

## St. Anthony's Parish

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### OFFICE HOURS:

MON - FRI: 9:30 AM — 1:30 PM  
2:00 PM — 4:00 PM

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### MASS SCHEDULES

#### SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am

#### WEEKDAYS:

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 am  
1st Friday: 6:30 pm

#### CONFESIONS:

Monday - Saturday: 8:30 - 8:50 am  
Saturday: 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

#### ADORATION:

Friday: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm  
[ 1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH ]  
9:30 am - 4:00 pm &  
Vigil 7:00 pm to Saturday 8:00 am

Sign-up sheets located in vestibule

#### ONLINE GIVING OFFERTORY

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THE QR-CODE



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# ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> 2025

## Pilgrims of Hope ADVENT RETREAT



Will you come and follow me?

December 20, 9 am-11 am

St. Anthony's Parish

### PARISH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

MON — SAT	8:15 AM — 8:30 AM	LITURGY OF THE HOURS & MORNING PRAYERS
MON — DEC 15	10:00 AM — 12:00 PM	CATHOLIC FAITH COURSE (SESSION 15)
TUE — DEC 16	6:30 PM	RCIA
WED — DEC 17	5:00 PM — 6:00 PM	RCIT
WED — DEC 17	6:00 PM — 7:15 PM	PREP
FRI — DEC 19	10:00 AM — 3:00 PM	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FRI — DEC 19	3:00 PM — 4:00 PM	DIVINE MERCY
FRI — DEC 19	12:00 PM	THE DOOR IS OPEN (PICK UP)
SAT — DEC 20	9:00 AM — 11:00 AM	ADVENT RETREAT

# News from St. Anthony's Parish

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, December 15

9:00 am - † Dr. Albert Scholtz

### Tuesday, December 16

9:00 am - Sp. Int. the Branca Family

### Wednesday, December 17

9:00 am - Sp. Int. Anna & Don Grant

### Thursday, December 18

9:00 am - † Dr. Albert Scholtz  
Sp. Int. of Ausma Vicic

### Friday, December 19

9:00 am - Sp. Int. of Father Scott

### Saturday, December 20

9:00 am - Saint Philomena  
Sp. Int. Margaret Langero  
4:30 pm - † Dr. Albert Scholtz

### Sunday, December 21

8:30 am - Parishioners  
10:30 am - † Alessandra Bitelli

## THE GIVING TREE IS UP!

### How can you participate?

You are all invited to take a card from the Giving Tree by the foyer. **Once you have bought the corresponding gift card, please leave it at the parish office.** The gift cards you buy will be delivered to support the organization of your choice.



*Thank you to the PREP students,  
for decorating the Giving tree!*



## CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

### • Christmas

Dec 24 — 04:30 pm & 10:00 pm  
Dec 25 — 08:30 am & 10:30 am

### • Holy Family Sunday

Dec 27 — 04:30 pm  
Dec 28 — 08:30 am & 10:30 am

### • Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Dec 31 — 04:30 pm  
Jan 01 — 08:30 am & 10:30 am

## Stay Curious

### Try ALPHA at St. Anthony's Parish

#### What is Alpha?

Alpha is a basic introduction to the Christian faith.

All guests are welcome for a great **meal**, great **video** and an **open dialogue** about life's big questions in a friendly, welcoming setting. It's no pressure, no cost, and you're more than welcome to just come check out the first few sessions to see if it's for you.

If you have never experienced Alpha - you are invited to come! If you have come to Alpha before, bring a friend! If you have more questions about Alpha, please contact Elizabeth and [elizabeth.sawv@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.sawv@gmail.com)

**Ready to try Alpha?** We start on **Thursday, January 15** from 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm. Sign up in the foyer or contact the parish office.



## 2026 ABBY RETREAT WITH BISHOP EMERITUS RICHARD GAGNON

**March 13 to 15, 2026**

**Location: Westminster Abbey Mission, B.C.**

On behalf of your CWL Executive from St. Anthony's Parish, please find pinned in the bulletin board the **registration form** for our 2026 Abby Retreat with Bishop Emeritus Richard Gagnon, 13-15 March.

St Anthony's CWL members have priority registration until 31 December, after which registration will be offered to other women of our parish and members of other Northshore CWL Councils.

**The cost is \$190 (\$170 if registered by February 18).** Cheques can be post dated to 1 March 2026. Secure your spot! We are limited to 19 participants. If you have additional questions, please contact the parish office.

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## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

**Envelopes for donations in the pews and on the table in the foyer.**

We welcome donations toward the flowers that will decorate the altar and church during the Christmas Season. If you wish to have loved ones prayed for at the Masses on January 1, please print their names on the reverse side of the card you will find inside the envelope, and place the card in the envelope with your donation.

If you wish to receive a tax receipt, please put your name and address or your envelope number on the front of the envelope. Thank you for your generosity.



## CATHOLIC FAITH COURSE

**Every Monday from 10 am to 12 pm  
Location: St. Anthony's Parish Hall**

**Session 15: The communion among the Saints in the body of Christ.**

Learn about the rich teachings and practices for our Catholic Faith from **Fr. Vincent Hawkswell and Maureen Creelman.**

The group will not meet on: December 22 and 29.  
**Course will recommence on January 5.**  
Happy Holidays!

## PROJECT ADVANCE 2025 — HOPE THRIVES HERE

With gratitude to our donors, we have raised \$90,000 towards our parish goal of \$100,000. If we all work together, giving within our own means, we can accomplish much by continuing to be good stewards: supporting people in need, spreading the good news and hope of our faith and taking care of our church.

