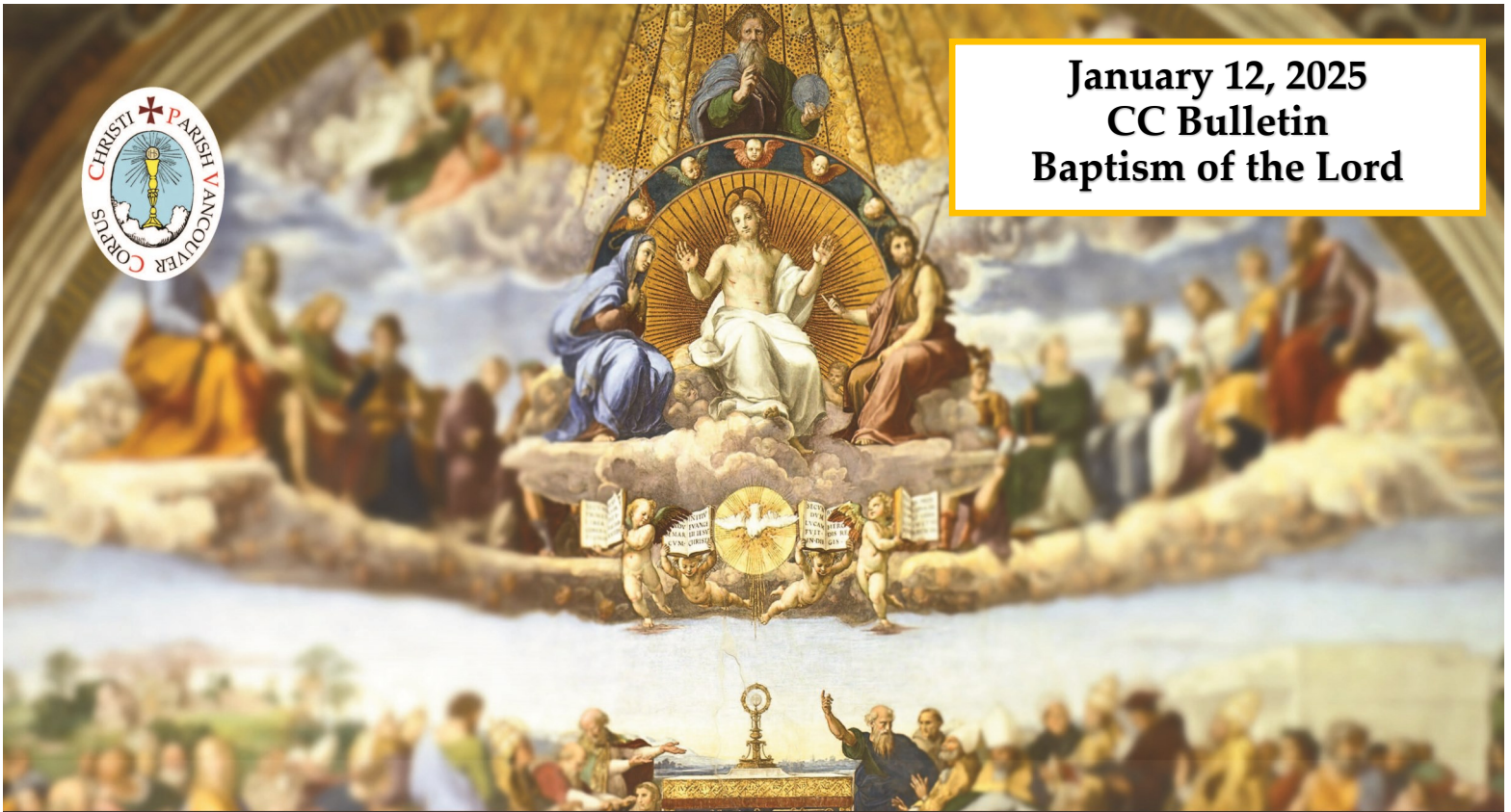




January 12, 2025
CC Bulletin
Baptism of the Lord



FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

Encounter the living, merciful Sacred Heart of Our Lord in an extended period of Eucharistic Adoration. This week we are invited to keep watch with Christ, to pray in His presence for the Church, our parish, our families, and all in need.

