



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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St. Joseph the Worker Parish acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x'məθk'ayəm (Musqueam) People.

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St. Joseph the Worker School

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Principal — Jamie Withers -
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The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20 2026

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday 20th

Is.55.6-9; Phil.1.20-24,27;
Mt.20.1-16.

Monday 21st

Eph.4.1-7,11-13; Mt.9.9-13.

Tuesday 22nd

Prv.21.1-6,10-13; Lk.8.19-21.

Wednesday 23rd

Prv.30.5-9; Lk.9.1-6.

Thursday 24th

Eccl.1.2-11; Lk.9.7-9.

Friday 25th

Eccl.3.1-11; Lk.9.18-22.

Saturday 26th

Rv.7.9-17; 2 Cor.4.7-15; Lk.9.23-26 or Jn.12.24-26.

Next Sunday 27th

Ez.18.25-28; Phil.2.1-11 or Phil.2.1-5; Mt.21.28-32.

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays to Fridays
9:00 am

SATURDAYS

Saturdays 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturdays 5:30 pm * &
Sundays 8:00 am; 9:30 am*,
11:15 am & 1:00 pm.

* LIVESTREAM MASSES

CHILDREN'S MASSES

Every Sunday at 9:30 am.

All are Welcome! All Belong!

PARISH OFFICE

Telephone: 604-277-8353

Email: parish.stjw@rcav.org

Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday: 9:15am - 4:30 pm

Saturday - Sunday: Closed

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 12:30 pm, before morning Mass
Wednesdays or by appointment. For appointments,
call the Parish Office at 604 277 8353.

BAPTISMS

Parents seeking baptisms for their children, please
contact the parish office – parish.stjw@rcav.org or tel.
604 277 8353.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office at least 6 months in
advance – parish.stjw@rcav.org or tel. 604 277 8353.

NEW TO THE PARISH

Welcome to all who worship with us today!

If you would like to register with our parish, please see
one of our team in the Gathering Space at Sunday
Masses or complete our registration form at <https://stjworker.ca/resources/>

FAITH FORMATION

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (AGES 18 TO 40)

For Updates, follow:

Young Adult Instagram @stjoes_yam.

For more information contact Derek Hume at
stjworker.ym@gmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

Pre Teen Ministry (Grade 5-7) on the first Thursday of
every month from 7:00-8:30 pm. Any Questions?
Please don't hesitate to contact Derek Hume or
Raynell Gutierrez at stjworker.ym@gmail.com

Teen Ministry (Grade 8-12) Tuesdays from 7:00–9:00
pm in the school and First Sunday of each month from
2:30–4:30 pm (following the 1:00 pm Mass).

Any Questions? Please don't hesitate to contact
Derek Hume or Raynell Gutierrez at
stjworker.ym@gmail.com

Watch our social media for updates

LGBT FAMILIES

Have you a son, daughter, or another family member
who identifies as gay, lesbian, bisexual or
transgendered? Are you struggling to be a supportive
father or mother, brother or sister, of your LGBT loved
one? Meetings are held every 3rd Thursday of the
month at 7 p.m. Contact Stephanie Nomellini for
questions: stephnomellini@gmail.com.

MINISTRIES

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

ARE YOU SOMEONE WHO... Has questions about
the Catholic faith? Has expressed an interest in
becoming Catholic?

Our accompaniment process offers an opportunity
for adults to come together in a small group to learn
more about the Christian Catholic faith, with the
invitation to prepare for adult baptism and initiated
into the Catholic Church. Sessions focus on the
teachings and experience of Church where you are
welcome to participate in the process with your
questions, your insights and your faith story in a
warm accepting setting. Our weekly sessions begin
on **Wednesday, September 16th**. For information,
please contact Chelsea Martorella at 604-275-2064
or by email: stjw.rcia@rcav.org.

GET CONNECTED! GET INVOLVED!

