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Confessions:

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

31ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

Sat.: 5:00pm*, Sun.: 9:00am*, 11:00am* & 7:00pm
*) with The Liturgy of the Word for Children

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Weekday Mass Schedule

8:15 am Monday-Friday

9:15 am Wednesday November 6
(School Mass)

9:00 am Saturday's & Holidays

Holy Hour

Thursday mornings after Mass

First Friday's at 6 pm

To love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete: it means seeing in every person and face of the Lord to be served, to serve him concretely. And you are, dear brothers and sisters, in the face of Jesus.
Pope Francis

November 3 - 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

A word from our Holy Father, Pope Francis: In today's liturgy, the Gospel presents a scribe who approaches Jesus and asks him: "Which commandment is the first of all?" (Mk 12:28). Jesus responds by citing Scripture and stating that the first commandment is to love God; from this one then derives the second, as a natural consequence: to love one's neighbour as oneself (cf. vv. 29-31). Hearing this response, the scribe not only recognises that he is right, [...] he repeats the same words Jesus had said: "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that... to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbour as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices" (vv. 32-33).

We can ask ourselves, in giving his assent, why did that scribe feel the need to repeat Jesus' same words? [...] This repetition is a teaching for all of us who are listening. For the Word of the Lord cannot be received as any other type of news. The Word of the Lord should be repeated, made one's own, safeguarded. The monastic tradition of the monks, uses an audacious but very concrete term. It goes like this: the Word of God must be "ruminated". "To ruminate" the Word of God. We could say that it is so nutritious that it must reach every aspect of life: to involve, as Jesus says today, the entire heart, the entire soul, the entire mind, all of our strength (cf. v. 30). The Word of the Lord must resound, echo and re-echo within us. When there is this interior echo that repeats itself, it means that the Lord dwells in the heart. And he says to us, just as he did to that good scribe in the Gospel: "You are not far from the kingdom of God" (v. 34). [...]

Today, therefore, let us take the example of this scribe. Let us repeat Jesus' words, making them resound in us: "To love God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and with all our strength and my neighbour as myself". And let us ask ourselves: does this commandment truly orient my life? Does this commandment resonate in my daily life? It would be good this evening, before going to sleep, to make an examination of conscience on this Word, to see if we have loved the Lord today and if we have done a little good to those we happened to meet. May every encounter bring about a little bit of good, a little bit of love that comes from this Word. May the Virgin Mary, in whom the Word of God was made flesh, teach us to welcome the living word of the Gospel in our hearts. [...]

We Welcome and Congratulate

Lucy Perpetua Amaral

Baptized in our parish this weekend

OUR BELOVED DEPARTED

† Catherine Van Koevering

Passed away on Friday October 25, 2024

Predeceased by her husband Henk

Loving mother to Michael (Cynthia) & Angeline

Grandmother to Ares, Marina, Charlie & Spencer

Prayers at SFDS Parish

Monday November 4, at 6:00 pm

Funeral Mass at SFDS Parish

On Tuesday November 5, 2024, at 10:30 am

Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord

St. Francis de Sales
presents

PRAYER & WORSHIP Night

every Wednesday @ 7PM

Song and Praise
Intimacy with the Lord

Come and join us!
Enrich us with your presence

Inquiry: Grace (604 614 5407)

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THE PA SCOOP
The Official Newsletter of the SFMC Parents' Association
http://www.sfmc.ca/sfmcparentsassociation

THE KNIGHTS CHRISTMAS MARKET IS BACK!
After a long hiatus, we are thrilled to announce the return of the beloved Knights Christmas Market! Come join us in the SFMC Courtyard Winter Wonderland as we celebrate the spirit of the season with local artisans, Santa photos, tree lighting, festive music, warm treats, and holiday cheer for the whole family!

Interested in being a vendor at the Knights Christmas Market? Click here to inquire! Thank you for helping us make this year's KCM a memorable one!

Questions? Comments? Email: stvincentscommunications@stvincentsfmc.ca



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Our **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

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during the upcoming Advent Season



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Grocery Card Collection

Thank you for your generous donations in the past. **This year, we will NOT be collecting canned or boxed foods. Instead of food items, we will be accepting grocery cards (Save On Foods, Walmart, Superstore, Buy Low).**

Gift cards can be placed in the offertory collection basket at weekend Masses or dropped off at the parish office.

Please ensure the value of the gift card is noted.

Individuals/families in need residing in South Burnaby can contact the parish office at 604-434-1328 until **November 28th**.



<i>Lorena Rose De Guzman</i>	<i>November 1, 1987</i>
<i>Nick Testani</i>	<i>November 1, 2004</i>
<i>Peter Hare</i>	<i>November 1, 2004</i>
<i>Richard Agon</i>	<i>November 1, 2005</i>
<i>Lina Bosa</i>	<i>November 3, 1993</i>
<i>Ricardo del Rosario</i>	<i>November 3, 2011</i>
<i>Ivan "John" Rutar</i>	<i>November 3, 2015</i>
<i>Luisa Bugtong-Derasmo</i>	<i>November 3, 2018</i>
<i>Rey Villena</i>	<i>November 3, 1990</i>
<i>Lina Spaziani</i>	<i>November 4, 2016</i>
<i>Felisa A. Justo</i>	<i>November 4, 1996</i>
<i>Cecilia Fifonja</i>	<i>November 4, 2011</i>
<i>Cataldo Tomei</i>	<i>November 5, 2011</i>
<i>Aldo Anastasi</i>	<i>November 5, 2023</i>
<i>Franca Rekastinas</i>	<i>November 6, 2019</i>
<i>Catherine Hill</i>	<i>November 7, 1976</i>
<i>Renato Palmieri</i>	<i>November 7, 1980</i>
<i>Anna Schimmelmann</i>	<i>November 8, 2003</i>
<i>Catharina Noblble</i>	<i>November 8, 2020</i>
<i>Josef Egert</i>	<i>November 8, 2020</i>
<i>Pamela FitzGerald</i>	<i>November 10, 2005</i>
<i>Ferdinando Testa</i>	<i>November 10, 2013</i>
<i>Rosa Kump</i>	<i>November 12, 2006</i>



