

CATHEDRAL NEWS

CANTATA CHRISTMAS REPRIS, DEC. 21, 2PM

The Vancouver Cantata singers will present their 21st Christmas Reprise at the Cathedral on Saturday December 21 at 2 PM. Join the Vancouver Cantata Singers in this popular concert of traditional carols and contemporary Christmas compositions filling the resonant space of Holy Rosary Cathedral. In the bustle of the holiday season, let the beauty of a cappella singing calm your spirit and transport your soul. Tickets at vancouvercantatasingers.com

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

On New Year's Eve, December 31 we will have Masses at 7:15 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:10 PM. After the 5:10 PM Mass the Archbishop will celebrate First Vespers for the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God and chant the Te Deum for the plenary indulgence. At 11 PM there will be a Holy Hour to bring in the New Year. We will pray the *Te Deum* and the *Veni Creator* for those who would like to get the indulgences attached to those prayers. **On Wednesday, January 1 we will follow the Sunday Mass schedule.**

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

All Cathedral and Project Advance donations for tax receipting year 2024 **must be physically received by the Cathedral office by December 31, 2024**, for donors to receive a 2024 tax receipt. All 2024 tax receipts will be mailed out in February 2025. **Due to the ongoing Canada Post strike, please drop off your donation at the office or in the collection basket at Mass to ensure the Cathedral receives it in 2024, if you wish to receive a 2024 tax receipt.**



2025 OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES

2025 Offering Envelope Boxes will be available for pick up from the entrance to the Cathedral next weekend (December 21-22). **Please do not use old envelopes from previous years in 2025.** If you currently do not use envelopes and would like a box for 2025 please contact the office.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

DECEMBER 24: 10 AM - 12 PM & 1 - 3 PM

DECEMBER 25 - 26: CLOSED

DECEMBER 27, 30, 31: 10 AM - 12 PM & 1 - 3PM

JANUARY 1: CLOSED

CATHEDRAL REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM and 1 - 4:30 PM.
(604) 682 6774 ext. 0
Email: office@vancouvercathedral.org

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ARCHDIOCESE OF VANCOUVER

December 15, 2024 | III SUNDAY IN ADVENT, GAUDETE



646 RICHARDS STREET, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V6B 3A3

ARCHBISHOP
RECTOR
VICE-RECTOR
ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Most Rev. J. Michael Miller, CSB
Very Rev. Stanley Galvon
Rev. Pablo Santa Maria, JCL
Rev. Nicolas Tumbelaka
Rev. Jose Thomas, OP
Rev. Anthony Diaz, CMF
Rev. Mr. Zak Santiago
Rev. Mr. Richard Chau



DEACONS

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:10 PM anticipated Mass
Sunday 8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM in Latin
6:30 PM in Spanish, 8 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:15 AM, 12:10 PM and 5:10 PM
Latin Mass: Fridays at 6:30 PM

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Sat. 11 to 11:45 AM & 4 to 4:45 PM
Sundays from 9 to 9:30 AM
Spanish Confessions: Sundays from 6 to 6:25 PM

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DEVOTIONS & SPIRITUAL LIFE

Sunday Vespers and Benediction: 5:30 PM

First Friday devotions to the Sacred Heart: After 6:30 PM Latin Mass

Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 11:40 AM & 4:40 PM

Adoration: Fridays from 12:45 PM to 3:30 PM



CATHEDRAL LIFE

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on most Sundays at 2:30 PM. Baptism are for Cathedral parishioners or those who live in the boundaries of the Cathedral. Please call the Cathedral office to find out more.

MARRIAGES

Bookings should be made at least six months in advance. Couples please contact the Cathedral office for information.

MUSIC & CHOIRS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please contact music director, Catherine Walsh at catherine.organist@gmail.com for more info.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

For more info, please contact: Father Stanley Galvon.

HRC YOUNG ADULTS

Contact: hrcyoungadults@gmail.com; http://facebook.com/hrcyoungadults

LATIN MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

At the Cathedral we have a Traditional Mass community. Masses on Friday (6:30 PM) and Sundays (4 PM). Coordinator: Daniel Chan.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Contact Jane Rosenthal at janemrose@telus.net.

LEGION OF MARY

If you would like to get involved please contact Ave, (778)896 0649.

ALTAR MINISTRY

The Cathedral has a team of dedicated men who serve at specific Masses. To become an Altar Server or a reader please contact the Master of Ceremonies, Fr. Santa Maria: psantamaria@rcav.org

HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ Info. Grace Inonog: grace.inonog@yahoo.com

HISPANIC COMMUNITY

The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish-speaking community in our parish: comunidadhispahanrc@gmail.com

CATHEDRAL BELL RINGERS

Our eight bells are rung by hand by a dedicated band of bell ringers. Visit www.vscr.ca for more info.

Picture on Cover: Annunciation

GAUDETE SUNDAY

The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a Latin word meaning joy. This Sunday is named like this because it is the first word of the Entrance Antiphon of the Mass: "Gaudete in Domino semper: iterum dico, gaudete". ("Rejoice in the Lord always, I repeat, rejoice"). The antiphon is taken from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians (Phil. 4, 4-5), which goes on to say: "Dominus prope esse" (the Lord is near). This third Sunday, normally marks the midway point of Advent. This year we are already past the midway point of Advent but we are reminded that the coming of the Lord is near. As we approach the celebration of the Birth of Jesus, the Word of God reminds us how the prophecies have already been fulfilled; that we are in that time which some theologians describe as 'there, but not yet'. We continue to expect the coming of the Lord at Christmas and we continue to wait for His second coming with expectant joy.

This is why on this Sunday the Church makes use of Rose coloured liturgical vestments. This colour is a sign of joy and gladness. Joy because the expectation for Christmas is coming to its end, with the birth of Our Lord Bethlehem.

Christian joy, like hope, has its foundation in God's faithfulness, in the certainty that He always keeps His promises. In today's world it is very easy to lose hope and to lose our way, but as Christians we have the supreme joy of knowing that Christ never abandons us. Gaudete Sunday and the joy that we experience during this time is meant to remind us that despair is not the Christian way, but rather hope and joy of having encountered Christ: that the encounter with Christ gives us a serenity and joy in our hearts that nothing and no one can deprive us of.



Christmas at the Cathedral

TUESDAY DECEMBER 24

MORNING

7:15 AM & 12:10 PM

Confessions at 11 AM

EVENING OF DECEMBER 24: CHRISTMAS EVE

4 PM Vigil Mass in English

6:30 PM Vigil Mass in Spanish and English

9 PM Latin Mass for Christmas

11:15 PM Christmas Concert

12 Midnight: Pontifical Midnight Mass with the Archbishop

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM,

4 PM (Latin), 6:30 PM (Spanish) & 8 PM

5:30 PM Solemn Vespers for Christmas

There will be no Spanish confessions on Christmas Day