

CATHEDRAL NEWS

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES

2026 Offering Envelope Boxes are available for pick up from the entrance to the Cathedral. 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.

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!

THE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS

On February 2 the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that day is also called Candlemas. On that day please bring candles that you want blessed and after all Masses we will have them blessed.

CANDLEMAS LATIN MASS

On Monday February 2 we will have Mass and procession for the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 6:30 PM.

BLESSING OF THROATS, FEB.3

On Tuesday, February 3, the feast of St. Blaise, the custom is to bless the throats of the faithful. A priest will bless the throats of those who wish to receive the blessing after all Masses on that day.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK, FEBRUARY 11

On the memorial of Our Lady, Wednesday, February 11, the Church observes the World Day of the Sick, a day dedicated to prayer for those who are ill and for all who care for them. Archbishop Richard Smith will celebrate Mass on the World Day of the Sick at 11 AM at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Vancouver, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

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



January 18, 2026
II Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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

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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



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: hrc.youngadults@gmail.com; https://www.instagram.com/hrc.youngadults/

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.

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WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY

This coming week is the week to pray for Christian Unity. This is week is also sometimes called Ecumenical Week. But we must understand how this is truly lived: that true unity can only be found in the one Church established by Christ, not through conferences that place all communities on equal footing.

It bears remembering that the unity Christ desires for His followers already exists, perfectly and completely, in the one Church He established in communion with Peter. We do not need to create unity; we need to embrace the unity He has already given us.

Consider, the image of the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ. Just as our physical bodies have one head and many members working in harmony, so too does Christ’s Church possess a supernatural unity: one faith handed down from the apostles, one baptism into His death and resurrection, one visible structure with the successor of Saint Peter as shepherd. This is not merely our opinion or preference, this is Christ’s own design for the Church.

The Church speaks with a mother’s love when she teaches that outside her maternal embrace, salvation is not ordinarily found. This is not harshness but truth spoken in charity. The Church Fathers, the ecumenical councils, the saints throughout the ages have always reminded us of this reality. When the Church says this, she is like a mother calling her children home, knowing that within her household they will find the fullness of grace, the complete treasury of sacraments, and the sure path to eternal life.

We must guard against a temptation that seems charitable but ultimately harms souls, the temptation to think that our doctrinal differences don’t really matter, that we can set aside the truths Christ revealed for the sake of feeling united. We should be careful not to fall into a false unity suggesting that dogmas can be negotiated or that

revealed truth is somehow flexible. We will then not honour Christ but diminish Him. We imply that His revelation was incomplete, that His promises to guide His Church into all truth were insufficient.

This does not mean we approach our separated brethren with coldness or pride. True charity demands that we share the fullness of truth with them, that we invite them lovingly to come home to the Church Christ founded. We pray for them, we dialogue with respect, but we do not compromise the deposit of faith out of misguided politeness.

Saint John Paul II, taking the words of our Lord: *Ut Unum Sint, that they may all be one*, reminds us that the Church should always be working towards this charity.

Saint Paul drives this point further when he writes of “one Lord, one faith, one baptism.” He pleads with the Corinthians to have no divisions among them, to be united in the same mind and judgment. The early Church knew nothing of denominational pluralism as something acceptable or desirable. They knew the faith once delivered to the saints, preserved in apostolic succession, protected by the teaching authority Christ Himself established.

So what does true ecumenism look like in light of our tradition? It is the Church, with a mother’s constant prayer and tireless work, calling her separated children home. It is inviting our Protestant brethren to discover the ancient faith of the Church Fathers. It is helping our Orthodox brethren to complete the journey back to full communion with the See of Peter. It is doing all this while preserving intact, like a sacred trust, the deposit of faith received from the apostles.

This is not triumphalism but humble fidelity to Christ’s will. We did not invent this Church; we received her. We cannot alter her teachings to suit modern sensibilities any more than we can change the Gospel itself. But we can, with charity, invite all Christians to experience the joy of full communion, the security of definitive teaching, the abundance of sacramental grace that flows from Christ’s one Church.