

**MASSES & SERVICES**

**Saturday Anticipated Mass:** 5pm  
**Sunday Masses:** 9am, 11am, 5pm

**Mon – Fri Masses:** 8am  
**Thurs OLPH Novena:** Following 8am Mass  
**Sat & Holidays:** 9am Mass  
**Sat Adoration:** 9:30am – 10am

**Reconciliation**  
Sat 4pm – 4:45pm  
Or by Appointment:  
Call 604-224-4344


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Friday 9:30am – 1:30pm

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19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Glorifying God with the Time We Have

**Dear Parishioners,**

Summer is a great time for making happy memories. Some families go on road trips, have backyard barbecues, go camping or fly to faraway destinations for sightseeing, exploration and affirming long-distance friendships.

So much of the rest of our year is spent coping with the pressures of work life, managing school and homework, and taking on extra-curricular programs to ensure our children's potentials or our personal abilities are explored to the fullest. Usually, for the sake of getting ahead in a highly competitive world.

This week's Gospel encourages us to look more closely at the concept of the stewardship of time. Being overly focused on getting ahead, ensuring security and acquiring wealth can sometimes skew our perspective on what's important in life. In the current environment of high-tech marketing and social media opportunities, we also run the risk of commodifying ourselves in a fast-moving world.

We are, indeed, called to make the most of our intellect, skills and talents to support family and good causes. Our driving agenda however should be a spiritual one in which God's goodness is glorified and his plan of dignity for our lives is upheld.

The parable of the master returning to the household is a reminder we will all have to account for the time we have been given. It is up to us to put it to good use. Have a great summer!

**Yours in Christ,**  
**Fr Babu Mathew, CSSR**

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*From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required and from the one to whom much has been entrusted even more will be demanded.*

**Luke 12:48**



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*Blessed are the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage. – Psalm 33*

## NEWS & NOTICES

### Coffee Signup For August

We have more spots available for anyone who wishes to help with coffee in the next few weeks. Please [sign up here](#) if you are available to help.

### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Fr Babu in an 18-day Holy Land pilgrimage covering Egypt, Israel and Jordan. Highlights are 3N Cairo, 2N Taba, 3N Bethlehem, 2N Nazareth, 2N Amman with Petra Tour. Price includes international flights, all meals, (breakfast, lunch and dinner) sightseeing and PCR tests + taxes. Dates: 11 - 29 October 2022. Price: CA\$4300/Dubai add-on for \$1400. This tour covers your PCR / Rapid Antigen test to return to Canada or the USA. Contact Brian Andrade 778-999-4599 or Deon Almeida 778-866-8118 of Royale Orchid Tours. Or email [royaleorchidtours@gmail.com](mailto:royaleorchidtours@gmail.com)

### 2022 Donation Envelopes for Pick-up

Donation envelopes for 2022 are available for pick-up at the parish office from Mon-Thurs 9:30am – 4pm.

## ARCHDIOCESAN & OTHER EVENTS

### Retrouvaille Weekend

Need Marriage Help? - Retrouvaille, pronounced "retroo-vye," means "rediscovery." It is a marriage program that has helped hundreds of BC couples recover from all kinds of marriage trouble, from simple discontent to serious crisis. Why live in misery? Repair and rekindle your relationship! The program consists of one weekend and six weekly follow-up sessions, which can be attended remotely. For confidential information or to register for the Fall program commencing the weekend of Oct. 14 - 16, call Retrouvaille Vancouver at 604-530-6710 or visit [www.helpmymarriage.ca](http://www.helpmymarriage.ca).

### Upper Room Conference 2022

We're back... in-person! Upper Room is a conference that inspires Catholics to live joyfully on mission and equips them to share their faith in their homes and communities. This year's Upper Room will help us to grow in confidence in God our loving Father and to reflect on the amazing gifts He has given to us through Jesus. After two years of online and hybrid conferences, we are back in person at an exciting downtown location! Oct. 21 - 22 at Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre. More information will be available next week when registration opens.

### Novena to St. Monica

In the days leading up to St. Monica's Feast Day and the close of St. Monica's Mission on the Feast of St. Augustine (Sunday, Aug. 28), we will be praying a Novena to St. Monica. Please sign up for the St. Monica's Mission e-mail list to receive the daily Novena prayers from Aug. 18 to 26. Join us for a closing Mass with Most Reverend J. Michael Miller, CSB, at Holy Rosary Cathedral on the Feast of St. Augustine, Sunday, Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

### Pilgrimage to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes

St. Joseph's Parish, Mission invites you to the historic Fraser River Heritage Park to celebrate the Holy Eucharist in honour of Our Lady on Saturday, Aug. 20 at 1 p.m. The main celebrant will be the Very Rev. Fr. Gary Franken, Vicar General, Archdiocese of Vancouver. Confessions will be heard on-site starting at 10 a.m. After the Mass, there will be a procession to the Grotto where the Rosary will be prayed, followed by the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The event will conclude with a picnic and fellowship. For bus service information, please contact 604-329-8635 or [info@aquinasinstitute.ca](mailto:info@aquinasinstitute.ca). Learn more at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)



## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

**"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of thing not seen." Hebrews 11:1-2**

In this week's second reading from St Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, we see how Abraham was tested in faith and not found wanting. He relies on the confident assurance that God will provide all that he hopes for. Stewardship is about giving with prayerful intentionality, knowing that our gift will be received by God who sees what's in our hearts. God never fails to respond to our gifts.

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