JANUARY 21•24, 2025
8:30AM - 8PM DAILY*

***EXCEPT WED, JAN 22: 10AM-8PM**



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Saturday, Jan 11

Vigil Mass

5:00 PM Shirley Strain, RIP

Sunday, Jan 12

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9:00 AM Francisco D. Fernandez, RIP

11:00 AM All Parishioners, Living and Deceased

3:00 PM Chiang So Wo, RIP

Monday, Jan 13

8:00 AM Roland Gahler, RIP

Tuesday, Jan 14

8:00 AM Benny Leo, RIP

Wednesday, Jan 15

8:00 AM Maureen Hamilton, RIP

9:00 AM School Mass

Thursday, Jan 16

8:00 AM Sandra Young, Health

Friday, Jan 17

St. Anthony

8:00 AM Kaihua Zhou, Health

6:00 PM Holy Hour

Saturday, Jan 18

8:00 AM Philomena Li, RIP

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WONTON SOUP

The Knights of Columbus will be selling wonton soup for \$7.00 per bowl on February 16th at the After Mass Socials.



Come join the fun and bring cash!

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES BOOTH

The Religious Articles Booth will be opened on January 12th & 26th from 8:45am—11:15am (closed during mass).

LUNAR NEW YEAR DINNER

Come celebrate Lunar New Year on Sunday, Feb 2, 2025 a the Grand Crystal Seafood Restaurant.

Tickets are \$65.00 and can be purchased at the parish office.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

VISITATION OF THE CANADIAN MARTYRS RELIC

As part of the Jubilee Year celebrations in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, you are invited to come and pray with the relics of Canadian Martyrs St. Jean de Brébeuf, St. Gabriel Lalement, and St. Charles Garnier, as well as St. Kateri Tekakwitha. Public veneration will take place on January 11 at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Agassiz and January 12-13 at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver.

10 THINGS TO ASK YOURSELF WHEN DISCERNING YOUR VOCATION

Marriage Priesthood Religious Life Single Life



Do you spend time in silence everyday?

Do you ask God what his will is for your life?

What fills you with passion, joy, and peace?

Do you have a spiritual companion or mentor to walk with you while discerning?

Are you listening, praying, and daring?

Are you challenging yourself to do more in prayer-daily Mass, adoration, or read more scripture?

Are you talking and questioning those who have already said yes to a vocation?

Are you listening to what others might see in you that you don't see in yourself?

Are you considering all your options? Visiting different communities, seminaries, or homes?

Are you being mindful or what you are most grateful for and least grateful for to see what gives you the most life?



Information taken from: <https://thecentralminnesotacatholic.org/10-things-know-discerning-vocation/>



NATIONAL VISITATION OF THE RELICS OF St. Jean de Brébeuf and of St. Kateri Tekakwitha



Last Weekend's Collection

Sunday Offertory Collection	\$7,498.30
Building Fund	\$385.00
Catholic Mission in Canada	
Christmas Offering	\$105.00
Easter	
Evangelization of Nations	
Healing & Reconciliation	
Holy Land (Good Friday)	
Home Missions	
Initial Offering	\$6,689.05
Needs of the Canadian Church	
Solemnity of Mary	\$7,292.35
St. Joseph's Society	\$10.00
Pro Life	
Youth Ministry	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$21,999.70

2025 ENVELOPES

- By January 1st, please only use the 2025 envelopes. Please recycle all old envelopes used in previous years.
- If you attend Sunday Mass at another parish and you drop your Corpus Christi envelopes at that church, please **DO NOT PUT IN ANY COINS**. Parishes are not allowed to mail envelopes which contain coins for security purposes.
- Please do not use staples and/or scotch tape to seal your envelopes. This causes delay in counting the collection and can sometimes injure the counters with hard-to-remove staples wires.
- If you donate online, you're still encouraged to use the envelopes while attending Sunday mass. Simply check the box that says "**ONLINE DONOR**" and drop it into the collection basket.
- If you wish to have a set of 2025 envelopes, please contact the parish office.

