



November 14th 2021
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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My words will remain

The first reading this weekend is part of a vision of the prophet Daniel concerning the end of time. It is remarkable because it contains the earliest belief in the resurrection of the dead, and the first mention in the Bible of 'everlasting life'.

In the Gospel we have part of Mark's eschatological discourse. Mark's account is coloured by what has already happened, for example, the persecution of the disciples in synagogues and before governors and kings. He believed that the Second Coming of Jesus was imminent – a belief common among the early Christians.

The precise time of the end is known only to God. Therefore, the disciples must not allow themselves to be misled by claims and speculations that the end is near but must maintain a constant watchfulness. The purpose of the Lord's glorious coming will not be to execute judgement but to gather his elect.

We share Mark's faith in God's victory in Christ. And, for each of us, the Parousia – the second coming of Jesus - will be our meeting with the Son of Man when we pass out of this life into eternal life.

Liturgical celebrations:

Wednesday – Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (memorial)

St. Elizabeth was born in 1207. At age four she was betrothed to Ludwig of Thuringia. They married when she was 14. Elizabeth built hospitals to care for the needy and the sick. When her husband died she was accused of mismanagement and had to leave Wartburg. She entered the Third Order of Saint Francis and spent her days caring for the sick, the aged and the poor. She died at 24. She is a patron saint of the Franciscan Third Order and of Catholic charities.

World Day of the Poor – November 14

In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that "through the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need."

This Week

Monday, November 15

7:00pm Mass +Bryan Morris

Tuesday, November 16

8:00am Mass +Kwiatek & Wolinski families
6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group (Virtual)
6:30pm Meeting Parish Religious Education (PREP)
7:00pm Meeting Adult Faith Study
7:00pm Mass Int Fr. Jules Goulet, OMI

Wednesday, November 17

8:00am Mass +Kristofer Bihis
7:00pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
7:00pm Mass +Marie Matchett

Thursday, November 18

8:00am Mass +Ananias Seballos
6:30pm Meeting Leadership Team
7:00pm Mass Private

Friday, November 19

8:00am Mass Int Silvia Arias
7:00pm Mass +Pietro Fusco

Saturday, November 20

8:00am Mass Private
5:00pm Mass Private

Sunday November 21

9:00am Mass +Sam Finnie
11:00am Mass +Lucia Senichenko
5:00pm Mass

Pope's Prayer Intention for November

Universal: *People who suffer from depression*— We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

OFFERTORY

We are grateful for these gifts

Sunday: \$9,693.00

Please visit www.staugustineschurch.ca

If you wish to maintain your contributions

via Debit or Credit Card

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Giovanni Gino Di Trapani

Celeste Si Lan Hau

Food Collection For Those In Need**Every 3rd Sunday of the Month**

"For I was hungry and you gave me food."

Matthew 25:35

Consider Becoming an Usher!

As COVID subsides The Ministry of Ushers is regrouping/ rebuilding and would welcome participation from Parishioners – young and old at all weekend Masses.

If you are able to contribute to this important ministry, please contact Bill Borgen at 604-224-2632.

2021 Fall Campaign Update

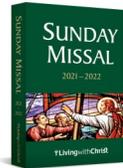
The second week of our Fall Campaign continued to show progress as donations reached more than \$330,000. Several school parents and parishioners gave testimonials at the weekend masses about their experience with our Parish and School. This will continue for the last weekend of the campaign.

We thank everyone who has participated in this year's campaign. More than 70 percent of our school families have already made a gift to the campaign. If you have any questions about the campaign, please drop by our Faith and Foundation information table at the entrance of the Church. You can also call the Faith and Foundation Office at 604-736-4455 extension 231.

Donations will be accepted until December 31, 2021. If you're writing a cheque to the campaign, please make it out to:

St. Augustine Parish School Building Fund.

Donations may be deposited in the Sunday collection or dropped off at the information table at the entrance of the Church. The Parish and School offices will also receive your gifts.

Sunday Missals are now available!

