

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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## Augustinian Friars in the Parish:

Fr. Francis Galvan, OSA – Pastor

Fr. Michael Martell, OSA



**Daily Mass in the Chapel**  
Monday to Saturday at 9:00am

**Sunday Mass Schedule (Church)**  
Saturday (Anticipated) at 5pm  
Sunday at 9am and 11am and 5pm

**Chapel open Mon-Sat for private prayer**  
(Closed Sunday and holidays)  
Mon- Fri 8am to 4:30pm - Saturday 8am – 3pm

**Spanish Mass**  
First Saturday of the Month at 7:30pm (Church)

**Confession**  
Saturday 10am-11am (Chapel)

**Parish Office Hours**  
Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm.  
Closed on all statutory holidays.  
Closed for lunch from 12-12:30

**Baptisms**  
Last Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office to register and for information.

**Marriages**  
Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of their date.

**Funerals**  
Please call the parish office to inquire about the processes for arrangements.

Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Epiphany of the Lord

We observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay homage to the Lord. Alleluia.  
Matthew 2.2

**Sunday Reflection:** With Christ's help we can be his light for others. We are not the source of the light that a world in darkness needs desperately. Instead, we must receive Jesus, the Light of the World, so that we can in turn share it. And as we heard in the first reading: *Then you shall be radiant ... your heart shall throb and overflow.* Jesus has come to give all the love we need, all the wisdom called for, all the virtue necessary to be a light to others.  
**LITURGY OF THE WORD** In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah promises that Jerusalem will be a light for all nations. In the Letter to the Ephesians, Saint Paul explains the revelation that the Gentiles are members of the same body of Christ. In the Gospel, *magi from the east* look for the newborn king, finally finding the child with his mother, Mary. *Faith Catholic.*

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**A WARM WELCOME** to all new parishioners, visitors and the faithful to our Parish Community! We invite new parishioners to register with our parish. Please register online at our website: [www.sacredheartparish.ca](http://www.sacredheartparish.ca) or find a registration form at the back of the church. If you have moved, have a new phone number or email address please let us know by contacting the parish office. Thank you.

**Sacred Heart Parish acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the traditional territories of the sc̓aw̓aḥən (Tsawwassen) and x̓m̓əḥk̓w̓əy̓əm (Musqueam) First Nations and speakers of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm' (Hun'qumi'num) language who have been stewards of this land since time immemorial.**

Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

**Death: Ellen Wall** of our parish passed away on December 13<sup>th</sup> at the age of 82. Ellen's funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, Jan 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am in our Church. We offer our deepest sympathy to her husband, Mike and entire family and pray for Ellen's eternal rest in heaven.

**Mathai Bobby Thomas** passed away on December 29<sup>th</sup> at the age of 97. Bobby's funeral Mass was celebrated in our Church on Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. We offer our deepest sympathy to his wife, Lily and entire family and pray for Bobby's eternal rest in heaven.

Parish Religious Education Program PREP

Children of our parish, in grades K-7 are welcome to join our Tuesday night catechism classes from 6:15-7:30pm in the school. This week, PREP students of all grades will gather in the church for an experiential teaching on Epiphany at the manger. Parents are also welcome. Contact Erin at 604.946.2618 or [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org)

Wednesday, Jan 10<sup>th</sup>

Our Grief group - Season of Hope- will resume tonight on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for Season 3. Each season is 6 weeks long. For more information contact Irene @ [faithdevelopment@shsdelta.org](mailto:faithdevelopment@shsdelta.org)

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**January 6/7<sup>th</sup> - Our monthly food collection** of non-perishables, non-expired items for those who need an extra hand will be this weekend -Please note: sorry, we

cannot accept any expired food items - we must toss them in the garbage as the food bank will not take them. Please check your items carefully for the best before dates before donating. Thank you for your generosity in helping families in our community.



Everyone is invited to join our **Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Devotion group** here at our parish. We meet every Wednesday at 6:00pm in our Chapel. If you would like more information pls contact: Melanie at:

[devotionministry@shshdelta.org](mailto:devotionministry@shshdelta.org)

Saturday, Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

**Spanish Mass and Dinner for our local Migrant Farm Workers** will be tonight, Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. We are always grateful to accept donations of fresh fruit (apples, oranges, grapes etc.) or baked goods (cookies, cupcakes, squares) for the dinner our volunteers serve to the workers. Please drop your items off between 3:30 and 6pm on the day of at the parish center kitchen. For more information please email: [mwm@shsdelta.org](mailto:mwm@shsdelta.org)



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**Sunday Missals** are still available to purchase for \$5.00 in the foyer of the church or parish office.

Please join with our school children on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> for the morning Mass at 9:15am in our Church.

Our next **Pancake Breakfast** will be on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> following the 9am and 11am Masses in our parish hall.



## Invitation to the Saint Monica Guild General Meeting for the Ladies of Sacred Heart Parish and School

We would like to invite you to our upcoming General Meeting, where we will come together as a community to discuss important matters and share valuable information.

