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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:10 PM anticipated Mass

Sunday 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM,
5 PM, 6:30 PM in Spanish, 8 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday 7:15 AM, 8 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:10 PM
Saturday 7:15 AM, 8 AM, 12:10 PM

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday 7:45 AM, 11:45 AM, 4:45 PM
Saturday 7:45 AM, 11:45 AM, 4 to 5 PM

DEVOTIONS

Sunday Vespers and Benediction at 4 PM
Morning Prayer Monday to Saturday at 8:30 AM
Rosary Monday to Saturday at 11:40 AM & 4:40 PM
(Except Thursday evenings when the Rosary is
at 4:15 PM)
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Fridays 3 PM
Prayers to God the Father Tuesdays at 4 PM
Adoration Thursdays from 4 PM to 5 PM and
First Friday from 12:45 PM to 5 PM



SUNDAY MASS READINGS THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

First Reading Acts 1.1-11
As the disciples were watching, Jesus was lifted up.

Responsorial Psalm 47
*R. God has gone up with a shout, the lord with the
sound of a trumpet.*

Second Reading Ephesians 1.17-23
God seated Jesus at his right hand in heaven.

Gospel Matthew 28.16-20
*All authority in heaven and on earth has been
given to me.*

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CATHEDRAL REGISTRATION

If you have recently moved into the downtown area, we welcome you to pick up a parish registration form from the Cathedral Office. Please contact our office for Donation Envelopes.

MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

Jesus concludes His earthly mission with His Ascension, body and soul, into heaven. (Mk. 16, 19). He had spoken about it and its effects with these words: "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." (Jn. 12, 32)

The Catholic Catechism offers an explanation of these words:

"The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces his lifting up by his Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ, the one priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands. . . but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." There Christ permanently exercises his priesthood, for he "always lives to make intercession" for "those who draw near to God through him." As "high priest of the good things to come" he is the center and the principal actor of the liturgy that honors the Father in heaven.

Henceforth Christ is seated at the right hand of the Father: "By 'the Father's right hand' we understand the glory and honor of divinity, where he who exists as Son of God before all ages, indeed as God, of one being with the Father, is seated bodily after he became incarnate and his flesh was glorified."

Christ's Ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (cf. Acts 1:11); this humanity in the meantime hides him from the eyes of men (cf. Col 3:3).

Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever.

Jesus Christ, having entered the sanctuary of heaven once and for all, intercedes constantly for us as the mediator who assures us of the permanent outpouring of the Holy Spirit."

These words from the Catholic Catechism offer us a rich theological meaning of the Ascension to ponder.

At another level, we can appreciate the dignity of the human body – Jesus has his human body in its risen state in Heaven. This is the destiny that God wishes for our human body as well. All the moral teachings of the Church about respect for our bodies and the bodies of others come from this truth.

Ascension Sunday provides a special opportunity to pray at Mass

for all of us to thank God for the wonder and goodness of our human bodies. Sin has brought harm to our human bodies through abuse, illness and death but God's love is stronger than sin and death. Let us ask God to help us to make good moral decisions about our bodies and to influence society about the dignity and destiny of the human body of every person.

Fr. Galvon



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This service works the same way as Netflix: you can stream hundreds of hours of Catholic content!

How to register as an individual user using the parish code for the first time:

Go to www.formed.org and click the "Register" button on the Login page to register using the parish code (for the parish code please contact the office). Follow the prompts to enter the required information. You will receive a confirmation email to verify your registration.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

DEACON JUAN LUCCA ORDINATION, JUNE 3

On Friday April 21 the Archbishop appointed Deacon Juan Lucca as our new Assistant Pastor here at the Cathedral. Deacon Lucca will be ordained a priest on June 3, 2017 at noon at the Cathedral. All are welcome to attend the ordination ceremony



FIRST FRIDAY, JUNE 2

Mass at 12:10 PM followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open for Adoration in the afternoon. Benediction before the 5:10 PM Mass. Lunch in the Hall will be served after the 12:10 PM Mass. Enjoy soup and sandwiches, \$5/person, hosted by the Cathedral Volunteers.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Preparation classes will be held over four Wednesdays on 7, 14, 21 & 28 of June 2017 from 7 PM – 8:30 PM in Holy Rosary Hall. Attendance at all four sessions is mandatory. Confirmation Mass is on Sunday July 2, 2017 at the 11 AM Mass. To register for classes, email office@vancouvercathedral.org.