Faith Formation

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Grades K-7

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PARISH NEWS & UPDATES

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Grief can feel overwhelming, and no one should have to walk through it alone. Our parish offers a bereavement support group offering a safe, faith-filled space to share, reflect, and find hope with others who understand the experience of loss. For more information, please contact: Laura Carandang - 604-277-8353 / pa.stjw@rcav.org

PARISH REIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration is now open for P.R.E.P for the 2026 - 27 school year. Classes will begin in September 2026. Fees can be paid by e-transfer to stjw.administrator@rcav.org or by cash, card or cheque at the parish office during regular hours, or on the first day of classes in September. Registration Packages available from the Parish Office.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

ADULT FAITH BIBLE STUDY:

Genesis from Creation to Covenant

An eight-session study exploring how the first book of the Bible lays the foundation for the entire story of salvation through some of the most well-known and beloved stories in Scripture—including

Adam and Eve, Noah and the Ark, the Tower of Babel, Abraham, Jacob, and Joseph. This study shows how God works through every generation and covenant promise, to draw his people back into relationship with him through a plan that continues to unfold in our lives today.

Hosted in the Church Hall on Wednesday mornings from 10 AM - 11:30 AM on Oct 7, Oct 14, Oct 21, Oct 28, Nov 4, Nov 18, Nov 25 and Dec 2. The cost of the bible study is \$50, which includes the study guide and resources.

Register at
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/gQDjYdh9JM>
or contact the Parish Office.

WHAT'S THE WORD?

Join us on **Wednesdays** at
7:00 pm
in the church
for **Lectio Divina** focusing on the
upcoming Gospel.

ADORATION

Join us for our next scheduled Adoration, on
Friday, October 9, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Church.



JOIN US FOR A
**PRAYER
FOR
PEACE
WALK**

Wednesday, September 30th at 945 am
(after the 9am mass)

 WALK WILL START
AND END AT
ST JOSEPH THE WORKER
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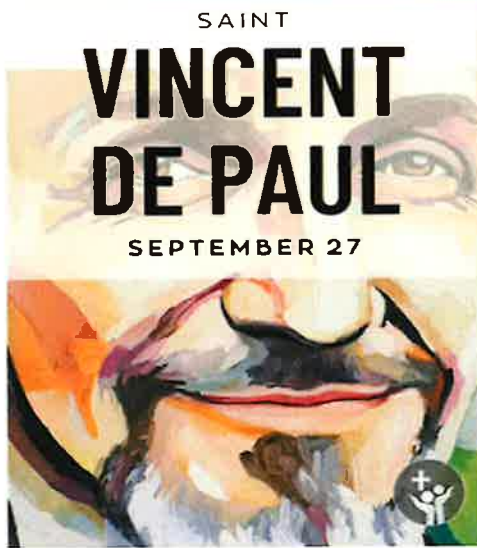
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ALL BELONG.

 FOR MORE INFO CONTACT
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Together in Prayer, United for Peace.

CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



**St. Vincent De Paul team will
be in Gathering Space after all
Mass on Sunday,
September 27, 2026**

For over 200 years the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has served persons in need. We provide food, clothing, household items and furniture to individuals and families across the country. We meet the needs of people in their homes, on the street, in shelters, in hospitals or in prison. The Society aids refugees, immigrants, and northern communities. Vincentians, live the Gospel message by serving Christ in those in need with love, respect, justice, and joy. We meet people in their need seeing Christ in anyone who suffers, having personal contact with those in need and helping in all possible ways.

At St. Joseph, the Worker Parish Vincentians respond to all in need. Requests for help come to the church office and all requests are met whether for food, help with shelter and housing, medical needs, transportation or whatever the need expressed. At Christmas over 200 families will receive food and gifts for children. Through the generosity of you, our parish community, and grants received, SSVP at St. Joseph the Worker has provided over \$40,000.00 of support this year to those in need.

**The Transitus Celebration
St. Joseph the Worker Parish**
You are warmly invited to join our parish
community for a special evening
honoring St. Francis of Assisi.



