

LIST OF PARISH MINISTRIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND MEETING SCHEDULES

ALTAR SERVERS: Jun Lastica

BEREAVEMENT & LOSS: Fe Arias

CWL (CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE): Ameer Inocencio meets every 2nd Saturday of the month, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

CENACLE PRAYER GROUP: Elizabeth Tanase meets every Thursday, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

CHOIR: Vic Festejo at 5:00 pm; Chris Mok at 9:00 am; Michael Goco at 11:00 am

COUPLES FOR CHRIST: Erick & Rhona Cadlaon meets every 3rd Saturday, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: Evelyn Victoria

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Teresa Santos

INTERFAITH ALLIANCE: Edward Wong

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Addie Comilang [Executive Meetings: 3rd Saturday of the month, 10:00 am]
[General Meetings: 4th Saturday of the month, 10:00 am]

LECTORS: Marlytel Decena

LEGION OF MARY: Elizabeth Taboada meets every Tuesday, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

LEGION OF MARY JUNIOR: Fe Arias meets every Sunday, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

OUTREACH MINISTRY: Deacon Wilbur Victoria

P.R.E.P. (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM): Teresa Santos classes every Tuesday, 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm

PROJECT ADVANCE: Ed & Baby San Jose

RELIGIOUS GOODS: Linda Zamora

R.C.I.A. (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS): Sam & Chic Mallare meets every Thursday, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

SACRISTANS & USHERS: Marlytel Decena

YOUTH FOR CHRIST: Javier San Pedro & Naomi Mallare meets every 1st & 3rd Saturday, 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

KIDS FOR CHRIST: 1st Saturday, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

Are you, or do you have friends who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Whether you or your friends were baptized in another Christian denomination or have never been baptized and are exploring Christianity for the first time, we will be happy to answer your questions and explore the possibilities. We also have a program for Catholics who are returning to the practice of their faith.

FIND OUT MORE, WITH NO OBLIGATIONS, BY CONTACTING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

SAM/CHIC MALLARE [smallare@gmail.com]


WILBUR/EVELYN VICTORIA [wevnet1@gmail.com]

TEL DECENA [tel.decena@hotmail.com]

TERESA SANTOS [artasantos@hotmail.com]

YOU CAN ALSO REACH OUT TO

ST. MONICA PARISH At [parish.smon@rcav.org].



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NOT **LIVE**
WHAT YOU
BELIEVE,
YOU WILL
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PASTOR: Rev. Mark Bautista
DEACON: Wilbur Victoria

MASS SCHEDULES
Weekdays: 9:00 am
Saturdays: 9:00 am & 5:00 pm
Sundays: 9:00 am, 11:00 am / 4:00 pm (YVR)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Saturdays: 9:45 am to 10:30 am
[20 minutes before Daily Mass]

BAPTISM: Every Saturday at 11:00 am

WEDDING: Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance

FUNERAL, HOUSE BLESSING, SICK CALL
Please call the Parish Office

WEDNESDAY
Perpetual Help Novena after the 9:00 am Mass

FRIDAY: Holy Hour after the 9:00 am Mass

FIRST SATURDAY
Rosary for Vocations after the 9:00 am Mass

PROJECT ADVANCE 2023 Empowering our Parish Vision

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Archdiocese of Vancouver

DECEMBER 3, 2023 - YEAR B

Today's Readings

ISAIAH 63.16B-17; 64.1, 3-8

PSALM: 80

1 CORINTHIANS 1.3-9

MARK 13.33-37



Reflection "BE WATCHFUL! BE ALERT! YOU DO NOT KNOW WHEN THE TIME WILL COME." MARK 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.

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DECEMBER 3 - PREPARING THE WAY

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." Isaiah 40:3

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, as we begin this season of Advent, help us prepare our hearts to receive You. Remove any obstacles that hinder Your entry into our lives. May we make straight paths for You in our hearts and minds.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

What are some obstacles or distractions that might prevent you from fully preparing for the coming of Christ this Advent season.

