


**Archbishop's Message for the New Year 2024**

Dear brothers and sisters:  
At the beginning of this new year, let us raise our hearts in gratitude to the good Lord for accompanying us on our journey through time. We thank

God who never abandons us and always watches over the faithful of our local Church with his merciful love. With gentle persistence he is leading us beyond the constraints of time to eternity.

As time passes, we are continually amazed by how ultimately short and ephemeral life is. So often we ask ourselves: what's the meaning of our life, and what meaning, in particular, can we give to our days of toil and sorrow? This question permeates history, running through the heart of every generation and of every individual.

But there is an answer: it is written on the face of the Child born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem two thousand years ago. In "the fullness of time," God became man and remains among us today as the Living One, forever risen from the dead. He entered our history to free us from the slavery of sin and death, and to raise us to the dignity of being children of God.

With Jesus' Incarnation and Birth, time was, so to speak, forever "touched" by the Eternal God. The time we are now living is the definitive time of salvation and grace. That's why we can truthfully proclaim that 2024 will be yet another "Year of the Lord."

While we take our leave of the year that has just come to a close and set out for the new one, we once again entrust to the Lord his little flock, his Church in Vancouver, which is ever striving to be faithful to him. And let us implore Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, to intercede for us before the throne of mercy. With her, we are invited to keep our gaze fixed on Jesus, the Sun rising on the horizon of humanity, who is the hope and Saviour of the world.

May the new year bring you and your families many blessings.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
+ J. Michael Miller, CSB  
Archbishop of Vancouver

**Basement Suit for Rent:** 1 bedroom in Burnaby.  
Contact: 604-430-5907.

**Mass Intentions ✕ Intenções de Missas**
**Sábado – 6 de Janeiro**

**6:00pm** - † Moisés Morgado por Maria Morgado  
† Lúcia e João de Deus por pais  
† Hildeberto Carreiro por esposa  
† Humberto Medeiros por esposa  
† Lourdes, Helena Moniz, Silvina e falecidos de Manuel Moniz

**Domingo – 7 de Janeiro**

**8:30am** - † Joaquim Gregório Batista por mãe  
† Pais e irmãos de Lucinda da Silva  
† Albertino Pereira Batista por esposa e filhos  
† José Robalo Barata por Maria Lourdes Barata  
† Maria de Jesus, esposo e familiares  
**10:00am** - † Manuel Almeida and Gilda by Luis Silva  
† Alfredo Silvestre

**11:30am** - † Maria Luísa Melo (7º.dia) por família  
† Júlio Santos por Lúcia  
† Olivia e Anibal Franco por filhas  
† Manuel Carreiro por Amelia Crarer

**Segunda-feira – 8 de Janeiro \* The Baptism of the Lord**  
**8:30am \*\* Missa Pro Populi \*\***

**Terça-feira – 9 de Janeiro**

**6:30pm** - † Anibal e Olivia Franco

**Quarta-feira - 10 de Janeiro**

**6:30pm** - † Arlindo Figueira por esposa

**Quinta-feira – 11 de Janeiro**

**6:30pm** - † Falecidos das famílias Gonçalves, Rossi e Saco e saúde de Francisco José Tavares

**Sexta-feira – 12 de Janeiro**

**6:30pm** - † Elizabeth Atkins e filhas por Rosalina Sá

**Sábado – 13 de Janeiro**

**6:00pm** - † Hildeberto Carreiro por esposa

† Pais e sogros de Maria Carreiro

**Domingo – 14 de Janeiro**

**8:30am** - † Joaquim Alves Batista e filho por Lourdes Batista

† António Pereira Brás e intenções de Isaura Brás

\*Ação de graças à Sagrada Família pelos 64 anos de matrimônio de Florinda e José Santos

\*Ação de graças à Sagrada Família pelos 64 anos de matrimônio de Otilia e José Branco

**10:00am** - † Souls in purgatory

**11:30am** - † Esposo e filhos de Maria do Carmo Soares  
† Olinda Santos e familiares falecidos de Luciano dos Santos

† Olivia e Anibal Franco por filhas  
† Joaquim Branco, pais e irmãos de Conceição Branco

**FUNERAL**

- **Maria Luísa Melo:** Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, Rosary at 7:00pm & Mass on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am.
- **Maria Mercês Arruda:** Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Rosary at 10:00am & Mass at 10:30am.

