

CATHEDRAL NEWS

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS, DEC. 12, 7PM

The Archbishop will celebrate a special Spanish Mass on Friday, December 12 at 7 PM to celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. All are welcome to attend. There will be no Latin Mass that Friday.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

For the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Monday December 8, the Mass Schedule is as follows: 7:15 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:10 PM and 6:30 PM. The 6:30 PM Mass will be a Sung Latin Mass.

RORATE MORNING MASS

On Saturday, December 13 at 5:30 AM there will be a special Candlelit Rorate Mass dedicated to Our Lady. This early Mass is a traditional Advent Devotion. All are welcome. Entry to the Cathedral will be from the side door.

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!

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

Join Archbishop Richard Smith for Mass at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Saturday, December 13 at 12:10 PM. We will begin with the Rosary at 11:40 AM and then follow with Mass.

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.



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.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

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

DECEMBER 25 - 26: CLOSED

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

JANUARY 1 - 2: CLOSED

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 5

CATHEDRAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM and 1 - 4:30 PM.
Phone: (604) 682 6774 ext. 0

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CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY

ARCHDIOCESE OF VANCOUVER



December 7, 2025
II Sunday in Advent

646 RICHARDS STREET, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, V6B 3A3

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



SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:10 PM anticipated Mass
Sunday 8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM in Latin
6:30 PM in Spanish, 8 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES

7:15 AM, 12:10 PM and 5:10 PM
Latin Mass: Fridays at 6:30 PM

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Sat. 11 to 11:45 AM & 4 to 4:45 PM
Sundays from 9 to 9:30 AM
Spanish Confessions: Sundays from 6 to 6:25 PM

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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



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. Contact: Ruby, ruby.asuncion14@gmail.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.

Picture on Cover: The Immaculate Conception, by Bartolome Murillo, Museo del Prado, Madrid
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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE STORY

One Saturday in early December 1531, Juan Diego was on his way to Mexico City to attend his catechism classes and to hear Holy Mass. When he reached the hill called Tepeyac, it was dawn and he heard a voice calling his name.

He climbed to the summit and saw a Lady of superhuman beauty, whose dress was as bright as the sun, who with very kind and attentive words said to him: "Juanito, the youngest of my children, I am the ever Virgin Mary, Mother of the true God, through whom one lives. I earnestly desire that a temple be built for me here, so that in it I may show and lavish all my love, compassion, help and defence on all the inhabitants of this land and on all those who call upon me and trust in me. Go to the Lord Bishop and tell him that I desire a temple in this plain. Go and put all your efforts into it".

On his return to his village Juan Diego met again with the Virgin Mary and explained to her what had happened. The Virgin asked him to go and speak to the bishop again the next day and repeat the message. This time the bishop, after hearing Juan Diego, told him that he should go and tell the Lady to give him some sign to prove that she was the Mother of God and that it was her will that a temple be built for her.

On his return, Juan Diego met Mary and told her the facts. The Virgin ordered him to return the next day to the same place, where she would give him the sign. The next day Juan Diego could not return to the hill because his uncle Juan Bernardino was very ill. In the early morning of the 12th of December Juan Diego left in a hurry to find a priest for his uncle, who was dying. When he reached the place where he was supposed to meet the Lady, he preferred to take another road to avoid her. Suddenly Mary came out to meet him and asked him where he was going.

Juan Diego was ashamed and explained to her what was happening. The Virgin told Juan Diego not to worry, that his uncle would not die and that he was already healthy. Then the Indian asked her for the sign to take to the bishop. Mary told him to go up to the top of the hill where he found fresh Castilian roses and putting on his tilma, he cut as many as he could and took them to the bishop.

Once before Monsignor Zumarraga Juan Diego unfolded his cloak, the roses fell to the ground and the tilma was painted with what is known today as the image of the Virgin of Guadalupe. Seeing this, the bishop took the holy image to the main church and built a hermitage in the place the Indian had pointed out.

Pius X proclaimed her "Patroness of all Latin America", Pius XI of all the "Americas", Pius XII called her "Empress of the Americas" and John XXIII "The Celestial Missionary of the New World" and "the Mother of the Americas".



Christmas

at the **Cathedral**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24

MORNING

7:15 AM & 12:10 PM

Confessions at 11 AM

EVENING OF 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