Remembering the Sick

In Prayers

Sr. Florchita Bautista	Honesto Estabillo	Grace Macapinlac
Naty Bonus	Juan Garzon	Maria C. Martinez
Isabelita Carpentero	Flor Gatchallan	Cecelia Mulcahy
Anthony Centeno	Gerda Heilemann	Ben Ng
Helen Cervo	Paul David	Toma Nitta
Mavis Chow	Matilde Fernandez	Maria Pinto
Francis Claire	Norena Gonzales	Sebastian Pinto
Joseph Chiu	Peter Hinz	Margaret Tai
Anna S. B. David	Sanae Hogan	Fred Vendencia
Christianne Depre	Peter In	Digno Vibat
Heloisa Schuch Durao	Yuk King Lai	David M. Williams
	Yen Ting Lin	Julia Williams

Prayers for the sick can be requested. To add the name of your loved one, please drop by or call the Parish Office.

The names listed in the bulletin will remain here unless the office is notified.

恭賀新禧



Corpus Christi Parish 基督聖體聖血堂
Lunar New Year 農曆新春
Celebration Dinner 聯歡晚宴

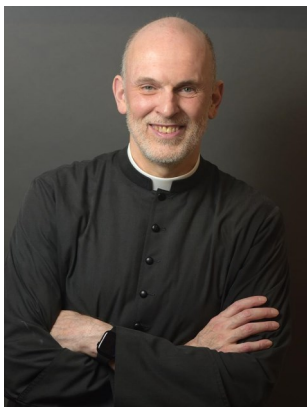
Grand Crystal Seafood 麗晶海鮮酒家
Restaurant, Crystal Mall 麗晶廣場
#2216-4500 Kingsway 本拿比
Burnaby

Sunday Feb 2, 2025
6:00pm, dinner starting at 6:30pm
\$65 Each

Everyone is welcome. 歡迎所有人士參加

Dinner ticket can be purchased at parish office.

餐券可在堂區辦事處購買。



pastor's Corner



Baptism of the Lord

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. As we celebrate this beautiful feast it is important to state, once again: Our Lord was not baptized because he needed it. He made this clear to St John the Baptist who protested that ***“I should be baptized by you.”*** Jesus responded that this was to fulfill all righteousness.

So, why did Jesus seek baptism? By submitting to baptism, he was preparing the waters of the world for the baptisms that would occur in the future when he would die on the cross and unleash the supernatural (divine) power of the sacraments.

The Lord’s baptism was also chosen by the Father to be a moment when his divinity was revealed and at the same time there is a revelation of the Trinity: ***the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and alighting on him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”*** (Mt 3:16-17)

On this day we should spend a little time giving thanks to Jesus for giving us the sacraments beginning with Baptism. Without baptism we could not enter heaven; without baptism we could not be elevated to the supernatural order; without baptism we cannot receive the other sacraments; it is only because of baptism that we now have the possibility of being adopted as children of God.

Because of these many incredible blessings bestowed on us through baptism it is a good thing that we know the date of our baptism and put it into our schedules and on the anniversary of our baptism spend extra time in prayer giving thanks to God for this unmerited gift.

Mark in your calendars Tuesday, January 21st – Friday, January 24th. During these days we will be having 40 Hours of Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. To be with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is one of the most important things we can

do for ourselves and for others. We need this.

Jesus calls us like he called Sts. John and Andrew: ***“come and see”*** (John 1: 39). Can you spend one, just one, hour with the Lord present on the altar? How many people spend time in front of the TV for hours on end, or spend more hours in front of the computer, or on your phones playing mindless video games, or perhaps getting caught, sucked right into the poison and sinfulness of pornography.

You want to know how you can break this habit. There are many ways, but spend more time with Jesus Christ in prayer, in **private prayer, in Mass and in adoration**. Spend time with Jesus, don't leave him and he will give you the resilience you need to say “no” to this poison, this garbage, this filth that is dehumanizing to both men and women. Spend time with Jesus and if you let him, he will transform you, BUT you have to let him. He requires your permission. Whether it is pornography, or gossip, or laziness, or “whatever”, all of these are “roads to nowhere” and “dead ends”, they do not better us, make us more like God. However, spending time with the Lord will help you in every way. Give God a chance. Book Jesus into your schedule – Adoration! The schedules will be in the vestibule very soon.

