## **Sacred Heart Catholic Church**



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<u>Augustinian Friars in the Parish:</u>
Fr. Francis Galvan, OSA – Pastor
Fr. Michael Martell, OSA

<u>Daily Mass in the Chapel</u> Monday to Saturday at 9:00am

Sunday Mass Schedule (Church)
Saturday (Anticipated) at 5pm
Sunday at 9am and 11am and 5pm

<u>Chapel open Mon-Sat for private prayer</u> (Closed Sunday and holidays) Mon- Fri 8am to 4:30pm - Saturday 8am – 3pm

Spanish Mass
First Saturday of the Month at 7:30pm (Church)

### **Confession**

Saturday 10am-11am (Chapel)
NO CONFESSIONSON HOLY SATURDAY

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. Closed on all statutory holidays. Closed for lunch from 12-12:30

#### **Baptisms**

Last Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office to register and for information.

#### **Marriages**

Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of their date.

#### **Funerals**

Please call the parish office to inquire about the processes for arrangements.

#### **Parish Contacts**

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Easter Sunday,
March 31st, 2024
Resurrection of the Lord
The Lord is truly risen, alleluia.
To him be glory and power for all ages of eternity. Alleluia, Alleluia.

ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN
Alleluia! The Lord is truly risen.
With God's power, he is with us,
The tomb in now totally empty,
The crucified conquered death.

Alleluia! The water is sprinkled, The memorial of baptism in him, Sin is forgiven and we are freed, The risen Lord has given us life.

Alleluia! Prayers are answered, Christ unlocked the holy living, Leading us, to his eternal path, His resurrection gave us light.

Alleluia! Glory to God on high, Christ, Paschal lamb of sacrifice, Created a feast of unending joy, The unfailing love of the Father. (Fr. Francis Galvan, O.S.A.) From time immemorial, people have asked whether there really is life after death and, if so, what kind of life it would be. Some have suggested that life simply ends in nothingness. For them, the world is just a war-torn and violent waiting room where death has the last word.

We Christians, on the other hand, today shout "Alleluia" because Jesus Christ has been raised from the dead. His Resurrection is neither a myth nor a dream. It wasn't a vision. Nor is it a fairy tale. It is a singular and unrepeatable event in the history of the cosmos.

At Easter we celebrate that He conquered sin and death, opening us to a future of hope. Thanks to Him, evil has been robbed of its power; failure can no longer hold us back from starting anew; and death has become a passage to eternal life.

This Easter the Church invites us to relive the thrilling experience of the disciples who encountered Jesus as a living Person. Today we too can encounter Him.

He might be right there before us: in a troubled son or daughter; a difficult spouse or family situation; a neglected person clamouring for our attention. He is waiting to be encountered as Risen Lord, but He wears many disguises. He is found in the poor, the sick, the trafficked, the addicted, the imprisoned, the abandoned, the homeless, and the marginalized in our midst.

As Bishop Robert Barron has written: "It all comes down finally to this: if Jesus was not raised from death, Christianity is a joke. But if he did rise from death, then Christianity is the fullness of God's revelation, and Jesus must be the absolute center of our lives. There is no third option."

If you sincerely seek the Lord, rest assured that you will find Him. Indeed, He will come to find you, to meet you. Calling you by name, He will take you into the intimacy of His love and ask you, in return, to share your experience with others.

# A blessed and Happy Easter to all

May almighty God bless each of you on this solemn feast of Easter.

Through the death and resurrection of his Son,

God has redeemed you and made you, his child.

May you be blessed with joy and everlasting life.



## **Easter Sunday Reflection**

Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Not even death could keep him from us. So mighty is his love that he transformed the evil of the cross into a blessing through which he can eternally unite us to God. He is here. He is risen, alleluia! LITURGY OF THE WORD In the first reading, Peter tells the story of Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection. In the second reading, Paul tells the Colossians that since they were raised with Christ, they must seek what is above. In the Gospel, Mary Magdalene discovers the empty tomb and runs to tell Simon Peter and the other disciple whom Jesus loved. The other disciple arrived at the tomb first; he saw and believed. Faith Catholic

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." - Colossians 3:22 On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing, "Alleluia!" Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan. Copyright © 2024 Archdiocese of St. Louis

Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the scawa an (Tsawwassen) and x\*ma k\*ayam (Musqueam) First Nations and speakers of the han'qaminam' (Hun'qumi'num) language who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

<u>A WARM WELCOME</u> to all new parishioners, visitors and the faithful to our Parish Community! We invite new parishioners to register with our parish. Please register online at our website: <a href="https://www.sacredheartparish.ca">www.sacredheartparish.ca</a> or find a regsitration form at the back of the church. If you have moved, have a new phone number or email address please let us know by contacting the parish office. Thank you.

Fast and abstain on upcoming Holy Day - The Church prescribes fasting (only one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not greater than a full meal) and abstinence from meat on Good Friday. Catholics aged 18-59 are bound to fast; those 14 and older to abstinence. Those who are ill are freed from these obligations.

Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday- The Good Friday Collection, on March 29th is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ once walked. Contribute online by going to https://support.rcav.org/parishes/second-

collection/. Thank you for your generosity to this important collection.



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt on the lawns of the Monastery for all the children of our parish on Easter Sunday following the 9am and 11am Masses. The Easter bunny would like to thank

our Knights of Columbus members for helping him deliver the eggs to the children this year. (This is a rain or shine event)

# Holy Thursday, March 28 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Begins at 7pm
Followed by silent procession to the Chapel.
Private Adoration until 10pm

Good Friday, March 29- Solemn Liturgy
Begins at 3pm
Church will remain open until 7pm for private prayer.

Holy Saturday, March 30 - Easter Vigil Begins at 9pm

**Easter Sunday, March 31** 

Mass at 9am, 11am and 1pm
No 5pm Mass today

Please note that there is no morning Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday

# Living Stations of the Cross

presented by Sacred Heart Youth.

<u>Living Stations of the Cross</u> is presented by youth & young adults of our parish, beginning in front of the Monastery at 10:30am on **Good Friday**. We will follow the cast of actors, readers & singers to each of the 14 stations situated all around the parish grounds. This outdoor event is rain or shine. Please dress accordingly. For more information, contact Erin Seddon at 604.946.2618 or <u>eseddon@shsdelta.org</u>.

