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Sunday, January 28, 2024



All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." - Mk 1:27

REGULAR MASS TIMES

SATURDAY: Anticipated Mass - 5:30 PM

SUNDAY: English Mass - 8:30 & 10:30 AM
12:30 & 7:30 PM
Vietnamese Mass - 5:00 PM
Last Sunday 12:30 PM (Mass in English with African Choir)

WEEKDAYS: Monday to Friday (except TUESDAY) - 8:00 AM
Tuesday - 7:00 PM
Friday - 7:00 PM (Vietnamese)
First Friday—7:00 PM (in English)
Saturday and Holidays - 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Weekend & Daily Masses: half an hour before Mass

OFFICE AND CHURCH CLOSED ON MONDAYS FOR CLEANING



REGULAR DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary

30 minutes before daily Mass

Divine Mercy

Tuesday after the 7 PM Mass

Our Lady of Fatima

3rd Monday of the month 6:30-7 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Saturday after the 9 AM Mass

First Friday

After the 8 AM Mass -
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
12:00 noon Benediction
6:25 PM—Holy Rosary

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. Feb. 4 Pancake Breakfast Ticket Sale (10:30am mass only)
Sun. Feb. 11 Pancake Breakfast (10:30am mass only)
Sat.-Sun. Feb. 10-11 K of C Valentine Gift Basket Draw
Sat.-Sun. Feb. 10-11 Youth Ministry Bake Sale

(see details inside)



2024 Sunday Missal—\$5



2024 Sunday Envelopes are available in the Fireside Room.

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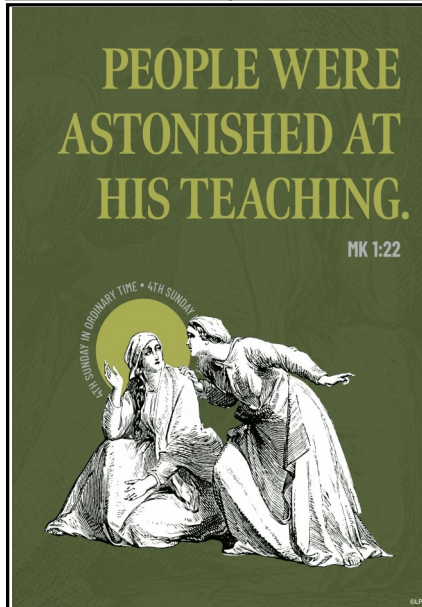
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FUNERALS: Please call the parish office before making arrangements.



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Father John Muir
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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

What Have You to Do with Me, Jesus of Nazareth?

Inevitably, when we read the story of the Garden of Eden, my children try to imagine what life would be like if Adam and Eve had not sinned against God.

"Would we have to go to school?" they ask me.
"Would we get sick? Could we eat whatever we want? Would we get older?"

I tell them the only thing I know for sure about a world without sin is that we would be happier. I can see confusion in their faces — *Why? How?* — but I have none of the concrete answers they want. I don't know how to describe a happiness untouched by sin.

The moment sin entered the world, a chasm erupted between God and mankind. There is now a space between humanity and the divine, a cavernous and seemingly impassable void into which God calls for us, unendingly. And because we are lost in the dark, and miserable, instead of following His voice when we hear it, instead we reply: "What do you want?"

"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?"

Did the unclean spirit know, when he cried out all those thousands of years ago in Capernaum, that he was giving voice to a question which defined the human condition? They are the words of a demon, yes, but they are also my words. Far, far more often than I care to admit, when God is reaching for me, I look upon His hand with contempt and confusion. When I am grappling with a problem or a sin which overwhelms me, again and again I forget that I already know the solution.

The tragedy of original sin is not that we live in a world where we cannot eat what we want, where we age, and where we become sick and die. The tragedy of sin is that we have forgotten how to be happy. We look at happiness and we think: "What do you want with me?"

"If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts." — Psalm 95:7

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With one swift command, Jesus freed a man from the possession of evil spirits. He has that same power to banish the shadow of sin from our own lives. Let's invite Him into our hearts, asking Him to cleanse the darkness He finds there.

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For more deets, hit up Sr Hae-Jin Lim at srhaejin@gmail.com or slide into her DMs @sr.haejin.fma. Oh, and if you're all set to join the leadership party, register here: <https://forms.gle/meU83fHdagogsEWH6>. There's even a cool QR code attached for quick access! Don't miss out!



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January—February Calendar

January	31	7:30 PM Early Dismissal
February	7	6:30 PM Level2 & CIC2 Reconciliation Rehearsal (PREP only). Meet at the Church
February	14	6:30 PM Ash Wednesday— Students and Family meet at the Church by 6:20pm
February	17	10:00AM Level 2 & CIC2 Sacrament of Reconciliation. Meet at the Fireside Hall at 9:45 am
February	21	6:35PM Level 7 & Grade 7 Parent, Sponsor & Student Mtg. PREP & SMES meet at the Gym
February	28	6:35PM Level1, CIC1, Grade1 Parent Meeting PREP & SMES meet at Gym

PREP Email:

Please add prep@saintmatthews.ca to your contact list to avoid emails going into junk/spam

PREP office hours: Wednesday 9am – 3pm and 5-8pm

Friday 9am – 5pm

A big thank you to all for your continued dedication in ensuring that your children attend PREP classes weekly. It is so wonderful that we can continue to grow in our faith together.

