**Latin Candlemas, Feb. 2**
On Friday, February 2nd there will be a special Latin Mass at 6:30 pm for the Feast of the Purification, also known as Candlemas.

**2024 Offering envelope Boxes**
2024 Offering Envelope Boxes are available for pick up from the entrance of the Cathedral. Please make sure that the box you are taking home has your name on it and not just your old number. Some of the names may have changed number this year. It’s very important to confirm the name on the box and not just the old envelope box number to avoid unnecessary confusion.

If you currently do not use envelopes and would like a box for 2024 please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

**2023 Tax receipts**
2023 Tax receipts will be mailed out in February. If you recently moved, please contact the parish office to update your mailing address so that we can send your tax receipt to the correct address. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Cathedral over the past year both materially and in prayer.

**Seminary Vocation Live-in**
There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of February 10—11 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604 826 8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

**World day of the sick Mass, February 10**
The Catholic Church marks the annual World Day of the Sick on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11. Archbishop Miller will celebrate a Mass for World Day of the Sick on Saturday, February 10 at 11 AM at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Vancouver. Reception to follow, all are welcome. Please keep the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

**Pro-Life Mass and Prayer Vigil**
Join us for a monthly Mass and vigil to pray for respect for all human life, from conception to its natural end. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver, it takes place on the first Saturday of each month at 9 AM (8:30 AM in April). It begins with Mass, followed by the rosary and other prayers either at a church with Adoration or at a local hospital. All are welcome! The next Mass and Vigil takes place on Saturday, February 3 at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Vancouver at 9 AM.

**Cathedral Office hours**
Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM and 1 - 4 PM.
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DEVI OTIONS & SPIRITUAL LIFE
Sunday Vespers and Benediction: 5:30 PM
First Friday devotions to the Sacred Heart: After 6:30 PM Latin Mass
Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 11:40 AM & 4:40 PM
Adoration: Fridays from 12:45 PM to 3:30 PM

CATHEDRAL LIFE

BAPTISMS
Baptisms are held on most Sundays at 2:30 PM. Baptism are for Cathedral parishioners or those who live in the boundaries of the Cathedral. 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.

MUSIC & CHOIRS AT THE CATHEDRAL
Please contact music director, Catherine Walsh at catherine.organist@gmail.com for more info.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
For more info, please contact: Father Stanley Galvon.

HRC YOUNG ADULTS
Contact: hrcyoungadults@gmail.com; http://facebook.com/hrcyoungadults

LATIN MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL
At the Cathedral we have a Traditional Mass community. Masses on Friday (6:30 PM) and Sundays (4 PM). Coordinator: Daniel Chan.

Catholic Women’s League
Contact Jane Rosenthal at janemrose@telus.net.

Legion of Mary
If you would like to get involved please contact Ave, (778)896 0649.

Altar Ministry
The Cathedral has a team of dedicated men who serve at specific Masses. To become an Altar Server or a reader please contact the Master of Ceremonies, Fr. Santa Maria: psantamaria@rcav.org

Handmaids of the Lord
This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ Info. Grace Inonog: grace.inonog@yahoo.com

Hispanic Community
The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish-speaking community in our parish: comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com

Cathedral Bell Ringers
Our eight bells are rung by hand by a dedicated band of bell ringers. Visit www.vscr.ca for more info.

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD
The Sunday of the Word of God, instituted by Pope Francis and to be held every year on the third Sunday of Ordinary Time, reminds us, pastors and faithful alike, of the importance and value of Sacred Scripture for the Christian life, as well as the relationship between the word of God and the liturgy: “As Christians, we are one people, making our pilgrim way through history, sustained by the Lord, present in our midst, who speaks to us and nourishes us. A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the Risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers. For this reason, we need to develop a closer relationship with Sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, inflicted as we are by so many forms of blindness”.

Through the proclaimed biblical readings in the liturgy, God speaks to his people and Christ himself proclaims his Gospel: Christ is the centre and fullness of all Scripture, both the Old and New Testaments. Listening to the Gospel, the high point of the Liturgy of the Word, is characterised by a special veneration, expressed not only by gestures and acclamations, but by the Book of the Gospels itself.

The Sunday of the Word of God is also a fitting occasion to deepen the link between Sacred Scripture and the Liturgy of the Hours, the praying of the Psalms and Canticles of the Office, as well as the biblical readings. This can be done by promoting the community celebration of Lauds and Vespers.

Among the many Saints, all of whom witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Saint Jerome can be proposed as an example because of the great love he had for the word of God. As Pope Francis has recalled, he was a “tireless [...] scholar, translator and exegete. [He had a] profound knowledge of the Scriptures, and zeal for making their teaching known. [...] In his attentive listening to the Scriptures, Jerome came to know himself and to find the face of God and of his brothers and sisters. He was also confirmed in his attraction to community life”.

The purpose of this Note is to help reawaken, in the light of the Sunday of the Word of God, an awareness of the importance of Sacred Scripture for our lives as believers, beginning with its resonance in the liturgy which places us in living and permanent dialogue with God. “God’s word, listened to and celebrated, above all in the Eucharist, nourishes and inwardly strengthens Christians, enabling them to offer an authentic witness to the Gospel in daily life”. From the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 17 December 2020.

CARDINAL ROBERT SARAH
Former Prefect of the Congregation of Divine Worship
Source: https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/it/

At the Cathedral we want to help you further appreciate the living Word of God; we celebrate Vespers every Sunday and offer Bible study courses. Please visit the Cathedral website for more information.