

# JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH BULLETIN Years of Witnessing and Tharing the Catholic Faith

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH - SQUAMISH

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 29, 2023 [Year A]

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## WEEKEND MASSES SATURDAY 9:30AM & 5:30PM SUNDAY 9:30 AM ONLY

## WEEKDAY MASSES

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, 9:30 AM WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM,

Holy Rosary: 30 minutes prior to each Mass, except on Wednesday when the St. Joseph Rosary starts at 6:00 PM.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesday at 6:30 PM. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

**Confessions:** Available 30 minutes before each Mass. **Baptism:** Please call the parish office for arrangements.

Marriage: To schedule a marriage, please contact the office at least six months prior to your desired date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please contact the office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

Funerals: To make funeral arrangements, kindly call the parish office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

Mass Intentions/Blessings of house, car, etc.: For appointments and more information, please call the parish office at (604) 390-4139 or (604) 3236421.

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

**ESPECIALLY:** Bob Splinter, Bill Vanderhor, Fred Durig, Rita Milia, Dinah Williams, Domenico Milia, Nell Van Loon, John Nyland, Maria Milia, Glenn Rudkin, Joan Wippich, Nita & Fernando Cauyong, Rosa Razzano, Theresa Brock, Teresa Pacuzzi, Stefan Hedjuk, Nieves Tacugue, and all our sick parishioners, benefactors, family members and friends.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE OUR PARISH?

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US! IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT: Knights of Columbus: James Ellis at 6043497513

Legion of Mary & RCIA Coordinator: Vida Giroux at 6048983537

CFC/Parish Couples: Myrna Daquiaog at 6043899523

Ushers & Lectors: Sheila Hart at 2509459731

Catholic Women's League: Brenda C. at 604838 3557

Altar Server: Please talk to Gary Giroux or Robert Suarez

Migrants Coordinators: Doris Suarez at 6045678271 & Naty Caisip

Music Ministry: Louie Manapat (Saturday 5:30 PM) and Alexander Daquioag (Sunday 9:30 AM)

Project Advance Coordinator: Vicky Gaces

Our parish is currently seeking volunteers. If you're interested in sharing your spiritual gifts, please reach out to Fr. Nick. Your willingness to contribute is greatly appreciated. God bless!

# Sunday Reading Reflection

Exodus 22.21-27; Pšalm: 19

1 Thessalonians 1.5c-10; Matthew 22.34-40

 $m{Reflection}...$  On this 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Gospel reading is brief yet profound. It involves an attempt by Jesus' opponents to entrap Him. A lawyer, supposedly an expert on the law, asks, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" This question reveals his insincerity; he aims to test Jesus. Referring to Jesus as "teacher" indicates his expectation of an authoritative answer. Jesus responds by citing Deuteronomy: "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, soul, and might." Loving an unseen God prompts various interpretations, but it's intertwined with faith, belief, and obedience. Loving God, as per Deuteronomy, means doing what's right and good in the Lord's eyes. This love for God has ethical implications, as it involves recognizing God's benevolence and mercy. The command to love God is inseparable from loving one's neighbor. Jesus teaches that wholehearted love for God is essential, as God is the source of our existence and well-being. "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" implies that love for others should come naturally, as all are created and sustained by God. The lawyer learns that the observance of the law is meaningless if it's not extended to others. Loving God is both personal and communal. Over the centuries, various interpretations of love for God and neighbor have emerged. For Dionysius the Carthusian, it's about desiring God with all our vitality, feelings, and senses. For St. Augustine, loving God means enjoying His presence and fellowship, found in the community. In personal prayer, consider how your relationship with God reflect these teachings.



## **POPE FRANCIS** (a) **PONTIFEX**

The mission is weaker without unity: a "splintered" Christ is a scandal for those who receive the proclamation. Today too, the Gospel will be more

incisive if our unity in Christ grows.

The demands that emerge from below throughout the world, committed people who help and support one another, can succeed in pressuring the sources of power. It is to be hoped that this happen with respect to the climate crisis.

