

**We are looking for a faithful, energetic new Youth Minister for our parish 20 hrs per week. If this is you, please contact the office for more details at [parish.sjl@rcav.org](mailto:parish.sjl@rcav.org) or 604-534-3303**

**Farewell Open House for Father Salvino** -after the 11 am Mass to 2:30 pm This Sunday in the Parish Hall.. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share and have an opportunity to wish Father Salvino well as he leaves our parish to study in Rome.

**Heads up parish family**...St. Joseph's church is having a **Parish Picnic on July 19th** 12:30 to 5 pm at St. Catherine's School Grounds, and we'd love you to come! Food trucks, special entertainment, bake off, and loads of fun. Mark your calendars and watch for all the details soon!!

**Vocation Live-In:** There will be a Vocation Live-In on the weekend of July 4-5 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Any young men, Grades 7-11, interested in experiencing what seminary life is like or who are wanting to learn how to discern God's call to the priesthood, are invited to join the live-in. For more information, or to register, please call: 604.826.8975 or email at [rector.minors@sck.ca](mailto:rector.minors@sck.ca)

**Annual Marian Pilgrimage to Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes (Fraser River Heritage Park, Mission BC)** : Saturday Aug. 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Confessions begin 10 a.m. celebration of the Eucharist 1 p.m. Main celebrant Most Rev. Richard W. Smith, Archbishop of Vancouver. After Mass, Procession, Rosary & Benediction at Grotto. Please bring picnic baskets and chairs. [www.MissionGrotto.com](http://www.MissionGrotto.com) check out the poster for more details.

**Columbus Homes Class 4 Bus Driver Wanted** Are you outgoing and have a love for seniors? We have a part-time position based in the Cloverdale area serving two seniors homes. Averaging approximately 10 hours a week with a flexible, fixed schedule of three trips every two weeks, with additional excursions fitted in when available. A first-aid ticket would be an asset. A Criminal Record and Vulnerable Persons Check required. Hourly rate of \$27.00, plus an hourly flex plan contribution. Email [garisto@colchar.org](mailto:garisto@colchar.org)

**IMAGO is a Conference for Young Adults ages 18 – 25** focused on helping youth to grow in their faith and discover their identity in Christ. The conference will be held July 24 – 26<sup>th</sup> at TWU here in Langley. Emmauel Peeyush will speak after all the masses this weekend.

**Liturgy of the Word for Children:** Team volunteers will be taking a break over the two summer months and resume sharing the gospel with children on September 6th. Parents/Grandparents please continue to share the precious words of Jesus to your children over summer. Wishing everyone a wonderful and safe summer, Shirley VanNoort and Iris Ramsdale, co-ordinators

Dear faithful intercessory prayer family, **Tuesday Prayer meetings** are cancelled for July and August. Meetings will commence again on Tuesday September 1st at 7:30 pm. Have a safe and blessed summer – Fred



Wednesday, July 1 morning mass 9 am. Office Closed.

## St. Joseph's Catholic Church

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**Office Hours:** 9:00 am. – 5:00 pm. Mon – Fri

Closed for Lunch: 12:30 – 1:30 pm.

**Pastor:** Fr. Patrick Chisholm

**Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Don Guilles

**Assistant Pastor:** Fr. Raffaele Salvino

**Sunday Masses:** 9 am, 11 am and 8 pm; Saturday Mass 5 pm

**Daily Mass** Monday to Friday 8 am, Friday eve. 7 pm. Saturday and Holidays 9 am.

**Spanish Mass (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month) 5:30 pm**

**Friday All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Fridays 8:45am to 6:45 pm

**Confessions:** Fridays 6 pm to 6:45 pm & Saturdays between 10 am and noon.

**Inquiries for Baptisms, Funerals or Weddings** please contact the Parish Office.

June 28, 2026

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Readings: *2 Kings 4:8-12a,14-16; Psalm 89: 1-2,15-16, 17-18; Romans 6:3-4,8-11; and Matthew 10: 37-42*

In today's Gospel, as he finishes "the Missionary Discourse", Jesus challenges his disciples and us, in our faithfulness to him. Are we prepared to do what it takes to remain united to him in the difficulties of this life, that we can share His life for all eternity.

As we read about the prophet Elisha in II Kings a woman recognizes him as a holy man. Because of this she receives him into her home. First by offering him meals and then by preparing a small roof chamber for him, where he would have a place to stay when he was in town. Her kindness was rewarded beyond her dreams as the prophet promised her a son.

The psalmist sings of God's steadfast love. It is a lament. David's kingdom that was thought to last forever is destroyed and the people sent into exile, but the psalmist still hopes in God. "Blessed are the people who know the 'festival shout' who can know God and be committed to him – "who walk in the light of your countenance." Ultimately, "Our shield belongs to the Lord," and the foundation of his throne are righteousness, justice, love and faithfulness and it is always available to us.

In the Letter to the Romans, Paul presents us with his baptismal theology. Paul assumes we are aware of what he is talking about. We are baptized not so much into the Life of Christ, but into his death. This means that we are opened up to his resurrection. It is in the resurrection that the sinful inclination is destroyed and the tyranny of death broken and we are able to live for God. Baptism is a very real change in the life of the believer.

