



**The Body and Blood of Christ**

The theme of covenant dominates all three readings. The reading from Exodus describes the ratification of the Sinai covenant between God and Israel. The covenant was sealed with the blood of the animals. Blood is a symbol of life which belongs exclusively to God. The sprinkling of the people with blood symbolizes the fact that God is sharing his life with them.

Jesus established a new covenant. Like the old covenant, it too was sealed with blood, except now it is not the blood of animals but his own blood. A new rite (Eucharist) was instituted which would be a perpetual reminder of the infinite bond that now exists between God and his people. In the Eucharist Jesus shares his life with us.

By the sacrificial death of Christ, the supreme high priest, God has entered into a new and eternal covenant with his people.

**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, June 3**

- 7:00pm **Mass** +Eduviges Quinto
- 6:30pm Meeting Marriage Mentorship
- 6:30pm Meeting Catholic Women's League Executive
- 7:45pm Meeting Catholic in Recovery (CIR)

**Tuesday, June 4**

- 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** Int Santa Chow

**Wednesday, June 5**

- 7:00pm **Mass** Int Antonio Peralta

**Thursday June 6**

- 8:00am **Mass** Int Rose & Andrew Tin Hla
- 1:15pm Meeting Faith Studies
- 6:00pm Meeting Leadership Team
- 7:00pm Meeting SAS Kindy & New Family Social
- 7:00pm Meeting Faith Studies

**Friday June 7**

- 8:00am **Mass** +Connie Bonnici
- 1:15pm Meeting Lectio Divino Women's Faith Study Group

**Saturday June 8**

- 8:00am **Mass** +Bienvenido & Engracia Torres
- 5:00pm **Mass** +Michael Tanaka
- 6:30pm Meeting Legion of Mary

**Sunday June 9**

- 9:00am **Mass** For Parishioners by Missionary Oblates
- Children's Mass
- 11:00am **Mass** Int Dr. Walter Alexander
- 12:30pm Event Catholic Women's League Strawberry Tea
- 5:00pm **Mass** +Rene-Boying Geronimo



**OFFERTORY**

We are grateful for these gifts  
Sunday: \$7,612.00

*Please visit [www.staugustineschurch.ca](http://www.staugustineschurch.ca) If you wish to maintain your contributions via Debit or Credit Card*



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE  
*Strawberry Tea*

Last chance to get your tickets for **June 9<sup>th</sup>**  
The tea is a perfect occasion to enjoy with your friends or family. Enjoy delicious treats, refreshing tea and create some beautiful memories.  
Join us for this joyful community gathering.

**Tickets for sale after all Masses: \$25**  
*For tickets email Teresa: [teresa\\_51@hotmail.com](mailto:teresa_51@hotmail.com)*

The CWL would like to THANK all those parishioners who have donated tea cups/saucers, and teapots towards our Strawberry Tea event. Now it is time to come and see the them on display at the Tea party!

**St. Augustine's Legion of Mary**

*Each Saturday the Legion of Mary meets in the Parish Library from 6:30pm.*



The group focuses on praying the Rosary and other Marian devotions. Weekly visitation of local care homes and praying together with our brothers and sisters in need are among our many outreach activities.

Please join us on Saturdays at 6:30pm. *All are welcome!*

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Chicken & Rib Fund-raiser for the Missionary of Charity Sisters**

**Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 am - 1:00pm Parish Hall**

Adults: \$12, Children (3-12 yrs): \$6  
Family(4+): \$35

**Come for a delicious meal and support a great cause.**

*Taizé - Come Pray Together*

**Benediction, Prayer, Silence, & Meditative Song**  
*A time to pause and be with God*

**Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> 7:45 PM to 9:00 PM**

Taizé is an ecumenical Christian monastic community in Burgundy, France. The music of the community is simple and reflective, sung repeatedly and in harmony. The community's services consist of this music, punctuated by Scripture readings and silence. You are invited to pray by singing, listening and reflecting.



St. Augustine's Marriage Ministry held its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual barbecue on May 26<sup>th</sup>. We had a fantastic turnout of mentor couples, making for a wonderful evening. Thank you to everyone who attended and to all those who helped organize this event.

A heartfelt thank you to Sheila and Matthew O'Brien for leading this ministry and to Fr. Ignacy for his support.

Are you a married couple (5+ years)? St. Augustine's Church invites you to explore our Marriage Mentorship Program! Share your wisdom and offer valuable guidance to build a strong, faith-filled marriage.

Interested? Contact Sheila & Matthew O'Brien for more information:  
[obriensvan@gmail.com](mailto:obriensvan@gmail.com)

**Strengthen our community, one marriage at a time!**

**Children's Mass June 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**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.

**Baptismal Preparation**

Classes are held at the Parish Centre beginning at 6:30pm.

**Tues July 2nd, Thurs Sept 12th & Thurs. Nov. 7th**

You may register by calling or leaving a message at the Parish Office with your name and contact number:

604 736-4455 Ext 221.



