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December 14, 2025 Third Sunday of Advent



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Parish Office Hours 堂區辦事處時間 Mon—Fri 9:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday Mass 主日彌撒

Saturday Vigil 週六: 5:00 pm (English 英) Sunday 週日:

9:00 am (English 英) 11:00 am (English 英) 3:00 pm (Cantonese 廣東話)

Weekday Mass 平日彌撒

Monday to Saturday - 8:00 am Wednesday - 9:00 am (School Mass when school is in session) Holy Hour every Friday - 6:00 pm First Friday Evening Mass - 7:00 pm Holidays - 9:00 am

Confession 修和聖事

Monday to Friday - 7:45 – 7:55 am Friday - 6:00 – 6:45 pm (during Holy Hour)

Saturday - 8:30 am after Mass Saturday - 3:45 – 4:45 pm Sunday - 2:30 – 2:55 pm (Cantonese)

Lauds - 7:30 am on weekdays

Holy Rosary - Monday to Saturday After morning Mass

Emmaus Adoration Chapel

The Chapel is now open 24/7 and accessible by a code. Please contact the Parish Office for the code.

Corpus Christi Elementary School

2360 Waverley Avenue Vancouver, BC V5S 0J1 Phone: 604-321-1117 Email: office@cchristi.ca Website: www.cchristi.ca Principal: Ms. Rosa Natola

Corpus Christi Childcare Centre

2362 Waverley Avenue Vancouver, BC V5S 0J1 Phone: 604-416-4117 Manager: Mrs. Ivana Ciccone Email: iciccone@cchristi.ca





Engaged Disciples: Corpus Christi parishioners strive to be fully committed to holiness, mission, community and service. (cf. Mission of the Redeemer 90, JPII)



Rooted in Tradition: Corpus Christi parishioners are firmly rooted in the living Tradition of the Church, faithful to the fullness of the teachings of Christ in every aspect of parish life. (cf. 2 Thessalonians 2:15)



Multiplying Leaders: Corpus Christi parishioners follow Jesus' example of ministry by identifying, recruiting and investing in others to become leaders, and equipping them to do the same. (cf. 2 Timothy 2:2)



Evangelical Hospitality: Corpus Christi parishioners aim to be generous and evangelical in service and hospitality, providing everyone with opportunities to belong to the parish family. (cf Acts 2:44-47)

BAPTISM

The Baptism Preparation Classes for parents are held via Zoom every $1^{\rm st}$ (Part 1) and $3^{\rm rd}$ (Part 2) Saturdays of the month, 10:30 am to 12 noon, except during the months of July and August. Parents must attend both sessions. Call the Parish Office to pre-register for the class. Baptism celebrations are held on the $2^{\rm nd}$ and $4^{\rm th}$ Saturdays of each month @ 11:00 am.

HOLY MATRIMONY

We welcome your wedding celebration at Corpus Christi Church. To arrange the date and begin your preparations, please contact the Parish Office at least 9 months prior to the proposed wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If your loved one, relative or friend would like to arrange for a priest for the administration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or to visit the sick in a hospital, please phone the Parish Office. Or you may contact the hospital chaplain:

VGH:

Fr. Gilbert Nunez & Fr. Luis Martin Brian Delgado (Mon., Tue., Fri., Sat. and Sun.)
Fr. Aresene Dutunge (Wed. and Thurs.)
604-875-4111

MOUNT ST JOSEPH HOSPITAL:

Fr. Joseph Ha Vinh Tran, OP (Chaplain) 604-876-7826

BURNABY HOSPITAL:

St. Theresa's Parish 604-434-4211 (Chaplain) 604-298-6800 (Parish)

ST. PAUL'S HOSPITAL

Fr. Victor Fernandes, OCD 604-982-2344/604-445-9323 (cell)/604-252-4224 (pager)

STEWARDHIP REFLECTIONS

December 14 - Gaudete Sunday - Third Sunday of Advent

"You too must be patient. Make you hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand"

James 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

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December 13, Saturday (Vigil Mass)

5:00 PM - Corazon Carpio, RIP

December 14, Sunday (Third Sunday of Advent)

9:00 AM – Parishioners, Living and Deceased 11:00 AM – Deceased members of Di Marino & Zinni Families 3:00 PM – Pauline Mak, Thanksgiving

December 15, Monday

8:00 AM - Elivera Family, Thanksgiving

December 16, Tuesday

8:00 AM - David & Connie Robinson, 30th Wedding Anniversary

December 17, Wednesday

8:00 AM-Brian McGuckin, RIP

December 18, Thursday

8:00 AM - Aida Pelayo, RIP

December 19, Friday

8:00 AM - Marilyn & Rosita Ong, Thanksgiving

9:00 AM- School Mass

6:00 PM—Holy Hour of Adoration

December 20, Saturday

6:30 AM - Rorate Mass (NO 8:00 AM Mass)

CWL

"Corpus Christi Catholic Women's League Luncheon Members are reminded of our upcoming lunch on December 18, Thursday at 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Please RSVP with Camille and place your order.