Because we are so intimately tied to the resurrection of Christ our loyalty to him is paramount. To be worthy of Jesus means that nothing and one can come between us and him. Jesus isn't anti- family. His words would even have cut harder in his own time when family connections were much stronger. Jesus wants our relationship and our families to be strong, but if we are not even more strongly connected in him, he cannot bring us to salvation, and this is important to our families.

If we are to be worthy of him, we must be prepared to carry our cross. We often think of carrying a cross as dealing with life's routine difficulties. Taking out the garbage when our parents ask us to, or listening to our spouse when they need a favour, but in Jesus' day the cross was looked on with horror and shame. It meant death in a most painful and humiliating way. The irony of the situation is when we give our life to Jesus, we find it. As with the disciples our goal is to emulate Jesus.

In his death and resurrection Jesus has overcome sin and inaugurated the Kingdom of God. With his disciples called to deliver his message. In Jesus' day it was said, "The man's emissary... is like the man himself." In presenting his message we are given the authority of Jesus and by implication that of God, not for ourselves, but to complete His mission. Jesus promises us our reward just as he promised it to the apostles. Even giving, "A cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple" will be rewarded.

It is said that how well we love God is measured by how we treat others. To be able to give without the expectation of receiving as in the case of a child is an important sign of our love. To be able to link ourselves to Christ not merely for our own good, but the good of others links us to Christ's victory over sin and death. . Fr. Patrick

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### **St. John Brebeuf Regional Secondary School**

**Registration:** apply today for Fall 2026! Visit us at: [stjohnbrebeuf.ca/about-sjb](http://stjohnbrebeuf.ca/about-sjb)

**St. John Brebeuf High School** is excited to introduce a new **Textiles program** for our students for the 2026-2027 school year, and we need your help to bring it to life!

If you have any sewing or textile supplies gathering dust in your basement, spare room or garage, we would happily take it off your hands and find it a new home at our school. We are currently looking for items such as: Sewing machines; Sergers; Thread; Fabric; Knitting needles; Other textile and sewing supplies. Donations can be dropped off at the St. John Brebeuf school office during regular school hours. (2747 Townline Road, Abbotsford)

For more information, please contact Anne Fronteddu at: [afronteddu@stjohnbrebeuf.ca](mailto:afronteddu@stjohnbrebeuf.ca).

Thank you for helping us create this exciting hands-on learning opportunity for our students. Your generosity will inspire creativity and help equip the next generation with valuable lifelong skills

### **WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S**

Join us for coffee and fellowship in the parish hall after the 9 am and 11 am Masses.

If anyone is interested in helping a host group with their coffee service - contact Iris

[irisramsdales@gmail.com](mailto:irisramsdales@gmail.com)

**Welcome to the Parish:** Abir Gebrael, Michelle Gebrael, Amanda Bradley & Ryan Linster, Liji Varghese & George S. Oommen, Leiana & Alexander Teixeira, Carla & Samuel Aguiar Falcao.

**Recently Baptized:** Fia Roloski, Obinnia Oputa.

**BOTTLE RETURN REMINDER:** Operation Baby Bottle Campaign If you haven't done so yet please return your filled bottles to the parish office during office hours. Thanks!!!

**P.R.E.P (Parish Religious Education Program – Catechism) Registrations:** now open for 2026 – 2027, Grades 1 to 7, Wednesday or Thursday evenings 6:30 – 7:45 pm. register on the parish website [www.stjosephschurchpreschool.com](http://www.stjosephschurchpreschool.com) **PREP Volunteer Teachers Needed this Fall:** Thursday evenings for Grades 3,4,5, and 6. Contact Kris [prep.stj@gmail.com](mailto:prep.stj@gmail.com).

#### **St. Joseph's Parish Bereavement Outreach offers ;**

1) - one-on-one Accompaniment for Suicide or M.A.i.D Loss. 2) - Bereavement Support Group Structured Program for recent or Long-term Loss. Dates for the next group of 8 consecutive weeks beginning Thurs. Oct. 1, through to Nov. 19th from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.. Registration 5 people. Contact Carla Vangool - Former PRH Educator and Counsellor 604-308-0050 [carlavan@shaw.ca](mailto:carlavan@shaw.ca)

**St. Joseph's Church Preschool** open registration for the 2026–2027 school year. Families interested in enrolling their child or learning more about our programs are encouraged to visit our website at [www.stjosephschurchpreschool.com](http://www.stjosephschurchpreschool.com). For additional information or questions, please contact Angela at 604-530-4288

**FORMED.ORG:** This weeks talk “**How to Get More Out of Mass (Even When You're Distracted)**”. Register at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) , look up by parish postal code V3A 4G5. Further questions contact the parish office.

#### **Administrative Assistant, Archbishop's Office**

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is hiring an Administrative Assistant to support the day-to-day workflow of the Archbishop's Office. This includes sorting incoming correspondence, responding to inquiries, liaising with parishes, coordinating the Archbishop's travel arrangements, and other related duties and projects. Learn more and apply at [rcav.org/careers](http://rcav.org/careers).

#### **Manager of Family Services, Gardens of Gethsemani**

Gardens of Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery is hiring a Manager of Family Services to provide strategic and pastoral leadership to their advisors, ensuring families receive attentive, respectful, and

high quality service during times of need. Through mentorship, collaboration, and a strong ministry mindset, the Manager will help foster meaningful relationships with families, parishes, and the broader community. Learn more and apply at [rcav.org/careers](https://rcav.org/careers). Learn more and apply at [rcav.org/careers](https://rcav.org/careers).