**The Transitus, celebrating the
passing of St. Francis into eternal life
Saturday, October 3rd
4:30 PM (Before the 5:30 PM Mass of Resurrection)
Refreshments after Mass
Please join us in prayer, reflection, and
fellowship as we remember the life and
legacy of St. Francis.
All are welcome!**

CELEBRATE ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Solemnity Feast Day Masses

Join us for Mass in honour of the Solemnity of St. Francis of Assisi
on the 800th Anniversary of his Transitus.

Saturday, October 3, 2026 at 5:30 pm

Sunday, October 4, 2026 at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am & 1:00 pm.

Reception to follow in Gathering Space after all Masses.

Blessing of the Animals at St. Joseph the Worker

Join us on Sunday, October 4, 2026 at 3:00 pm in front of the
Church for a brief prayer service & blessing.
All are welcome!

**St. Joseph
the Worker
Parish**

**RICHMOND
FOOD BANK**



A separate second collection will be taken at all Masses on the weekend of October 10 & 11, 2026. Please make cheques payable to the Richmond Food Bank Society. Envelopes will be available in the Gathering Space. Or by e-transfer to treasurer@richmondfoodbank.org. If you would like to donate by credit card, please call the food bank at 604-271-5609. Tax receipts will only be issued for donations of \$20 and over. Non-perishable items will be accepted the weekend of October 10 & 11, 2026. Designated boxes/crates will be available in the Gathering Space to leave items.

Please only donate food in sealed original packaging; make sure items are not expired; no homemade items; no open or partially consumed items and no fresh fruit or vegetables.



**Knights of
Columbus**

**Sunday, October 11, 2026
COMMUNITY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Join us in the Parish Centre for breakfast after the 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses. Breakfast is brought to you by the Knights of Columbus.

Admission for breakfast is by your generous donation.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Catholic Women's League

Bake Sale

Cakes Cookies
Buns Brownies
Cupcakes Breads
and so much more!

**Sunday,
October 11, 2026
After 8:00 am and
9:30 am Masses**

In the Parish Centre
See you there!

**REMEMBRANCE LITURGY
FOR INFANT LOSS,
STILLBIRTH & MISCARRIAGE**



"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you." – Jeremiah 1:5

Join us for a Remembrance Liturgy for Infant Loss, Stillbirth, and Miscarriage, a gentle time of prayer and remembrance for children entrusted to God's care. Together, we'll honour their lives and support one another in faith and love.

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2026

Time: 7 PM

Location: In the Church

All are welcome—parents, grandparents, siblings, friends, and members of our wider parish community.



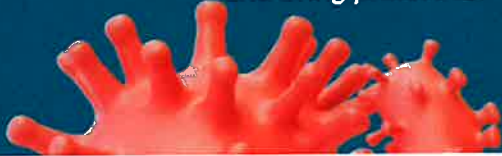
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GET YOUR FLU SHOT

FLU SHOT CLINIC

Sunday, October 18, 2026
After the 8:00 am, 9:30 am &
11:15 am Masses in the
Church Hall.

*Please wear loose fitting clothing
and bring picture ID.*



WE WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Jaxon Kane Barnes-Marsden
Raphael Matthew Mayo Quilla
Anson Rosario Hall
Mary Love Valisno Jimenez
Chiara Amelia Pisano Maliksi
Enzo Luis Ramirez
Zoey Raine Reyes

HEALING MASSES

Our next scheduled Healing
Masses:

- Sunday, October 18, 2026 at the 8:00 am Mass
- Sunday, November 15, 2026 at the 11:15 am Mass
- Saturday, December 19, 2026 at the 5:30 pm Mass

PLEASE HOLD IN PRAYER

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sick list requests can be made only with the knowledge and permission of the person being added to the prayers of the sick list. Names mentioned in the Prayers of the Sick remain for four weeks and then are removed. Please contact the Parish Office if you need to request the names remain for a further period.

Angie Airoso, Ron Fong, Ana Geldres, Justino Pedro & Johanna Coenen



PROJECT ADVANCE 2026

For over 45 years, Project Advance has been an important part in the life of our Archdiocese. This year, our Project Advance Appeal is focused on the widening of the drive in the parking lot and renovating the kitchens in the Barista and Church Hall. We are grateful to all those who have supported Project Advance. Each and every gift is important.