We also encourage members to bring payment for their meal contribution and dues. "

PROJECT ADVANCE

There's one final opportunity to make your Project Advance pledge this year. After each Mass this weekend, volunteers will be in the church vestibule to receive your donations.

Our parish goal is \$150,000, and thanks to your generosity, we have raised approximately \$110,000 so far. Thank you for your continued support.



RORATE MASS ON SATURDAY, December 20 at 6:30 AM. There will be NO 8:00 AM Mass, Confession is at 8:30AM

The Rorate Mass is a candlelit Mass celebrated before dawn in the days leading up to Christmas. This tradition is related to Spanish Misa de Gallo and the Filipino Simbang Gabi.

Remembering the Sick In Prayers

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

Helen Cuervo; Virginia Mak Sun; Peter Sun; Vincent Kwan; Remedios Hufano; Roslyn Sami; Bernard Glemas; Maria Carolina; Martinez; Juliana Sou, Delia Yapp, Agnes Lau; Charles & Linda Harwood

The names listed in the bulletin will remain here for 2 months unless the office is notified.

Last Weekend's Collection

Offertory Collection	\$ 7,802.25
Building Fund	\$ 400.00
Catholic Mission in Canada	\$ 10.00
Christmas Offering	\$ 100.00
Evangelization of Nations	\$ 10.00
Healing & Reconciliation	\$ 20.00
Needs of Canadian Church	\$ 20.00
Home Missions	\$ 60.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 2,680.45
TOTAL	\$ 11,112.70

Pre-Authorized Donation (November) \$31,451.04

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTION:

December 25, 2025 CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Thank you for your generosity

REMINDERS TO PARISHIONERS

- Please pick up your 2026 Sunday contribution envelopes at the church foyer. It is alphabetically arranged according to last name.
- If you wish to have a 2026 envelope box, please call or drop by the parish office.
- All donations should be received by the parish office on or before December 31, 2025 in order to qualify for the 2025 Income Tax Receipt.
- Please notify the parish office of any change of address in order to reflect the correct one in the Official Tax Receipt for 2025
- Please use the 2026 envelopes starting January 1, 2026
- We respectfully ask that you **DO NOT use staples and/or scotch, masking tapes on the envelopes to seal them**.

 Using them will take our counters longer to count the collections and may even hurt them when they try to remove the staple wire
- We also ask parishioners who use envelopes for their donation to always write the donation amount on the envelope.
- The envelopes will remain in the church vestibule until February 2026. After that, you can call drop by at the parish office during office hours.





3rd Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday



"Rejoice in the Lord always" (Phil 4:4)

As we enter this beautiful Third Sunday of Advent, *Gaudete* Sunday, I want to share two extraordinary graces we experienced last weekend, along with a word about this week's celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Last Saturday, Corpus Christi hosted an *Immersive Summit* for our ministry leaders and volunteers. Our desire was simple, but bold: to offer a *taste* of what our team experienced during the *Acts XXIX Immersive* in Detroit.

Condensing a full week of renewal, clarity, and conviction into three hours was no small task, but the day unfolded beautifully. Peter Lee, Becky Wong, and Michelle Chang each offered heartfelt and powerful reflections, and I opened the morning by sharing what the *Immersive* was truly about: rediscovering amazement of Jesus Christ and His mission for the Church. The hospitality-food was wonderful – coordinated by Annie Dee and the team that worked with her. Thank you all!!!

Our leaders prayed, reflected, discerned, and then we shared a wonderful meal together. It was a moment of genuine gratitude for the countless hours our volunteers give; quietly, generously, and faithfully, in service of the Gospel.

So many things happen in parish life that can easily go unnoticed. That is why I want to highlight this: **God is pouring tremendous blessings upon our parish as we continue living our 10-Year Vision together.**

That same evening, we were blessed to host *The Lyre Project* for an Advent concert of sacred music, their first ever offered outside St. Anthony's Parish.

The church was filled, and the music was nothing short of glorious. Hearing the human voice, well-trained, disciplined, prayerful, lift up Advent hymns was a moving reminder of beauty's power to draw us toward God. Many parishioners shared how the evening helped them enter more deeply into this holy season.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation does far more than absolve our sins. It strengthens us, encourages us, and gives us the grace to begin again.

Every confession is a reminder that **God believes in you**, that He welcomes you back with joy.

Today the Church calls us to rejoice, Gaudete!, because the Lord is near

In the early centuries, Advent was a profoundly penitential season. Today, although we do not live it with the same intensity, the call remains: **prepare your heart.** Make room for the Lord. Offer sacrifice. Slow down. Be intentional.

