

April 2023



**Sacred Heart Parish
525 Campbell Avenue
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Mass: Sunday at 9:30am

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St. Tekakwitha Centre: 887 Keefer Street

Mass: Weekdays at 10am

St. Paul's Parish: 381 East Cordova Street

Mass: Sunday at 11:30am

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Highlights of the Month

As our Lenten journey comes to a close we prepare to follow Christ all the way to the cross and to witness His glorious Resurrection. Hopefully we have sacrificed and prayed so that we are now able to more fully reap the fruits of a well spent Lent. After our solemn commemoration of the last days and death of Our Lord we will spend the remainder of the month of April celebrating. As Spring breaks forth even nature will join us as buds and blooms begin to surface and we spend this month basking in the joy of the Resurrection. We continue throughout the entire month our cry, "Christ is risen, Christ is truly risen."

Wonderful people to remember in your prayers:

Amelia & Pietro Morlin, Anastasia Estropia & Family, Angela Calogero, Angelina Ciotti, Audrey Breaker, Darryl Halisky, Francesco (Antonella's father), George Macri, Irene Lapierre, Iolanda Minicucci, Jacob Legoff, James B., Lena Record, Maria Dos Santos, Mateo Carelse-Borzel, Mimi Yeung and her Mother, Raymond LaBoucane, Tessie Chin's Husband, the husband of Ursula, the family of Gloria, the mother of Jim

Happy Birthday to all with a birthday in March!

March 26th, we will celebrate all the March birthdays and anniversaries at the end of Mass.

Pope Francis' Lenten Quote 2023

Lenten penance is a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way to the cross.

This is precisely what Peter and the other disciples needed to do. To deepen our knowledge of the Master, to fully understand and embrace the mystery of his salvation, accomplished in total self-giving inspired by love, we must allow ourselves to be taken aside by him and to detach ourselves from mediocrity and vanity.

We need to set out on the journey, an uphill path that, like a mountain trek, requires effort, sacrifice and concentration.

- Pope Francis

Doctrine of Discovery' Is Not Catholic Teaching, Vatican Says

Two Vatican departments issued a joint statement Thursday on the "doctrine of discovery" and the dignity and rights due indigenous peoples. The statement said the legal concept of the "doctrine of discovery" is "not part of the teaching of the Catholic Church".

Sacred Heart Mass Intentions for April 2023

- 1st Joe & Deceased Members of the Family requested by Dinka (Wife)
- 2nd Antonio Facchin & Natalia Merlo requested by Casimira Facchin, Cynthis Bathgate Birthday requested by Lurlene Garcia (St. Paul's)
- 3rd Healing of Anne Dumlao (Fr. Al) Giuseppina Pulciani requested by Antonella Pulciani (Fr. Nestor)
- 4th Benilda Teliron
- 5th Vicente Castor
- 9th Gino & Teresa Pettovello requested by Sistilia Pettovello
- 10th Purisima Jaca
- 11th Gerald Audet requested by Gloria Boner
- 27th Safe Travel for Lurlene Garcia

All Masses will be for the Intention of the People of God, unless otherwise indicated in the above.

Every Sunday at 11am you are welcome to pray with the Legion of Mary in St. Kateri Tekakwitha Centre basement.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Mass.

1st Friday of the month the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all other Fridays the Stations of the Cross after the 10am Mass

Sacred Heart Parish News

- **No Parish Council Meeting** in April
- **April 3rd** – Pray for our past parishioner & seminarian, Luis Esquivel, as he prepares for priesthood.



Holy Week Schedule 2023

- **Holy Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Mass** (April 3rd, 4th & 5th) St. Kateri Centre at 10am
- **Holy Wednesday Chrism Mass** (April 5th) Holy Rosary Cathedral at 5pm with Archbishop Miller
- **Holy Thursday Mass** (April 6th) with Washing of Feet at 7pm
- **Good Friday** (April 7th) **Stations of the Cross** at 2pm & **Good Friday Service** at 3pm
- **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Celebrations** (April 8th) at 9pm (April 6th, 7th & 8th are joint celebrations for both Sacred Heart & St. Paul's at Sacred Heart)
- **Easter Sunday** April 9th Sacred Heart at 9:30am and St. Paul's at 11:30am
- **Joint Celebration Mass** on Sunday April 16th 9:30am in Sacred Heart (Fr. Nestor's Birthday)

HOLY WEEK
at the **CATHEDRAL**
with the
ARCHBISHOP

Palm Sunday, April 2 at 11 AM
Wednesday April 5, Chrism Mass at 5 PM

Holy Thursday, April 6:
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER at 7:30 PM

Good Friday, April 7:
SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE PASSION at 3 PM

Holy Saturday, April 8:
EASTER VIGIL at 9 PM

Easter Sunday, April 9: Mass at 11 AM

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Archdiocese News

April 2023 Events

- [Find Lenten Confession Times at a Parish Near You](#)
- [Prayer Through Holy Week](#)
- [Pontifical second Collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday April 7](#)
- Way of the Cross 2023 April 7 at 10am at Queen Elizabeth Park in Vancouver
- [The Call of the Catechist Webinar Series](#) (10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.)
 - The Spirituality of the Catechist April 11
 - Theological Reflection and the Catechist April 18
- [The Alpha Marriage Course April 14](#)
- [Retrouvaille Weekend April 14 – 16](#)
- 8th Annual Fundraising Spring Gala of the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary on April 21, at 6:00 p.m. at the Italian Cultural Centre \$120 per person. For more information and to register, please contact karen_allaye_chan@hotmail.com
- March 9th to April 20th (Thursday's) – Bereavement Training Program
- [Padre Pio Prayer Group Catechesis Meeting every first Saturday of the month until July 2023 at 9 a.m.](#)

To view more about these and upcoming events, visit beholdvancouver.org/events.

Support for Displaced Ukrainians Settling in the Lower Mainland

Arrange to drop off donations at the nearest Ukrainian Catholic Church or contact: uahelp.ca

Easter Blessing

Creator God and Lord of Life, You who call forth from the darkness of death all those who love You, we rejoice, on this Easter Sunday, in the resurrection from the dead of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Visit our home and our table with Your bright blessing of peace and life.