

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



### **SUNDAY NOV 17: 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00am Craft Fair & Pancake Breakfast (School Gym)  
2:30pm Knights of Columbus (Church Basement)  
6:20pm Bible Study (Church Basement)

### **MONDAY NOV 18:**

8:00am Mass (Church)  
6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)  
6:30pm YM Spark (Church Basement)

### **TUESDAY NOV 19:**

8:00am Mass (Church)  
7:00pm Christian Meditation (Rectory Basement)  
7:30pm Ablaze Charismatic Prayer Group (Church Basement)

### **WEDNESDAY NOV 20:**

8:00am **Liturgy of the Word** (NO Morning Mass)  
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/NO Confession (Church)  
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **THURSDAY NOV 21: PRESENTATION OF MARY**

8:00am **Liturgy of the Word** (NO Morning Mass)  
7:00pm Mass/Adoration (Church)  
7:00pm RCIA (Seminar Room)  
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **FRIDAY NOV 22: ST. CECILIA**

8:00am **Liturgy of the Word** (NO Morning Mass)  
6:00pm CFC-FFL (School Gym)  
6:30pm YM Flame (Church Basement)  
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)  
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **SATURDAY NOV 23:**

9:15am DNA (Rectory Basement)  
12:00pm YM Basketball (School Gym)  
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)  
2:30pm Knights of Columbus (Church Basement)  
3:00pm Legion of Mary (Rectory Library)  
6:00pm CFC-FFL (Church Basement/Rectory Basement)  
7:00pm CFC (School Gym)

### **SUNDAY NOV 24: CHRIST THE KING**

12:30pm Light of Jesus (School gym)  
1:00pm CFC-YFL (Church Basement)  
2:30pm Knights of Columbus (Church Basement)  
6:20pm Bible Study (Church Basement)

## PARISH INFORMATION

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

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

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

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

**SUNDAY MASS:** Anticipated Mass Saturday 5pm

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

**FILIPINO MASS:** every 2nd & 4th Sunday 3pm

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:**

Wednesday 6pm

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:**

Thursday: 8am & Saturday: 8:30am

**DIVINE MERCY:** Friday 3pm & 6:15pm

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Adoration throughout the day after morning Mass

**CONFESSION:**

Weekdays: After all Masses (except Thursday Evening Mass)

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

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.

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Coordinator: Edwin Cruz Email:rcia.smarv@rcav.org

**PREP/TEEN PREP:** Catechism for children attending public schools on Tuesdays or Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm / Teen Prep Tuesdays only

Coordinator: Edwin Cruz E-mail: prep.smarv@rcav.org

**YOUTH MINISTRY:** Coordinator: Rocelyn Catris

Email: youth.smarv@rcav.org Website: www.marysyouth.com

**ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Principal: Ms. Brenda Krivuzoff Website: www.stmary.bc.ca

Phone: (604) 437-1312 Fax: (604) 437-1193

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 6pm

Phone: (604) 435-9611 Fax: (604) 439-9413

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### **PASTORS & STAFF**

**Pastor:** Fr. Pierre Leblond, O.P. (ext. 6)

**Assistant Pastor:** Fr. Gabriel de Chadarévian, O.P. (ext. 3)

**Pastoral Assistant:** Vesna Jankovic (ext. 6)

**Finance & Property Manager:** Ossie Fernandes (ext. 7)

**Youth Ministry Coordinator:** Rocelyn Catris (ext. 247)

**RCIA/PREP Coordinator:** Edwin Cruz (ext. 5)

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**NOVEMBER 17, 2013**

*Pastor's  
Corner*

### **TIME FOR ACTION!**

Throughout the week, we have come to a greater awareness of the tragedy in the Philippines. No words can describe it. Our bishops in Canada have requested a second collection to be taken on November 24. All money will be sent through Development and Peace. Those who will manage the resources are permanent workers of Development and Peace in the Philippines. The Canadian Government will match all the contributions. It is time to act generously if we want to allow God to restore the Philippines.

Jesus said, "Do you think that the eighteen people who were killed in the collapse of the tower of Siloam were more guilty than you? No, I tell you. And if you do not repent, the same will happen to you." Does our Lord mean that during our lifetime, the earthquakes, typhoons, floods will spread throughout all the world? We don't know. But He means business when He says "Repent." Yes, repent so as to become generous, be generous so as to repent. We know very well that we in Vancouver are susceptible to a very powerful earthquake. To be ready, we need more than buildings that are seismic proof. We need to make sense of it all by using it for our personal and collective conversion.

In the 80's, there was an earthquake north of Montreal. Our house shook. I was the first to run out into the street, wondering if the road would open up under my feet and swallow me. Standing outside in the middle of the street, I saw the house swaying like a rocking chair, and my Dominican companions running out of it. What did we understand from that? We understood that nothing in the world is truly rock solid. Not even the good old ground of Mother Earth! The shaking of our foundations, the shaking of all that we stand on! What is the foundation of your life? There's got to be something you stand on! Pleasure, money, power, family, friends, self-esteem, the hope of long life in a healthy body...

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Whatever it is, it will be shaken necessarily when Christ arises, because He insists on being the foundation of our lives. He said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will remain." Either Christ is the foundation of our lives, or someone else, something else is. Therefore, when Christ comes into your life, what could you expect? An earthquake.