We encourage everyone to prayerfully consider a donation to this year's Project Advance appeal. Every gift regardless of the amount, is important and is gratefully received.

### Donation can be made through:

- The Sunday collection basket (please mark the gift for Project Advance).
- At the parish office or online: [www.projectadvance.ca](http://www.projectadvance.ca)

To receive your income tax receipt for 2025 the donation must be received on or before December 31.

*May God bless everyone.*

## ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

This Advent, take a step in your spiritual journey by returning to Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. By opening your heart to his healing mercy, you are preparing a place for his joy and peace this Christmas.

**Tuesday, December 16<sup>TH</sup>**

7:00 pm — Christ The Redeemer

**Wednesday, December 17<sup>TH</sup>**

10:30 am — St. Stephen's

7:00 pm — St. Edmund's

**Friday, December 19<sup>TH</sup>**

7:00 pm — St. Pius X

**Saturday, December 20<sup>TH</sup>**

7:00 pm — St. Joseph, Squamish



## THE DOOR IS OPEN—PICK UP

Next pick up date:

**Friday, December 19 at noon**

If you would like to volunteer or contribute with food donations please contact:

[svp.westvan@gmail.com](mailto:svp.westvan@gmail.com)



## CHRISTMAS CARDS TO OUR SEMINARIANS (SPIRITUAL ADOPTION)

If you wish to send Christmas Cards to our dear Seminarians, you can consult their mailing address in the bulletin board outside the office.

Please contact Alex at the parish office if you have any questions. Thank you and God bless everyone.



## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP — CHRISTMAS BREAK

The group will not meet on: December 16, 23 or 30. **Meetings will recommence on January 13.**  
Happy Holidays!



## CRAFT GROUP CHRISTMAS BREAK

The group will be on Holiday Break in the upcoming weeks. **Meetings will recommence on January 08.**  
Happy Holidays!

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## THE ART OF REST: HOPE, FAITH AND LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

**Saturday, January 24**

**Time: from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Location: Gardens of Gethsemani**

Take time to rest during Advent and after the business of Christmas. Experience the gift of meditative prayer and expression through watercolour painting. We will also dialogue with the Lord through journaling. This workshop series is for those who want to take an intentional pause for reflection.

Learn more and register by January 21 at:  
[beholdvancouver.org/behold-events](http://beholdvancouver.org/behold-events)



## CCCB JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT (3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT VIDEO)

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has released its annual Journey Through Advent video series to help Catholics prepare spiritually for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

Watch the reflection of the Third Sunday of Advent: [cccb.ca](http://cccb.ca)



## MEN'S SHELTER WINTER CLOTHING DONATIONS

Men's Shelter is looking for men's pants and winter jackets. If you have any to donate, please bring to the parish this coming week and drop it off in front of the office.

If you have any questions please contact Nan Thomas at:  
[nantomas30@gmail.com](mailto:nanthomas30@gmail.com)



## FIAT YOUNG ADULT CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP

**Friday, January 23**

**Time: from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm**

**Location: at the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharistic Convent (2811 Venables St., Vancouver)**

Join the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese of Vancouver as we dive into the unique contributions of women saints in a four-part series. The next presentation focuses on St. Joan of Arc, with discussion, reflection, and a themed dessert to follow. All Catholic women ages 18-35 discerning God's will in their lives are welcome!

Register at: [beholdvancouver.org/behold-events](http://beholdvancouver.org/behold-events)



## LIVING WATERS FUND — APPLICATION NOW OPEN!

\$350,000 in project-based grants are available to Catholic organizations that accompany women in adversity.

The Archdiocese of Vancouver invites Catholic organizations to apply for the new Living Waters Fund, which supports mission-aligned projects that help women find safety, stability, and healing. Established through the generosity of supporters at the 2025 Archbishop's Dinner, the fund will award \$350,000 in project-based grants.

Learn more and apply: [support.rcav.org/living-waters-fund](http://support.rcav.org/living-waters-fund)  
Applications for *Round 1* are open until Dec 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2025.



## SIMBANG GABI COMMISSIONING MASS AND NOVENA OF MASSES

Simbang Gabi is a devotional Filipino tradition that involves a nine-day series of novena Masses in anticipation of Christmas and in honour of Mother Mary.

### Commissioning Mass:

**Saturday, December 13 at 6:30 pm.**

**Location: Holy Rosary Cathedral.**

We will start with a *parol* blessing and procession, followed by the Commissioning Mass.

### Christmas Novena:

**December 15 to 24**

All are invited to Simbang Gabi daily at participating parishes. For Simbang Gabi Mass Times, please check the respective parish' website.

Learn more and find participating parishes at:  
[beholdvancouver.org/events/Simbang-gabi-filipino-mass](http://beholdvancouver.org/events/Simbang-gabi-filipino-mass)



## CHRISTMAS OUTREACH TO THE HOMELESS 2025

**Thursday, December 25<sup>TH</sup>**

**Time: from 2 pm to 5:30 pm**

**Location: Holy Rosary Cathedral**

We love meeting new people, making friends, sharing our love for God, praying for His presence and guidance, and going out bringing His hope and love to the homeless, the addicted, and the prostituted.

Spend Christmas day with Catholic Street Missionaries (CSM) and reach out to our less privileged brothers and sisters on the streets of Vancouver. All young adults aged 19-39 are welcome!

Learn more about CSM at: [catholicstreetmissionaries.org](http://catholicstreetmissionaries.org)