they must have been deeply affected by such delicate thoughtfulness.

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