

HOLY WEEK OBSERVANCES

Sunday, April 14

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY – 9 AM & 11 AM

Wednesday, April 17

CHRISM MASS – 5 PM

Holy Rosary Cathedral

No 7 pm Mass

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 18

LORD'S SUPPER – 8 PM

ADORATION UNTIL 11 PM

No 9 am Mass

Good Friday, April 19

WAY OF THE CROSS – 11 AM

PASSION OF THE LORD – 3 PM

Holy Saturday, April 20

EASTER VIGIL – 8:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

9 AM & 11 AM



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April 14, 2019

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Through the Gospel reading, we are invited into the story, to be present with Jesus, as he experiences arrest, suffering and death.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Isaiah prophesies about the Lord's servant. St Paul quotes a hymn that tells of the "emptying" and subsequent exaltation of Christ. In the Gospel of Luke, the evangelist recounts the events of Christ's passion: from the meal with his Apostles, to his agony on the Mount of Olives, and then his arrest, crucifixion, death and burial.

Today's Readings:

1st:

Isaiah 50.4-7

Psalm: 22

2nd:

Philippians 2.6-11

Gospel:

Luke 22.14 - 23.56



PASTOR: **Rev. Robert Wong, SJ**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

9:30 am – 1 pm / 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULES

WEEKDAYS: **9:00 am**

SATURDAYS: **9:30 am & 5:00 pm**

SUNDAYS: **9:00 am & 11:00 am**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAYS: **4:30 pm – 4:55 pm**

CONFESSIONS: 10 MINUTES BEFORE DAILY
MASS OR BY REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES

NOVENA TO

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

WEDNESDAYS: **7:00 pm**

MASS FOLLOWED BY NOVENA
& BENEDICTION

BAPTISM COURSE

EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT **6 pm**

BAPTISMS

4th SATURDAY AFTER 9:30 am MASS

HOUSE BLESSINGS

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

PARISH UPDATES

Holy Week Services – Please take note of the Sacred Paschal Triduum, beginning with the Lord’s Supper. It will help you to prepare spiritually without stress. Keep us all in your prayers. Holy Thursday, April 18, 8pm.

National Catholic Mission 2019 – Cardinal Thomas Collins of Toronto Archdiocese is the Mission Leader. He will reflect with us on JoyTV, Part 1 – *The Penitential Psalms*, Mon. April 15 and Part 2 – *Conscience & Reconciliation*, Tue., April 16, 8:30pm.

Good Friday – This is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat; the latter applies to those who are 14 and older. Fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Fasting is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith.

Project Advance 2019 – *Building our Future upon a Foundation of Faith* is this year’s appeal. We’ll present our parish’s appeal on April 28th, Divine Mercy Sunday. Thank you for your on-going support.

Mexico Pilgrimage – Fr. Robert is the spiritual guide to the Shrines of Mexico, just after Thanksgiving, Oct. 15 to 24. For more information, you can pick up the brochure from the parish office or ask Fr. Robert to send it to your email address. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? - Psalm 22

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

Marriage Anniversary Mass 2019

Celebrate your Milestone Anniversary with us! This Mother’s Day, Archbishop Miller will be honouring couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th & 60th+ years of marriage. Register your anniversary with us today at rcav.org/marriage-anniversary. Mass will be on Sunday, May 12, at 3:30 p.m. at St. Paul Parish, Richmond. Reception to follow in St. Paul Parish Centre. All are welcome to witness and celebrate the milestone anniversaries of others! Register today: <https://rcav.org/marriage-anniversary>

Vocation Weekend at the Carmel

Come and See! Are you discerning God’s call to the religious vocation? You may be interested in spending a weekend of Prayer and Discernment at the Carmel of St. Joseph, the weekend of May 17 to May 19. Your chaplain will be Father Paul Simms, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Kamloops. Please RSVP at 250-546-8801.

Easter Vigil Baptism and Confirmation—On Holy Saturday evening at the Vigil, **Julian (Long Hay) Chu & Caroline (Sui Ping) Yu** will be baptized and confirmed into the Roman Catholic faith; **Lorin Mae Garcia, Mark Lemuel Garcia & Boastine Wanyonyi** will be confirmed. We pray for them and rejoice with them in gratitude to God’s grace for our faith community.

Quo Vadis - Men's Discernment Events

Open to single Catholic men ages 18+ who want to answer the question: What is God calling me to do with my life? Join us for a Discernment Evening with Fr. Juan Lucca who will be talking about celibacy Wednesday, April 24, 7-9 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish, Vancouver. Please register at least one week in advance by contacting the Vocations Office at vocations@rcav.org or call 604-443-3254.

Fiat: Women's Discernment Events – Fun Night

Open to single, Catholic young women ages 18-35 who are open to discerning and responding to God’s call in their life. Takes place on Saturday, April 27, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Convent in Surrey. E-mail womensvocations@rcav.org for more information.

Chrism Mass - One of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our Church is the Chrism Mass. Join Archbishop Miller and the priests of the archdiocese on **Wednesday, April 17, at 5 pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral** for the blessing of the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chrism.

There will be NO 7 pm mass on Wednesday, April 17 due to the Chrism Mass at the Holy Rosary Cathedral.

March for Life Victoria - Thursday, May 9, 2019. For info: www.M4LVictoria.ca

Stewardship Reflection

In the Gospel story of the first Palm Sunday, we hear that the owners of the ass had only to be told, The Master has need of it,” to give the animal gladly. Do I give as readily to the Lord’s work?

See Luke 19:34

Mass Intentions Apr 14 - 20, 2019

Mon, Apr 15 -	Marcelino Revita (RIP)
Tue, Apr 16 -	Arrieta Family (TG)
Wed, Apr 17 -	9am, Editha Perez (RIP) Manuel Dias (RIP)
Thu, Apr 18 -	MAUNDY THURSDAY
Fri, Apr 19 -	GOOD FRIDAY
Sat, Apr 20 -	HOLY SATURDAY Pacita Santos (RIP)

Holy Land Collection on Good Friday—

The Good Friday Pontifical Collection will be on Friday, April 19 in support of the Holy Land.

‘For the peace of Jerusalem, pray’ - Ps 121, 6