

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Augustinian Friars in the Parish:

Fr. Francis Galvan, OSA – Pastor

Fr. Michael Martell, OSA



**Daily Mass in the Chapel**  
**Monday to Saturday at 9:00am**

**Sunday Mass Schedule (Church)**  
**Saturday (Anticipated) at 5pm**  
**Sunday at 9am and 11am and 5pm**  
**(No Sunday 5pm Mass in July and August)**

**Chapel open Mon-Sat for private prayer**  
**(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)**

**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.**

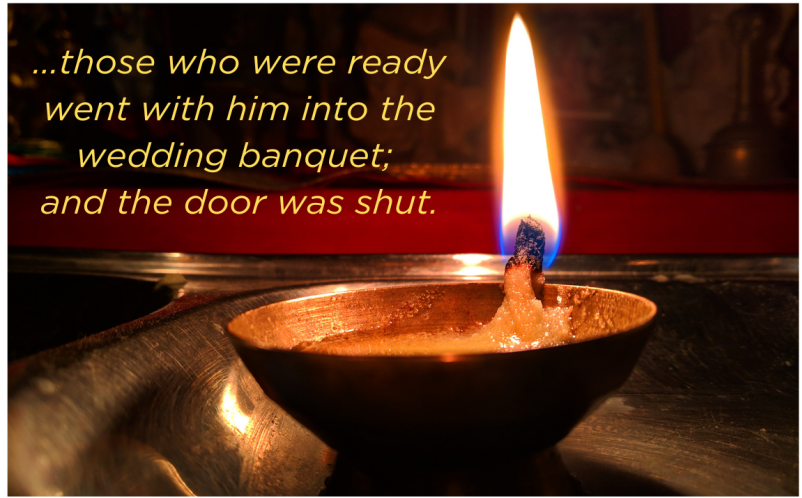
**Marriages**  
**Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of their date.**

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

## Parish Contacts

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*...those who were ready  
went with him into the  
wedding banquet;  
and the door was shut.*



Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Look! Here is the bridegroom!  
Come out to meet him.  
Matthew 25.1-13

A WARM WELCOME 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: [www.sacredheartparish.ca](http://www.sacredheartparish.ca) or find a registration 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.

**Sunday Reflection:** Always be prepared to welcome Christ, for we know neither the day nor the hour of his arrival. The Gospel parable reminds us to keep vigil for Jesus. It is easy to get distracted by the details of work, family life, and other responsibilities so that we forget the real purpose and mission of our lives. Let's each take a moment to contemplate how we can live out our vocation in life, readying ourselves for the Lord's coming. LITURGY OF THE WORD The first reading speaks of the attributes of wisdom, and the importance of the love of wisdom, as it is the *perfection of prudence*. In the second reading, Paul encourages people of faith to hold on to hope in the Resurrection. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable where five virgins were ready for the bridegroom and five were not. Those who were not ready missed out on the wedding feast. *Faith Catholic.*

**Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the sc̓əwəθən (Tsawwassen) and x̓məθk̓'əyəm (Musqueam) First Nations and speakers of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm (Hun'qumi'num) language who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.**

## Remembrance Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Remembrance Day is celebrated in Canada on November 11th. The Canadian Bishops offer us three aspects to this special day to ponder and to act on:

First, we pause and pray to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity around the world.

Second, Remembrance Day is a special day to pray for peace. We should consider what we are doing as individuals, as families, as faith communities and as a nation to bring God's peace to the world. The peace Jesus promises comes from an inner conversion of the human heart rather than from an imposed external order (like the temporary forced order brought by the Roman emperors and modern equivalents such as dictators and tyrants).

Third, we can make this a special time to rededicate ourselves by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gave us in the Beatitudes. Ask God to show you what He wants you to do to promote peace and justice with others. It could be some special prayers, fasting or generous action of service. - Very Rev. Stanley Galvon.

God of love and justice,  
today we remember all men and women who have  
died in defense of our country and its freedom.

Help us to honour their sacrifice  
through our prayers and actions for  
peace in our world.

Send your Spirit to help us to  
let go of misunderstandings,  
hatred and prejudice so that we  
may grow together as one family.

Guide our steps in the way of peace  
We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,  
the Prince of Peace.

Amen.



*The parish office will be closed on Monday, November 13*

Fr. Francis will be away this coming week (Nov. 13-17) on the annual Archdiocesan Clergy retreat. Fr. Michael will be holding down the fort while he is away.

