



St. Francis de Sales
January 24, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Saturday, January 28, marks the Lunar New Year and the beginning of celebrations for Asian Catholics and their loved ones around the world.

For the Chinese, as well as Koreans, Vietnamese and many other Asian cultures, this is a time of joy, and particularly one of family, when social gatherings, festivities and reunions will be taking place over the next two weeks.


It is a pleasure to send my greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year to all Asian Catholics in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, as well as all who will join them in celebrating the Year of the Rooster.

Allow me also to convey the greetings of Pope Francis, who sends to families his hope "that they might become ever more a school in which is learned respect for others, to communicate with and care for others in a selfless manner."

I join with the Holy Father in praying that "the joy of love be propagated within families, and from there radiate throughout all of society."

May God's abundant blessings be with you and your loved ones during this special time and through this entire year.

With cordial best wishes and the assurance of my prayers for you and your families, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,
 J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

MOMS & TOTS GROUP: *Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m.* in St. Monica's lounge.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING: *Thursday, February 2nd, 7:00 p.m.* in St. Joachim room.

ONE BODY IN CHRIST PRAYER MEETING: *Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m.* in St. Joachim room.

First Friday ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be held on *Friday, February 3rd beginning with Prayers for Vocations at 8:30 a.m.* ending with Benediction at 6:45 p.m. and then Mass at 7:00 p.m. Please come and spend some quiet time with our Lord in prayer and thanksgiving.

MARIAN DEVOTION on *Saturday, February 4th* after the 9am Mass. Let us gather together as the community of St. Ann's Parish to pray together 5 decades of the Holy Rosary with other devotional prayers *for the intention of renewed faith in the world* and to meditate on the mysteries (the life and Passion of Christ).

WELCOME ALL KIDS ages 3 to 5 and children from grades 1 to 4 to our Kids for Jesus Program held on *Saturday, February 4th from 10:00am-12:00 pm.* in St. Joachim room. Theme for this program date is "The Institution of the Eucharist".

1ST SUNDAY ADORATION: *Sunday, February 5th,* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at *7:00 p.m.* & end with Benediction at *8:00 p.m.* Music lead by Fr. Ajin and the Young Adults group.

YOUTH CHOIR

We are looking for more young people to join our Saturday Night Youth Choir. Choir practice is on Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in St. Monica lounge. Voices and youth who play instruments are greatly encouraged to participate. Hope to see you at practice soon.

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **EMILIA BROWN** whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, January 26th.

On the weekend of *February 17th - 19th,* 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.

There will be **2ND COLLECTION** for the **Catholic Press** on *February 4th & 5th,* at all parishes in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to show their appreciation for receiving The B.C. Catholic. The collection helps defray the parish's costs for mailing the paper to your home.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JAN 30TH TO FEB 5TH, 2017

Monday
8:00am Rodame Topacio, rip

Tuesday
7:00pm Peter Kaszonyi, rip.

Wednesday
8:00am Edith Czerwinski, int.

Thursday
8:00am Leo Ilomin, int.

Friday
8:00am Luigi Bassani, rip.
7:00pm Anita & Maximo Sulpico, rip.

Saturday
9:00am Maria Bassani, int.
5:00pm Frank Bauer, rip.

Sunday
8:00am Dec. mem. of Ted Cui Family
10:00am Intentions for the Parish
Noon Johanna Arts, rip.

St. James & St. Ann's School is holding a **New Parent Information Session** on *Wednesday, February 8th from 6:45 - 7:30pm* in the school Library. This information session is for new families who are interested in having their child attend St. James & St. Ann's School for the 2017-2018 school year.

St. John Brebeuf High School is having its annual **OPEN HOUSE** on *Thursday, February 16th at 8:00 p.m.*

St. Ann's Preschool **REGISTRATION AND OPEN HOUSE** will be held on *Sunday, February 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*

Bring Faith out of the pew and into your life! Anytime, from your phone, tablet or computer **www.formed.org** use parish code **G3WXM6**. Would you like to make a Marriage Retreat for St. Valentine's Day? No time? You can begin your retreat this evening from the comfort of your living room with "Beloved: Finding Happiness in Marriage". Understanding the true meaning of marriage is one thing, living it out is another. *Beloved: Living Marriage* examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife, while maintaining individuality. Six sessions from trusted experts provide context for the Catholic vision of marriage.

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 29TH, 2017

FEAST DAYS & READINGS JAN 30TH TO FEB 5TH, 2017

Monday
Hebrews 11:32-40; Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday-St. John Bosco
Hebrews 12:1-4; Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday
Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15; Mark 6:1-6

Thursday-Presentation of the Lord
Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40

Friday
Hebrews 13:1-8; Mark 6:14-29

Saturday
Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21; Mark 6:30-34

Sunday-5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 58:6-10+; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16

COMING SOON TO ST. ANN'S
FR. ROB GALEA
MARCH 4, 2017
7:00 PM
TICKETS \$15PP



YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS:

Junior Youth - Feb 4th - Join us for games, talks, food and awesome activities as we grow in our faith and bond with our community at St. Ann's! Feel free to bring friends!

Senior Youth - Feb 11th - Senior Youth Ministry will begin LifeTeen next month!! There will be awesome talks, discussions, and of course games and food. Bring your friends and come grow in your faith while having a great time! Information about night themes will be coming soon.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Kirsten at youthministry@stannsabbotsford.ca

Advokate Life & Education Services in Abbotsford is looking for a motivated individual to perform **BOOKKEEPING, PAYROLL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS** on a part-time temporary basis for approximately 4-5 months. Starting date is March, 2017. Visit www.advokate/get-involved/employment-opportunities for more information or email info@advokate.ca.