Year 2021-2022 Living with Christ Sunday Missals are available for pick up at the Parish Office during posted business hours. A perfect liturgical companion for home or Church, the Missals may be purchased for \$5.00 each.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA is the process of inquiry for those interested in learning about the Catholic faith. It is an opportunity for adults to 'come and see' what Catholic Christians believe.

The RCIA process runs through May to Pentecost. We meet in the Parish Centre Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30pm.

If you are interested in the Catholic faith or know someone who is, please contact

Linda Arnold at 604-736-4455 Ext 229 or rcia@staugustineschurch.ca for more information.

November Mass Requests

The Book of the Faithful Departed will be available in the Church during the month of November for those who wish to write down the names of departed friends and loved ones.

Knights of Columbus

The 60th annual Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal ticket draw has begun. There are 12 cash prizes with 5 main draws and 7 early bird draws. Tickets may be obtained digitally online at: kofcdraw.net/c8319 Tickets are \$3.00 each or 5 for \$15.00 and 10 for \$30.00 The proceeds support many Charitable organizations within the province.

If you have any questions, please ask any

Knight of Columbus in the Parish.

Thank you for your support.

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.

St. Augustine's Catholic Community is seeking a Communications Coordinator

The Communications Coordinator will be responsible for creating, together with the Pastoral Team, a comprehensive communications strategy for the Parish. The successful candidate will be responsible for facilitating all Parish wide communications, working with Staff, Parish Pastoral Council, Committees, and Parishioner groups. The Communications Coordinator will promote programs and events to the Parish and the wider community through various communications channels. The Communication Coordinator will maintain, expand, and promote the Parish in its shared mission to welcome and invite all to participate and celebrate in Word and Sacrament, fostering evangelization and social justice.

Qualifications:

Practicing Catholic in good standing with a commitment to ongoing formation in Catechetical and Spiritual leadership development and a positive role model

Excellent communication skills and initiative

Proficient in PC and Mac applications

Knowledge of Tilma

Specific tasks and duties:

Develop and manage a comprehensive Parish communications plan

Prepare the weekly Parish Bulletin

Maintain and create content for the parish website and other media platforms

Design and maintain PowerPoint announcements

Prepare the bi-monthly "The St. Augustine's Parishioner" newsletter

Promote Parish events using a variety of communication methods

Manage the Parish's email list and publish the electronic newsletter

Prepare and oversee Communication Budget

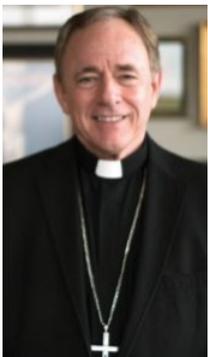
This is a part-time position with the possibility of expansion to full-time.

Position reports to the Pastor. Salary commensurate with experience.

Benefits according to the CISVA benefit plan.

Submit your questions or a resume to astendzina@rcav.org

Tenth Annual Archbishop's Dinner



We are excited to announce that due to the increase in capacity restrictions, we are able to re-open registration for the Tenth Annual Archbishop's Dinner. If you would like to purchase a table, please email:

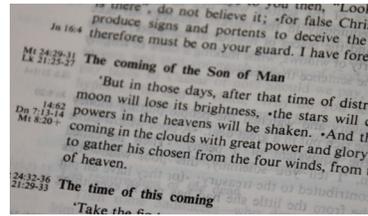
development@rcav.org or call:

604-683-0281 ext 50324.

Wednesday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Learn more at support.rcav.org/dinner2021

A Word from Fr. Andrzej...



Words that remain with us

During our life time we hear a lot of words and also speak a lot of words. Probably we forget most of the words we hear, but some will stay with us. Some of the words are hurtful and some are comforting words that inspire us.

Words can be very hurtful, and inflict deep and lasting wounds. Sometimes it's not the words themselves, but the way they are said that does the damage.

But words can remain to inspire us.

Words are very important and very powerful. They can bring a blessing or a curse, a healing or a wounding.

Jesus says, 'Heaven and earth will pass, but my words will never pass away.' The words of Jesus remain with us to this day comforting us, guiding us, and challenging us.

But for all that, the words won't benefit us unless we act upon them. We will do well if we will build the house of our life on His words.