**Date:** Monday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Location:** Parish center - craft room

This meeting serves as an opportunity for us to gather and connect with one another, strengthening the bonds of our sacred community. It will also provide a platform for discussion on shared initiatives, and upcoming events.

We highly encourage all ladies of Sacred Heart Parish and School to attend this General Meeting as your presence and input are valuable to our collective progress. Your involvement will not only help us make informed decisions but also foster a stronger sense of community and support for one another.

We look forward to your presence and active participation. Together, we aim to create an inclusive and thriving community that reflects the values and spirit of Sacred Heart Parish and School.

Thank you for your attention and commitment to our shared community. We are excited to embark on another productive year together!

Should you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Janine Harms at: [saintmonicaguild@shsdelta.org](mailto:saintmonicaguild@shsdelta.org)



**Everyone is invited to join together with other Christian Churches from the South Delta area for an evening of Praise, Worship and Fellowship.**

**Ecumenical Service  
For Christian Unity  
on Friday, January 19th  
starting at 6:30pm  
in our Church**

**For more information please contact:**

**John Roddam at: [john\\_roddam@hotmail.com](mailto:john_roddam@hotmail.com)**

**(672) 515-1855**

**Liturgy of the Word with Children  
at our 9am or 11am Mass  
starts next  
Sunday, January 14th**



## Junior Altar Servers

Is your child interested in serving on the altar of the Lord?

We are always looking for servers for our weekend Masses.

Children aged 8 and up are invited to join our team of servers.

Contact Patrick Kennedy at:

[altarservers@shsdelta.org](mailto:altarservers@shsdelta.org)

for more info or to sign up for our next training session.



*"Offer Jesus your hands, your thoughts and your time, and He will not fail to reward you, giving you true joy and making you feel where the most complete happiness is."*

*~Pope Francis~*

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Thank you for your support  
of the parish.

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If you prefer to go the Pre-Authorized Payment route, please pick up a form, also at the back of the Church, or chapel or contact the office or by visiting our website. If you go the PAP route you may still wish to pick up a box of envelopes for the special second collections.

Another option for gift giving is the Archdiocesan online service. For regular weekly donations please go to:

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and for second collection offerings:

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Thank you for continued support of your parish.

We have no name envelopes for 2024. If this number belongs to you and you wish a tax receipt for your donations, please let the office know who you are: 308, 381, 436, 477. Thank you.

**"Like the Magi, let us lift up our eyes, listen to the desire lodged in our hearts, and follow the star that God makes shine above us. As restless seekers, let us remain open to God's surprises. Let us dream, let us seek and let us adore."**

**Pope Francis**



January 7, 2024 - Epiphany of the Lord

*"They fell down and worshipped Him. Then they opened their treasures and offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." - Matthew 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share. Copyright © 2023 Archdiocese of St. Louis

## Feast of St. Joseph Vaz

Join us for a spiritually enriching evening on Saturday, January 13, at St. Mathew's Parish in Surrey, as we come together for a Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m., followed by a Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Our celebrant for the Mass is Fr. Joseph D'Souza, Pastor at St. Mary's Church, Vancouver. Assisting him are Deacon Peter Gomes and Deacon Dileep Athaide.

This special event is organized by the Sri Lankan Catholic Community and the Vancouver Goan Association, reflecting the unity and diversity within our vibrant community.

Following the Mass, we invite you to join us for a time of fellowship. Your contributions of food for the fellowship are greatly appreciated.

## Principal, St. John Paul II Academy

St. John Paul II Academy in South Surrey, British Columbia, is seeking a dynamic, inspired and faith-filled educational leader to serve as Principal for the 2024/25 school year and beyond.

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**Application deadline:** Friday, January 26

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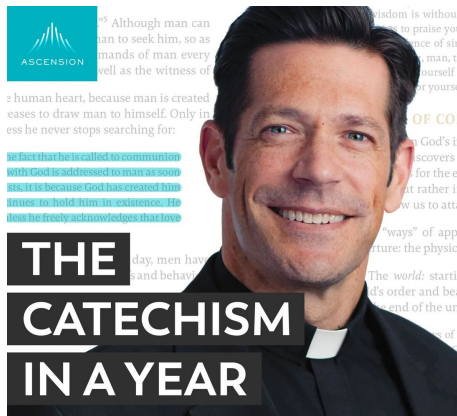
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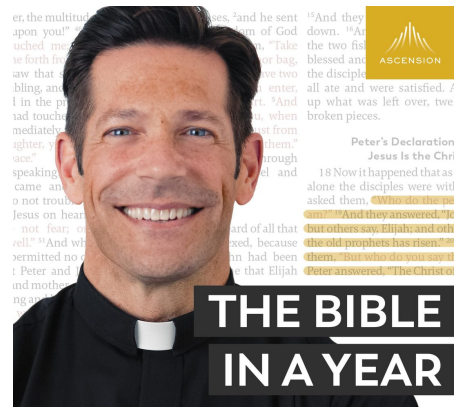
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