## Sacred Heart School Announcement

The parish community wishes to thank Ms. Lia Munro for her years of dedication and commitment to our school as an EA and most recently as the school secretary. We are excited to announce that Ms. Dawn Falle has been hired as our new school secretary. Ms. Falle and her family are members of our parish and have been part of our school community for four years. Please keep both Lia and Dawn in your prayers as they begin new chapters in their lives.

## Tuesday, November 14th

**PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)** Children of our parish, in grades K-7 are welcome to join our Tuesday night catechism classes from 6:15-7:30pm in the school. Contact Erin at 604.946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)

## Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

**Our morning Mass** will be in the Church today at 9:15am. We will be joined by our school students. Everyone is welcome!

**Seasons of Hope- Our Grief Support Group** meets in the Church every Wednesday at 7:00 – 8:30pm. Please contact Irene by email at: [faithdevelopemnt@shsdelta.org](mailto:faithdevelopemnt@shsdelta.org) for more information.

**Gr 6 Parent Meeting** (7-8pm) classroom #104 in the school. Each year, the families of our grade six students plan, prepare & host the Confirmation celebration and reception. At this meeting a description of each task team will be given and parents will sign up to volunteer for a particular task. Contact Erin Seddon: 946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)

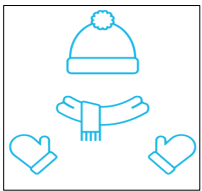
## Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>



We hope you can join us for the pancake breakfast Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> following the 9am and 11am Masses. In our parish hall. Cash only. By donation. Hosted by our Knights of Columbus. Thank you.

Youth of our parish will present themselves for formal acceptance into the Confirmation preparation program through the Rite of Commitment at the 11am Mass today, accompanied by their parents. Following the commitment statement by the youth, the entire congregation will be asked to stand and renew our baptismal vows. Please keep our 41 Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be Confirmed in May.

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### Migrant Workers Christmas Gifts:

Spread the warmth of the season! This Christmas let's extend our hearts to those in need. We're collecting NEW toques, scarves,

gloves, and chocolates for migrant workers in our community. Donations can be dropped off at the back of the church in the 'Migrant Worker Donation' bin. Your generosity can make their holiday season brighter. Let's make this Christmas a season of giving and sharing. Together, we can make a difference.



### Parish Christmas Party

Everyone is invited to our 1st Annual Christmas Party – join us for an evening of fun with your fellow parishioners! There will be

dinner, dancing, lots of door prizes and Santa Claus for the children. Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-10pm in our parish hall. Tickets on sale at all Masses this weekend (until the end of November) - \$10.00 for adults (13+) and \$5.00 for children (6-12) and under 6 are free. Contact Nora at [pews@shsdelta.org](mailto:pews@shsdelta.org) for information. (Cash or cheque).



Gr 1 Parent Meeting (Rescheduled) – Monday, November 20, (7-8pm) classroom #104 in the school. Each year, the families of our grade one students plan, prepare & host the 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion celebration and reception. At this meeting a description of each task team will be given and parents will sign up to volunteer for a particular task. ie: Food/Decorating/Seating Plan/Set-up & Take Down, etc... Contact Erin Seddon: 946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)

1st Reconciliation Retreat – Saturday, November 25 (8:30am - noon), for children of SHS & PREP, preparing for their 1st Reconciliation. We begin in the church with an opening prayer followed by 4 workshops. We end with lunch in the gym. Contact Erin Seddon: 946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)

**We are Collecting Halloween Candy for Agape Street Ministry** this November. Wrapped Candy can be left in the Candy Box in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

### Christmas Hampers

Are you able to help our Outreach Ministry with our Christmas hampers this year? We are looking for a few volunteers to help with the following:

Help in lifting and moving donations from the church to the youth hall and then helping to sort donations and eliminate expired items. (this will probably be done on three different Mondays (November 27, Dec. 4 & 11)

Help in moving finished hampers from the clubhouse to Deltassist (volunteer needs to have truck or big car and can lift heavy boxes). This will be sometime during the week of Dec. 18.

Interested volunteers can contact Danny at: [danielwilkinson69@hotmail.com](mailto:danielwilkinson69@hotmail.com)

**Save the date: MOVIE NIGHT AT SACRED HEART WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6<sup>th</sup> *The Fourth Wise Man***

***Man*** Artaban (Martin Sheen) is a good-hearted magi, and Orantes (Alan Arkin) is his faithful servant. Following a heavenly sign, the pair journey to find the Messiah, carrying with them three precious gifts. For 33 years the pursue Jesus, missing him at every turn. His gifts used up from helping the poor, Artaban finally encounters Christ on Easter Sunday.



