

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, JANUARY 4TH, 2026

St. Ann's Catholic Church

Pastor: Rev Paul Do
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Sunday Mass: 10 AM; Saturday 5 PM.
Weekday Masses: Mon—Sat 9 AM
Rosary: ½ hr Before Mass
Mass at Dunrovin: Last Wed of ea Month
Adoration: Fridays 9:30 am to 4 pm
Reconciliation: before Sunday Mass
Baptism, Wedding & Funeral: by appt.

St. Ann's Catholic School

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Parish Organizations:
Planning: *Dan Canuel*;
Finance: *Carole Holtzman*;
Knights: *Allan McDonald*;
CWL: *Audrey Quechuck*;
CFFC: *Yvonne Lebrun*;
Children's Mass: *Mary Jacques*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DINNER FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE

Sun. Jan. 4th at 2:30 to 4 pm. **Volunteers please arrive at 1:30 pm.**

GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE Back in session Monday January 5th.

LEGION OF MARY: meets Tuesdays after Mass for the rosary, followed by visitations.

GIFTS: items are available at the parish office, 9:45 to 2:45 Monday to Friday.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE YEAR C

	JAN 10TH, 5PM	JAN 11, 10AM
READ	L. CANUEL	SCHOOL
EUCH		S. VAUGHAN
MUSI	B. DOUGHERTY	SCHOOL
USHE	VOLUNTEER	SCHOOL/VOLUNTEERS

LAST SUNDAY'S DONATIONS: \$3,388.85

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS: \$4,752.00

HOLY CHILDHOOD JAN- DEC 2025: \$369.41

On average needed/wk: \$3,870.00

Our current average: \$3,537.39

Our parish accepts donations through Interac email transfer: giving@stannsquesnel.org

Online Pink envelope donations to the school (include your name and address): payments@stannseagles.com

FAITH IN ACTION: CAMPAIGN 35: PILGRIMS OF HOPE PLEDGES: 48

AMOUNT: \$71,085.00 PARISH GOAL: \$23,430.00 OVERGOAL: \$47,655.00



DIOCESAN NEWS:

“The Wise Men overcame every difficulty and surmounted every obstacle, in order to follow the Star.” ~St Jean Vianney



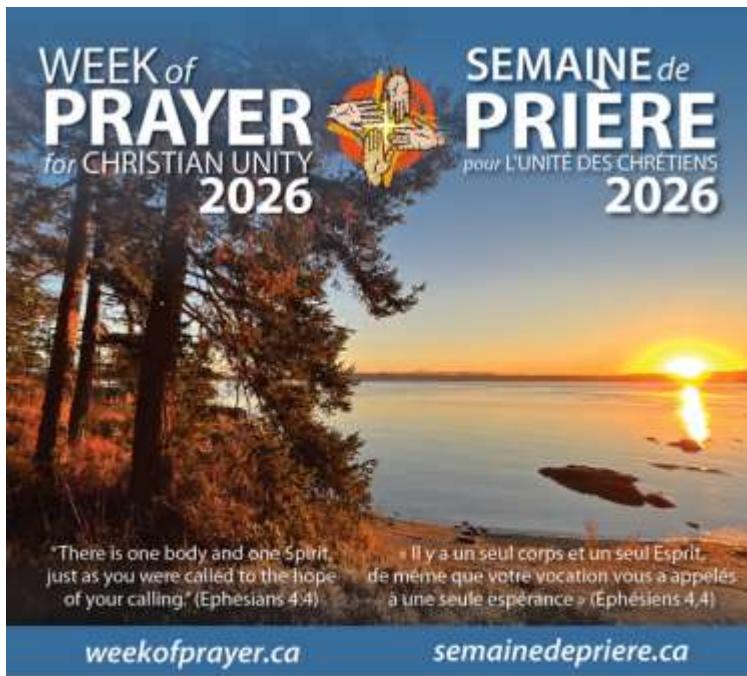
Jesus revealed to St. Faustina at Adoration that “beneath these rays (from the Eucharist) a heart will be warmed even if it were like a block of ice; or hard as rock....” (St. Faustina)

The Month of January is dedicated to The Holy Name

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2026

For prayer with the Word of God: Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-25, 2026



MASS INTENTIONS, PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS

5	Mon	9 AM	Herman Vorwerk
6	Tues	9 AM	Herman Vorwerk
7	Wed	9 AM	CWL members living & dead
8	Thur	9 AM	Carman & Graham Duncan
9	Fri	9 AM	+Antal Ignath
10	Sat	9 AM	+Stephanie Howe
		5 PM	Rachel & Kyle Anderton & family
11	Sun	10 AM	St. Ann's Parishioners

Please pray for all those shut-in and ill.



APPEAL FOR HELP - CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Our local committee, a subcommittee of the CWL, is in urgent need of used cotton or flannelette sheets which they

use to make rolled bandages, diapers, quilts, etc for the poor in over 2 dozen developing countries. More helping hands to cut, iron, stitch and roll are also very welcome. **Contact Yvonne Lebrun 250-255-3349**

Want Father to visit you? There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Write your name and phone number and he will call to arrange a day and time with you. His phone number is at the top of the page.

Employment Opportunity: St Ann's Parish office Secretary Mary Fehr will be retiring shortly and we are now accepting applications for her replacement. Along with acceptable qualification, preference will be given to persons that are practicing Catholics. Duties and Responsibilities: Bookkeeping and payroll experience an asset. Job description available at the office; Hours of work: 9 to 3 Monday to Friday; Benefits: through Archdiocese of Vancouver; Salaries: to be discussed at interview; Mail or drop off resumes at the Parish Office to the attention of Mrs Carole Holtzman.

We are sorting out and updating our mailing list. If you have recently moved, please let us know. There are change of address forms at the parish office, and also forms for new parishioners, or email us at stannsquesnel1@gmail.com

**2026 ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING GENEROSITY**

(If you don't see one for you, call the office.)

The History of 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'

The song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas" is an English Christmas carol. From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of the Church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember. To fit the number scheme, when you reach number 9, representing the Fruits of the Holy Ghost, the originator combined 6 to make 3, taking the 6 fruits that were similar: the fruit in each parenthesis is the that was not named separately. There are actually Twelve Fruits of the Holy Ghost.

The "True Love" one hears in the song is not a smitten boy or girlfriend but Jesus Christ, because truly Love was born on Christmas Day. The partridge in the pear tree also represents Him because that bird is willing to sacrifice its life if necessary to protect its young by feigning injury to draw away predators.

According to Ann Ball in her book, [HANDBOOK OF CATHOLIC SACRAMENTALS](#):

The two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments

The three French hens stood for faith, hope, and love.

The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

The five golden rings rerepresented the first five books of the Old Testament, which describe man's fall into sin and the great love of God in sending a Savior.

The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.

Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit

Prophesy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.

The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.

Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit-----

Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience [Forbearance], Goodness [Kindness],

Mildness, Fidelity, Modesty, Continity [Chastity].

The ten lords a-leaping were the Ten Commandments.

The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful Apostles.

The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in The Apostles' Creed. <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/resource/55904/the-history-of-the-twelve-days-of-christmas>



**THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS ENDS SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH
BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

FOOD BANK PICK UP THIS SUNDAY.