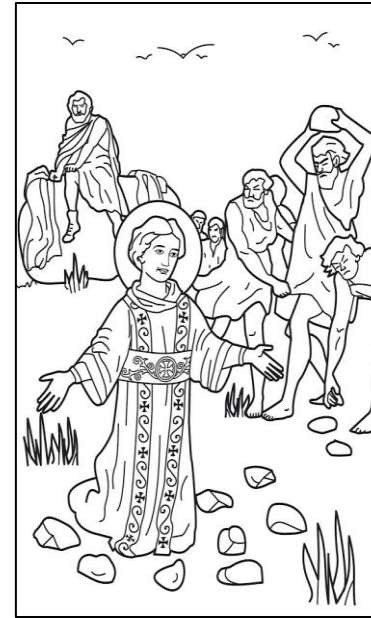


INTENTIONS FOR HOLY MASS DURING THIS WEEK

Sun.	(Mar. 10)	8:30 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm	For ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Mon.	(Mar. 11)	8:30 am	+ LORENZO DI FRANCESCO
Tues.	(Mar. 12)	8:30 am	For ADRIAN SALCEDO
Wed.	(Mar. 13)	8:30 am	+ ANNE & JAMES PAU
Thurs.	(Mar. 14)	8:30 am	+ KEVIN GARES
Fri.	(Mar. 15)	8:30 am 7:00 pm	+ NANCY ROY
Sat.	(Mar. 16)	9:00 am 4:30 pm	+ RENATE HOFMEISTER
Sun.	(Mar. 17)	8:30 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm	For ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

<u>Privileged to serve</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Altar servers</u>
Sat. Mar 16th 4:30 pm		Tony Rader	Maya Lorezca-Finney
Sun. Mar.17th 8:30 am		Gretchen Mostardi	Joel & Ian Ceholski
10:30 am	Cecilia Lam	Effie Pacey	Michael & Mel
Villagracia,			Justin Achadinha
6:30 pm		Janelle Cabahug	Shawn & Aiden Cardle, Samuel & Layne Rausch

LECTORS/USHERS NEEDED - If you would like to volunteer to read or usher at the Sunday, 6:30 pm Mass, please contact Anne Pearsall – 604-988-6302. Thank you for your stewardship.



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MARCH 10, 2019 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME TO ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH: Office: Mon to Fri. 9 am to 4 pm
Our Mass times and Sacrament of Reconciliation times are as follows:

Mass Schedule: Weekdays: Monday to Friday & holidays: 8:30 a.m.
 Saturday: 9 a.m.
 Sunday Liturgy: Saturday evening: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation: Monday to Saturday : 8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
 Saturday: 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.
 Sunday: 30 mins before

Masses

(Or at any time - Please call the Rectory)

Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the Rectory.
Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact the Rectory 4-6 months in advance.
Holy Orders: Fr. Rodney Nootebos - 604-683-0281(Vocations Office)

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Rectory
 Welcome to any new parishioners to St. Stephen's. If you would like to register or get envelopes please contact the parish office on weekdays.

Your prayers are requested for Jim Alden, John Barry, Virgil Billesberger, Jennifer Blore, Edward Carter, Steve Cervenko, Angela Ciprian, Joe Dinahan, Thelma Fairleigh, Mark Hamilton, Dylan Kemper, Cecilia Lam, John Magee, Ariel Nonan, Diego Nunez, Hilda Tacneng, and Jarrod Weisner.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS – STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday with Mass at 7 pm. Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm.

6 WEEK DISCOVERY SERIES – TUESDAYS OF LENT BEGINNING MARCH 12 - On December 7, 1990 Pope St. John Paul II wrote a papal encyclical about the Church's missionary mandate. He stated that missionary activity is a matter for all Christians, for all dioceses, parishes, churches, institutions and associations. For in the Church's history, missionary activity has always been a sign of vitality. Missionary activity renews the Church, revitalizes faith and Christian identity, and offers fresh enthusiasm in new incentives.

Faith is strengthened when it is given to others.

We all have a call to share Christ and bring the Gospel, but it is important to know the basics of the Catholic faith, and to challenge ourselves to a greater holiness this Lent.

Come and join Pauline Correa (parishioner and CCO [Catholic Christian Outreach] member) as we take a step deeper into our faith. Lesson 1 will be about "God's Love."

PREP NEWS—No classes on Tuesday March 19th & March 26th due to Spring Break.

CWLNEWS - There will be a General Meeting on Wednesday, March 13th @ 7:00 pm . Will start with a short business meeting followed by a Lenten Prayer Service.

CWL BURSARIES - There are a number of bursaries that are available to students who are a son ,daughter, granddaughter, grandson, niece or nephew of a CWL Member. Information sheets with guidelines and criteria are at the entrance of the church.



KofC Marian Prayer Program - Knights worldwide are spreading devotion to the Blessed Mother this year, featuring an icon of "Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians," while raising awareness for those who suffer for their faith, especially persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Please join us Wednesday March 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to pray for the plight of Christians persecuted for their faith and to stand in prayerful solidarity with them.

ALTAR SERVERS—Please sign up for the Easter Triduum. Sign-up sheet is in the church.

ST. STEPHEN'S PRAYER GROUP - We will meet on **Thursday, March 14th at 7:30 pm** in the Upper room of the church. For more information, contact Ted: 604-924-0573 or Alfred: hoathome@shaw.ca.

LEGION OF MARY – The statue is at the home of Mryna Somera from March 9, to March 23rd. Please keep them in your prayers. Contact Jan –985-1184 to book the statue.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION - at 3:00 pm every day, in the Upper room of the church. All are welcome.

NORTH SHORE MEN'S RETREAT - Faithful & True: A day of recollection for men will be on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at St. Pius X Church, 1150 Mount Seymour Road, North Vancouver. The retreat master will be Rev. Fr. John Horgan. We will start with Holy Mass at 9:00am followed by the retreat, ending at 2:00 pm. Cost is \$20/ person. For tickets contact Terry Edwards 604-986-3108 or Marius Soska 604-980-1700.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS:

STEWARTSHIP REFLECTION 1st Sunday of Lent

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (Deuteronomy 26:10) This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your "first fruits", the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is left over? Second, do you recognize that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

40 days for Life Campaign - Join us for the annual 40 days for Life Campaign and pray for an end to abortion. **Campaign begins Wednesday, March 6.** Location: In front of the priests' residences, 4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver. For more info contact Alba Stevenson, Campaign Coordinator at 604-299-4123.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY - Mar. 26-June 18, 2019. Instructor: Fr. Alan Boisclair. Tuesdays (except Apr. 23/May 14). 9:30 am – 11:45 am. St. Anthony's Parish Hall, 2347 Inglewood Ave., West Vancouver. Contact 604-926-6881. Register early.

HELP LINE Volunteers Needed for Domestic Abuse Services – OLGCS - No experience needed but would be a valuable asset! Volunteer from home; choose your hours! Our next comprehensive training session starts March 29th – Fridays and Saturdays (3wks) at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. If you're interested in volunteering, please call 604.585.6688 or email us at operationsmgr@domesticabuseservices.ca to register for the next training session.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD - Do you know what it would feel like to feel peace again? Your Rachel's Vineyard™ team understands that yearning and invites you to join them on the next retreat. The gift of his mercy and peace is awaiting you. Next Retreat is May 2019. For confidential information and to register call 604-525-0999.