**Altar Servers Needed**

Calling all Sacred Heart men & women to assist as funeral altar servers, and youth interested in becoming altar servers at weekend Masses. Church on-site training will be provided. Please contact Patrick Kennedy or Shannon McLaughlin at [altarservers@shsdelta.org](mailto:altarservers@shsdelta.org). Thank you for considering volunteering for this much needed parish ministry.



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*"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." - Matthew 25:13*

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow. From RCAV - Copyright © 2023 Archdiocese of St. Louis

**Community Dinner (Archdiocese of Vancouver and Temple Sholom)**

Join us for an interfaith dinner with the communities of the Archdiocese of Vancouver and Temple Sholom, which serves as a venue for engaging in dialogue and building friendships.

Rabbi Dan Moskovitz and Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB, will engage in conversation about their journey to spiritual leadership, followed by a table discussion about your own "origin" story. On Thursday, November 30, at 6:00 p.m. at Temple Sholom in Vancouver. Cost is \$36. All are welcome! Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

**Date Night**

All married couples, including mentor and mentee couples under the Witness to Love Program, are invited to join us for a joy-filled dinner of celebration and encouragement. It's a time set aside to:

- Have intentional marriage-strengthening conversations.
- Learn and laugh with other couples with the same values.
- Hit pause and make space for your relationship, allowing the grace of God to shed wisdom and light to see each other in a new way

Cost is \$30/couple. On Thursday, December 7, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey. **Registration deadline: Thursday, November 30.** Register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

## Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Hamper Campaign 2023

Our Outreach Ministry in association with Deltassist will once again this year be collecting food and delivering Christmas Hampers for the families in need in our community. We thank you for the amazing response we had to this project last year. Many families had a much brighter Christmas because of your generosity.

Starting next weekend there will be an angel tree at the back of the church. In order to make this project a success once again, we are inviting parishioners to pick up the angels from the tree over the following three weeks. Please purchase the items on the back of the angel and return both the angel and the items so they can be sorted and packed up for the families.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Danny or Pat (604-946-7119)



## Saint Monica Guild Page

We have had another successful market!

**Thank you so very much to all the volunteers.  
You were all amazing!**

We would like to extend an invitation to all the  
volunteers to our (both women and men):  
**Appreciation cheese and wine,  
and market information wrap up meeting.**

**Date: Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: starting at 7pm**

**Venue: in our parish hall gym.**

Please RSVP by email to:  
[saintmonicaguild@shsdelta.org](mailto:saintmonicaguild@shsdelta.org)  
(for catering purposes)

We would also like to welcome new members to join us!





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## Advent Family Night

Join us at this wonderful family event hosted and sponsored by PREP & SHS. The children's choir will lead us in song, followed by a short teaching on prayer. Families will then make their own, live Advent wreaths to use in their homes. Lighting of the Advent Wreath and praying together as a family provides a time for meaningful connections and discussions with our loved ones, as we ready our hearts for Jesus' coming at Christmas. Watch for more details. If you would like to help with this event, please contact: Contact Erin Seddon: 946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)



# Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Devotion

Wednesdays  
@7pm  
Rosary & Novena  
in the Chapel  
starting: Dec 6/2023



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**For more information please email Melanie at:  
[devotionministry@shsdelta.org](mailto:devotionministry@shsdelta.org)**



### Project Advance Fall Campaign is Underway!

75 families have supported Project Advance (Please add PA Logo – Blue 2023)  
Our appreciation goes out to all parishioners who have made a gift to Project Advance. To date, we have received gifts totaling \$31,124 from our parishioners. Remember that funds received over our Archdiocesan goal will be returned to us and used for accessibility improvements and our Liturgy of the Word for Children program. Please continue to respond in prayer and generosity. Our sharing reflects our caring.

You can give online at [projectadvance.ca](http://projectadvance.ca), by phone at 604-683-0281 ext. 325, by working with one of our Finance Committee members available in the foyer after mass, or by adding your donation to our weekly collection and clearly marking the donation for Project Advance.

*Thank you so much for your support.*

### Project Advance 2023 Totals to date

Total Pledges	31,124
Target	80,000
Variances	-48,876
Percentage	38.9%
Parish participant rate	10.6%



“Death is not extinguishing the light;  
it is only putting out the lamp because  
the dawn has come.”

St. John of the Cross

“The day of my death will be the day of my birth.”

St. Augustine

“Death is the graduation ceremony.  
We leave behind the struggles and sorrows  
of this world and enter into eternal joy.”

Bishop Robert Barron

“Death may take away a loved one from our sight,  
but it can never take away the love  
and memories we hold in our hearts.”

Pope Francis

