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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY
Monday to Friday 9 AM

WEEKEND
Saturday 9 AM | 4:30 PM
Sunday 9 AM | 11 AM

FIRST FRIDAY 6:30 PM

SPANISH MASS
3rd Sunday of the Month 4 PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**
First Friday 3PM to 6:15PM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE
TUESDAY to FRIDAY 8:30 - 8:50 AM
SATURDAY
9:30 - 10:30 AM | 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Or by Appointment

SACRAMENTS
BAPTISM
Baby and Child - 1 PM
(2nd and 4th Sundays)

Note: Contact Parish Office to register.
Adults - Please enroll in RCIA or contact Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE
Please do not finalize wedding plans prior to initial meeting with Fr. Rey Usman. A minimum of six months advance notice is needed.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
Please contact parish office or if after office hours, email Fr. Rey at pastor@pbparish.ca.



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 04, 2024

Pope Francis' Mass Reflection

Dear Brothers and Sisters, good morning!

Once again in the Square! Today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 1:29-39) presents the healing, by Jesus, of Peter's mother-in-law and then of many other sick and suffering people who gather round him. There is so much tenderness in this simple act, which seems almost natural: "the fever left her; and she served them" (ibid.). Jesus' healing power meets no resistance; and the person healed resumes her normal life, immediately thinking of others and not of herself – and this is significant; it is the sign of true "health"!

That day was a sabbath day. The people of the village wait for sundown and then, the obligation of rest having ended, they go out and bring to Jesus all those who are sick and possessed by demons. And he heals them, but forbids the demons to reveal that he is the Christ. Thus, from the very beginning, Jesus shows his predilection for people suffering in body and in spirit: it is a predilection of Jesus to draw near to people who suffer both in body and in spirit. His disciples were eyewitnesses to this; they saw this and then witnessed to it. But Jesus did not want just spectators of his mission: he involved them; he sent them; he also gave them the power to heal the sick and cast out demons. Taking care of the sick of every kind is not an "optional activity" for the Church, no! It is not something extra, no. Taking care of the sick of every kind is an integral part of the Church's mission, as it was for Jesus'. And this mission is to bring God's tenderness to a suffering humanity. We will be reminded of this in a few days, on 11 February, with the World Day of the Sick.

The reality that we are experiencing throughout the world due to the pandemic makes this message, this essential mission of the Church, particularly relevant. In the face of this reality, the question "why?" always arises in the heart.

Jesus does not respond to this 'why' with an explanation –, but with a loving presence that bends down, that takes by the hand and lifts up, as he did with Peter's mother-in-law (cf. Mk 1:31). Bending down to lift up the other. Let us not forget that the only legitimate way to look at a person from top down is when you stretch out a hand to help them get up. The only one. And this is the mission that Jesus entrusted to the Church. The Son of God manifests his Lordship not "from top down", not from a distance, but in bending down, stretching out his hand; he manifests his Lordship in closeness, in tenderness, in compassion. Closeness, tenderness, compassion are the style of God. God draws near, and he draws near with tenderness and compassion. How many times in the Gospel do we read, before a health problem or any problem: "he had compassion". Jesus' compassion, God's closeness in Jesus is the style of God. Today's Gospel passage also reminds us that this compassion is deeply rooted in the intimate relationship with the Father. Why? Before daybreak and after sundown, Jesus withdrew and remained alone to pray (v. 35). From there he drew the strength to fulfil his mission, preaching and healing.

May the Holy Virgin help us to allow Jesus to heal us – we always need this, everyone – so that we might in our turn be witnesses to God's healing tenderness.

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Around the Parish

Weekly Calendar

February 04, 2024

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RCIA (Catechism for Adults)

September to May
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Parish Schedule

Mon, February 05

9:00 AM Leslie Hessey †

SENIORS CARDS
10:30 - 2:30 PM,
Columbus Rm

Tues, February 06

9:00 AM Steve de Jong †

SSVP Food Dist. Program
10-11 AM @ Vestibule
CWL Monthly Mtng
7-9 PM @ Columbus Rm

Wed, February 07

9:00 AM Steve de Jong †

PREP PROGRAM
6:30 - 8 PM, @ Auditorium

Thu, February 08

9:00 AM Steve de Jong †

RCIA PROGRAM
6:30 - 8 PM @ Bushey Rm.

