

St. Anthony's Parish

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MON - FRI: 9:30 AM — 1:30 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

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ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH

CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 25TH 2025



PARISH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

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| MON — SAT | 8:15 AM — 8:30 AM | LITURGY OF THE HOURS & MORNING PRAYERS |
| FRI — JAN 2 | 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM | ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT |
| FRI — JAN 2 | 3:00 PM — 4:00 PM | DIVINE MERCY |
| FRI — JAN 2 | 8:00 PM — 8:00 AM | FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION (OVERNIGHT VIGIL) |
| SAT — JAN 3 | 1:00 PM — 1:30 PM | MEN'S SHELTER (PICK UP) |

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

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| SAT — DEC 27 | 4:30 PM | HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY |
| SUN — DEC 28 | 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM | HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY |
| WED — DEC 31 | 4:30 PM | SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD |
| THU — JAN 1 | 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM | SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD |

News from St. Anthony's Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 29

9:00 am - † Dr. Albert Scholtz
† Anna Bek

Tuesday, December 30

9:00 am - Sp. Int. Madeline Junio

Wednesday, December 31

9:00 am - Sp. Int. Tyler Yupangco
4:30 pm - Parishioners

Thursday, January 1

8:30 am - † Gina Charles
10:30 am - Pro-Life Intentions

Friday, January 2

9:00 am - Sp. Int. Adrian Jerome S.
6:30 pm - Sp. Int. James Zawadzki

Saturday, January 3

9:00 am - † Rafal Kowalczyk
4:30 pm - Sp. Int. Salah Goderi

Sunday, January 4

8:30 am - † Gina Charles
10:30 am - Sp. Int. Coco Kim-Luca



A CHRISTMAS LETTER FROM FATHER ARSÈNE

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It is with great Joy that I am writing this message to wish you a Merry Christmas. I remember with a lot of love and gratitude my elementary school teacher, Juliette, who would lead us in prayer every single day before classes started. During that prayer time, we would always sing this song that I translate this way: "Among all of Jesus' miracles, this is the greatest: to be part of our lives by his incarnation and the Holy Eucharist. Jesus, dear Savior, come and help us during our journey on earth and lead us to heaven." I loved the song and yet would understand how deep were the words.

I thank Jesus for being part of my life as he is for each one of us. I thank Jesus for building up our community and accompanying us in our growth. I thank Jesus for being part of our individual spiritual journey. I thank him for being the spiritual strength for those of us who experience illnesses and/or challenging life situations. I thank Jesus for none of us feels alone. At least we have got his presence in our daily life and his presence is a promise of healing and support. Knowing this is a motive of joy and celebration.

Today and during this Christmas season, we are in so great a Joy while we remember his incarnation. As said Saint Athanasius, "God assumed our human nature in order to redeem his fallen creation." While we recognize our spiritual challenges as sinners who suffer from the consequences of our sins or/and the sins of our brothers and sisters, we trust and are supported by the grace of our Lord and Redeemer.

During this time of celebrations, let us remember to put Christ at the center of our gathering. Let us remember to share with others about what we experience daily from being Christ's brothers and sisters. Let us remember to share with our youngest how Jesus has been the compass of our lives. As we celebrate our Love for Baby Jesus, let us not only bring gifts to others but the one whose birthday we celebrate. Let us offer him our hearts and our families.

May this Christmas be for you and your beloved ones a Holy time of Joy, Happiness and shared Love.

God bless.

Fr. Arsene.



2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

You can now pick up your new set of envelopes for the year 2026 in the foyer of the church. Please notice a new Envelope ID Number has been assigned to each family. Please discard the remaining envelopes of 2025 that you may have.

If you want to switch from envelopes to credit card automatic donations, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for supporting our parish through your weekly donations.

News from St. Anthony's Parish



"Let us ask ourselves how and for whom do we spend our lives." - Fr. Arsène Dutunge.

With a few days remaining in the year, we are in the closing phase of our parish's **2025 Project Advance appeal**. We are also close to reaching our parish goal of \$100,000. Advent is a time of reflection and preparation, and we are invited to recall the words mentioned above.

Project Advance provides an opportunity to give thanks, in a tangible way, for the gifts we have received by helping people in need and supporting our parish's projects. Our community gives thanks to our donors for their generosity in supporting this year's appeal. Every donation, regardless of the amount, strengthens our parish, is important and truly makes a difference.

Donations can be made online at www.projectadvance.ca or through the parish office, or by placing an envelope marked "Project Advance" in the Sunday collection.

All donations received before December 31, are eligible for a 2025 tax receipt. May God bless everyone.



BOXING DAY SKATING PARTY!

All parishioners are invited to the Boxing Day Skating Party hosted by St. Anthony's Parish

Date: Friday, Dec 26 Time: 10 AM – 11:45 AM

Location: The Ice Arena at West Van Community Center

This event is a great opportunity to come together as a community and celebrate the Holiday Season with some fun on the ice. We hope to see you there!

Come start with our New Lord Year

First Friday
January 2

6:30 pm Mass
7 pm - 8 am
Adoration



ALPHA
Unpack the Christian faith together.



Do you know anyone who has moved away from the faith? Invite them to Alpha! Alpha is open to everyone! No judgement, no pressure. Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation. Meet new people and explore together.

Come along, on January 15 and see what you think! For more information send an email to: elizabeth.sawv@gmail.com

Register at: <https://forms.gle/UGkc4w8iwE59rC1c8>

News from St. Anthony's Parish & the Archdiocese



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 postdated to 1 March 2026. Secure your spot! We are limited to 19 participants. If you have additional questions, please contact the parish office.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

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

We welcome donations to 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 full name and address or your envelope number on the front of the envelope. Thank you for your generosity.



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



ROSARY FOR PEACE WITH ARCHBISHOP SMITH

Saturday, January 3

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Holy Rosary Cathedral

Join Archbishop Smith to pray the Rosary for peace, especially for those suffering in the Holy Land, Ukraine, and around the world. Everyone is invited!



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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
Applications for *Round 1* are open until Dec 31st, 2025.



MILESTONE MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, February 8

Time: 1:15 pm

Location: St. Patrick's Parish

At every stage of their married life, couples form each other by guiding their spouse to a deeper friendship with the Lord. Come and celebrate your anniversary with other couples in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

Learn more and register at: family.rcav.org/mam

The deadline to purchase a certificate is January 19, 2026.