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Monday to Friday
7:55 am to 8:10 am

Saturday

9:30 am to 10:00 am
4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

By Appointment

Please call the Parish Office.
604-434-1328

Weekday Mass Schedule

8:15 am Monday-Friday
9:00 am Saturday's & Holidays

Holy Hour

Thursday mornings after Mass
First Friday's at 6 pm

"Who teaches the soul if not God?" "What we need most in order to make progress is to be silent before this great God with our appetite and with our tongue, for the language he best hears is silent love." Faith "is like the feet wherewith the soul journeys to God, and love is the guide that directs it."
-St. John of God

Sunday July 7, 2024



14th Sunday of Ordinary Time A word from our Holy Father, Pope Francis:

This Sunday's Gospel (*Mk 6:1-6*) tells us about the disbelief of Jesus's fellow villagers. After preaching in other villages in Galilee, Jesus returned to Nazareth where he had grown up with Mary and Joseph; and, one sabbath, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who were listening asked themselves: "Where does he get all this wisdom? But, isn't he the son of the carpenter and Mary, that is, of our neighbours that we know so well?" (cf. vv. 1-3). [...]

Let us reflect on the attitude of Jesus's fellow villagers. We could say they *knew Jesus, but they did not recognise him*. There is a difference between knowing and recognizing. In essence, this difference makes us understand that we can know various things about a person, from an idea, rely on what others say about that person, we might perhaps meet that person every now and then in the neighbourhood; but all that is not enough. This is a *knowledge*, I would say ordinary, superficial, that does not *recognise* the uniqueness of the person. We all run this risk: we think we know so much about a person, even worse, we use labels and close the person within our own prejudices. [...]

In the end, why didn't Jesus's fellow villagers recognise and believe in Him? [...] What is the reason? In a few words, we can say they did not know this mystery of the Incarnation [...] They did not know the reason and they thought it was scandalous that the immensity of God should be revealed in the smallness of our flesh, that the Son of God should be the son of a carpenter, that the divine should be hidden in the human, that God should inhabit a face, the words, the gestures of a simple man. [...] God became concrete in a man, Jesus of Nazareth, he became a companion on the way, he made himself *one of us*. "You are one of us", we can say to Jesus. What a beautiful prayer! [...] God is humble, God is tender, God is hidden, he draws near to us, living the normality of our daily life.

[...] We meet Jesus in the normal: eyes open to God's surprises, at His humble and hidden presence in daily life.

Request for Your Prayers Please

We are asking everyone in our parish community, to please pray for three year old Josie Hui and her family. The Family are parishioners here at St. Francis de Sales parish. Just recently little Josie was diagnosed with a brain tumour and will undergo a major operation on June 19.



Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes Pilgrimage

St. Joseph's Parish (Mission) invites you to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at historic Fraser River Heritage Park (7494 Mary Street, Mission) to celebrate the Holy Eucharist in honour of Our Lady, on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 1 pm. Main Celebrant will be the Most Rev. J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver, Confessions will be heard on site between 10 am and 1 pm. After Mass, procession to the Grotto where the Rosary is prayed and then Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Time for picnic and fellowship. Please bring your own picnic lunch and chairs. For bus information, please contact the Bus Coordinator in your parish or email: info@aquinasinsitute.ca For more information please see the poster in the entrance of the church. Visit www.MissionsGrotto.com

SFds Preschool - There are still spots available for the 4 year old preschool. Preschool 4 runs two options (5 mornings a week or 3 afternoons a week). To inquire, please email Mrs. Hara at ahara@sfd.school



"God's love calls us to move beyond fear. We ask God for the courage to put on faith, hope and love as we go out into the world and become the Word in body as well as spirit."
Pope Francis

Soccer Playing Phenoms of SFDS!!
Ages 13 to 99 can apply!

CHRISTIAN SOCCER LEAGUE

<https://sfd.s.ca/announcements/christian-soccer-league>

We need your talent for our new competitive co-ed team.

Dust of the cleats, stretch out the hamstrings, and bring your 'A' game, brothers & sisters! At present, we're gearing up for the 2025 Christian Soccer League Season by adding a SFDS co-ed team to the league. To be sure...we will be assembling a competitive squad, high level skill will be warmly welcomed, and we're looking for a good balance of youthful exuberance and veteran savvy. Our brothers-in-Christ, Mr. Franco Caligiuri & Fr. Médard Kamanzi are spearheading this effort and we want to know if YOU (and or/a loved one) has what it takes to be part of this inaugural team and...eventually...elevate us to championship status. To sign up please see our e-newsletter or visit our website.

