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**Pastor's
 Corner**

FIRE AND WIND IN INDIAN ARM

Eight years ago, on a hot summer day, I rented a kayak at Deep Cove and paddled all the way to the end of Indian Arm, about 20 kilometers away. I began coming back at 2:00 or 3:00pm. This cliffs on each side of the fjord were burning hot. This caused the air above the water to get very warm and rise up toward the sky. This in turn created a low pressure zone at the surface of the water. The cool air from the ocean rushed it to restore the equilibrium of air pressure. This translated into a strong headwind, and big waves drastically slowing down my return to Deep Cove. Experienced sea kayakers don't make this mistake. They synchronize their journey with the wind (and the tide.)

This rushing of the wind to fill a void, a low pressure zone, is a good image of the work of the Holy Spirit, who is wind and fire. First the Holy Spirit increases the heat in your soul. He intensifies your desire to rise up to God. This creates a vacuum in your heart: you no longer desire the secular things. You are not satisfied with anything that the world has to offer you. The wind of the Holy Spirit rushes in your empty soul to fill it. You rise up more and more in desire for God through that indwelling of the Holy Spirit in us. This "rising" causes again a vacuum and again, the wind of the Holy Spirit rushes in us and lifts us toward God. It is a cycle.

The first phase of the cycle is done by the Holy Spirit as fire. His heart makes your heart expand and expand. You want to go out and proclaim boldly and publicly the joy of a Spirit-filled life. The sight of so many young people adrift in a spiritual desert moves you to proclaim the purpose-driven life in Christ and the awesome beauty of God and His plan for us. You yourself get free of many addictions and the vacuum so created attracts the Holy Spirit even more. The Holy Spirit as wind began

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The second phase: the infilling. You no longer live for yourself. Your life is Christ living in you. He becomes the Lord of your thoughts, of your desires, of your activities. Then the Holy Spirit will lead you, push you where you never wanted to go, as He did for Peter. You will be doing things you never dreamed you could do, like Paul. Remember, do not go against the wind! Be in sync with the Holy Spirit!

In two weeks, after the 1:00pm Corpus Christi Mass, the Holy Spirit will drive us out of the Church to proclaim our Risen Lord and will bring us back to the Church for worship. Join us in the procession of the Blessed Sacrament on June 10. Come, Holy Spirit! Come...



God Bless you, Fr. Pierre

PARISH NEWS

SPARK (grades 6-8) – I GOT THE JOY, JOY, JOY, JOY



"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!" The good news is SPARK is back with an event that will fill you up with great joy and help you radiate it! Join us on Monday, May 28th at 6:30pm in the Church basement for an evening of fun, faith and fellowship! With the summer heat we're having and the games we'll be playing come and be ready to get wet!

FLAME (grades 8-12) – TAG & CLIMB

Are you ready to tag & climb? Next Friday (June 8) Sr. Youth Ministry is going laser tag and rock climbing and you don't want to be left behind. So you better be quick because we only limited spots available. First come, first serve or should we say 'You snooze you lose'? The cost is \$15 and the registration forms are available from the Youth Ministry web-site and at the parish office. Questions? Contact Arda at arda@marysyoung.com



PARISH NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY SCHOLARSHIP

We know that going to school is expensive, especially if you are in a private school. But not to worry, Youth Ministry is here to help. One youth from SPARK (Jr. YM) and one youth from FLAME (Sr. YM) will receive a Youth Ministry Scholarship to help them defray the cost of their education. Scholarship Application Forms are available on the YM website (www.marysyoung.com/forms). The criteria will be based on the youth's attendance, positive participation and development.



P.R.E.P. YEAR END MASS AND REGISTRATION

The Parish Religious Education Program (also known as PREP) will finish the year with Masses on May 29 & 30. Classes will extend to **8:30pm** to allow some time after Mass for students to reflect on the past year. After May 30th the "early bird" reduced fee structure for PREP registration will end, so make sure to register your children next week. Please see the registration forms on the bulletin board in the church foyer for requirements and information.

NEW PARISH CENTRE

We are very blessed to be part of an active and growing parish community. With close to 50 different ministries, our parish now needs a new parish centre to accommodate our needs. This is a big project and we are forming a Building Committee that will be in charge of this exciting undertaking. If you have expertise and willingness that you would like to contribute by being part of the committee, please send a brief summary or your qualifications to the parish office "Attn: Building Committee".



SHROUD OF TURIN DISCUSSION

Our recent Man of the Shroud exhibition was a great success. For all who might have questions or seek further information on the Shroud of Turin, a follow-up discussion is planned for Sunday June 3rd at 3pm in the Church basement. All are welcome.

PARISH EMAIL

Please note the parish email address has changed to: **parish.smarv@rcav.org**. Please remove the old email address from your address books (*stmarys@telus.net*).