This is especially important in a world absolutely saturated with messages shouting: *Buy, buy, buy!* There is nothing wrong with giving gifts, love expresses itself generously, but gifts make sense only because of *the* gift:

God has given us His Son, Jesus Christ.

A gift we did not and could never deserve. A gift that changes everything.

Our longing for Him, our desire for His nearness, is what makes Advent meaningful.

So rejoice today, not because everything in your life is perfect, not because every circumstance is easy, but because:

Whether your life feels joyful or heavy right now, this truth does not change. Jesus Christ is drawing close. Let this week be one in which you and your family make space to remember, reflect, and pray on this astonishing joy.

My prayer for you is simple: **Keep your eyes on Jesus, He is so near.** Let His nearness be your joy, your strength, your peace.

God bless you and your loved ones in this Third Week of Advent.

Fr. Hamilton

The Advent Penance Service at Corpus
Christi is scheduled on Thursday,
December 18th at 7:00PM. There will
be 6 priests available for confessions.
This is a good preparation for Christmas season.





pastor's Corner

將臨期第三主日 歡樂主日 本堂神父的話



「你們在主內應當常常喜樂」(斐 4:4)

當我們進入這美麗的將臨期第三主日——歡樂主日時, 我想與大家分享我們在上週末所經歷的兩項非凡恩寵,以及關於 本週和好聖事的幾句話。

上週六,聖體堂為我們的事工領袖與義工們舉辦了一場 沉浸式峰會。我們的願望很簡單,卻也大膽:提供我們團隊在底 特律參與 Acts XXIX *沉浸式培育*時所體驗的一點經驗。

要將整整一週的更新、明晰與信念濃縮成三小時,絕非易事,但當天的流程卻十分順利。Peter Lee、Becky Wong 和 Michelle Chang 都獻上了真摯而有力的分享,而我在早上開場時也分享了*沉浸式培育*的真正核心:重新發現對耶穌基督以及祂對教會使命的驚嘆。接待的食物非常棒——由 Annie Dee 及其團隊協調安排。真的非常感謝你們!!!

我們的領袖們一起祈禱、反思、辨識,最後共進了一頓 美好的餐點。那是一個充滿真誠感恩的時刻,感謝我們的義工為 福音服務而默默、慷慨、忠誠地付出的無數時光。

堂區生活中有許多事情容易被忽略。因此我想特別強調 這點:當我們一同活出十年願景時,**天主正把巨大的祝福傾注在 我們的堂區。**

同一天晚上,我們有幸舉辦了 Lyre Project 的將臨期聖樂音樂會——這是他們首次在聖安多尼堂外演出。

教堂座無虛席,音樂更是美妙非凡。聽見人聲——受過 良好訓練、紀律嚴謹、充滿祈禱心——高唱將臨期聖歌,令人深 刻感受到美的力量如何吸引我們更靠近天主。許多教友分享,那 個晚上幫助他們更深入地進入這神聖的季節。

。我真心希望——也祈禱——教友踴躍參與且收穫良 多。和好聖事不僅赦免我們的罪,更堅強我們、鼓勵我們,並賜 予我們重新開始的恩寵。

每一次告解都是提醒:**天主相信你**,祂歡喜地迎接你回來。

今天,教會呼喚我們歡欣—— Gaudete!——因為主臨近了。

在教會初世紀時期,將臨期是一個強烈的補贖季節。今日,雖然我們不再以同樣的強度度此季,但呼召依然存在:**準備你的心**。為主預留空間。做犧牲。放慢腳步。用心生活。

這在我們所處的世界中特別重要——一個被大量訊息淹沒、時刻呼喊著「*買!買!買!*」的世界。送禮本身並沒有錯——愛總是慷慨地表達——但禮物之所以有意義,是因為那份唯一的禮物:

天主把祂的聖子耶穌基督賜給了我們。

一份我們不曾、也永遠無法配得的禮物。

一份改變一切的禮物。

我們對祂的渴望、對祂臨在的期待,使將臨期變得意義 深遠。

所以今天要歡欣,不是因為你生命中的一切都很完美, 也不是因為每一個境況都很輕鬆,而是因為:

無論你現在的生活是喜樂還是沉重,這個真理不會改變。

耶穌基督正向你走近。願這一週成為你和你的家人預留空間,記念、反思並祈禱這份驚人喜樂的一週。

我對你的祈禱很簡單:

把眼目注視在耶穌身上,祂離你如此之

近。

讓祂的臨在成為你的喜樂、你的力量、你

的平安。

願天主在將臨期第三週降福你和你所愛的人。

Hamilton 神父





Lunar New Year Fundraising Dinner

> Tickets: \$180 Donation Receipt: \$100

Saturday, March 7, 2026 Sun Sui Wah Seafood Restaurant Main Street

