Welcome to St. Ann’s Parish
Our Vision Statement: to be a Christ-centered community of missionary disciples.
Our Mission Statement: to work and pray to be a welcoming, Eucharistic community that spreads the good news of Christ. We each strive to share our gifts within and beyond the parish for the glory of God.

"Indeed, the boat of our lives slowly advances, restlessly looking for a safe haven and prepared to face the perils and promises of the sea, yet at the same time trusting that the helmsman will ultimately keep us on the right course. At times, though, the boat can drift off course, misled by mirages, not the lighthouse that leads it home, and be tossed by the tempests of difficulty, doubt and fear. What frequently hinders our journey, our growth, our choosing the road the Lord is marking out for us, are certain "ghosts" that trouble our hearts. When we are called to leave safe shores and embrace a state of life – like marriage, ministerial priesthood, consecrated life – our first reaction is often from the "ghost of disbelief". Surely, this vacation is not for me! Can this really be the right path? Is the Lord really asking me to do this? Those thoughts can keep growing – justifications and calculations that sap our determination and leave us hesistant and powerless on the shore where we started. We think we might be wrong, not up to the challenge, or simply glimpsing a ghost to be exorcized. He knows the questions, doubts and difficulties that toss the boat of our heart, and he reassures us: “Take heart, it is I; have no fear!” We know in faith that he is present and comes to meet us, that he is ever at our side even amid stormy seas.” Pope Francis

SCHEDULE FOR MASSES, PRAYER AND CONFESSIONS
The Church is open for personal prayer and reflection during Office hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 to 1:15 and 2:30 to 5:00pm. Daily Masses will be celebrated at 7:00pm and live streamed beginning with the Rosary at 6:30pm for the Month of May. Every Thursday there will be Eucharistic Adoration from 2:00pm to 6:30pm, concluding with a solemn Benediction. Come and spend some time in Eucharistic Adoration. Please call or email the Parish Office to sign up.

Confessions by appointment... that’s our way of being flexible and responding to individual needs. Besides that, on Thursdays a priest will be available to hear your confession from 5:00 to 6:00pm.

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To commemorate the 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE OF CANADA each parish and diocesan council were encouraged to plant a tree. Noli Buycu our CWL president has purchased a Japanese Maple which was planted in the play area Monday, May 4th by 2 of her grandchildren Nathan and Noah. Now the preschoolers will have some shade in future years to come.

St. Ann’s Preschool will be accepting registration for the 2020-2021 year. As the Preschool will be closed until further notice registration forms are available at the Parish Office. When you come to register please bring the following items:

- copy of your child’s immunization records
- birth certificate & baptism certificate (if they have one)
- $40 non-refundable reg. fee
-10 post dated cheques (July 1st/20 then Oct 1st/20 etc.)

Any questions, please call the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 11TH TO MAY 17TH, 2020

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Monday  
7:00pm Margaret Yanick, rip.  
Tuesday  
7:00pm Theresa Gomm, int.  
Wednesday  
7:00pm Sophia Kim, rip.  
7:00pm Patsy & Ron Porter, int.  
Thursday  
7:00pm Maria McHugh, int.  
Friday  
7:00pm Gerry Sokolowski, rip.  
5:00pm Antonio Turra, rip.  
5:00pm Sylvia Britten, int.  
5:00pm For all Parishioners

Sunday  
10:00am Barbara Gobbi, rip.  
10:00am Stephan Olak Baranowski, rip.  
1:30pm Stephen Dreveny, int.

ST. ANN’S PRESchool

GRADS: Your ship came in!!! ……when P. M. Trudeau allocated $9 BILLION for students. With the $1250 per month for 4 months, and the availability of a $6000 grant, you may think you have it made in the shade. However, the combined $11,000 (if you don't spend a penny over the summer) still is not enough if you plan to go to a school away from Abbotsford. Get your application in for a $10000 CWL bursary – in this critical time, every dollar counts. Do not delay!!!

2nd Collection this weekend is for our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is a non-profit society funded by donations from St. Ann’s parishioners. St. Ann’s chapter is a small and dedicated group who are committed to help those in need in our parish and community.

Just a reminder to take your empties to: Return-It Express at 23-31550 South Fraser Way (ad on back side of bulletin cover). Bring your bottles in a blue/ transparent bag to RBT Recyclables & Bottle Depot, enter the church’s phone number, 604.852.5602, select the number of bags you are dropping off, drop the bags down the chute and enjoy the rest of your day. Thank you for participating.

The 2020 VIRTUAL NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE is just around the corner! Have you booked your bus? Did you make hotel reservations? Did you purchase your Rose Dinner or Youth Banquet tickets yet? Just kidding!

As you have probably already heard, this year, we’ve taken the National March for Life from the streets of Ottawa to the comfort of your own homes with our first ever Virtual National March for Life, which kicks off this Sunday night!!

The schedule of events includes:

May 10, 11 & 12  
- A pro-life film festival featuring free online screenings of Strings Attached with producer Obianuju Ezekwesili, short films Crescendo and Sing a Little Louder with film producer Jason Jones, and Fatal Flaws: Legalizing Assisted Death with film producer Alex Schadenberg. All films will be screened at 6PM EDT.

May 13  
- A pro-life Mass in memory of Fr. Alphonse de Valk C.S.B at 6PM EDT.
- The virtual Candlelit Vigil for victims of abortions at 8PM EDT.

May 14  
- The National Mass for Life from Ottawa’s Notre-Dame Cathedral at 12PM EDT.
- The Be Not Afraid Canadian Pro-Life Special on the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) from 1pm-2:30PM EDT.
- The Virtual Pro-Life Rally and March for Life at 2:30PM EDT.

May 15  
- A free Pro-Life Webinar exclusively for youth hosted by CLC Youth & Niagara Region Right to Life (registration required) from 12:30-3:00PM EDT.
- Our official closing event, a free screening of the film Because of Gracia at 8PM EDT.

All events will be streamed on marchforlife.ca.

May 10th, 2020
5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10TH TO MAY 17TH, 2020

Monday  
Acts 14:15-18, John 14:21-26  
Tuesday  
Acts 14:19-28, John 14:27-31a  
Wednesday  
Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8  
Thursday-St. Matthias  
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17  
Friday  
Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17  
Saturday  
Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

Sunday-Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21