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AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

PRO-LIFE MASS & VIGIL

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents on Saturday, June 3. Mass is at 9 am at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Vancouver followed by the rosary at Women's Hospital. Visit rcav.org/pro-life-mass-and-prayer-vigil

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Join us for our monthly Mass of Remembrance as we pray for our family members that have passed away this month. Mass is on Sunday, May 28 at 2:30 PM in our Evangelist Chapel, at Gardens of Gethsemani, Surrey. For more info., please contact Terry Whiteley at twhiteley@rccav.org

NOVENA AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, VANCOUVER

The annual Novena at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Vancouver will take place June 5–13. Daily Mass and the Novena start at 7:30 PM. from June 5 - 12. Feast day Procession and Mass will start at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, June 13, followed by a Fiesta celebration. Fr. Emmerich Vogt (as seen on EWTN) will be the celebrant from June 10 - 12, and visiting priests from the diocese will celebrate all other Masses. For more info., please call St. Anthony of Padua's Parish Office, (604) 266 6131.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Nov. 26 to Dec. 9, 2017. Information meeting and greet our chaplain for the pilgrimage, Fr. David Franco FSSP, Assistant Pastor at Holy Family Parish, 4851 Beatrice Street, Vancouver. Meeting after the 9 AM. Mass on Saturday, June 10. Contact Susan Kotnik, Orbis Catholicus Travel at (604)465 6911 or e-mail susankotnik@gmail.com for further information.

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Misa en Español: Domingos a las 6:30 PM
Confesiones en Español: Mier, Jue y Vier 11:45 AM y 4:45 PM.
Rosario en Español: Domingos a las 6:05 PM.
 Escríbenos a nuestro email:
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LA ASCENSIÓN DEL SEÑOR

Recibiréis la fuerza del Espíritu Santo, que vendrá sobre vosotros, y seréis mis testigos en Jerusalén, en toda Judea y Samaria, y hasta los confines de la tierra" (Hch 1, 8). Con estas palabras, Jesús se despidió de los Apóstoles... Inmediatamente después, el autor sagrado añade que "fue elevado en presencia de ellos, y una nube le ocultó a sus ojos" (Hch 1, 9). Es el misterio de la Ascensión, que hoy celebramos solemnemente. Pero ¿qué nos quieren comunicar la Biblia y la liturgia diciendo que Jesús "fue elevado"? El sentido de esta expresión no se comprende a partir de un solo texto, ni siquiera de un solo libro del Nuevo Testamento, sino en la escucha atenta de toda la Sagrada Escritura. En efecto, el uso del verbo "elevar" tiene su origen en el Antiguo Testamento, y se refiere a la toma de posesión de la realeza. Por tanto, la Ascensión de Cristo significa, en primer lugar, la toma de posesión del Hijo del hombre crucificado y resucitado de la realeza de Dios sobre el mundo.

Pero hay un sentido más profundo, que no se percibe en un primer momento. En la página de los Hechos de los Apóstoles se dice ante todo que Jesús "fue elevado" (Hch 1, 9), y luego se añade que "ha sido llevado" (Hch 1, 11). El acontecimiento no se describe como un viaje hacia lo alto, sino como una acción del poder de Dios, que introduce a Jesús en el espacio de la proximidad divina. La presencia de la nube que "lo ocultó a sus ojos" (Hch 1, 9) hace referencia a una antiquísima imagen de la teología del Antiguo Testamento, e inserta el relato de la Ascensión en la historia de Dios con Israel, desde la nube del Sinaí y sobre la tienda de la Alianza en el desierto, hasta la nube luminosa sobre el monte de la Transfiguración. Presentar al Señor envuelto en la nube evoca, en definitiva, el mismo misterio expresado por el simbolismo de "sentarse a la derecha de Dios".

En el Cristo elevado al cielo el ser humano ha entrado de modo inaudito y nuevo en la intimidad de Dios; el hombre encuentra, ya para siempre, espacio en Dios. El "cielo", la palabra cielo no indica un lugar sobre las estrellas, sino algo mucho más osado y sublime: indica a Cristo mismo, la Persona divina que acoge plenamente y para siempre a la humanidad, Aquel en quien Dios y el hombre están inseparablemente unidos para siempre. El estar el hombre en Dios es el cielo. Y nosotros nos acercamos al cielo, más aún, entramos en el cielo en la medida en que nos acercamos a Jesús y entramos en comunión con él. Por tanto, la solemnidad de la Ascensión nos invita a una comunión profunda con Jesús muerto y resucitado, invisiblemente presente en la vida de cada uno de nosotros.

