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
(No Sunday 5pm Mass in July and August)

<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)

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.

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Sunday, November 19th, 2023 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

You have been trustworthy in a few things.

I will put you in charge of many things.

Matthew 25.14-15, 19-21

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 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.

<u>Sunday Reflection</u>: We are given talents to share. The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and inescapable. Let us be prepared to give an account of the ways in which we have used our gifts for the benefit of others. LITURGY OF THE WORD The reading from Proverbs says that a worthy wife is a prize valued far beyond pearls. Paul tells the Thessalonians that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night or like labor pains, but that they are children of the light. Jesus tells a parable about three servants who were given talents. The first two servants multiplied their talents and were rewarded. The third servant buried his talent and was punished. Faith Catholic.

Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the scawaθan (Tsawwassen) and x™maθk™ayam (Musqueam) First Nations and speakers of the hanqaminam (Hun'qumi'num) language who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.

This Sunday we will have an archdiocesan wide second collection to help support the 12 Catholic missions in First Nations communities throughout the Archdiocese, and the Apostleship of the Sea serving seafarers who work on ships that visit Vancouver harbour. Thank you for your generosity to this important collection.

Thank you for who were able to donate to the Peter's Pence second collection. Our parish raised \$3,043.35. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

<u>Congratulations and God's blessings</u> to Peter and Carole Douglas who recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with renewal of their vows in our chapel.

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<u>Death:</u> Martha Geier of our parish passed away on Thursday, November 9th at the age of 96. Her funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, November 24th at 11am in our Church. We offer our deepest sympathy to her entire family and pray for Martha's eternal rest in heaven.

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Sunday, November 19th

We hope you can join us for the pancake breakfast today following the

9am and 11am Masses. In our parish hall. Cash only. By donation. Hosted by our Knights of Columbus. Thank you.

Our Saint Monica Guild will have a table or two set up at the pancake breakfast this weekend and will be selling crafts and spiritual goods from the Christmas Market. Sales by donation. Cash only.

Thank you for supporting both our Knights and St. Monica Guild.

Youth of our parish will present themselves for acceptance into Confirmation the preparation program through Rite the Commitment at the 11am Mass today, accompanied by their parents. Please keep our 41 Confirmation candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be Confirmed in May.

Monday, November 20th

Gr 1 Parent Meeting (Rescheduled) – Monday, November 20, (7-8pm) classroom #104 in the school. Each year, the families of our grade one student's plan, prepare & host the 1st 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

Tuesday, November 21st

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

Wednesday, November 22nd

<u>Seasons of Hope- Our Grief Support Group</u> meets in the Church every Wednesday at 7:00 – 8:30pm. Please contact Irene by email at: <u>faithdevelopemnt@shsdelta.org</u> for more information.

Saturday, November 25th

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

Friday, December 1st



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be today in our Chapel. 9:30am to 4pm. Benediction at 4pm. Everyone is invited to spend some quiet time in private prayer.

Saturday, December 2nd

1st Reconciliation for children of our parish takes place at 11am, Saturday, December 2 in the church. May our gracious God who is rich in mercy draw these children closer to Himself as they receive their 1st Sacramental Reconciliation. For more information about Sacramental prep for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation, please contact: Erin Seddon, 604.946.2618 or eseddon@shsdelta.org

Sunday, December 3rd



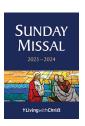
All women of the parish are warmly invited to join St. Monica Guild for a Christmas Luncheon on Sunday, Dec 3rd at the Coast Tsawwassen Inn. Tickets are \$35.00. Donations of women's toliteries will be

gratefully accepted for Kate Booth House. Contact: saintmoniucaquild@shshdelta.org

TICKETS will be sold after all Masses this weekend and next!

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<u>Sunday Missals</u> are available to purchase for \$5.00 in the foyer of the church or parish office. They go into use on Sunday, Dec 3rd. (First Sunday of Advent)





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.

Our Parish Christmas Party Tickets are selling fast...Over half are sold! Make sure to get yours this weekend after Mass! 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. <u>Saturday, December 16th from 6-10pm in our parish hall.</u> 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 for information. (Cash or cheque).

Last Call: 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.