We must not become accustomed to war, to any war. We must not allow our hearts and minds to be anaesthetized at the repetition of these extremely serious horrors against God and humankind.



Please be informed that our Mass for All Souls' Day will be held at 9:30 AM and **7:00 PM.** Envelopes for the Mass for the deceased, for the souls of our departed loved ones, are also available in the

foyer. Please feel free to pick one up. Thank you.

## PARISH UPDATES AND CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

†PARISH TOTAL COLLECTION: \$2,347.00

October 22

- Ordinary Collection \$ 1.780
- World Mission Sunday \$ 567

† PROJECT ADVANCE 2023

Parish Goal: \$20,000.00 Archdiocesan Goal \$ 10,200.00 Actual Collection: \$8,718.11

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROJECT ADVANCE AND WEEKLY OFFERINGS AT ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH. To make giving more convenient, we have set up an online platform. Visit: https://support.rcav.org/parishes/parish-offertory/sundayoffering/ and choose ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH SQUAMISH to give online.

## **CWL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Our CWL Christmas Bazaar returns this year on Saturday, November 25th, from 11 am to 1 pm. We are seeking the following contributions:

- **A. BAKING FOR OUR RENOWNED BAKE SALE** please collect tins and deliver your baked goods to the church on Friday, November 24th. Sign-up sheets for both bakers and volunteers for the bazaar are available at the rear of the church. If you lack the time to bake but still wish to contribute, you can sponsor a baker by donating cash for baking supplies. You can e-transfer to cwlsquamish@gmail.com or give your donation to a CWL member.
- **B. CHRISTMAS BAKING TINS** kindly place them in the labeled box at the back of the church.
- **C. ITEMS FOR OUR "RE-USE IT" GIFT TABLE** please deposit them in the labeled box at the back of the church.

Children's Lollipop game, we are looking for small, new, and unopened children's toys, books, or gift certificates.

**D. CRAFTS AND HANDMADE ITEMS** – kindly bring them to the church on Friday.

WE ARE ALSO SEEKING DONATIONS FOR THE MYSTERY BOTTLE TABLE AND THE CHILDREN'S LOLLIPOP GAME. For the Mystery Bottle Table, you can donate anything in a bottle - hot sauce, juice, wine, balsamic vinegar, etc. For the

**STAY UPDATED** on upcoming events in the Archdiocese of Vancouver! Visit reav.org and beholdvancouver.org/events, Check our parish bulletin at stjosephsquamish.com and our St. Joseph's Parish Facebook page. Join us for exciting events and activities. Thank you!

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FIND OUT MORE ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC: RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Are you or your friends interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Whether you've been baptized in another Christian denomination or have never been baptized, and are exploring Christianity for the first time, we're here to answer your questions and help you explore the possibilities. Feel free to reach out to Father Nicolas and Vida Giroux. RCIA serves as a process of initiation into the Catholic faith, encompassing education, spiritual formation, and a faith journey that typically spans several months. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE: Individuals who have never been baptized and are interested in becoming Catholic. Individuals who were baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to become Catholic. Individuals who were baptized in the Catholic faith but did not receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

**VOCATION LIVE-IN:** There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of November 4-5, 2023, at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information, please call 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca.

## ALL STAND FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND:

St. Pope Paul VI reminds us, "If you want peace, work for justice." Let us stand united in prayer and respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. Get updates and learn about the ways you can help through CNEWA Canada at cnewa.org.

Canadians for a Synodal Church: Join us for an exploratory conversation with Most Reverend Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver Sr. Elizabeth Davis, RSM, Sisters of Mercy, Newfoundland Ms. Catherine Clifford, Theologian, St. Paul University, Ottawa This virtual conversation will provide an opportunity to learn from Canadian participants (an archbishop, a religious sister, and a lay woman) as they share their experiences as voting delegates in the synodal process at the Vatican and offer ways for us all to stay informed and engaged. Join us online on Wednesday, November 22, at 3:30 p.m. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.