

St. Stephen's Parish

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INTENTIONS FOR HOLY MASS DURING THIS WEEK

Sun.	(Sept. 1)	8:30 am 10:30 am 6:30 pm	For ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Mon.	(Sept. 2)	8:30 am	For the NG FAMILY
Tues.	(Sept. 3)	8:30 am	+ SARAH MCGILLICUDDY
Wed.	(Sept. 4)	8:30 am	+ PABLO VILLARROEL GOMEZ
Thurs.	(Sept. 5)	8:30 am 7:00 pm	For FATHER MARK'S INTENTIONS
Fri.	(Sept. 6)	8:30 am 7:00 pm	For ALMA BRADFIELD
Sat.	(Sept. 7)	9:00 am 4:30 pm	+ TOMMASO & PASQUALINA MIELE
Sun.	(Sept. 8)	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. Sept. 7	4:30 pm	Janine Harland	
Sun. Sept. 8	8:30 am	Gloria Yasayko	
	10:30 am	Vienna Sequeira	David Robitaille
	6:30 pm	Janelle Cabahug	

ALTAR SERVERS –Thank you to all the Altar servers who attended Mass here during the holidays and helped Father Mark on the altar. The September schedule has been sent out already so please let the office know if you have not received it. Hope you all had a great summer!

SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.
9 a.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.
Sunday Liturgy: Saturday evening: 4:30 p.m.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m.
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. Paul Chu - 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, Meliton Carolino, Steve Cervenko, Angela Ciprian, Thelma Fairleigh, Mark Hamilton, Frank Kilian, Cecilia Lam, John Magee, Ariel Nonan, Diego Nunez, Philip Sakhrani, Desi Santos, Henry Thalheimer, John Toljanich and Jarrod Wiesner.

Stewardship Reflection – September 1, 2019 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." (Luke 14:13-14)

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf, or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labour Day holiday. Mass is at 8:30 am.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Hilda Tacneng, daughter of Leonora of our parish, who died recently. Please keep the family in your prayers too.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION- September 6th – There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 am, after morning Mass, and concluding with Mass at 7 pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the entrance of the church.

CWL NEWS – Our first meeting after the summer break is on Wednesday, September 4th at 7 pm in the hall. It will be a Wine and Cheese social evening. Looking forward to meeting everyone again and sharing holiday stories and catching up. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending.

PRAYER GROUP – There will be Mass on Thursday, September 5th at 7 pm followed by a social in the Upper room of the Church. Prayer teams available for those in need. For more info, contact Ted: 604-924-0573 or Alfred: hoathome@shaw.ca

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – Pancake breakfast resumes on Sunday, September 8th after the 2 morning Masses. All are welcome!

PREP NEWS – Classes resume on Tuesday, September 17th. Please go to www.ststephensnv.com to register & print/return the form by September 13th to the parish office with your payment envelope (available at the back of the church).

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION – Everyday at 3 pm in the church. All are welcome.

LEGION OF MARY – The statue is at the home of Marie & Mike Rath till September 7th. Please keep them in your prayers. Contact Jan –604- 985-1184 to book the statue.

ATTENTION ALL FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN - Starting September 22nd , CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will be at the 10:30 Mass. This program is very important for your child to attend, ages 3-6, as this is the beginning of your child's faith formation. The program is a liturgy-based approach to catechesis and is taught by qualified catechists. There is no cost to you and this is an important start for your child. Please support our Parish Religious Education program at St. Stephen's.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS - Mass in Honour of the Feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta - Wednesday, Sept. 4, at 6 p.m. at Corpus Christi Parish in Vancouver. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop J. Michael Miller. A potluck reception in the school gym follows after Mass. Hosted by the Missionaries of Charity Sisters.

Pro-Life Mass & Prayer Vigil- Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents. **Mass is Saturday, Sept. 7, at 9 am at St. Edmund Parish,** North Vancouver.

The Catholic Health Association of BC - 79th Annual Conference- Thursday, September 19, 2019 at the Executive Plaza Hotel, 405 North Road, Coquitlam. Addictions and Mental Health, Caring for Ourselves and Others. **Begins with Mass at 9:30 am.** We have some excellent speakers this year as well as a short presentation from Star of the Sea Parish on their new Pastoral Care Visiting Program. Registration Cost (includes lunch) \$ 150. Please include your cheque with your registration, payable to "CHABC" and mail to: Catholic Health Association of BC, 9387 Holmes Street, Burnaby, BC V3N 4C3. **Conference registration deadline: September 14th.** Forms available at the parish office.

The Fall 2019 Retrouvaille Program, for couples in need of help to heal and restore their marriage, is just a month away, **beginning on the weekend of September 27 - 29, 2019.** For more information and to register, please call: 604-530-6710 or visit www.retrouvaille.org and www.retrouvaillevancouver.com

North Shore Community Resources is a non- profit organization that offers the Better at Home program to help seniors remain and live independently in their homes. Our volunteers provide services such as : Driving seniors to appointments, Volunteer assisted grocery shopping, Friendly Visiting, Light yard work, minor home repairs. For more information, please call Elaine Smith, Volunteer Coordinator - 604-985-7138 or email elaine.smith@nscr.ca Come learn about some flexible volunteering opportunities to help seniors live well in our community!