The following numbers are no name envelopes. If you wish a tax receipt, please let the parish office know who you are: 61, 153, 292, 320, 340, 482, 485, 552. Thank you.

MOVIE NIGHT AT SACRED HEART PARISH WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6th at 7:00pm in our Church

"The Fourth Wise Man"

is the movie we are featuring.

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.

We hope you can join us!
For more information contact Irene at:
faithdevelopment@shsdelta.org

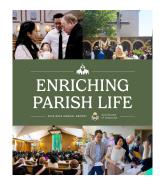




"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." - Matthew 25:21 God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you. Copyright © 2023 Archdiocese of St. Louis

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR Sunday, November 19th

World Day of the Poor was instituted by Pope Francis in 2017 so that "Throughout the world Christians communities can became an even greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need.



RCAV Annual Report 2022/2023

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is pleased to release its Annual Report for 2022/2023. We invite you to read the full report at revolution-report annual report for 2022/2023. We invite you to read the full report at revolution-report annual report for 2022/2023.

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 <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>.

Archbishop's Annual Mass for Life

Join Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB for Mass at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Saturday, December 16 at 12:00 p.m. We begin with the Rosary at 11:30 a.m. and then Mass, with a reception to follow. We recognize and celebrate all life from conception to its natural end and the people who witness and volunteer in this field. Donation of finger food would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off before Mass at the Holy Rosary Hall.

Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Hamper Campaign 2023

Our Christmas Angel Tree is now up at the back of the church.

Our Outreach Ministry in association with Deltassist will be collecting and delivering Christmas Hampers for families in need in our community in the weeks ahead.

In order to make this a success again this year, we are inviting parishioners to pick up the angels from the tree. We are asking you to purchase the items on the back of the angel and return both the angel and the items so that they can be sorted and packed up for the families.

Please note, you are encouraged to drop off items each week but the deadline is **Sunday December 10**.

Thank you for your participation!

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





Advent Family Night Join us, next Tuesday, November 28 (6:30-8pm) 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. If you would like to help with this event, please contact: Contact Erin Seddon: 946.2618 or eseddon@shsdelta.org

Registration forms in the lobby of the church, chapel, and parish office



Empowering our Parish Vision

Project Advance Fall Campaign is Underway!

Support the work of our parish: Project Advance

Our parish is making steady progress towards our Project Advance assessment of \$46,000 and our parish goal of \$34,000. Our participation rate is at 11% and our goal this year is to achieve 33% participation, so please take up the call to contribute to Project Advance.

It is not too late to make a gift. Every gift, no matter the size, will make a difference in our community. Please consider making a gift today to Project Advance. You can give online at <u>projectadvance.ca</u>, 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	\$35,699
Target	80,000
Variances	44,301
Percentage	45%
Parish participant rate	12%







Prayer for Peace - Pope Francis

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

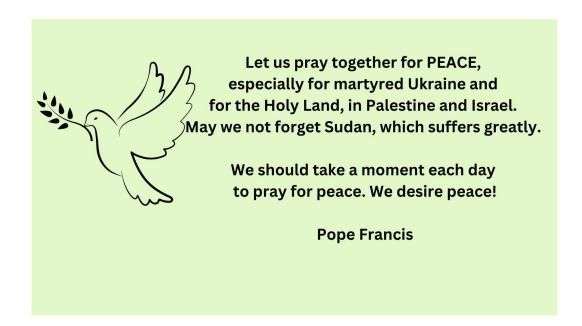
We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.





Knights of Columbus Council 7916, promoting the active participation of Catholics at Mass and in the community at Sacred Heart Parish, will be having its monthly meeting this Monday, November 20 at Saint Augustine House at the third-floor meeting room.

The address for the meeting is <u>3820 Arthur Drive</u>, Delta. If you are already a Knight of Columbus or a practicing Catholic adult male that is in union with the Holy See you are welcome to come to the meeting to learn more about what the Knights of Columbus do to support the priests and ministries of Sacred Heart Parish.

If you have any questions, please contact
John Upston, Grand Knight at:
604-900-0210 or jeupston@aol.com or talk to the one of many knights serving pancake breakfast after the morning masses this Sunday.