Please note: **During the time of 40 Hours the Adoration Chapel will be closed the entire week. The chapel is going to get new flooring, a new paint job and new lighting. The new altar is being prepared and is scheduled for completion by the end of March.**

Let us all pray for lots and lots and lots of parishioners being present for the blessing of 40 Hours Adoration.

Fr. Hamilton



pastor's Corner

主受洗節 本堂神父的話



今天我們慶祝主受洗節。在這個美麗的節日中，我們必須再次強調：我們的主並非因為需要而受洗。祂已經清楚地向聖若翰洗者表明了這一點，因為聖若翰曾抗議說：「我本來需要受你的洗。」然而，耶穌回應說，這樣做是為了完成全義。

那麼，為什麼耶穌要接受洗禮呢？祂藉著接受洗禮，是為了準備世界上的水，使其能成為未來洗禮的工具；在祂於十字架上受難時，將釋放聖事的超性（神聖）力量，從而開啟救恩的泉源。

同時，主的洗禮也是天父所揀選的一個時刻，來顯示祂的天主性，並同時啟示至聖三位一體的奧蹟：忽然天為他開了。他看見天主聖神有如鴿子降下，來到他上面；又有聲音由天上說：『這是我的愛子，我所喜悅的』（瑪 3:16-17）

在今天這個日子，我們應花些時間感謝耶穌，因為祂賜予了我們七件聖事，而其中的第一件便是聖洗聖事。若沒有聖洗，我們便無法進入天國；若沒有聖洗，我們便無法被提升到超性的層次；若沒有聖洗，我們便無法領受其他聖事。唯有因著聖洗聖事，我們才有可能成為天主的義子義女。

由於透過聖洗聖事，我們領受了這麼多奇妙的恩典，因此，我們應該知道自己的領洗日期，並將這個日子記錄在行事曆上。在領洗周年紀念日，我們應花更多的時間祈禱，感謝天主所賜予我們這不配得的恩典。

請在行事曆上標記：1月21日（星期二）至1月24日（星期五）。在這幾天裡，我們將舉行聖體朝拜四十小時。朝拜至聖聖體中的耶穌，是我們為自己 and 他人所能做的最重要的事之一。我們真的需要這樣的相遇。

耶穌如同當初召喚聖若望與聖安德肋一樣，也在召喚我們：「你們來看看吧！」（若 1:39）你能夠花一個小時的時間，僅僅一個小時，來陪伴祭台上的主嗎？有多少人可以一連幾個小時坐在電視機前，或花許多時間在電腦前，或者拿著手機瘋狂玩毫無意義的遊戲，甚至陷入色情的毒害與罪惡中，無法自拔。

你想知道如何打破這些惡習嗎？有許多方法可以幫助你，但其中最重要的一個就是：多花時間與耶穌基督在一起——在祈禱中、在私人祈禱中、在彌撒中、在聖體朝拜中與祂相遇。花時間陪伴耶穌，不要離開祂，祂會賜給你所需的力量，幫助你對這些毒害、垃圾、污穢果斷地說『不』。這些污穢使人性扭曲，侮辱了男女的尊嚴。然而，如果你花時間陪伴耶穌，並且願意讓祂進入你的生命，祂就會轉化你。但請記住——祂需要你的許可。無論是色情、閒話、懶惰，或『其他任何』『罪惡的習慣』，這些都是『死路一條』，最終只會把我們引向虛無，無法讓我們更加成為天主的肖像。然而，花時間與主同在，將在各個方面幫助你改變自己，變得更好。給天主一個機會！將耶穌納入你的時間表——朝拜聖體！朝拜時間的登記表將會放置在聖堂的前廳。

請注意：在四十小時聖體朝拜期間，聖體小堂將整週關閉。小堂將進行地板翻新、重新粉刷牆面，以及更換新的照明設備。此外，新的祭台也正在製作中，預計於三月底前完成安裝。

讓我們大家一同祈禱，願有更多、更多、更多的教友參與四十小時聖體朝拜祝福的時刻！

Hamilton 神父

[Explaining the Jubilee Year to children: A parent's guide](#)

By Theresa Civantos Barber, Aleteia



Sharing the Jubilee Year with our children can help us feel rooted in our true identity as God's beloved sons and daughters.

