

October 2023



**Sacred Heart Parish
525 Campbell Avenue
Vancouver, BC
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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

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7.

Highlights of the Month

October, the Liturgy does not focus on one particular mystery of Christ but views the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. We follow the life of Christ through the Gospels and focus on the teachings and parables of Jesus and what it means for each of us to be a follower of Christ.

All Hallows' Eve or Halloween heralds the month of November with emphasis on the Communion of Saints, especially the Church Suffering (the Poor Souls in Purgatory) and the second coming of Christ or Parousia. This last day of October on the secular calendar is second only to Christmas in commercial preparations. The Christian focus is on the Communion of Saints and the Last Things. As Christians living a "Catholic Culture", we can try to explore the Christian roots of the Halloween festivities.

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-Borzell, 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 & Anniversary to all celebrating a special day in October!

**Project Advance 2023: Empowering our Parish
Vision**

Your support of Project Advance will help grow your parish and expand the reach of Christ's love to those who need it most. It will fund initiatives such as pastoral formation, youth and young adult ministries, outreach programs for the vulnerable and in need, and the construction of new Catholic schools.

Tax-deductible donations can be made in person at our parish or online. Legacy gifts are also appreciated. Learn more and donate at projectadvance.ca.

Please consider making a gift to Project Advance 2023. Every gift, regardless of its size, makes a difference.

**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation,
September 30**

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour Survivors of residential schools and those who support them. In a special way, we remember the children that never returned home. We recognize this painful history and, as a Catholic community, acknowledge our involvement in the residential school system. On this day, we pray, educate and advocate, looking for opportunities to discern how each one of us can participate in the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope. Resources, including Archbishop's message and Prayers of the Faithful, are available at rcav.org/ndtr.

Sacred Heart Mass Intentions for October 2023

October 1 - Sr. Linalfonsa Piovesan and Deceased Members of the Piovesan Family requested by Amelia Morlin

October 2 – Audrey Alberts requested by Gloria Boner

October 3 – Gregory & Janice requested by Gloria Boner

October 6 - Maria Rosario Martin requested by Lurlene Garcia

October 7 - Conrad Vincent Baltazar requested by Lurlene.

October 8 - Facchin's Family requested by Rossi Facchin

October 22 - Birthday of Edgar Stephen Baltazar requested by Lurlene.

October 29 - Georgianna Tubola and Esenna Rebose requested by Lurlene.

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 at Sacred Heart.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Mass.

The kitchen in Kateri Centre is being upgraded to accommodate the new charity work of the Mary Magdalene's Table. The usual daily Masses will temporarily be moved to Sacred Heart Church.

Every Wednesday after the 10am Mass, those who attended the Mass gather for snacks and a little sharing of reflections on the reading or any other topic of interest. You may bring a little snack that you wish to share with the group. This is a very informal gathering.

1st Friday of the month after the 10am Mass we have a Holy Hour with Benediction, all other Fridays the Stations of the Cross after the 10am Mass.

Sacred Heart Parish News

- **No Parish Council Meetings for October**
 - Parish Council Members are requested to put into writing suggestions of what we as Parish might be able to do to enhance the faith life of our Parishioners.
 - All Parish Council and parish members that were involved with the 2020 Future Parish Development (School-Rectory) discussions should attend the next parish council meeting on Nov 12th.
- **October 8th - Parish Bake Sale**
- **October 14th - Our Lady of Fatima Procession 9:30am and Mass 10:00am**
- **October 29th - Birthdays and Anniversaries Greetings/Blessing and Snacks.** Please sign up at the back of the church if you can bring something.
- **Sunday collections:**
 - Sept 3rd - \$592.20
 - Sept 10th - \$1,008.46
 - Sept 17th - \$2,116.94
 - Sept 24th - \$750.00
- **Fr. Al is staying in the OMI Pandosy House near St. Augustine Church to recuperate.** If you wish to call him: 778-868-7120
- **We need volunteers to clean around the church property,** mow/cut the grass etc.
- **Any parishioner who has experience with fluorescent lamps** to contact Father Nestor.

Archdiocese News

October 2023 Events - To view more about these and many more upcoming events, visit beholdvancouver.org/events

- [John Paul II's Theology of the Body Course - every other Thursday evening beginning Oct. 5 and ending Nov. 16 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Cost is \\$100. Register online at \[beholdvancouver.org/events\]\(https://beholdvancouver.org/events\)](#)
- [Retrouvaille Weekend - Marriage Help - one weekend retreat on Oct. 13-15 and six Sunday afternoon follow-up sessions, For confidential information or to register, please contact Retrouvaille Vancouver at 604-530-6710 / \[vancouverbc@helpourmarriage.org\]\(mailto:vancouverbc@helpourmarriage.org\), or visit \[helpmymarriage.ca\]\(https://helpmymarriage.ca\).](#)
- [Silent Weekend Retreat: "An Introduction to the Devout Life" by St. Francis de Sales - October 27-29 \(Friday evening - Sunday lunch\) at Westminster Abbey in Mission, BC. Cost is \\$165. Registration deadline: Sunday, October 15. Learn more and register at \[beholdvancouver.org/events\]\(https://beholdvancouver.org/events\).](#)
- [Magnificat Prayer Luncheon - Saturday, October 28, 11:00 a.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Registration deadline: Friday, October 20. Learn more and register at \[beholdvancouver.org/events\]\(https://beholdvancouver.org/events\)](#)
- [Couples Retreat by Worldwide Marriage Encounter - October 27 to 29, at Carmel Hill Retreat Centre in Deroche. Learn more and register at \[beholdvancouver.org/events\]\(https://beholdvancouver.org/events\)](#)
- [The Twelfth Annual Archbishop's Dinner - On Thursday, November 9, 6:00 p.m. at Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. Learn more and register at \[rcav.org/dinner2023\]\(https://rcav.org/dinner2023\).](#)
- [The Men's Retreat 2023 in Rockridge Canyon in Princeton, B.C., September 29 to October 1](#)
- [Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - June 28 to July 7, 2024. This extraordinary pilgrimage is proudly sponsored by BestOUR, a trusted name in guiding pilgrims through the Holy Land for three decades. Limited group of 50 participants on this once-in-a-lifetime journey. Secure your seat now by contacting us at \[amerguide@gmail.com\]\(mailto:amerguide@gmail.com\) or calling +972-52-6903169 \(Please note that Israel is +10 hours ahead of Pacific Time\).](#)

Support for Displaced Ukrainians Settling in the Lower Mainland - Arrange to drop off donations at the nearest Ukrainian Catholic Church or contact: uahelp.ca

Email Fraud Warning

The Archdiocese has received multiple reports from parishioners and priests who have fallen victim to a recent Internet phishing scam. Imposters, posing as priests and using email addresses that are similar to those of our priests, have been emailing people asking for personal donations, gift cards, and other forms of financial assistance.

Never respond to emails requesting Google Play cards, iTunes cards, or any other form of personal financial assistance, even if it appears to be from a priest, deacon, religious, parish staff or bishop. If you have any doubt, please contact the sender by other means to verify any requests.

Blessing

When a man's ways please the Lord, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. *Proverbs 16:7*