Fri, February 09

9:00 AM Chris Suijkerbuijk †

9:00 AM - CCS SCHOOL MASS
CCS MOVIE NIGHT
7 PM @ Auditorium

Sat, February 10

9:00 AM Catherine Clutterham †
4:30 PM Otto, Darryl & Ashley †

LEGION OF MARY MTG.
10-11:30 AM @ Bushey Rm
9 AM MASS - World Day of the Sick
B/fast & Coffee @ Columbus Rm

Sun, February 11

9:00 AM Ashley Irene Brass †
11:00 AM Steve de Jong †

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION: FEBRUARY 2024

For the terminally ill: We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR



The sick & shut in; Norman Jansen, Debbie Davis, David Thiele, Leandro Rodino Jr., Delorus Lee, Dawn Epaarachchi, Gracie Formby, Jim O'Brien, Velma Cronin, Silvia Gallagher, Helen Gaska, Bernadette Leclair, Dario Dira, Carol Armstrong, Rejeanne Lajoie, George Blakey, Lily Gallant, Lucy Gallant, Carol LeBlanc, Corry Van Den Brand, Roy Gregory, Jenna Faykosh, Artemio Abrogena, Sue Broerken, Christopher, Grace, Anna & Josh Lasell, Norma MacInnes, Margaret Mccreadie, Andrea Haley, Brenda Curran, Fran & Maureen, Gary Hopper, Lori Beaulieu Smith, Angela Todo, Anna-Lisa Bailey, Rosa Santos, Susan Harasyn McEvoy, Maximiliano O'Brien, Ney Antonio Villegas, Katherine, Polly Voon, Xenia Mallari, Peter Taillon, Ana Defrias, Richard Jones, Barbara Taylor, Stan Begley, Ed & Eleanor Carrol, Joyce Krahnbel, Gigi Swalehe & Dar Maddatu, Nelly Wiemer (Madeline's mom), Judy Bothwell, Craig Stevenson, James Borkowski, Roger Gagner, Catherine Tolmozoff, Barbara Naef, Wilson Borbon, Alma Zinger, Bob & Deanna Fernandes, Elaine Lauzon, Anne O'Hagan, Rose Javier, John Lloyd, Eladio Tria, Malcolm Da Silva, Dominik Basiak, Pablito Basit, Rosana Ruiz, Bonnie Watson, Deanna Maceda Silva, Katrina Craig, Norah Aucoin, Thelma Urbano, Ron Hart & all who have asked for our prayers... May our Lord sustain, comfort & heal them through faith.

Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners,

After some days of relaxing, exploring an old palace ruins, and visiting friends, I will be flying back to Vancouver on Monday evening. I had a wonderful time bonding with my 15 nephews and nieces and 6 grand nephews and nieces and catching up with my siblings and their spouses. I also had some quiet time for prayer while at home.

On February 10, Saturday, the regular 9am Mass will be for the sick and the elderly and I will also administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick after the Mass. I have tasked the members of the Knights of Columbus to provide some simple breakfast and coffee for those who will come to this Mass.

The Lenten Season begins on February 14, Ash Wednesday. There will be two Masses on Ash Wednesday, the regular 9am Mass together with CCS students and staff, and at 6:30pm for the PREP students and catechists. You may choose which Mass you would like to attend, and ashes will be distributed during the Mass.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. Please refer to another article in this bulletin for the Catholic Church's guidelines on Fasting and Abstinence. It is also a tradition that during Fridays of Lent we pray the Stations of Cross at 6:30 in the evening. If there is a First Friday Mass on the evening, then the Stations of the Cross will be prayed right after the Mass. Parish Ministries and other organizations will be leading the Stations of the Cross every Friday evening.

I thank you all for your prayers while I am away as I keep you also in my daily prayers. I also thank Fr. John Kuriakose from Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta, for helping in all the Masses while I am away.

Have a blessed week!

Father Rey

CPC INFORMATION NIGHT AT TRINITY WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Join Catholic Pacific College at Trinity Western University for an info session at St. Matthew's Parish on Thursday, February 22nd (7:00PM-8:30PM). Ideal for grades 10-12 students and families interested in experiencing a top tier university at TWU where they can receive an accredited degree while receiving solid Catholic formation at CPC. The event includes a presentation, Q & A, student testimonials, and insights on the importance of Catholic higher education. Refreshments provided.

For inquiries, contact John, Admissions Counselor, at 236-512-6250 or john.doromal@twu.ca. We look forward to welcoming you RegistrationForm: <https://form-can.keela.co/catholic-pacific-college-at-trinity-western-university-parishes>

Guidelines for Fasting & Abstinence



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 Ash Wednesday and 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. Everyone, even those above the age of 59, are encouraged to fast and abstain. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance.

S.29 of Canada's liturgical calendar, the Ordo, specifies that Fridays are special days of abstinence. This includes Fridays of Lent, although Catholics can substitute special acts of charity or piety on these days.

We are encouraged to fast in other ways throughout Lent. Pope Francis reminds us that fasting strengthens us in our battle against sin. Through fasting we learn to sacrifice and give of ourselves as Jesus did.

World Day of the Sick Mass

As the church marks the World Day of the Sick on February 11, the Catholic Health Association of BC encourages everyone to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers.



The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11 (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) is celebrated as World Day of the Sick and highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

February 10 Saturday, 9am at Precious Blood Church, we will celebrate Mass for the Sick and the Elderly and the Sacrament of the Anointing will also be given to the sick who would like to receive the sacrament.

A simple breakfast and coffee will be provided by the members of the Knights of Columbus after the Mass in the parish centre.

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