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<i>Rina david</i>	<i>November 13, 2019</i>
<i>Freda Mason</i>	<i>November 13, 2020</i>
<i>Vicente Dipasupil</i>	<i>November 14, 1996</i>
<i>Bridget McEachern</i>	<i>November 15, 1989</i>
<i>Gunter Engelke</i>	<i>November 15, 2019</i>
<i>Wadila Laquis Attie</i>	<i>November 16, 2003</i>
<i>Antonoietta Palumbo</i>	<i>November 18, 1983</i>
<i>Carlota Unzueta De Diaz</i>	<i>November 20, 2017</i>
<i>Robert McLeod</i>	<i>November 21, 2009</i>
<i>Michelle A. Favaro</i>	<i>November 21, 2015</i>
<i>Sleiman Boutros</i>	<i>November 21, 2020</i>
<i>Barbara Lussier</i>	<i>November 24, 2018</i>
<i>Peter Gonczyk</i>	<i>November 25, 2014</i>
<i>Paul Persoon</i>	<i>November 25, 2014</i>
<i>Theresia Herlin Widjaj</i>	<i>November 25, 2002</i>
<i>Ceclio Cruz</i>	<i>November 26, 1985</i>
<i>Greta Hare</i>	<i>November 26, 1994</i>
<i>Walter Matthew Kloebke</i>	<i>November 27, 2019</i>
<i>Estrella Escobedo</i>	<i>November 28, 2003</i>
<i>Peter Edward Tarnowski</i>	<i>November 30, 2015</i>
<i>Martin Widjaja</i>	<i>November 30, 2017</i>
<i>Rosalinda Attie Jaciuk</i>	<i>November 30, 2018</i>

All Hallows Eve is right around the corner and with it comes lots of candy.

The Good Shepherd Ministry gives out almost 15,000 bags of candy each year on their walks throughout the Down Town East Side. Each bag contains a prayer or note of inspiration. Our mission, to introduce everyone we meet to the beauty and power of prayer and to know a loving God, which begins with a small bag of candy! Last year, the stores sold out early. Please be generous!



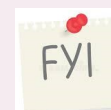
Cash donations are always gratefully accepted. You may drop off your donations at: School, PREP and at the Church on Sunday in a special marked box or at the parish office. Thank you & God Bless .

THE MASS FOR DECESASED BISHOPS, CLERGY AND CONSECRATED MEN AND WOMEN

The annual Mass for deceased bishops, clergy and consecrated men and women will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Wednesday, November 6 at 12:10 pm.

All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry.

On the weekend of November 9th/10th, full-time lay missionaries with Catholic Christian Outreach Canada will be speaking at all Masses in regards to finding financial partnership towards their ministry, which seeks to bring university students back to the Catholic Church. Please leave your name and phone number with them after Mass to receive more information.



This year, our campaign is directed to enhancing / renovating key parts of our parish hall, making it more attractive to all the thousands who utilize the space over the course of the year AND ... we need to secure more initial funds to help get our developing regional teen ministry program off the ground in 2024.

“ There is nothing
small in the service of **GOD**”

-St. Francis de Sales

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2024**

Building our
Parish Community

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of November 03, 2024



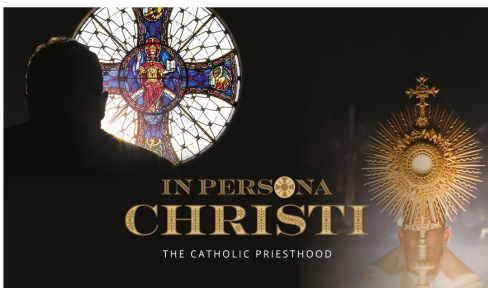
How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul by Matt Fradd

Whether you're arguing with family members or Facebook friends, skeptical co-workers in the office or pushy proselytizers at your front door, it helps to have not only the facts but the skills for presenting your points forcefully and well. In *How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul*, Matt Fradd equips you with the powers of argumentation you need to be an effective debater and the right attitude for doing it with charity, humility, and patience.



The Problem of Evil with Jimmy Akin

If God is all-good and all-powerful, then why is there evil? In *The Problem of Evil*, Jimmy Akin tackles this most difficult of apologetics questions. He builds a biblical and philosophical case for understanding how God's perfections are not disproved by the existence of evil, but in fact allow for a world in which pain and sin may be mysteriously ordered by Providence towards a greater good.



In Persona Christi: The Catholic Priesthood

The Catholic priesthood comes to us from Jesus Christ. Building on this pattern of priesthood from Old Testament times, Jesus chose twelve men to act in His place as priests of the new and everlasting covenant. This film explores the essential nature and theology of the sacred priesthood, the importance of a deep prayer life, the centrality of the Mass and Eucharistic Adoration, devotion to the Blessed Virgin, priestly fatherhood and celibacy, and the necessity of a missionary zeal.

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