## CATHEDRAL NEWS

#### RITE OF ELECTION

On Sunday February 18 & 25 at 2:30 PM the Archbishop will celebrate the Rite of Election with catechumens who will received into the Church the coming Easter Vigil.

#### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS, FEBRUARY 10

The Catholic Church marks the annual World Day of the Sick on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11. Archbishop Miller will celebrate a Mass for World Day of the Sick on Saturday, February 10 at 11 AM at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Vancouver. Reception to follow, all are welcome. Please keep the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday, February 14 we begin the holy season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday: 7:15 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:10 PM, 6:30 PM & 8 PM in Spanish. The Mass at 12:10 PM will be celebrated by His Grace the Archbishop.

#### 2023 TAX RECEIPTS

2023 Tax receipts will be mailed out in February. If you recently moved, please contact the parish office to update your mailing address so that we can send your tax receipt to the correct address. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Cathedral over the past year both materially and in prayer.

#### ASSEMBLY OF WESTERN CANADA BISHOPS MASS

The Western Bishops of Canada will be celebrating Mass on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 2024, at Saint Paul's Parish in Richmond. Mass will begin at 5 PM. All are welcome to attend.



#### CATHEDRAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM and 1 - 4 PM. (604) 682 6774 ext. 0 Email: office@vancouvercathedral.org

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FEBRUARY 4, 2024 V SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Rev. Peter Ha
Rev. Meletius Mlingi
Rev. Jose Thomas, OP

**WEEKDAY MASSES** 7:15 AM, 12:10 PM and 5:10 PM

Latin Mass: Fridays at 6:30 PM

Saturday 5:10 PM anticipated Mass

Sunday 8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM in Latin

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE** 

6:30 PM in Spanish, 8 PM

CONFESSIONS
Mon - Sat. 11 to 11:45 AM & 4 to 4:45 PM

Rev. Mr. Richard Chau

Rev. Mr. Alvin Rint

Spanish Confessions: Sundays from 6 to 6:25 PM

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#### DEVOTIONS SPIRITUAL

**Sunday Vespers and Benediction:** 5:30 PM

First Friday devotions to the Sacred Heart: After 6:30 PM Latin Mass

Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 11:40 AM & 4:40 PM Adoration: Fridays from 12:45 PM to 3:30 PM



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#### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on most Sundays at 2:30 PM. Contact Jane Rosenthal at janemrose@telus.net. Baptism are for Cathedral parishioners or those who live in the boundaries of the Cathedral. Please call the Cathedral office to find out more.

#### MARRIAGES

Bookings should be made at least six months in advance. Couples please contact the Cathedral office for information.

#### MUSIC & CHOIRS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please contact music director, Catherine Walsh at catherine.organist@gmail.com for more info.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

For more info, please contact: Father Stanley HISPANIC COMMUNITY Galvon.

#### HRC YOUNG ADULTS

Contact: hrcyoungadults@gmail.com; http://facebook.com/hrcyoungadults

#### LATIN MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

At the Cathedral we have a Traditional Mass community. Masses on Friday (6:30 PM) and Sundays (4 PM). Coordinator: Daniel Chan.

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

#### LEGION OF MARY

If you would like to get involved please contact Ave, (778)896 0649.

#### ALTAR MINISTRY

The Cathedral has a team of dedicated men who serve at specific Masses. To become an Altar Server or a reader please contact the Master of Ceremonies, Fr. Santa Maria: psantamaria@rcav.org

#### HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ Info. Grace Inonog: grace.inonog@yahoo.com

The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish -speaking community in our parish: comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com

#### CATHEDRAL BELL RINGERS

Our eight bells are rung by hand by a dedicated band of bell ringers. Visit www.vscr.ca for more info.

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## LENT IS APPROACHING

**1** Te call Lent the period of forty days of VV preparation of Easter. Since the 4th century, there has been a tendency to make it a time of penance and renewal for the whole Church, with the practice of fasting and abstinence.

"Every year, during the forty days of Great Lent, the Church unites herself to the Mystery of Jesus in the desert" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 540). By proposing to her faithful the example of Christ in his retreat into the desert, she prepares herself for the celebration of the Easter solemnities, with purification of heart, a perfect practice of the Christian life and a penitential attitude.

We are invited to live during this time a spirit of penance and conversion.

Penance. Latin translation of the Greek word metanoia, which in the Bible means the conversion (spiritual change) of the sinner. It designates a whole set of interior and exterior acts aimed at the reparation of the sin committed, and the resulting situation for the sinner. Literally change of life, it is said of the act of the sinner who returns to God after having been far from Him, or of the unbeliever who comes to faith.

"The interior penance of the Christian can be expressed in many and various ways. Scripture and the Fathers insist above all on three forms. fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God, and to others. Alongside the radical purification brought about by Baptism or martyrdom they

cite as means of obtaining forgiveness of sins: effort at reconciliation with one's neighbour, tears of repentance, concern for the salvation of one's neighbor, the intercession of the saints, and the practice of charity "which covers a multitude of sins." (1 Peter, 4, 8.) (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1434.

These and many other forms of penance can be practiced in the daily life of the Christian, especially in the season of Lent and on Friday, a penitential day.

All of this is done with the hope of arriving at a conversion of heart: Conversion which is to be reconciled to God, to turn away from evil, to establish friendship with the Creator. It involves repenting and confessing each and every one of our sins. Once in grace (without consciousness of mortal sin), we must set out to change from within (in attitudes) all that is displeasing to God.

Christ's call to conversion continues to resound in the lives of Christians. This second conversion is an uninterrupted task for the whole Church who, "clasping sinners to her bosom, is at once holy and always in need of purification, and follows constantly the path of penance and renewal." This endeavor of conversion is not just a human work. It is the movement of a "contrite heart," drawn and moved by grace to respond to the merciful love of God who loved us first. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1428)

With Lent fast approaching, this is a good time to think how this coming Lent will help us grow closer to God, and to leave behind whatever separates us from Him.