**AGRADECIMENTO**

Os familiares de **Manuel Mariano Confeiteiro** agradecem de coração a todos os que participaram das cerimônias fúnebres.

**REZEMOS PELOS DOENTES:** Alice Antunes, Steven

Soares, Lídia Santa Bárbara, Kiano, Maria Alice Ferrari, Maria Silva, Evelin Turner, Sr. Parviz, Tony Paiva, Lucia Batista, Amelia Lima, Andrea da Silva, Maria Garcia, Filomena Sousa, José da Silva, Justin Alvernaz, José Pires Pimenta, Lucinda Longo, Brian Medeiros, Margarida Correia, Maria Helena Pacheco, Maria de Sousa, Mario Ferreira, Liduína Maria de Sousa, Suely Moura, Noemia Moniz, Roni Moniz, Joe Cota, Maria da Conceição Viveiros, Rita Morais, Sandy Batista, Gillian Morsan, Manuel Furtado Moniz, Olívia da Silva, Sandra Batista, Shana Batista, Alvaro Melo, Celso Chaves de Oliveira, Nanci Monteiro, Marco Lessa Doran, Maria Clara Bravo.

**ATUALIZAÇÃO DE ENDEREÇO \* ADDRESS UPDATE**

Se você mudou de endereço em 2023, por favor contacte o escritório paroquial das **13h-16h (604-879-0729)** ou envie email para: [parish.olfv@rcav.org](mailto:parish.olfv@rcav.org) a fim de atualizar seus dados. Obrigada!

\*If you have changed address in 2023, please call the parish office from **1pm – 4pm (604-879-0729)** or email [parish.olfv@rcav.org](mailto:parish.olfv@rcav.org) in order to update it. Thanks!

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION**

Collection..... \$6,305.00  
Collection (Initial 2024) ..... \$1,181.00  
Second Collection (Mary Mother of God) ..... \$ 806.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**CLEANING OF THE CHURCH LIMPEZA DA IGREJA**

Group 1 ..... Maria Melo & Anna Melo  
Limpeza do Chão..... Ilton Santos


**First Saturday Devotion**

Join us for the First Saturday Devotion, starting on January 6, 2024 and continuing until May 4, 2024. This spiritual devotion inspired by Our Lady of Fatima is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together in prayer and reflection.

- Holy Mass at 6pm in Portuguese
- Rosary at 7pm in English
- Confessions
- Meditation in English

We look forward to your presence as we embark on this journey of faith together. Please invite friends and family to join us.

**Women's Ministry Meeting**

Come to Pray, Talk and Learn with Us!

Meeting at the Church Hall - **January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm**. Contact: [fatimaswomen@gmail.com](mailto:fatimaswomen@gmail.com)

**AVISO**

O grupo dos **Seniors** retornará às atividades a partir de **31 de Janeiro de 2024**.

Em caso de mal tempo, com neve ou chuva intensa, favor contactar Sr. José Farias (604-434-1087) para verificar se haverá atividade.


**Eventos de Fevereiro February Events**

Fevereiro 2	Bênção das Velas	Missas: 6:30pm
Fevereiro 3	Bênção da Garganta	Missas: 6:00pm
Fevereiro 4	Almoço Comunitário	1:00pm
Fevereiro 11	Missas dos Enfermos União dos enfermos (Anointing of Sick)	Missas: 11:30am
Fevereiro 14	Ash Wednesday Quarta-feira de Cinzas	Missas: 9:00am & 7:00pm
Fevereiro 20	Santos Francisco e Jacinta Marto	Missas: 6:30pm