Phyllis Will, will be in the Parish Office this Sunday after all Masses to receive your donations.

We have reached our Archdiocese goal so now all funds raised will come directly to the parish.



You can give online at projectadvance.ca, by phone at 604 277 8353, in-person at our parish office or by using the QR Code. Thank you so much for your support.

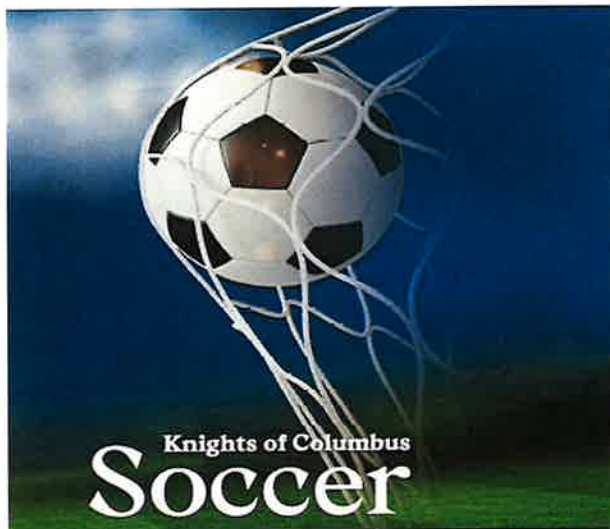
**Congratulations to
Andrew Wigboldus &
Franjesca Tran who
were joined in the
Holy Bonds of
Matrimony**



PARISH NEWS & UPDATES

JOIN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

St. Joseph the Worker School has openings in Grade 4 for this September. At our parish school, students are nurtured in mind, body, and spirit through strong academics, integrated faith formation, and diverse extracurricular opportunities. Please visit the school website at <https://stjosephtheworker.ca> or contact Denise Lorenz in the school office at [604-277-1115](tel:604-277-1115) for more information.



Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14

Event: Annual Joint Council Soccer Challenge

Location: St. Joseph the Worker (4451 Williams Road)

Date: October 10 (Saturday) Time: 10 AM - 1 PM

Contact: John Bragunza 604 446 2510, Charles Pinto 604 778 953 6330



Please note: Entrants may compete in only one local competition.

Faith in Action

Community

COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS



A Ministry to Catholic Women

Ladies, you are invited to our Magnificat Vancouver, Prayer Brunch, on Oct. 10, 2026 at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre, in Vancouver, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Philomena Lim, from Madonna House in Vancouver, will give her testimony. Cost is \$30. Walking in the Spirit Prayer teams will be available after the event. Register by Oct. 2nd at <https://magnificatvancouverchapter.regfox.com/magnificat-vancouver-fall-2026-prayer-brunch> or send an email to magnificatvancouver@gmail.com



Archdiocese
of Vancouver

WORLD DAY of MIGRANTS and REFUGEES MASS

Saturday, September 26, 2026 | 5:00 PM

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish
555 Slocan Street, Vancouver

Celebrant: Archbishop Richard W. Smith

All are welcome to come and wear the clothing of their country. Mass begins at 5 pm followed by a reception in the hall with food and entertainment.

For more information, please contact World Day of Migrants and Refugees Leadership Team at wdm@rcan.org

"He makes me lie down in green pastures,
He leads me beside quiet waters."

Psalm 23:2

Let Christ's peace settle over you
like calm waters this Fall 2026.



COUPLES FOR CHRIST SOUTH A3 CHAPTER

Invites you to a

Christian Life Program

At Church Hall, St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Richmond, BC

every Saturdays from October 3 to October 31 | 12:30pm to 4pm

Open to

- Couples married in Church
- Couples in Civil Marriage
- Common Law couples
- Single Adults
- Divorced/Separated
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- Or if spouse is not attending



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Kath & Stephen Abadies: **236-335-5048**

Or scan QR code to register.

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