



January 19th 2020  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### Jesus, the chosen one of God



Jesus is the Paschal Lamb of the Christian Passover, who by his death delivered the world from sin, as the original paschal lamb's blood delivered the Israelites from the destroying angel. And Jesus is also the Servant of God described in Isaiah as being led without complaint like a lamb before the shearers, a man of sorrow who 'bore the sins of many and made intercession for the

transgressors.' Thus at the beginning of his Gospel John outlines a whole Christology: Jesus is the eternally existing One, who is to die as the Paschal Lamb and Suffering Servant for the sins of men and women, and then pour forth the Holy Spirit on a new Israel.

### Liturgical celebrations:

**January 18 – 25 – Week of prayer for Christian unity –**  
"Called to proclaim the mighty acts of God".

#### Tuesday – Saint Agnes (memorial)

The feast of St. Agnes has been celebrated on this day since the 4<sup>th</sup> century. She was likely born in the early years of the 4<sup>th</sup> century, and was martyred at the age of 12 during a Roman persecution. She is a symbol of virginal innocence and has been pictured with lamb as a symbol of this innocence since the Middle Ages. She stands as patron saint for many people, including girls, gardeners and engaged couples.

#### Friday – Saint Francis de Sales (memorial)

Francis de Sales, (21 August 1567 – 28 December 1622) was a Bishop of Geneva and is honored as a saint in the Catholic Church. He became noted for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation. He is known also for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation, particularly the Introduction to the Devout Life and the Treatise on the Love of God.

#### Saturday – The Conversion of Saint Paul (feast)

The conversion of St. Paul was a turning point in the history of the early Church. Saul, as Paul was first known, was a tent maker from Tarsus who zealously persecuted the followers of Christ. While traveling on the road to Damascus, he was struck down amidst a blinding light from heaven. Paul's zeal for the risen Jesus led him to become a passionate follower and later a teacher of the nations.

### Pope's Prayer Intention for January

**Evangelization:** *Promotion of World Peace* – We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

## This Week

### Monday, January 20

7:00pm Mass +Joe McMahon

### Tuesday, January 21

8:00am Mass +Antonio Cabrel  
7:00pm Mass +Agneieszka Holeniewska & family  
7:00pm Meeting Knights of Columbus Executive  
7:30pm Meeting Bible Study Group

### Wednesday, January 22

8:00am Mass +Pio & Primitiva Sison  
9:15am Mass St. Augustine's School  
7:00pm Mass +Dung Van Ngo  
7:30pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

### Thursday, January 23

8:00am Mass Int Oskar & family  
6:30pm Meeting Ministry Leadership  
7:00pm Mass +Antonio Munoz

### Friday, January 24

8:00am Mass +Dez Horan  
10:00am Meeting Moms & Tots Play Group  
10:15am Meeting Circle of Friends/Lectio Divina  
7:00pm Mass +Michelina & Mario Moser

### Saturday, January 25

8:00am Mass Private Intention  
3:30pm Meeting Legion of Mary Junior Praesidium  
**5:00pm Mass** +Dao Van Nguyen

### Sunday, January 26

8:30am Meeting Legion of Mary  
**9:00am Mass** Int Clara Lum & Brian Hunt  
Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast  
**11:00am Mass**  
Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast  
**5:00pm Mass** +Vladimir Stelzig

**OFFERTORY**

We are grateful for these gifts

Sunday Envelopes: \$8,546.00

Loose: \$617.65

**WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY**

Oliver Edmund John Racich

Carter Ellis Colabraro

Enrique José Olaizola

**Pope's Message...**

Baptism— At the beginning of the ceremony, you were asked a question: "What do you ask for your children?" And you all said: "Faith". You ask the Church for faith for your children, and today they will receive the Holy Spirit and the gift of faith, each within their heart, within their soul. But this faith has to develop, it has to grow. Yes, someone may tell me: "Yes, yes,

they have to study it...". Yes, when they will attend catechism classes, they will study the faith well; they will learn catechesis. However, before being studied, faith should be transmitted, and this is a task that is up to you. It is a task that you receive today: to transmit the faith, the transmission of the faith. And this is done at home. Because faith is always transmitted "in dialect": the dialect of the family, in the spirit of the home.

This is your task: to transmit the faith by example, with words, teaching how to make the sign of the Cross. This is important. You see, there are children who do not know how to make the sign of the Cross. [One says]: "Make the sign of the Cross": and they do something like this; one cannot understand what it is. First of all, teach them this.

But what is important is to transmit the faith with your life of faith: that they may see the love between spouses, that they may see peace at home, that they may see that Jesus is there. And allow me this word of advice — forgive me, but I offer you this advice —: never quarrel in front of the children, never. It is normal for husbands and wives to quarrel; it is normal. The opposite would be strange. Do it, but so that they do not hear, that they do not see. You cannot imagine the distress that a child feels when he or she sees their parents quarrel. Allow me to offer this advice which will help you transmit the faith. Is it bad to quarrel? Not always, but it is normal, it is normal. But so the children do not see, do not hear, because it is distressing.