CHRISTINE MAYPA - PREP Coordinator

Email: prep@saintmatthews.ca or call 604-5892448 ext 233

If we want children and teens to become lifelong Catholics and members of the Church, we have to start now by involving the whole family in the life of the Church -John Roberto, Family Catechesis

PROLIFE



February 3, at 9:00am, the First Saturday Pro-Life Mass will be at **Blessed Sacrament Parish, 3040 Heather St., Vancouver V5Z 3K3**.

February 16, 2024, we will have our first Pro-Life meeting of the New Year. It will be in the **Parish Centre, Room 4 at 5:30 pm**. Please feel free to join us as we will be planning activities for the coming year and all ideas are welcome. Come early for fellowship - coffee will be ready at 5:10. Call Teresa Gares (604 816-7159) for more information.

SEMINARY OF CHRIST THE KING



There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of **February 10-11 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC**. Anyone wishing to enter the Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome. For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email rector.minors@sck.ca.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of January 28, 2024

Sunday:
Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday:
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday:
2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

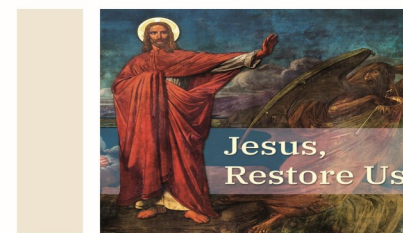
Wednesday:
2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday:
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday:
Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday:
1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday:
Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39



Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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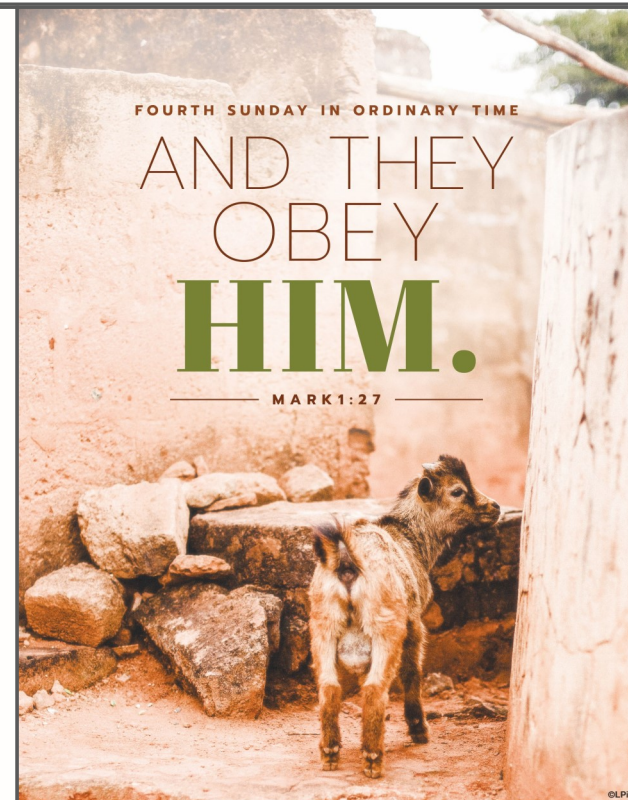


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MARK 1: 27



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- Week 6: What Difference Does it Make?
- Week 7: What Does He Want from Me?
- Week 8: Getting Clarity on the Mission

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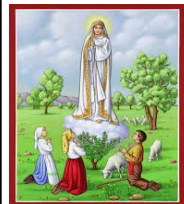
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On Saturday, **March 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Corpus Christi Parish in Vancouver.** Cost is \$60 per couple. **Enjoy an early bird rate of \$50 per couple when you register by Friday, February 2.** Learn more and register via <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/together-for-good-marriage-workshop>.

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This is a great opportunity to connect with other young adults and the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese in a discussion setting. It also offers a chance to go deeper in overcoming the struggles of living a Christian life in the modern world. Learn more and register at <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/the-great-divorce-a-book-study-for-young-adults>



DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Please pray the Holy Rosary daily



Please include in your prayers

†Rufus D'Souza and †Kay Cinco who have gone home to the Lord.

May their souls rest in eternal peace.

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL) CORNER



Save the Dates:

- February 20**—General meeting with guest speaker from Covenant House. All are welcome.
- February 22**—There will be Anointing of the Sick mass followed by luncheon sponsored by CWL at 11am. All are welcome. We need member's helping hands for pots of soup, sandwiches and sweets, as well as assistance with set-up, serving and clean-up. Sign up sheet is at the RAR counter.
- March 1**—World Day of Prayer at 1pm here at St. Matthew's. All are welcome!

The new CWL National theme for 2024 is "Here I am Lord, send me."

Shari Guinta is the new National President. Take some time to explore the National Website at www.cwl.ca. Look for the new theme prayer card in The Canadian League magazine (winter edition). The theme's focus will be mental health awareness.

January is CWL membership month! Ladies of our parish over 16 years old, you are welcome to join us! Come and see what we are all about and share in the glory of giving assistance, service and guiding hands for others who are less fortunate. Our membership form can be obtained via our Parish Office or via email cwlstmatthewsurrey@gmail.com.

ST. MATTHEW'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



St. Matthew's Elementary School is hosting another pancake breakfast, on **Sunday, February 11, 2024 after the 10:30 am mass**. Tickets will be sold on **Sunday, February 4 after the 10:30 am mass and at the door on the day of the event**. Tickets are \$8 per person and include pancakes, eggs, sausages, and a beverage. All items are packed to go so you may choose to stay and eat or to enjoy elsewhere. All proceeds go to elementary school upgrades.

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Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.

PRAYER

God, you are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for you to clean.

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