SAINTS JOACHIM & ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

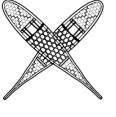
March 10, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION **MASS SCHEDULE** SUNDAY MASSES OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays & Fridays, 9 AM—5 PM Street Address: 2827 273 Street, Aldergrove, BC Saturday 4:30 PM (Anticipated Sunday Mass) Office Phone: 604.857.1944 Mailing Address: PO Box 47, Aldergrove BC V4W 2T7 7PM 10 AM 12 Noon (Latin) Sunday Email: parish.ssja@rcav.org Website: aldergrovecatholic.com WEEKDAY MASSES Priest: Fr Lawrence Donnelly contact Office contact Office Secretary: Madeline Roach Monday & Wednesday 8 AM Choir Director: Hannah Schweitzer contact Office Organist: Anabella Nootebos contact Office Tuesday & Thursday 7 PM Catholic Women's League: Margaret Orgar Friday 11:30 AM contact Office Knights of Columbus: 9 AM Saturday contact Office Clarence Joy SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION RCIA: contact Fr Lawrence Donnelly contact Office Parish Religious Education Programme: contact Office 30 minutes before each Mass on Sundays, Saturday 4 PM & 15 minutes before Weekday Masses



	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	
PRIEST'S MASS INTENTIONS		
Sat. Mar. 9	St. Frances of Rome, Religious	
4:30 PM	Jose dos Santo Penna RIP	
Sun. Mar. 10		
10 AM	CWL Members	
12 NOON	Parishioners of Sts. Joachim & Ann	
7 PM	The Canadian Military	
	LENT—WEEK 4	
Mon. Mar. 11		
8 AM		
Tue. Mar. 12		
7 PM		
Wed. Mar. 13		
8 AM		
Thurs. Mar. 14		
8 am		
Fri. Mar. 15		
11:30 AM	Tom McLoughlin	
Sat. Mar. 16		
9 AM	Jose dos Santo Penna RIP	



Canadian-American Young Adults Snowshoe at Mount Baker (Artist Point) In the past, the young adults

from the Archdiocese of Vancouver and the Seattle area (specifically from University of Washington) have come together for an annual American-Canadian snowshoe. This year, Frassati Young Adults from Seattle have invited us to join them to continue the tradition. Joining us will be Fr. Chrysostom, OP, and the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia. Weather permitting, Mass will be celebrated at the top. All young adults aged 18-35 are welcome! On Saturday, March 23, at Artist's Point on Mt. Baker in Deming, WA, United States. **Registration deadline: Tuesday, March 19.** Learn more and register

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

HAPPENINGS IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Thursday			
PREP Confirmation	5 pm	Hall	
Friday			
Rosary Prayer Group	10:30 am	Church	
RCIA	7:45 pm	Hall	
Stations of the Cross & Benediction	7 pm	Church	
Saturday			
Divine Mercy Chaplet	9:30 am	Church	

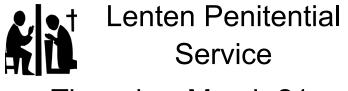
SOUP & BUN

NEXT SUNDAY AFTER THE 10 AM MASS

Everyone welcome!

Mom's & Dad's: Please be aware of what your children are doing; no running or roughhousing, no standing on tables & chairs, be with them when they go for snacks and drinks so all can get some and there is no wasting.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION Every Friday 7 PM during Lent



Thursday, March 21

7:30 pm

after the 7 pm Mass



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The Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life Retreat for Young Adults

This is an intensive nine-month retreat geared toward young adults seeking God's will in their lives, with a focus on experiencing God.

Normally, the Spiritual Exercises Retreat takes place intensively over 40 days at a retreat house in silence and isolation. The "Daily Life" format is an adaptation made by St. Ignatius to allow people to

pray the retreat whilst continuing their daily lives. A person prays for one hour a day (at home) and they meet weekly with their retreat director to discuss and discern the presence and action of God in the past week's prayer. The retreat also involves attending instructional lectures about prayer methodology and content. The retreat is personalized for each individual, specific to their situation and issues; Each person gets their own retreat director.

Hosted by the Jesuit Spirituality Apostolate of Vancouver, the Spiritual Exercises has two essential parts, and will start on Tuesday, May 7. Application fee is \$100, with bursaries available. Registration deadline: Thursday, March 14. Register and see the full schedule via beholdvancouver.org/events.

