CATHEDRAL NEWS

MUSIC NOTES , NOVEMBER 1, 11 AM MASS

We are delighted to welcome German exchange student and trumpeter Ferdinand Nierenz, who joins The Holy Rosary Quartet for today's Solemnity of All Saints. The musical selections feature sacred masterworks by Thomas Tallis, Maurice Greene, Charles Gounod, and Lodovico Viadana.

ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY, NOV. 4

On Wednesday, November 4 at 12:10 PM all are welcome to attend this special Mass celebrated by the Archbishop and the priests of the Archdiocese remembering the deceased priests that have labored in the Archdiocese.

THE SORROWFUL MOTHER CHAPLET

The month of September has ended but we still have available at the Cathedral Gift Shop the Sorrowful Mother chaplet. For Gift Shop inquiries, please send an email to giftshop@holyrosarycathedral.org

NOVEMBER 2, LATIN MASS , 6:30PM

On November 2 we will have a special Latin Mass at 6:30 PM. with the choir & singers from the Chilliwack symphonic orchestra who will sing Mozart's requiem. All are welcome.



VOCATION LIVE-IN (SEMINARY DISCERNMENT)

There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of November 14-15 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 please contact by phone: 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca

MONDAY NIGHT YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join Holy Rosary Cathedral Young Adults for *When You Pray,* a 7-week study exploring the journey of prayer and how we can grow in our relationship with God. We begin on Monday, September 14 at 7 PM in Holy Rosary Hall and continue every Monday for seven weeks, excluding statutory holidays. Info: hrc.youngadults@gmail.com.

CATHEDRAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM & 1 - 4:30 PM

(604) 682 6774 ext. 0

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November 1, 2026

XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

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RECTOR	Very Rev. Stanley Galvon
VICE-RECTOR	Rev. Pablo Santa Maria, JCL
ASSISTANT PRIESTS	Rev. Nicolas Tumbelaka
	Rev. Bonaventure Ukeh, JCD
	Rev. Jose Thomas, OP
	Rev. Anthony Diaz, CMF
DEACONS	Rev. Mr. Zak Santiago
	Rev Mr. Richard Chau

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).

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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ALL SAINTS DAY RELICS

On All Saints Day, it is customary for churches to place their relics of the saints on public view in the sanctuary or at the altar. Relics are the physical remains of a saint's body or even clothing they have worn which become the object of our veneration or acts of holy respect. Their presence demonstrates that we are in a relationship with these heroes of our faith; they have left this world and entered the Kingdom, but they still remain close: we continue to enjoy their friendship and benefit from it. They pray for us and with us and hear the prayers we direct towards them. This is part of what we mean when we speak of "the communion of the saints" in the Creed.

The place of relics in the history and spirituality of the Catholic Church is often surprising to those who have not studied it before. In recent times, relics of saints have "gone on pilgrimage" themselves, being brought on tours around the world that have seen hundreds of thousands go to pray before them. In 2001, the reliquary of St. Therese of Lisieux came to Vancouver and created a remarkable impression on the local Church; later, relics of St. John Bosco and most recently St. Anthony have continued to express the closeness and compassion of the saints for the people of Vancouver.

But why do we honour their remains, now that they are living with Christ in heaven? Isn't that morbid? Not when we remember that the body too is created by God and is an integral part of the human person. The saints in heaven are awaiting the resurrection of the flesh when our bodies will be returned to us, glorious and beautiful, to share in eternal happiness. In the meantime, our funeral customs, rooted in Jesus' Resurrection, express the respect that we have for the bodies of all the dead and our own hopes for eternity.

But the bodies of the saints, the special friends of Christ, have always been honoured with religious care too. The Scriptures tell us how the disciples of St. John the Baptist retrieved his remains and buried them, according to Jewish custom. After the Resurrection of Our Lord, early Christians would often go to great risks to recover and bury the remains of the martyrs, who shed their blood for Christ. In keeping with Jewish practice, they would even gather up blood-stained earth and stones. Everything marked by the martyr's suffering became precious, both as evidence and sign. Their tombs in the catacombs or underground cemeteries became places of commemoration, inspiration and pilgrimage.

The early great Fathers of the Church, including Sts. Augustine, Ambrose, John Chrysostom and many others attest to many miracles, healings and other deeds of power that occurred through the veneration of the relics. The nearness of the saint was expressed and communicated to the believer through the relic before him. The miracles confirmed that the saints were dwelling in Eternity but concerned with us here below and that the human body is sanctified through the incarnation of Christ and the good works that express the virtues of a soul. And not even death itself could overcome such power.

In later centuries, the bodies of the saints began to be transferred to churches where they could be safely and conveniently honoured. Soon, every altar was consecrated with a fragment of a martyr's remains, as a link between the sacrifices of the first Christians and our churches and Masses today. And relics of later saints began to be cherished around the world in places that they had never known during their earthy lives.

As such, relics serve as powerful symbols of Christian life and instruments of our on-going communion between the saint (living in Christ) and the believer (living in the world).

In themselves, they may seem to be evidence of lifelessness and fragmentation, of change and even decay. But in the experience of the believer, they become the charged and dynamic signs of power, wholeness, continuity and transformed life.