- Benedicto XVI
 Mayo 24, 2009

MUSIC NOTES

Cathedral Organist & Music Director
 Denis Bédard (604) 322 5995
Assistant Organist & Music Administrator
 Catherine Walsh (604) 222 8072

MUSIC PROGRAMME FOR THE 11:00 AM MASS Sunday, May 28, 2017

Organ Prelude: March in D major - A. GUILMANT
Kyrie, Sanctus, Agnus Dei: Missa Parva
 - G. MUTTER
Offertory: Jubilate Deo (Choir) - O. LASSUS
Communion:
 1. O Rex Gloriam (Quartet) - L. MARENZIO
 2. Chorale "Blessed Jesus, we are here" (Organ) - J. S. BACH
 3. Gaudet in Coelis (Choir) - T. L. VICTORIA
Organ Postlude:
 Tocatta on "Deo Gratias" - R. K. BIGGS

MUSIC PREVIEW FOR June 4, 2017

Missa L'Hora Passa - L. DA VIADANA
 Sequence: Holy Spirit, Lord Divine
 Veni Creator - Gregorian Chant
 O Lux Beatissima - H. HELVEY
 Organ music by D. BUXTEHUDE & N. DE GRIGNY

P Ó-pu-lus Si-on, * ec-ce Dó-minus vé-ni- et



P A R I S H L I F E

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 2:00 PM. Preparation classes are held on the second Saturday of each month. Please call the Cathedral office to find out more.

MARRIAGES

Bookings should be made at least six months in advance. Couples please contact the Cathedral office for information.

ALTAR SERVERS

The Cathedral has a team of dedicated servers who are scheduled to help at specific Masses. Help is needed at weekday Masses too. Contact: Fr. Pablo Santa Maria (604) 682 6774 ext. 0

CATHEDRAL BELL RINGERS

A skilled and dedicated team of bell ringers rings our eight bells by hand. New ringers, experienced or not, are welcome always. Practices are held on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. Visit www.vscr.ca

CATHEDRAL GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop aims to be open before and after the noon, and evening weekday Masses, Sunday morning and evening Masses, & is staffed by a crew of dedicated ladies. Thank you for your support.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League of Canada is a national organization, rooted in Gospel values, which calls its members to holiness through service to the people of God. We organize a wide variety of spiritual and social events and good works. Please contact Sarah Parry: sarahisobelparry@gmail.com

CHURCH CARE & CLEANING

The sanctuary is given a thorough cleaning every Tuesday morning, 9 - 11 AM, and on the last Saturday of each month. More hands are needed. Contact the parish office at office@vancouvercathedral.com

USHERS & GREETERS

Help is needed to distribute bulletins, take up the collection, welcome all who come to Mass and generally be ready to serve with a smile! Contact: Gilda Penfold, Email: gilda9488@gmail.com

CHOIRS

Three choirs offer a variety of music repertoires to enrich our prayer experience. Find out which of our choirs is right for you. Contact: Catherine Walsh at (604) 222 8072 .

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are a regular at the parish and live by the principles of a faith-filled Catholic, this ministry may be your calling. Lay members help with the distribution of the Eucharist when additional help is required. Please contact Shirley Wang, (604) 879 8295.

HRC YOUNG ADULTS

HRC Young Adults is the Cathedral's young adult group. We welcome Catholics in their 20's - 30's to join us as we cultivate our faith and create friendships through fellowship as well as educational and service opportunities. Contact: hrcyoungadults@gmail.com <http://facebook.com/hrcyoungadults>

LECTORS

The sacramental celebration of the Word of God is a proclamation which must enlighten the minds of the listeners and inspire them in the journey towards God. New lectors welcome. For more information please contact David Cuan by e-mail: lector.hrc@gmail.com

HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ. It aims to provide Christian pastoral support for personal renewal. Contact: Grace Inonog, graceaka44@yahoo.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The K of C a fraternal benefit society founded on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity. For more information please contact: Grand Knight James Faulkner, (778) 881 1937 or holyrosary.Council14652@gmail.com

LEGION OF MARY

The men & women of the Legion are a well-established organization in the parish. They serve in all areas of parish life as greeters, ushers and prayer leaders. They also make house visits to visit the sick, pray the rosary and evangelize. Rufina Amandiz, (604) 325 9921 .

HISPANIC COMMUNITY

The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish-speaking community in our parish. If you would like to get involved please contact: comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com

COMMUNION AND LIBERATION

An ecclesial movement whose purpose is the education to Christian maturity of its adherents and collaboration in the mission of the Church in all the spheres of contemporary life. Learn more at clonline.org or contact us at communionliberationvancouver@gmail.com