In Loving Memory

Mauricio Pascua	July 1, 2013
Jethro Torralba	July 1, 1998
Bill Kwan	July 1, 2013
Rene Ahkong	July 2, 2003
Beda Alvarez	July 3, 2003
Jose C. Galvez	July 5, 2012
Peter De Wit	July 6, 1983
Paula Sylvia Dickie	July 6, 2021
Armando Pestano	July 6, 2007
Haruko Iwata	July 7, 2001
Ann Grerspan	July 10, 2013
Lolita Hapa	July 10, 2010
Pancracio Bawagan	July 11, 2005
Francesco Scigliano	July 11, 2012
Mary Kwok-Choon	July 13, 1991
Mrs. Julia Cahill	July 13, 1952
Pedro Robles	July 13, 2010
Edna Dalit Calinisan	July 15, 2018
Consuelo Mira Gomez	July 15, 2008
Cosme Malapitan	July 16, 2016

In Loving Memory

Lorraine Faesler	July 15, 2017
Mary Talbot	July 17, 2012
Amanda Buenavides-Mercado	July 17, 2003
Milo Villarico	July 18, 1999
Jose Serrano	July 19, 2013
Cecilia Dicediquin	July 19, 2019
Mariano Co	July 20, 2015
Lydia Obais	July 22, 2013
John Koustas	July 23, 2022
Joyce Lucille Glinsbockel	July 23, 2008
Brian Colwell	July 24, 2016
Siegfried Heck	July 25, 1986
Angus MacDonell	July 26, 2016
Antonia Reale	July 26, 2018
Policarpio Macanas Sr.	July 28, 1972
Ivan D'Souza	July 28, 2017
Catharina De Wit	July 28, 2018
Marcelo Arriola	July 30, 1999
Giovanni Ciolfitto	July 31, 2007
Romano Castellan	July 31, 2014

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

✦ Are you asking some of life's most burning questions, such as: Why am I here? What is the purpose of life? What does the Church teach about this or that? Where does God fit into my life and is He interested?

✦ Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

✦ Has it been a long time since you have been to Church and are looking to update understanding of the Catholic faith?

✦ Have you been a Catholic all your life but have not been Confirmed?

If these thoughts and more have been on your mind lately, then maybe you should check out the upcoming RCIA sessions. Start thinking now of joining or inviting a few friends.

RCIA will resume mid September from 7-9pm in the parish hall.

Please contact the parish office to register and for more information. 604-434-1328



Catholic Family Camp

Join us for an unforgettable journey at the first-ever Catholic Family Camp hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver. This getaway is for families of all types, ages, and sizes to come together for rest, play, fellowship and prayer.

Inspired by Pope Francis at the 9th World Meeting of Families, the time together will focus on how we are called to be beacons of God's joyous love. Your family will connect with others to strengthen this mission, living out the joy and love that God desires for every family.

Families should prepare to arrive in the late afternoon on Wednesday, August 28, at Stepping Stones Bible Camp in Deroche. Family Camp will end in the afternoon on Friday, August 30. **Registration deadline: Monday, July 29, or whenever we reach capacity.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

SFDS Charismatic Prayer Group

Invites everyone to their 30 year Life in the Spirit Anniversary Mass, on **Friday September 27 at 7 pm.**



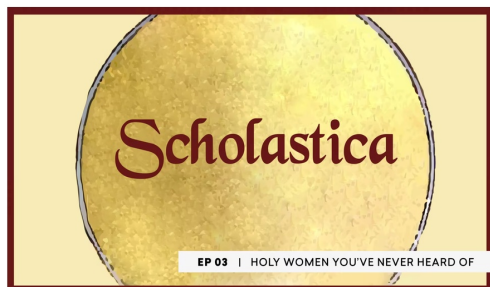
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Week of July 07, 2024



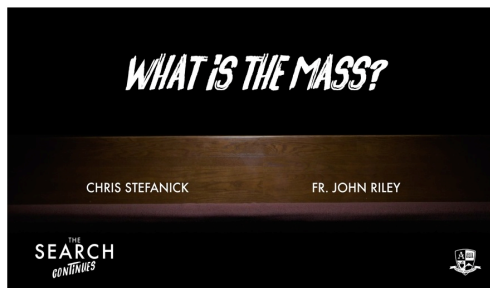
The True Bread | Bread of Life | Episode 5

While in Peter's boat after the second multiplication of loaves, the apostles realize they have no bread. Yet Mark writes they have one loaf. How can both statements be true? Is it a mistake? In this final episode of Bread of Life, join Dr. Tim Gray and ask for the grace to recognize Jesus truly present in the Eucharist.



St. Scholastica | Holy Women You Never Heard Of | Episode 3

Dive into the lives of Holy Women You've Never Heard Of with Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. Jessica Murdoch. St. Scholastica is the sister of St. Benedict. Holy siblings and holy families change the world!



What is the Mass?

The Search Continues Why should I want to go to Mass with my whole heart? What actually happens? Fr. John Riley and Chris Stefanick discuss the roots of Mass and its profound implications for us today.

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