And now, let us continue the ceremony of Baptism, but keep this in mind: your task is to transmit the faith to them. To transmit it at home because that is where faith is learned; it is then studied in catechism classes, but faith [is received] at home.

And before continuing, I would like to tell you another thing: you know that today the children are feeling that they are in a strange environment, a bit too hot, they are covered up.... And they feel the stuffy air.... Then they cry because they are hungry; they are hungry. And a third reason for their crying is "precautionary crying". A curious thing: they do not know what will happen and they think: "I will cry first, then we will see.... It is a form of defence. I tell you: let them be comfortable. Be careful not to cover them up too much. And if they cry out of hunger, breastfeed them. To the mothers I say: feed the children, do not worry, the Lord wants this. Because where is the danger? That they have also a polyphonic vocation: one starts to cry, and the other makes the counterpoint to him, and then the other, and in the end it is a chorus of crying!

And so let us continue with this ceremony, with the awareness that it is up to you to transmit the faith.



**On Sunday, Jan 12, the Parish welcomed the Gatare family**, who are a refugee family sponsored by St. Augustine's and Christ the Redeemer Parishes. They have been overwhelmed by the generosity of people and share this thought with you all:

*"The Gatare family joins hands with Musare, (our aunt), to extend our special thanks to the Church of St. Augustine. We felt your love and care. Sunday 12th January 2020, will always be a special day in our lives. Kindly pass our warmest regards to all the Church members and let everyone know that they are active members in the Kingdom of God just by the various kindness that was shown to the family."*

If Parishioners are interested in donating their surplus I Phones (models 6/7 or newer), these could be put to good use by the family. Phone data would need to be cleaned and then they could be used (for things like WhatsApp) where there is free Wi-Fi at home or places like Starbucks until members of the family get jobs and are able to afford data plans. Please call Lisa at 604-805-9475 if you can help out.

Please continue to keep the Gatare family in your prayers as they adjust to the weather and actively search for employment.

**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 our common home.



### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Celebrating 2020 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Canada Every year, Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a Week of Prayer for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship. The international resources for the 2020 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity have been prepared by colleagues in Malta. The 2020 theme, "They showed us unusual kindness" (Acts 28:2), remembers the historic shipwreck of Paul on the island of Malta and calls us to a greater generosity to those in need. As an island nation, boats are an important part of Maltese life. The Scripture reading in this service describes a perilous sea voyage by the Apostle Paul. A boat is also symbolic of the sometimes tempestuous journey Christians make together towards unity. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was first proposed in 1908 as an observance within the Roman Catholic Church by Fr Paul Wattson, founder of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in Graymoor, New York. Since the founding of the World Council of Churches in 1948, many other Christian denominations around the world have come to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. In Canada, the Canadian Council of Churches and its ecumenical partners, the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism and the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism, work for 'unity in diversity' by supporting the celebrations of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity across Canada. For over 40 years, our Canadian ecumenical writing team has adapted the Week of Prayer materials developed by the World Council of Churches and the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity for the Canadian context. We also create additional English and French resources for the use of Canadian communities and share them, as well as information about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity celebrations across Canada, on [weekofprayer.ca](http://weekofprayer.ca) / [semainedepriere.ca](http://semainedepriere.ca), and via social media. #WeekofPrayer #SemainedePriere #WPCU2020.

### Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast



The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Pancake breakfast on Sunday January 26th after the 9am and 11am morning Masses. Admission by donation.

Everyone welcome.

### St. Augustine's now has a "Vocations Ministry".

What is a "Vocation Ministry" you may well ask... Rhonda Gruenewald in her book "Hundredfold" put it well: "The overall mission of any Catholic Parish is help its members fulfill their primary vocation: to grow in holiness. Within this broad context a Vocation Ministry has a narrower task: to help Parishioners (especially youth) discern God's will for their specific vocations. If you are interested in this work, we invite you to join us on the 2nd Monday of the month after 7:00PM mass. We invite you to learn more about what a Vocation is and how it can impact your life.

St. Augustines Vocations Ministry



### St. Augustine's Legion of Mary

#### Pro-Life Mass & Prayer Vigil

One of the fundamental answers to abortion is prayer. Please join your voice with ours as we pray on the first Saturday of each month at a different Parish for a new culture of life. Mass will be **Saturday, Feb. 1, 8 a.m.** at **St. Augustine's Church**. For upcoming dates, visit

[rcav.org/pro-life-mass-and-prayer-vigil](http://rcav.org/pro-life-mass-and-prayer-vigil)

#### School News...

**The School is Hosting their "Nineteenth Luncheon for all the Seniors of St. Augustine's Parish"**

**Venue** – The School; **Date/Time** – Monday, Feb. 10, 2020 at **12:00 pm** **Cost** – No cost

**As there is maximum seating, please RSVP – Feb. 3** to

Geri Fujisawa at 604-738-1155 or [gerifuji@telus.net](mailto:gerifuji@telus.net)

For those seniors that the transportation is too challenging, a request can be made for assistance with transportation when you RSVP. Some Parking will be available at the School.