PARISH NEWS

CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

The procession will start at 2:25pm and finish with Adoration and Benediction in front of the Church at 3:30pm. If you are interested in participating, or volunteering, please fill in the enclosed form and drop it in the box in the foyer.

THE CATHOLIC FORUM

We invite you to explore the topic: "Devotion to Jesus as God and Man", on Tuesday June 5 at 7pm in St. Mary's Church.

The guest presenter is Father John Horgan. For further information, contact Dr. Paul Ungar at 604-588-5696 or Cathy Neugebauer by email at: ve7cld@shaw.ca.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

SAME SEX ATTRACTION

Talk on "Same Sex Attraction" and the Catholic faith: Cartier Hall (1357 West 38th Avenue, Vancouver) near Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, at 7pm May 29. Hear a remarkable story of courage and compassion: one man's journey from gay activist to Catholic husband. Alan and Theresa Yoshioka from Encourage Toronto will discuss same-sex attraction, where it comes from, and how parishes and families can support same-sex attracted Catholics in living our faith.

SUCCESSFUL LIFE STRATEGIES

Do you feel like you have lost control of your life? Is life becoming overwhelming rather than fulfilling? Are your relationships suffering? A powerful workshop on Successful Life Strategies will be held on Thursday, May 31 at 7pm at St. Peter's Parish, 330 Royal Avenue, New Westminster. Registration: \$20. To register call 778-239-7996 or email to milena@mclifecoach.com. Find more information at www.mclifecoach.com

DAMIEN AT HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL, JUNE 1, 7 PM

Fr. Edward Danylo Evanko becomes St. Damien of Molokai, in Aldyth Morris' one-man play, DAMIEN. Also, guest organist Marc D'Anjou will be performing Widor's Toccata and the *Redeemer Pacific Chamber Choir* will be performing a selection of Catholic favourites including the Dies Irae. To purchase tickets call Maria at 604-888-7727, visit the Cathedral Gift Shop, or go online for full info and tickets at www.redeemerpacific.ca/damien.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sun May 27: 10:00am Migrant Ministry (School Gym)
2:00pm Handmaids (Rectory Dining Room)
2:00pm CFC-FFL (Church Basement)
2:00pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)
6:00pm CFC-FFL (School Gym)
7:30pm Neo Catechumens (Church Basement)

Mon May 28: 6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)
6:30pm Jr YM- SPARK (Church Basement)

Tues May 29: 7:00pm Christian Meditation (Rectory Basement)
7:30pm Ablaze (Church Basement)

Wed May 30: 3:00pm St. Michael's Mass (7451 Sussex Ave)
6:00pm Novena Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Church)
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)
7:30pm Neo Catechumens (Church Basement)
7:30pm CCO (School Gym)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Thur May 31: 7:00pm Mass/Adoration (Church)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Fri Jun 1: 3:00/6:15pm Divine Mercy (Church)
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Sat Jun 2: 9:00am 2000 Hail Mary (Rectory Dining)
9:30am Catholicism Series (Church Basement)
10:00am YM Basketball (School Gym)
2:00pm CFC-SFC (Rectory Basement)
2:30pm Baptism (Church)
3:00pm Legion of Mary (Church Basement)
6:00pm CFC-FFL (Church Basement)

Sun Jun 3: 1:30pm CFC-YFC (School Gym)
3:00pm Shroud Follow Up (Church Basement)
7:30pm Neo Catechumens (Church Basement)

PARISH INFORMATION

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS: Monday - Friday: 8:00am

Weekday Morning Rosary 7:00am / Weekday Morning Lauds 7:30am

WEEKDAY EVENING MASS: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7pm followed by Adoration at 7:45pm & Benediction at 9:00pm

SATURDAY MASS: Our Lady's Mass 8:30am

SUNDAY MASS: Anticipated Mass Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am / 9:30am / 11:15am / 1:00pm / 5:00pm / 7:00pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:

Wednesday 6:00pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

Thursday: 8:00am & Saturday: 8:30am

FIRST FRIDAY: Adoration throughout the day after morning mass
CONFESSION:

Weekdays: After all Masses (except Thursday Evening Mass)

Saturday: 9:00am to 9:30am, 4:15pm to 4:55pm, 6:10pm to 7:00pm

Sunday: Before & After all Masses

An appointment for confession may be made through the Parish Office

HOLY COMMUNION: Available to shut-ins. Contact Parish Office.

BAPTISM: To register your child, see website or contact Parish Office.

MARRIAGE:

One of the couple must be Catholic and a parishioner of St. Mary's Parish before requesting the sacrament of marriage. Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the wedding date to register for the required diocesan Marriage Preparation Course.

BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday 6:45pm / Saturday 9:45am

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Contact the Parish Office.

PREP: Catechism Program for children attending public schools

TEEN PREP: Interactive Catechism Sessions for Teens

Tuesday 6:30pm to 8:00pm

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