St. Monica's Mission Holy Hour



Many parents are grieving the loss of their adult child's faith in the Catholic Church. This Year of the Family is an ideal time of grace for parents to pray, fast, and sacrifice for their adult children's conversion. Through St. Monica's Mission, A Prayerful Journey of Perseverance and Hope, parents are invited to join our monthly Holy Hours on the Third Friday of the month at various parishes across the Archdiocese. Friday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Novena for the Closing of the Year of St. Joseph

As we draw near the closing of the Year of Saint Joseph and continue to increase our devotion to the foster father of Jesus, we would like to invite you to join us in prayer. On November 30, 2021, we will begin praying a Novena to Saint Joseph as a way of preparing for the Act of Consecration on December 8, 2021, the closing of the Year of Saint Joseph.

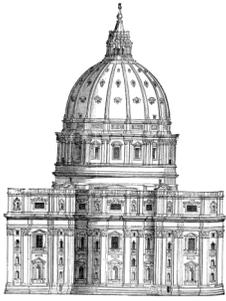
As you register for the novena you will receive daily messages with short video reflections to prayerfully prepare for the Consecration. The reflections will be focusing on the Seven Joys of St. Joseph paired with his attributes as highlighted in Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde*. This is an opportunity for each of us, at the beginning of the Advent season, to journey with St. Joseph through the most joyous moments of his life. Novena begins Tuesday, November 30.

Learn more at beholdvancouver.org/events.

Drug or Alcohol Addiction Recovery

If you, a loved one, or someone you know, wants to be free from an addiction to drugs or alcohol, consider Sancta Maria House. Located in a beautiful part of Vancouver, we offer a structured and supportive Catholic Christian 12-Step recovery program, in a pleasant, loving, family-like setting. We accept women of all faith backgrounds. For more information, visit agapestreetministry.org or call 604-731-5550.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE FIFTH WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



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"The poor you will always have with you" (Mk 14:7). Jesus spoke these words at a meal in Bethany, in the home of a certain Simon, known as the leper, a few days before Passover. As the Evangelist recounts, a woman came in with an alabaster flask full of precious ointment and poured it over Jesus' head. This caused great amazement and gave rise to two different interpretations.

The first was indignation on the part of some of those present, including the disciples, who, considering the value of the ointment

– about 300 denarii, equivalent to the annual salary of a labourer – thought it should have been sold and the proceeds given to the poor. In Saint John's Gospel, Judas takes this position: "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" Saint John goes on to note that Judas "said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to take what was put in it" (12:5-6). It was no accident that this harsh criticism came from the mouth of the traitor: it shows those who do not respect the poor betray Jesus' teaching and cannot be his disciples. Origen has strong words in this regard: "Judas appeared to be concerned about the poor... If in our own day some hold the purse of the Church and, like Judas, speak out for the poor, but then take out what they put in, let them share in the lot of Judas."

The second interpretation was that of Jesus, and it makes us appreciate the profound meaning of the woman's act. He says, "Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me" (Mk 14:6). Jesus knows that his death is approaching, and he sees in her act an anticipation of the anointing of his lifeless body prior to its placement in the tomb. This was beyond anything the others present could imagine. Jesus was reminding them that he is the first of the poor, the poorest of the poor, because he represents all of them. It was also for the sake of the poor, the lonely, the marginalized and the victims of discrimination, that the Son of God accepted the woman's gesture. With a woman's sensitivity, she alone understood what the Lord was thinking. That nameless woman, meant perhaps to represent all those women who down the centuries would be silenced and suffer violence, thus became the first of those women who were significantly present at the supreme moments of Christ's life: his crucifixion, death, burial and resurrection. Women, so often discriminated against and excluded from positions of responsibility, are seen in the Gospels to play a leading role in the history of revelation. Jesus' then goes on to associate that woman with the great mission of evangelization: "Amen, I say to you, wherever the Gospel is proclaimed to the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her" (Mk 14:9).

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.

<input type="checkbox"/> New Parishioner <input type="checkbox"/> Need Envelopes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	

Parish Information

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Tues/Wed/Thurs 10:00am-12noon, 1:00pm-5:00pm
Monday is the Priest's day off.

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