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September 28th, 2025 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 pm in English

Sunday 11:00 am in Portuguese

12:30 pm in Spanish

Weekday Masses: 9:00 am – Tuesday to Friday

Confessions: Saturdays, 4:00 pm **Adoration:** Thursdays, 6:00 pm

Baptisms and Weddings: Please contact the office Hospital Chaplain: 250-889-3761 **Anointing:**

Weekly Cost and **Collection Amounts**

Sept 21st, 2025

Church costs: \$3,663

Our collection: \$2,922

Shortage: - \$. 741

Tues, Sept 30 9:00 am	
Wed, Oct 1 9:00 am	
6:00 pm	(**Mass in Spanish)
Thur, Oct 2	† Funeral for José Pereira – Rosary at 9:30 am, Funeral at 10:00 am
Fri, Oct 3	(Adoration at 6:00 pm)
6:30 pm	† Família falecidos de Fernanda Rodrigues
Sat, Oct 4 9:00 am	
5:00 pm	† Cletus Shea (Bill McIntyre)
Sun, Oct 5 11am	† José e Natalie Ferreira e obrigações de Hermínia Ferreira † Manoel Oliveira e Arlete Pinto (Sidney Oliveira)
12:30pm	

Saturday Oct 4th at 5PM

Readers: Bob Antaya Raad Nashmi

Euc Min: Raad Nashmi

Sunday Oct 5th 11AM

Readers: Our Lady of Aparecida

Euc Min:

Sunday at 12:30PM

Readers: Noelia Rivera

Olga Andino

Euc Min: Claudia Garcia Oscar Hinojosa

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To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, call 1-800-968-3146

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Bishop, <u>click here</u> or call 1-866-892-3737

Funeral for José Pereira at Our Lady of Fatima

The funeral for José Pereira will be on Thursday, October 2nd. Rosary at 9:30 am, Funeral at 10:00 am.

<u>Funeral de José Pereira na Nossa Senhora de</u> Fátima

O funeral de José Pereira será na quinta-feira, dia 2 de outubro. Terço às 9:30 da manhã, funeral às 10:00 da manhã.

Announcements / Avisos

Parish Office

The parish office will be closed on Tuesday, September 30th for Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Secretaria Paroquial

A secretaria paroquial vai estar fechada na terça-feira, 30 de setembro, pelo Dia da Verdade e Reconciliação.

<u>Catechism for 2025 – 2026</u>

There will be a parent meeting for all new families on October 2^{nd} at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Classes will start next weekend, October 4^{th} and 5^{th} .

Festival of Our Lady of Aparecida - Sunday, October 5, 2025

Join our Brazilian community as we celebrate the Patron of Brazil, Our Lady of Aparecida. Mass will be at 11:00 am, followed by good food, traditional drink and lots of fun, with a special presentation by the Brazilian Band - Samba da Ilha. Please see Marcelo after Mass for food tickets.

Festa de Nossa Senhora Aparecida – Domingo, 5 de Outubro de 2025

Juntem-se à nossa comunidade brasileira para celebrar a Padroeira do Brasil, Nossa Senhora Aparecida. A Missa será às 11:00 da manhã. Depois da Missa, haverá boa comida, bebida tradicional e muita alegria, com uma apresentação especial da Banda Brasileira — Samba da Ilha. Para bilhetes da comida, por favor falem com o Marcelo depois da Missa.

Our Lady of Fatima Festival - Saturday, October 11th

The Our Lady of Fatima Festival will be on Saturday, October 11th with Rosary at 6:30 pm, Mass at 7:00 pm, then followed by a candlelight procession. The hall will be open for soup and bun, refreshments and treats, as well as a bake sale. Sunday, October 12th will be a normal Mass schedule.

Festa de Nossa Senhora de Fátima

A Festa de Nossa Senhora de Fátima vai ser no sábado, dia 11 de outubro, com terço às 6:30 da tarde, missa às 7:00 da tarde, seguida de procissão de velas. O salão vai estar aberto com sopa e pão, refrescos e doces, assim como uma venda de bolos. No domingo, dia 12 de outubro, será o horário normal das missas.

Holy Spirit Festival Committee's Holiday Craft Market

On November 8th and 9th, the Holy Spirit Festival Committee will be hosting a Holiday Craft Market. If you are a crafter, and would like the opportunity to sell your creations, please contact Marco: 250-884-2756 or Kristina: 250-415-0955. Cost is \$50 per day per table.

Mercado de Artesanato de Natal do Comité da Festa do Divino Espírito Santo

Nos dias 8 e 9 de novembro, o Comité da Festa do Divino Espírito Santo vai organizar um Mercado de Artesanato de Natal. Se és artesão e gostaria de ter a oportunidade de vender as suas criações, por favor contacte o Marco: 250-884-2756 ou a Kristina: 250-415-0955. O custo é de \$50 por dia, por mesa.

Homily 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today, as last week, the first reading from the prophet Amos prepares us to understand more deeply the message of the Gospel. Amos raises a strong warning against wealth and the spiritual blindness it often brings: the pursuit of pleasure, the laziness of comfort, and above all the inability to look with compassion at the suffering of others.

The Gospel takes this message further in the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. Here, Jesus paints in striking contrast the opulence of the rich and the misery of Lazarus. This contrast was already denounced by the prophets, but Christ deepens the teaching: the separation we build between comfort and indifference, between riches and misery, becomes an irrevocable separation in eternal life. With this parable, Jesus repeats a constant point of the Gospel: "Blessed are the poor ... be careful about wealth ... no one can serve two masters." It is not wealth itself that condemns, but the refusal to share, the indifference to the brother or sister at our door.

The second reading offers us the correct perspective. Neither riches nor poverty, in themselves, can save us. Material wealth is powerless before death, and poverty alone is no guarantee of heaven. Salvation comes only from one source: entrusting ourselves to God, "who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." St. Paul urges us to persevere in faith, in righteousness, and in charity, so that our lives may be a living testimony of children who walk together with their Father and are never indifferent to the needs of their brothers and sisters.

My brothers and sisters, let us ask the Lord the grace to live with open eyes and compassionate hearts. May we never be blinded by comfort, but instead become builders of communion, attentive to the Lazarus who waits at our gate. In this way, we will already begin to live here on earth the Kingdom where the poor are blessed, and where true wealth is found in God alone.

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ALELUIA, ALELUIA, ALELUIA Jesus Cristo, sendo rico, fez-Se pobre, para nos enriquecer na sua pobreza.