

May 5th 2024

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SINCE 1911

Sixth Sunday of Easter



No greater love

The first Christian community had been exclusively Jewish. Now comes a turning point – the reception of the first Gentiles. Cornelius was the first pagan to receive the grace of baptism. The reading from Acts tells of his baptism and shows that salvation is offered to all.

In the Gospel Jesus talks about the love that binds him to the Father, and the love that should bind the disciples to him and to one another. Jesus' love is modeled on that of the Father. The disciples should model themselves on the Son: as he has observed the Father's commandments, so they should observe his. Obedience arises out of love, and obedience is love. Now he is going to give them the supreme proof of his love – giving his life for them. He has chosen them and sent them into the world to bear fruit – the fruit of love.

In the second reading John says that Christians must love one another because love comes from God. Love is of God's essence. God has shown his love for us by sending his Son into the world so that we might have life through him. Loving is the only way we can really know God and share in God's life.

Weekday Spring/Summer Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 7:00 pm Mass ONLY

Thursday, Friday, Saturday - 8:00 am Mass ONLY

SUNDAY AND STATUTORY HOLIDAY MASSES REMAIN THE SAME

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

This Week

Monday, May 6

7:00pm **Mass** +Barbara Joan Edwards
7:45pm Meeting Catholic in Recovery (CIR)

Tuesday, May 7

6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group (virtual)
10:00am Meeting Busy Hands Women's Craft Group
6:30pm Meeting Parish Religious Education (PREP)
7:00pm **Mass** +Antonio Pulice
7:45pm Meeting Bible Study

Wednesday, May 8

7:00pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
7:00pm **Mass** Int Craig Pereria

Thursday May 9

8:00am **Mass** +Domenic D'Souza
1:15pm Meeting Faith Studies
7:00pm Meeting Faith Studies

Friday May 10

8:00am **Mass** +Michael Daughton

Saturday May 11

8:00am **Mass** Int Colyn & Mary Jo Clay
3:00pm Meeting Legion of Mary
5:00pm **Mass** Int Juliane Dixon

Sunday May12 Mothers Day


9:00am **Mass** +Giovanni Pollicino
Children's Mass
Pancake Breakfast
11:00am **Mass** Int Benjamin Ball
Pancake Breakfast
5:00pm **Mass** For Parishioners by Missionary Oblates



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 We are grateful for these gifts
 Sunday: \$9,233.50

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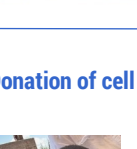
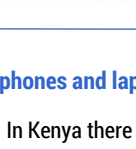
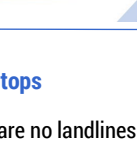
St. Augustine Young Adults (SAYA)

We are a Catholic young adults group at St. Augustine's Church in Vancouver, "Serving and Yearning for the Almighty" (ie SAYA!). We host events to connect other young adults pursuing their faith ages 20 – 35 and are open to everyone at any stage of their faith journey.

✉ ya@staugustineschurch.ca
 📷 [@saintaugyoungadults](https://www.instagram.com/saintaugyoungadults)
 🌐 www.sayoungadults.com/events



**May Crowning of Our Blessed Mother
 Sunday, May 19**

*70 years of the Catholic Women's League at
 St. Augustine's Parish*

The CWL invites all parishioners and visitors to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the CWL serving St. Augustine's. On Sunday, May 19, following the 9am Mass, everyone is invited to the Parish Centre and Grotto for the annual Marian Crowning led by the CWL followed by cake and coffee. Please join the celebration.

Donation of cell phones and laptops



In Kenya there are no landlines and people rely on cell phones for communication. On a recent trip where MAMI supporters went on an Educational Mission Trip cell phones and laptops no longer being used were donated to MAMI Kenya. These were greatly appreciated.

Priests will be coming for the convocation in St. Albert, AB and can take the above needed items back when they return to Kenya. Anyone who has cell phones able to run WhatsApp or laptops that are at least Win 7/8 and are

willing to donate them, can drop them off at the St Augustine's School or the Parish Office before the May 11/12 weekend.

Busy Hands



The Busy Hands Women's Crafting Group is seeking donations...

We are a group of Seniors doing crafts which we sell with all proceeds going to the Oblates of Mary Immaculate Missions.

We are looking for donations of craft materials, i.e. fabrics, yarns, card-stock papers and decorative materials.

Please call Shirley Brown: 604 738-0429 to arrange pick up or drop off.

FOOD COLLECTION

May 18 & 19 2024

"For I was hungry and you gave me food." Matthew 25:35



Ladies and Gentlemen of the Parish

You are cordially invited to a

Strawberry Tea Party

Hosted by St. Augustine's
 Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Sunday June 9, 2024

12:30pm- 3:00pm

St. Augustine's Parish Hall

2028 W 7th Avenue, Vancouver

Attire: Dressy summer wear.

(Ladies are encouraged to wear fascinators or hats.)



Tickets: \$25.00

***Tickets will be on sale after all the Masses starting May11/12.**



Strawberry Tea—Help needed

Thank you to all those who have responded to our call for help.

However, teapots, creamers and sugar bowls, 1 or 2 tiered dessert platters are still needed. Cups and saucers will still be accepted as well.

If you are willing to donate these items or allow us to borrow them please contact Teresa: 778-227-9012

WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to – welcome and invite all to participate – celebrate in Word and Sacrament – foster evangelization and spiritual formation – advocate for social justice – care for our common home.

