

# CATHEDRAL NEWS

## Christmas at the Cathedral

### DECEMBER 24: CHRISTMAS EVE

4 PM Vigil Mass in English  
6:30 PM Vigil Mass in Spanish and English  
9 PM Latin Mass for Christmas  
11:15 PM Christmas Concert  
**12 Midnight: Pontifical Midnight Mass  
with the Archbishop**

### THURSDAY DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM,  
4 PM (Latin), 6:30 PM (Spanish) & 8 PM  
5:30 PM Vespers for Christmas  
There will be no confessions on Christmas Day

### 2025 TAX RECEIPTS

All donations for tax receipting year 2025 **must be physically received by the Cathedral office by December 31, 2025**, for donors to receive a 2025 tax receipt. All 2025 tax receipts will be mailed out in February 2026.

### 2026 OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES

2026 Offering Envelope Boxes will be available for pick up from the entrance to the Cathedral on December 21. **Please do not use old envelopes from previous years in 2026.** If you currently do not use envelopes and would like a box for 2026 please contact the office.

### CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

**DECEMBER 24: 10 AM -12 PM & 1 - 3 PM**

**DECEMBER 25 - 26: CLOSED**

**DECEMBER 29, 30, 31: 10 AM -12 PM & 1 - 3 PM**

**JANUARY 1 - 2: CLOSED**

Regular office hours  
will resume on January 5

### NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

On New Year's Eve, December 31 we will have Masses at 7:15 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:10 PM. After the 5:10 PM Mass the Archbishop will celebrate First Vespers for the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God and chant the *Te Deum* for the plenary indulgence. At 11 PM there will be a Holy Hour to bring in the New Year. We will pray the *Te Deum* and the *Veni Creator* for those who would like to get the indulgences attached to those prayers. **On Thursday, January 1 we will follow the Sunday Mass schedule.**

### BOY'S CLOTHING NEEDED

Do you have boys clothing in good condition - Size 12 months to 2 years that you can donate? Winter items are much needed. Please call the Birthright Vancouver Office to arrange drop off. (604)-687-7223 — 1107-207 West Hastings Street, Van. BC. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

Please visit our website and follow our  
social media accounts.  
**@holyrosarycathedral**



## VENITE ADOREMUS DOMINUM



DECEMBER 21, 2025 | IV SUNDAY IN ADVENT

**CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY**

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# W E L C O M E T O T H E C A T H E D R A L !

## CATHEDRAL OFFICE INFORMATION

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**Groundskeepers:** Peter Dziuk & Rolando Dauz | **Security:** Rolando Dauz & Raghav Nagpal

## DEVOTIONS & 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



## C A T H E D R A L L I F E

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:psantamaria@rcav.org)

### HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ. Contact: Ruby, [ruby.asuncion14@gmail.com](mailto:ruby.asuncion14@gmail.com)

### HISPANIC COMMUNITY

The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish-speaking community in our parish: [comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com](mailto:comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com)

### CATHEDRAL BELL RINGERS

Our eight bells are rung by hand by a dedicated band of bell ringers. Visit [www.vscr.ca](http://www.vscr.ca) for more info.

Picture on Cover: Nativity Throne at the Cathedral 2024. PSMW © 2025



Archdiocese of Vancouver  
ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Every heart longs for hope. At Christmas, that longing is fulfilled in the child of Bethlehem — God Himself, who enters our story to remind us that we are never alone. "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14).

In that little child we see the reality of our own lives. We are vulnerable to loneliness, longing for love, searching for meaning. Yet it is precisely in our weakness that the Lord draws near with tender love and warmth.

The wonder of Christmas reminds us that God's glory shines through what is small and simple. May that beauty open our hearts to welcome Christ anew.

As we enter the final weeks of the Jubilee of Hope, I invite you to reflect on where you need hope most in your life. Christmas is the season of hope — when God reminds us that everything will be all right, that all things work together for good, because He draws near and remains with us. No matter how dark things may seem, the hope born in Bethlehem assures us that Christ's light will always prevail.

My friends, as we celebrate this season together, may the peace of Christ dwell in your heart. May His gift of hope bring light to your days. And may His love move you to serve Him with gratitude.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed and joyful Christmas.

 **Richard W. Smith**  
ARCHBISHOP OF VANCOUVER.



## Merry Christmas!

*From the priests and staff of the  
Cathedral we wish you  
and your family a very blessed  
Christmas!*

## CATHEDRAL CLERGY

**ARCHBISHOP**  
**RECTOR**  
**VICE RECTOR**  
**ASSISTANT PRIESTS**

Most Rev. Richard W. Smith  
Very Rev. Stanley Galvon  
Rev. Pablo Santa Maria, JCL  
Rev. Nicolas Tumbelaka  
Rev. Jose Thomas, OP  
Rev. Bonaventure Ukeh, JCD  
Rev. Anthony Diaz, CMF  
Rev. Mr. Zak Santiago  
Rev. Mr. Richard Chau

**DEACONS**