FOOD COLLECTION

June 15 & 16 2024

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

**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

## Vocation Reflection



### Responding to God's Love

***"What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?" Ps. 116: 12***

Have you ever asked yourself this question? Perhaps before attempting to answer the question, one must take time to reflect on the Lord's bounty.

In Exodus, Moses speaks on God's behalf and promises Israel that God will always be with them, journeying with them, loving them, protecting them. This promise is for eternity as it is a covenant between God and Israel, sealed with the blood of the sacrifice sprinkled on the altar and on the people. God makes another covenant with humanity when Jesus, at the last supper, offers the disciples the cup of his blood, the blood of the new covenant. In some ways, it might have been easier for Israel to reflect on God's bounty than it is for us. After all, God freed them from slavery in Egypt, fed and watered them in the desert, protected them from the anger of Pharaoh and his army and from all the 'enemies' they encountered on the journey from Egypt to the land promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Reflecting on God's bounty, I am able to recognize the many ways in which God has blessed, and continues to bless me. First of all, God has given me the gift of life. He gave me that life in the context of a family and a community that nurtured me and helped me grow into the person that I would become. God has been with me through difficult times as well as joyful times. There were moments of danger when I knew that God was present and called me to trust that all would be well. I have had the gift of mentors, friends and community who journeyed with me along the way. I recognize that the gifts and talents I have come from God. There are so many blessings along the way that I could expound on them for hours. This reflection calls me to respond to the question from Psalm 116; What am I called to return to the Lord?

The promise God made to Israel and the promise God made in the death and resurrection of Jesus continues into our time and our lives. We celebrate this promise and renew our response to it each time we gather for Eucharist. In a very real way, when we celebrate Eucharist and receive communion, we renew our side of the covenant in the same way that Israel did when they responded "All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do." *Exodus 24:3*

What does the Lord call us to do? To love one another, to serve the needs of those around us, to proclaim the Good News and continue to build a world of peace and justice for all people, not just for a few. Each of us is called to do this in our own particular way – according to the vocation to which God calls us. Where is God calling you today to respond to God's generosity to you?

*Richard Beaudette, OM*

## Feast of Corpus Christi

***"Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it."***

*-Mark 14:23*

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself up for us, completely for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine, we meet Christ personally. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means we offer our own self-sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth.

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## Around the Archdiocese...

### Birthright Walkathon 2024

Join Birthright Vancouver's annual 3k fundraising walk! Funds raised will go towards supporting women and new mothers in Vancouver. Participants will meet at Holy Name of Jesus Parish and will proceed to Queen Elizabeth Park. On Saturday, June 15, from 10am to 1pm.

For more information, [birthrightvancouver@gmail.com](mailto:birthrightvancouver@gmail.com).

### The "4n4n4" Young Adults Online Retreat

The "4n4n4" Retreat is an online introductory retreat for young adults to learn the practical fundamentals of prayer, discernment and spirituality.

The retreat runs for a period of four weeks. Each week, there will be a one-hour prayer period (with a topic assigned for each) and a meeting with a retreat director. The introductory online instructional lecture is on Tuesday, July 23, 7:00 p.m. Space is limited. Cost is \$30. Bursaries available. **Registration deadline: Monday, June 10.** Learn more and register via [beholdvancouver.org/events](https://beholdvancouver.org/events).

### Ask a Priest

Do you have burning questions about spirituality, faith, and life that you just haven't been able to find answers to? Who better to ask than your friendly neighborhood parish priest? Father Piotr Lapinski, the team chaplain of St. Patrick's Young Adults Group, will graciously answer questions on these topics... and more!

On Wednesday, June 12, 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish - St. Vincent de Paul Cafe in Vancouver. All young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome! Learn more and submit your questions ahead of time via

[beholdvancouver.org/events](https://beholdvancouver.org/events).

**PROJECT ADVANCE 2024** Building our Parish Community

**Now underway at St. Augustine's**

**Help Us Restore Our Stained Glass Windows!**

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 (estimated cost \$250,000), which have suffered significant damage over time.



Our stained-glass windows require special care and attention. These windows face numerous threats to their preservation:

- + The weight of the glass and leaded mullions can cause structural strain over time, risking damage to the windows.
- + Rust on the heavy steel frames supporting the windows jeopardizes their stability and longevity.
- + Exposure to sunlight fades the vibrant colors.
- + Harsh weather conditions, including heavy rain and temperature fluctuations accelerates deterioration.

For more information:  
[www.staugustineschurch.ca](http://www.staugustineschurch.ca)



**Your donation will support the conservation of our cherished stained glass windows. We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal. Thank you for your support!**

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	

**Parish Information**

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Monday is the Priest's day off.

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    parish.saug@rcav.org  
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**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK**  
**CONFESSION TIMES**  
Monday - Wednesday                         6:35pm – 6:50pm  
Thursday-Saturday                              7:35am – 7:50am  
Saturday    4:00pm – 4:30pm

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