You might have heard that Pope Francis announced 2025 as a "[Jubilee Year](#)." And maybe you wondered, "What does that mean, exactly?"

You're not the only one. While the Jubilee Year is an ancient practice with roots in the Old Testament, it comes around rarely enough that many of us don't quite understand.

Let's take a look at the background history. Then let's see how we can bring home the message of this year to our own families (or classrooms, if you're a teacher or catechist).

Understanding the Biblical roots

The Jubilee — or "Holy Year" — is a Catholic event now celebrated every 25 years. It is inspired by a Jewish tradition. In the Old Testament, the Law of Moses established a "year of grace" every 50 years, during which all slaves were freed, all debts were forgiven, and the land was left to rest.

You can see how the concept comes directly from Scripture, not only from the Old Testament but also from [the New](#):

Jesus of Nazareth, going back one day to the synagogue of his home town, stood up to read (cf. Lk 4:16-30). Taking the book of the Prophet Isaiah, he read this passage: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who

are bound; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (61:1-2).

This "year of the Lord's favor" is a helpful way to understand the Jubilee. As Pope John Paul II explained in *Tertio Millennio Adveniente*, "the Jubilee was a time dedicated in a special way to God."

It was "meant to restore equality among all the children of Israel, offering new possibilities to families which had lost their property and even their personal freedom," and "was meant to restore social justice."

This mission of restoration and renewal remains at the heart of the Jubilee celebration.



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What to tell our children

Here's how you can explain it to your children or students:

Every 25 years, the Church holds a special celebration called a Jubilee Year. 2025 is one of these years!

Since ancient times, God's followers would have a year that was especially dedicated to God. It was a time of forgiveness and rest: People would give back things that were taken from someone else, and farmers would leave their fields to rest and not plant anything. This rest gave them time to focus on relationships with God and other people.

Why did they need a special year for this? Well, sometimes we all need to "reset" anything that has gone off course. Like someone driving a car or steering a ship, sometimes we can drift away from where we're supposed to be going in life. The

Jubilee Year is a time to get back on track, all together, as one big Church family around the world.

The Jubilee helps us remember that we're on our way toward Heaven. We can live right now like people whose eyes are fixed on the goal of Heaven. The Jubilee reminds us to walk with Jesus every day.

How can we practice the Jubilee Year at home?

Here are a few practical suggestions. You can talk them over with your children or students and choose which to do.

1. Grant forgiveness

Is there anyone against whom we are holding a grudge? The Jubilee Year is the perfect time to extend the olive branch. Invite that classmate over for a play date, ask that friend to play next time you see them at the playground, or write a note expressing forgiveness and friendship.

2. Make a pilgrimage

Pilgrimages are memorable for kids and can be a lot of fun, while also enriching faith. Here's how one family [made a mini-pilgrimage](#), but any [visit](#) to a holy site works. You might start with a day trip to the cathedral of your local parish.

3. Practice works of mercy as a family

Not sure how to put these into action with your kids? Check out our list of [10 Ways to practice the works of mercy with young kids](#).

4. Go to Confession

Asking God for forgiveness is a natural part of the Jubilee Year. [Here's what to know](#) if you haven't been to Confession in a while.

5. Make a list of reasons for hope

The 2025 Jubilee has the theme "Pilgrims of Hope, announced in a papal bull called "Spes Non Confundit," that is, "Hope does not disappoint" (Rom 5:5). Scripture urges us to "Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope" (1 Peter 3:15). Writing a list together can lead to a great

conversation about our hope in Christ.

6. Learn about the Holy Door

Children will enjoy the tangible symbol of the special door that is closed up with bricks and only opened every 25 years. You can [read all about](#) the "Porta Sancta" here. Look up pictures or a virtual tour of it together.

For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are [expected](#) to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims. You might contact your diocese and find out if there is a local Jubilee prayer site you can visit.

Remembering who we are

This Jubilee Year is a time for all of us to rediscover our true identity as God's children and grow together in faith with our families.

Pope Francis said the 2025 Jubilee is a time to "rekindle our hope," not only for our children but also for ourselves.

Hopefully sharing the Jubilee Year with our children helps us feel deeply rooted in our identity as beloved sons and daughters.



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