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Domestic Abuse Help Line: 604-640-7549

<u>Confessions:</u> Monday to Friday 7:55 am to 8:10 am

Saturday 9:30 am to 10:00 am 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

**By Appointment** Please call the Parish Office. 604-434-1328

#### St. Francis de Sales

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## 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday: 5:00pm\* Sunday: 9:00am\*, 11:00am & 7:00pm \*) with The Liturgy of the Word for Children

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

8:15 am Monday-Friday 9:00 am Saturday's & Holidays

Holy Hour Thursday mornings after Mass First Friday's at 6 pm Let us fervently call upon Mary Most Holy, the Mother of Jesus and our Mother, and St Joseph her spouse. Let us ask them to enlighten, comfort and guide every family in the world, so that they may fulfil with dignity and peace the mission which God has entrusted to them. Pope Francis

#### Sunday, February 4 Job 7:1-4, 6-7

#### My days....come to an end without hope. (Job 7:6)

Poor Job! He had lost his possessions, his family, and his health. But perhaps worst of all, he had lost his hope. Now there was nothing for him to do but suffer and wait for death to take him out of his misery. He was convinced that he would "not see happiness again" (Job 7:7).

We all need hope, but its not something we can manufacture on our own. Instead, we need something to pin our hopes on, and that was what Job was lacking. Like Job, if we don't see something on the horizon that will improve our current situation, we will find it hard to keep going.

Perhaps that's how the people in Jesus's time felt as well. They had been living under harsh Roman occupation, and they didn't know when God would come to rescue them. But then Jesus came on the scene. In today's Gospel, he heals Peter's mother -in-law and then spends the evening healing people and casting out demons (Mark 1:32-34). What hope this must have sparked, not only in the people he had cured, but in everyone who had witnessed such divine power! Perhaps he really was the Messiah they had been waiting for!

The next morning, Jesus told the disciples that he was going to other villages in Galilee to preach and heal. "For this purpose I have come" (Mark 1:38).

Jesus came to give us hope, to heal us of our sins and free us from the power of death. He came to give us life in him, a life that begins now but will last into eternity.

Perhaps you are tempted to feel hopeless about a difficult situation in your life. Or maybe you are discouraged about what the future will hold. But remember what Jesus said, he came for a purpose, and that purpose is being fulfilled in your life and in the world even now. He is the horizon you can look to whenever you are tempted to give up hope. May we always keep our eyes on him.! "Jesus, you are my hope, now and forever."



#### **Attention Parishioners**

**Gentle Reminder:** We no longer accept donations of clothing. Thank you.



"It is worthwhile to live as a family, a society grows strong, grows in goodness, grows in beauty and truly grows if it is built on the foundation of the family." Pope Francis Get ready for the highly anticipated parish and (wider community) event of 2024, our **Spring Fair!** And here is a special pitch to businesses... As a business owner within our community, your are in for a special treat from the Spring Fair organizing committee. Elevate your businesses with social media presence with personalized shout-outs through a small donation. Your contribution not only supports the success of this fun-filled event but also ensures a memorable experience for all.

For details and to take advantage of this unique opportunity, send an email to springfair.sfdsburnaby@gmail.com.

And to keep up to date with Spring Fair happenings check out the links below.

FB: http://www.facebook.com/sfdsspringfair

IG : http://www.instagram.com/sfdsspringfair

Website : http://www.sfdsspringfair.ca

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Every Friday during Lent 6:30 PM Followed by Mass at 7pm

#### **Starting Friday February 16**

Come and join us as we meditate on the Lord's Passion.

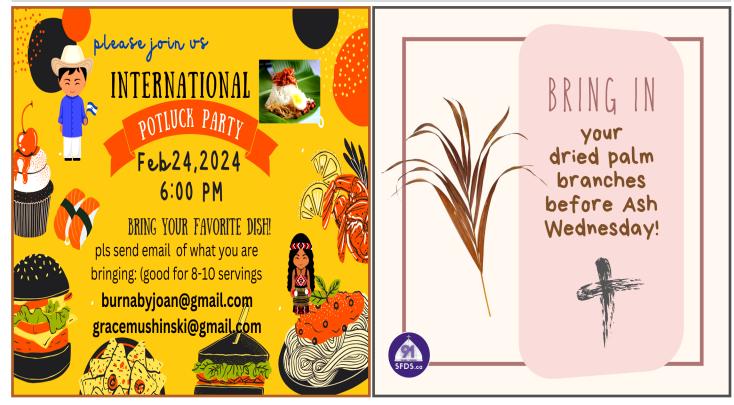






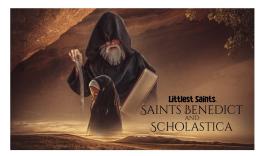


Julio Cesar De Los Santos	February 1, 2015	Salvador Ragis Jr.	February 13, 2021
Settimio Testa	February 1, 2019	John O'Neill	February 14, 1999
John David Furch	February 1, 2021	Elisabeth Spreitzer	February 16, 2014
Concepcion Reyes	February 2, 2012	Pat O'Connor	February 16, 2015
Joey Ferro	February 2, 2005	Manuel Silva	February 16, 1994
Brandon Malensek	February 2, 2017	Patricia Cook	February 16, 2017
Magdaleno Lamson Empainado	February 2, 1991	Secondo Mario Volpatti	February 16, 2018
Preciosa Echevaria	February 3, 2019	Eduardo Ilagan Sr.	February 17, 2013
Consolacion Lapastora	February 4, 1977	Banag Isidro	February 17, 2018
James O'Connor	February 5, 1982	Henk Van Koeveringe	February 19, 2004
Demetlka Giordano	February 5, 2004	Benifrida Bawagan	February 19, 2015
Joachin de Figueiredo	February 5, 2012	Longina Pimentel	February 19, 2018
Remedios M. Callanta	February 5, 2015	Bruno Carlassara	February 19, 2023
Sik-Je-Lam	February 6, 2010	Joseph Plock	February 20, 2019
Maria Marta Furtado	February 6, 2017	Nelson Alexandrino Melo	February 20, 2010
Romano Almeida	February 9, 2006	Elmer De Lara	February 22, 2010
Shok Chong Cheung	February 7, 2017	Rolando Cruz	February 22, 2021
Maria Freiens	February 8, 1992	Ivan Stokovac	February 23, 1990
Stephen Dorazio	February 8, 2006	Ryan Roces Bongato	February 24, 2011
Saveria Testa	February 9, 1998	Zenaida Cuison Landingin	February 25, 2013
Romao Almeida	February 9, 2006	Marguerite McEacher	February 26, 1993
Leonor Reyes	February 9, 2011	Randolph Mario Regis	February 28, 2003
Gunner Andersen	February 11, 2011	Henry Cahill	February 28, 1945
Mary Ann Frame	February 12, 1992	Peter Yaw Siang Thong	February 29, 2008



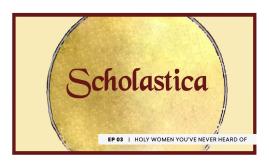
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# Week of February 04, 2024



#### Sts. Benedict and Scholastica | Littlest Saints

A pair of holy twins, a cave, and a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica.Visit their website here: www.littlestsaints.com



#### St. Scholastica | Holy Women You Never Heard Of | Episode 3

Dive into the lives of Holy Women You've Never Heard Of with Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. Jessica Murdoch. St. Scholastica is the sister of St. Benedict. Holy siblings and holy families change the world!



### Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Bahkita: From Slave to Saint tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

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