PARISH GOAL: \$75,000.00

Donations: \$ 43,91500 (59%)

Participation: 86 out of 374 families (23%)

St. Monica Parish, Richmond

AGUINALDO MASSES, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

MASS SCHEDULE 2023-2024

DAY 1 - DECEMBER 16 - SATURDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:45 – 10:30 AM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

DAY 2 - DECEMBER 17 - SUNDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:00 AM Mass
 11:00 AM Mass

DAY 3 - DECEMBER 18, MONDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass

DAY 4 - DECEMBER 19, TUESDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 6:30 PM Parish Penitential Service

DAY 5 - DECEMBER 20, WEDNESDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:00 AM Mass
 9:30 AM Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help

DAY 6 - DECEMBER 21, THURSDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass

DAY 7 - DECEMBER 22, FRIDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:00 AM Mass
 9:30 AM Holy Hour

DAY 8 - DECEMBER 23, SATURDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:45 – 10:30 AM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

DAY 9 - DECEMBER 24, SUNDAY

6:00 AM Aguinaldo Mass
 9:00 AM Mass
 11:00 AM Mass

DECEMBER 24, SUNDAY

6:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass
 9:00 PM Singing of Christmas Carols
 10 PM Misa de Gallo

DECEMBER 25, MONDAY

9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass
 11:00 AM Christmas Day Mass

DECEMBER 26, TUESDAY

9:00 AM Mass

DECEMBER 27, WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM Mass
 9:30 AM Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

DECEMBER 28, THURSDAY

9:00 AM Mass

DECEMBER 29, FRIDAY

9:00 AM Mass
 9:30 AM Holy Hour

DECEMBER 30, SATURDAY

9:00 AM Mass
 9:45 – 10:30 AM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

DECEMBER 31, SUNDAY

9:00 AM Mass
 11:00 AM Mass
 5:00 PM New Year's Eve Mass

JANUARY 1, MONDAY

11:00 AM New Year's Day Mass

Have a Holy Christmas & a Blessed New Year!

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2023



For persons with disabilities: We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Let us pray together that people with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusion programs that enhance their active participation.

Jesus identifies with those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, sick, and prisoners. He tells us that we are "blessed" when we respond to these poverties with love—not turning away but drawing near to those in need.



Simbang Gabi

JOIN US AT ST. MONICA PARISH
 December 16 to 24, 2023 at 6 AM

You are cordially invited to attend the Misa de Gallo or Aguinaldo Masses at St. Monica Parish, which will take place from December 16th to 24th at 6 AM. Envelopes for Mass Sponsorship can be found at the Foyer. The minimum donation amount is \$50. Kindly include your contact number and the date of your sponsorship. You can drop off your envelope at the Parish Office. Your generous contributions for Mass sponsorship during the Misa de Gallo or Aguinaldo Masses will be used to buy the statues of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary, venerated as Our Lady of Consolation.



We are continually requesting parishioners to contribute Christmas lanterns with LED light or "PAROL with LED LIGHT" to enhance our Church's festive decor for the Christmas season. Additionally, we are also looking for food sponsors during the nine days of Novena masses. To sign up as a Food Sponsor, please check the sign-up sheet available in the Church foyer and indicate your preferred day to bring food.
Thank you for your generosity!



INSTALLATION OF Fr. Mark Bautista

as pastor of St. Monica Parish on
 December 17, 2023, Sunday at 11 am by
 Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB.

After the Mass, archbishop will unveil the plaque recognizing St. Monica as the birthplace of Couples for Christ in Canada. There will be fellowship after Mass. Cash donations are much appreciated to help defray the cost of food. Thank you!



Join us for our *Parish Advent Mission* on Monday, December 11th, at 6:30 pm right here in our parish. Sr. Izah Aldover, OSA, and Sr. Ana Lorena Lara, OSA, will guide us in preparing for this Advent season, helping us deepen our anticipation for the arrival of our Savior this Christmas.

Second Collection: Youth Ministry Sunday

This weekend's second collection supports the work of the Ministries and Outreach Office in providing formation, training, and support for youth ministries across the Archdiocese. Parishes with active and intentional youth ministry receive a rebate from this collection. Tax-deductible donations can be made at the parish or online at rcav.org/second-collection

Other sins find their vent in the accomplishment of evil deeds, whereas pride lies in wait for good deeds, to destroy them.—St Augustine