The Two Saints in Vancouver Project

Please consider taking part in this historic Archdiocesan project for our Cathedral which is the creation and installation of the statue of The Two Saints that visited Vancouver:

St. Mother Theresa of Calcutta and St. John Paul II.

Help us commemorate the historic visits to Vancouver of these two great saints.



For information contact Dea. Richard Podgurski: rpodurski@rcav.org

Donations can be made online at: twosaintsinvancouver.ca



Email Fraud Warning

Our parish has received multiple reports from parishioners and priests who have fallen victim to recent **Internet email phishing scams**. 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 gift 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

Elections to Parish Education Committee (PEC) for St. Augustine School

The PEC is responsible for governing St. Augustine School on behalf of the Catholic Independent Schools of Vancouver (CISVA) in accordance with CISVA's policies and procedures. The PEC is comprised of members elected by the Parish and members appointed by the Pastor and/or PEC. Information on the PEC can be found on the School's Website at www.faithandfoundation.com/pec.

Elections to the PEC will be held at the Parish on May 25 and 26, 2024 if the number of nominees exceeds the number of vacancies.

The Nominating Committee invites parishioners to contact the Nominating Committee at pec@saschool.ca to obtain a copy of the Nomination Form. Completed Nomination Forms must be submitted to a member of the Nominating Committee by 5:00 pm on May 15, 2024. Members of the Nominating Committee for the 2024 Election are Jane McCarney, Rebecca Cleary and Irene Hensel.

In the event an election is required, the names of all *bona fide* candidates standing for election will be published in the Parish Bulletin one week before the election. In accordance with CISVA Policy 107: "Nothing should be permitted during the election that would diminish the Christian community in the parish. There should be no campaigning during the election. Candidates should not be put in a situation where they would be asked to show why they were better qualified (had greater faith or commitment, for example) than someone else."

Parishioners may view the Voter's List under the supervision of the Returning Officer, Linda Arnold, on Saturday and Sunday, May 11, 12, 18 and 19, 2024 following Mass in the Parish Centre.

Birthright. WALKATHON 2024

Saturday, June 15th 10am - 1pm
Queen Elizabeth Park



Join us for our 13th annual 3K fund-raising walk!
Funds raised will go towards supporting pregnant women and new moms in the Vancouver region.

Meet at Holy Name of Jesus Church 4925 Cambie St. Van.

Email us for more information: birthrightvancouver@gmail.com

www.birthright.org/vancouver



Vocation Reflection: "Abide in My Love "

by Richard Beaudette OMI - OMI Lacombe Canada Vocation Team

Jesus invites us to abide in his love, promising complete joy and assurance of his presence, yet challenging us to love as he did, reaching beyond the expected to embrace and welcome all with love and grace.

Read the reflection here: <https://omilacombe.ca/abide-in-my-love/>

Thank you for praying for and encouraging vocations to the Oblate religious life!

OMI Lacombe Canada – Vocation Team



Momentum Single Mothers' Retreat

All Catholic single mothers are invited to attend a two-night retreat, with or without their children. There will be talks for mothers (childcare provided), family time, children's activities, and time for Mass, Adoration, and Confession. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Vancouver in collaboration with Momentum, the retreat will be held from May 24-26 at Charis Camp in Chilliwack. Cost is \$150/family (with or without children). **Registration deadline: Monday, May 6.** Learn more and register at

beholdvancouver.org/events

Project Advance Launches next weekend at St. Augustine's

The annual appeal provides critical funding to key ministries and projects in our Archdiocese. This year our portion of the appeal is \$61,300 to help with these needs. Since funds raised beyond this amount are rebated to the parish, we hope to raise an additional \$63,700 (\$125,000 total goal) so that we can fund the urgent repair, restoration, and sustained maintenance of our church's beloved stained-glass windows, which have suffered significant damage over time. We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal.

More information, will be available starting next week as we launch Project Advance at our parish. Visit our website for more information.



Parish Information

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pastor@staugustineschurch.ca

PARISH OFFICE
Monday & Friday 9:00am-12noon, 1:00pm-5:00pm
Tues/Wed/Thurs 10:00am-12noon, 1:00pm-5:00pm
Monday is the Priest's day off.

Email: parish.saug@rcav.org

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
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FAITH AND FOUNDATION
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MARRIAGES/WEDDINGS
604.736.4455 x 221 parish.saug@rcav.org

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK 604.736-4455 EXT.221

CONFESSION TIMES
Monday - Wednesday 6:35pm-6:50pm
Thursday-Saturday 7:35am-7:50am
Saturday 4:00pm-4:30pm

PARISH MINISTRIES
RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)
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LEGION OF MARY Immaculate.conception.praesidium@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS
Angelo Empleo ya@staugustineschurch.ca
https://sayoungadults.com/events

Children's Mass May 12th
Once a month at the 9am Sunday Mass.
This is a special Eucharistic liturgy dedicated to children.
Children participate as greeters, readers, gift bearers and choir. All children and their families are encouraged to attend and participate. **Please join us as we celebrate God's Love.**

PLEASE NOTE:
There is no Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass on this Sunday.

If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.

New Parishioner Need Envelopes Information Change

First Name	First Name
Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
Children: Name(s) & Date of Birth	
Mailing Address	
City	Phone
Postal Code	Email
Comments	