

#### **Church of the Annunciation**

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# Jan. 15, 2023 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" —John 1:29-32

### <u>Annunciation Mass</u> <u>Schedule & Intentions</u>

Mon Jan 16 @ 8am

Tue Jan 17 @ 8am For Nguyen's Family Intentions

Wed Jan 18 @7pm

Thurs Jan 19 @ 8am

Fri Jan 20 @ 8am

Sat Jan 21 @ 5pm

Sun Jan 22 @ 10am OUR PARISHIONERS



### **Parish Activities**

**Exposition & International Rosary:** First Friday of the month @ 7:00 pm Mass followed by Exposition and Rosary.

Rosary: Saturday @ 10:15 am.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Every Wednesday evening @ 6:30 pm before Mass.

<u>Catholic Women's League</u>: Please check out our national website: cwl.ca and provincial: bcyukoncwl.com.

**Confessions:** 30 mins before weekday and weekend mass or by appointment.

**Baptism**: Call the office for appt. with Fr. Terry.

**Matrimony**: Please contact Fr. Terry at least 6 months in advance.

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation**: Congratulations to our Sacrament of Confirmation candidates and their families last June 17, 2022.

**Alleluia.** Alleluia. The Word became flesh and lived among us. To all who received him, he gave the power to become children of God. **Alleluia.** 



# **Sacramental Registration Now OPEN:**

Registration for **First Reconciliation**, **Holy Communion** and **Confirmation** are now open. Registration forms are <u>due by the end of January</u>. Registration forms can be found at the office, or requested by email: annunciation@citywest.ca

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST:**

**Date: January 15,2023:** Following the 10:00am Mass in the Gathering Center. The Knights of Columbus are serving up a delicious pancake breakfast with scrambled eggs, sausages or ham, juice and hot coffee.



Adults—\$10.00 Children 6-12—\$5.00 Children under 6—free. Families—\$20.00

"Practicing forgiveness not only saves families from divisiveness, but makes them capable of helping society to be less heartless and less cruel. Yes, each act of forgiveness fixes the cracks in the house and strengthens its walls." — Pope Francis, General Audience, November 4, 2015

"Forgiving, however, is not an easy thing, it is always very difficult. How can we imitate Jesus? From what point do we begin to pardon the small and great wrongs that we suffer each day? First of all, beginning with prayer, as St. Stephen did. We begin with our own heart: with prayer we are able to face the resentment we feel, by entrusting to God's mercy those who have wronged us: 'Lord, I ask you for him, I ask you for her.'"— Pope Francis, Angelus, December 26, 2015

"Indeed, true witnesses are those who act as He [St. Stephen] did: those who pray, who love, who give, but above all those who forgive, because forgiveness, as the word itself says, is the highest expression of giving."

— Pope Francis, Angelus, December 26, 2015

# Saint Memorials this Week

### January 17 — St. Anthony the Great

Saint Anthony, the Father of monks, was born in Egypt in 251 of pious parents who departed this life while he was yet young. On hearing the words of the Gospel: "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to [the] poor" (Matt. 19:21), he immediately put it into action. Distributing to the poor all he had, and fleeing from all the turmoil of the world, he departed to the desert.

His time as a hermit is marked by sacrifice, austerity and solitude. He is said to have faced great struggles with the Devil who sought his ruin showing him what he could have done had he remained in the world. To these temptations he responded with penance and fasting. Anthony died in 356 living into his hundreds with vigor and good health that he attributed to living by faith in complete commitment to God.

## January 21 — St. Agnes

Saint Agnes of Rome was born in 291 AD and raised in a Christian family. She is a martyr from the early Church in Rome. Though she was only a young girl when she faced death, her devotion to her faith is an example to all of us as we face adversity. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. Her hand in marriage was highly sought after, and she had many high ranking men chasing after her. However, Agnes made a promise to God never to stain her purity. Her love for the Lord was great and she hated sin even more than death!

Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse."

Novena Prayer to Saint Agnes

Dearest St. Agnes, our courageous patron, although you were only a child, you believed that Jesus was always with you; help us to remember that He is also with us, and to remain true to His presence.

You refused to give up your faith; help us to be proud of our faith, to love it, to be strong in it, and to give witness to it daily.

Patron saint of children, watch over the children of this parish and those of the whole world; keep them safe from harm, be with them in their hour of need, and pray for them always.

St. Agnes, Pray for Us. Amen.



#### **Mass Schedule for Lectors and Psalmists**

Mass Date	Time	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader, Pray- ers of the Faithful	Psalmist	Ciborium	Ushers
Jan 21, 2023	5:00 pm	Noreen Carignan Mimmo Ciccone	Lorraine Zuzarte	Michael Turla	Brianne & Patty
Jan 22, 2023	10:00 am	Chris Colussi Laura Esposito	Andrea Dantas	Giselda Bidese	Jocelyn Hortel

# **Saturday Morning Bible Study with Fr Terry:**



Formed has a series on St. Matthew's Gospel: <u>Bible Study</u>: The Gospel of Matthew - FORMED. We will follow as best we can the journey of Christ, his birth, life, death and Resurrection. During these weeks we will have a few Sundays of ordinary time, then Lent. We will end the series (during Lent) with the Resurrection Story, week 10.

**Date:** Every Saturday from Jan 14 to Mar 18 (10 weeks)

**Time:** 9:30am-10:30am

Where: Downstairs at Annunciation Church in the

Meeting Room

\*DATE CHANGE: 2ND WEEK WILL BE HELD ON

FRIDAY FROM 6:30-7:30PM (JAN 20)