Archdiocesan Mass for **Civilly Married Couples** Are you married outside the Catholic

Church? Would you like to regularize your union so

you can receive the sacraments once again? Now,

you have a great opportunity to make your dreams

come true as Archbishop Miller, CSB, celebrates the

Mass Wedding for civilly married couples. It will be a

little for the individual couples! For more information,

Fiat Women's Retreat

Discover where God is calling you to be present

beautiful community celebration that will cost very



Women's Retreat: God is Love

All women are invited to join us for an Endow study based on Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical, God is Love. This inspiring letter calls us back to the foundational truths about love. Join us for a break in your day to learn and study alongside other women in the community. We will meet for eight Wednesday sessions from 12:30-2:30 p.m. in the St. James Church meeting room, beginning on February 14th and ending on May 28th. Cost is \$20 USD for a digital copy and \$40 USD for a hard copy. Visit endowgroups.org for more information. Contact Eileen Gaudet to register at eileenmgaudet@gmail.com.

Momentum Single Mothers Lunch

This is an opportunity for women to gather, share, pray, and learn more about Momentum, a faith community for Catholic single mothers that offers retreats, as well as in-person and online gatherings. We will be joined by Claire Brown, who has been a single mother to her son since his birth in 2000. Claire is a co-founder of Momentum and a Professor at McGill University.

On Saturday, February 24, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Corpus Christi Parish in Vancouver. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Registration deadline: Friday, February 16, by 6:00 p.m. Learn more and register for free via beholdvancouver.org/events.

and available at our Fiat Women's Retreat. Mary always made herself present and available while nurturing Jesus and accompanying the disciples before her Assumption into heaven. She is "the new beginning" of the vocation of women, exemplifying the richness of femininity. Join us in

please contact Deacon Raul Abella

at rabella@rcav.org or 778-512-9163.

discovering where you are called to be present and available in your journey of femininity.

Open to all single women aged 18-35. The retreat is on March 8-10 at Carmel Hill in Deroche. Cost is \$200, with financial assistance

available. Registration deadline: Friday, March 1. Learn more and register via <u>beholdvancouver.org/</u> events.

> Check out FORMED.ORG for how to live out Lent

Archbishop Miller's Letter for the Share Lent Campaign

March 10, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Next Sunday, March 17, Catholics across Canada will be marking the Fifth Sunday of Lent as "Solidarity Sunday." Throughout the world, and particularly in the Global South, countless millions of our brothers and sisters struggle to meet the most basic needs of life. Whether due to extreme poverty, war, oppressive regimes, predatory corporations, or a host of other ills, these children of our heavenly Father lack food, clean water and effective health care. Through our annual Share Lent Campaign, Solidarity Sunday provides an opportunity for us to share some of the abundance we enjoy as Canadians with those around the world who have so little.

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada is a member of Caritas International, the federation of national Catholic organizations that serve as a helping hand of the Church, reaching out to the poor, vulnerable and marginalized, regardless of their race or religion, to build a world based on justice and fraternal love.

The theme for this year's Share Lent Campaign – "Reaping Our Rights" – focuses on the efforts of Development and Peace to support impoverished rural communities across the Global South. It works to defend their rights to life, land, water, biodiversity, justice, health, participation, decent livelihoods, a healthy environment and more.

In keeping with the Lenten practice of almsgiving, I urge you to respond to next Sunday's Share Lent Appeal as generously as you are able.

With gratitude to you for seeing in our brothers and sisters who are in desperate need the face of Jesus himself, and with the assurance of my prayers for you and your families as the Church prepares for the celebration of Easter, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

J. Michael Miller, CSB

Archbishop of Vancouver

Days of Mercy

Lent is a time to draw closer to God, to reflect on our lives, and to seek forgiveness and healing through the Sacrament of Confession.

Many parishes are extending their arms wider, offering additional times for Confession so everyone has the chance to experience God's mercy during Lent. These special times are in addition to the regular confession schedules of each parish.

Whether it's been a while since your last Confession or you frequent the sacrament regularly, know that Jesus is waiting for you with open arms. As Pope Francis once said: "God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy."

Rediscover the joy and peace that comes from reconciliation with God and with one another. For special Lenten Confession times, please visit <u>rcav.org/confession</u>.