Read the lives of the saints. Every one of them had a personal "earthquake" at the time of their conversion. The old foundation had to give way. What is it that earthquakes do? They knock things over, crack foundations, sometimes leaving buildings apparently intact, but deadly dangerous because the structures are weakened. That can happen within you, when Christ comes to take over, now or at the end of your life, or at the end of the world, whichever comes first. Then the pains will be sign of a new birth coming soon.

*God bless you, Fr. Pierre*



## PARISH NEWS

### PROJECT ADVANCE

Our total now stands at \$126,600. We are still far off our parish goal of \$200,000. We encourage you to keep giving through the Sunday collection basket, or online at rcav.org where you can give monthly by credit card. Thank you for your generosity.

### PARISH BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

The Building Committee met Jim Radford, delegate of the Archbishop, along with two engineers from Ausenco. We were asked to have an in-depth study of the resiliency of our school in the event of a strong earthquake. If the cost of retrofitting our school is anywhere between 25% and 75% of the cost of building a new one, we should plan for a new school. The wide range, between 25% and 75% takes into account the difference between a school that is new or old, and functional or not.

## PARISH NEWS

### STREET MINISTRY SEEKING DONATIONS

St. Mary's Street Ministry is asking for donations of Halloween-size chocolates within 3 months of purchase, new men's socks, winter gloves, hats, scarves, and winter jackets. Please deposit donations in the boxes in the foyer.



### SPARK NIGHT: MODEST IS COOLEST! - GR. 6-8

Modesty does not only show in the way we dress. How else can we practice modesty? Find out on Monday, Nov 18 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church basement.

### FLAME SOCIAL - GR. 8-12



Find out why it's fun to join Youth Ministry! Is it the games? The teachings? Or the awesome guys and girls? Do not miss out on Friday, Nov 22 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church basement. Refreshments are included.

### YOUTH PRAYER MEETING - GR. 6-10

All Grade 6-10 students are invited to the Youth Prayer Meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, 4:30-6pm in the Church basement. The entrance door along Euclid St. will be open at 3:30pm. Each meeting includes singing praise songs, a teaching and prayer ministry. Snacks provided. The next event is on Nov 28. For info, contact Rocelyn 604-435-9611 ext. 247.

### CLERGY STUDY WEEK

During the week of Nov 18-22 our pastors will attend Clergy Study Week. Please take note of the following changes:

Monday: 8am Mass

Tuesday: 8am Mass/ No Confession

Wednesday & Thursday:

8am- Liturgy of the Word/No Mass/No Confession

7pm- Mass/ No Confession/Adoration

Friday: 8am- Liturgy of the word/No Mass/No Confession

7pm- Mass/Confession/Adoration

### CATHOLIC FORUM: SALVATION AND NON-CHRISTIANS



Catholic Forum invites you to explore the topic: "Salvation and non-Christians", through presentation and discussion with Father John Tritschler, on Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7pm in the Church, by donation. For info visit <http://dominicanlaity.ca/forum> or contact Dr. Paul Ungar 604-588-5696 or email Cathy at [ve7cld@shaw.ca](mailto:ve7cld@shaw.ca).

## COMMUNITY & DIOCESAN NEWS

### EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR THE PHILIPPINES

The Archdiocese of Vancouver, with the Canadian Bishops and the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace, is launching an emergency humanitarian campaign for the typhoon-stricken Philippines. **Next weekend, Nov. 23/24, a special second collection in the Archdiocese will be taken** for typhoon relief, or you can donate directly to Development and Peace (Caritas Canada): by phone: 1-888-664-3387; by sending cheques made to Development and Peace (Philippine Relief) 1425 Rene Levesque Blvd. West. 3rd Floor Montreal QC H3G 1T7. Tax receipts issued. The Canadian Government has promised it will match dollar for dollar every donation given.

### INAUGURAL ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Come together with Catholic Women for the First Archdiocesan Women's Conference on November 23 from 8:30am to 5:30pm at Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre. Speakers include Teresa Tomeo, Author, Syndicated Catholic talk show host, and motivational speaker; Therese Polakovic, Founder and Executive Director, ENDOW; and Cheridan Sanders, Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation. Tickets available online at <http://rcav.org/womenconference/> or at the parish office.

### YEAR OF FAITH CLOSING AND PAPAL HONOURS MASS



All are invited to help close the Year of Faith with a special Mass at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Sunday, Nov. 24. Archbishop Miller will celebrate at 2:30pm. In addition, awards from Pope Francis will be given out to several men and women in the Archdiocese for unstinting service to the Archdiocese. A reception will follow in the cathedral hall.

### STMC CRAFT FAIR

St. Thomas More Collegiate will be hosting its annual Christmas Craft Fair Nov 23/24 from 10am-4pm. Over 100 crafters, bistro, new and used book sale, bake table, basket raffle. Come and get a start on your Christmas shopping at 7450 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Burnaby. Food Bank donations graciously accepted.

### ARCHBISHOP ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

Join us on Nov. 30 for a special Mass for Life at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Before Mass, we will pray the Rosary at 6:30pm and Mass will begin at 7pm. Donation of finger foods for reception is appreciated.