#### Around the Archdiocese...

##### Who Am I Workshop

This two-weekend workshop will help you discover the richness within yourself, improve your relationships, increase your productivity and help you find greater solidarity in decision-making. Join us on Feb. 1-2 & Feb. 8-9 at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Contact RCAF: 604 683-4288

##### Vocation Retreat Weekend

On the weekend of February 7 - 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.

##### Breathe: A Catholic Marriage Conference

Whether you're newly married or have been married for a few decades, this weekend will be a time to breathe life into various aspects of your marriage. You will also be given practical tools designed to help you build unity, rediscover joy, and experience peace in your marriage by stepping away from the busyness of life in order to recharge, refresh, and journey deeper into the sacrament. You'll hear life-giving messages and engaging stories that will inspire and spark something. Join us at Harrison Hot Springs Resort on Friday, Feb. 7, and Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020. Early bird tickets are available until Tuesday, Dec. 31. Register online at [catholicmarriageandfamily.com](http://catholicmarriageandfamily.com)

##### Volunteer Opportunities, Archdiocese of Vancouver

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is accepting applications for volunteer opportunities in the following areas: Administrative Support, Program Support, and Events Support. To apply, please complete our Volunteer Information Form at [rcav.org/employment](http://rcav.org/employment)

Oblate Corner



**Pulled by the Hair**

Of all the Oblate Missionaries who have evangelized the Amerindians of Mackenzie, Father Bruno Roure was undoubtedly the one who experienced the most demanding solitude. It takes courage and a lot of self-denial to live all alone for fourteen years, in the midst of a tribe of Amerindians who are racially different, do not share your Faith, and have different life styles. He was the first resident missionary at Fort Rae, north of Great Slave Lake. His only Oblate companions were Brother Louis Boisramé and Bishop Isidore Clut. The first was

only with him a few months, long enough to build a rudimentary house. The Bishop made short biennial visits!

**Who was Father Roure?**

Bruno Roure was born in La Charrière, France, on October 13, 1843. At the end of his studies at the Major Seminary of Viviers, in April 1870, he left for Canada. He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Clut, that same year, in Montreal. Following a year of Novitiate at Fort Providence, he professed his vows on March 19, and then undertook a missionary career that was to last forty-eight years. He died at Fort Providence on October 3, 1920.

**The "Dog-rib" Tribe**

At Fort Rae, Father Roure dealt mostly with a branch of the Denes called "Plats-Côtés-de-Chiens" (Dog-rib). Even though the Amerindians generally have nothing but contempt for dogs, they nevertheless consider this animal's ribs as something noble. A pagan legend claims that this tribe owes its origin to one of these extraordinary dogs that roamed the region. While on this subject, we are reminded of Louis Veillot's insightful suggestion. The famous French journalist, on hearing Bishop Grandin describe the legend, summarized it in his newspaper L'Univers: "The Plâts-Côtés-de Chiens are the proud descendants of a great dog, in the same manner that many of our learned scholars are humble enough to go back to a great monkey."

During Father Roure's time with them, these Amerindians were terribly poor. The Oblate wanted to share their life-style, accepting their poverty and their hardships. Did he suffer from hunger? He was asked this question one day. He replied: "Yes. One night, I went to bed without eating, for lack of food. I did the same on another occasion... but this time, it was because I had forgotten."

**She visibly demonstrated her sorrow**

Father Roure did not lack a sense of humor. He even enjoyed sharing the time when what hair was left on his head was nearly all torn off. It was only a few days after Easter. The new converts had returned home with peaceful consciences. But one woman returned by herself to the mission. She fell at Father Roure's feet, and, tearfully acknowledged her offence: she had grabbed by the hair a woman, in her group, whom she wanted to reprimand. Since her purpose was to explain thoroughly, she kept on adding superfluous details. As he was growing impatient, the priest suddenly interrupted her, and urged her to finish. "Finally, tell me exactly what you did to the poor woman." "Here is what I did!" Saying these words, she grasped in her two hands all she could hold of the priest's hair, and began to draw them to herself with all her strength. "Enough, enough! Let me go!, I understand now." "No, you cannot understand me yet, because I held her longer than this, and I pulled harder. I want you to know everything."

At last the priest succeeded in freeing himself from the martyrdom that the shrew was imposing upon him. "Good," she said at last, fixing the tufts of hair that were still between her fingers, "that's about how it went. If you had more hair, I could have made you understand better. But that's alright! You now have an idea of the sorrow I feel when I think of my bad action. Bless me now, and ask God to forgive me."

If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.

New Parishioner    Need Envelopes    Information Change

First Name	First Name
Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
Children: Name(s) & Date of Birth	
Mailing Address	
City	Phone
Postal Code	Email
Comments	

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Weekdays      15 minutes before weekday Mass  
Saturday      4:00pm—4:30pm

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