

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



### **SUNDAY MAY 4: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

1:00pm CFC-YFL (Church Basement)  
1:30pm CFC (School Gym)  
6:30pm Youth Ministry (Church Basement)

### **MONDAY MAY 5:**

6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)  
6:30pm Youth Ministry (Church Basement)  
7:00pm CWL Executive (Rectory Dining)  
7:00pm MVA (Rectory Library)  
7:00pm Lay Apostle (Church)

### **TUESDAY MAY 6:**

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

### **WEDNESDAY MAY 7:**

7:00pm Mass (Church)  
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **THURSDAY MAY 8:**

7:00pm Mass (Church)  
7:00pm RCIA (Seminar Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **FRIDAY MAY 9:**

6:00pm CFC-FFL (School Gym)  
7:00pm Mass (Church)  
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)  
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

### **SATURDAY MAY 10:**

9:15am DNA (Rectory Basement)  
10:00am YM Basketball (School Gym)  
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)  
2:00pm Youth for Christ (School Gym)  
2:30pm First Communion (Church)  
3:00pm Legion of Mary (Rectory Library)  
7:00pm CFC (School Gym)  
7:00pm CFC-FFL (Church Basement)

### **SUNDAY MAY 11: 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

11:00am Mother's Day Lunch (Church Basement)  
12:30pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)  
6:30pm Youth Ministry (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.marisyouth.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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**MAY 4, 2014**

*Pastor's  
Corner*

### **THE KEY TO THE PUZZLE OF LIFE**

Very successful people have a pattern a motivation that links all their activities, words and thoughts. This is even more evident with the saints. St. John Vianney or St. Padre Pio were so in love with God that their pattern of motivation was clearly visible. They sought to serve Him in the ministry of confession and the celebration of the Eucharist, prolonged into a loving awareness of Christ's presence. What is the "pattern" of Christ Himself? What do I mean by "pattern?"

Fr. Barron mentioned the word pattern in all his homilies in today's Gospel of the Emmaus disciples. Imagine a big puzzle. Put all the pieces on the table. If you haven't looked at the picture on the box cover that shows the final design, it will take you a lot of time to figure out the pattern. You see every piece of the puzzle but you can't put it together. You can put a few pieces together here and there. These small regroupings become bigger, until you finally perceive the pattern, the design, that will hold everything together. Before you just saw the pieces, now you perceive the pattern.

The disciples of Emmaus tell to the stranger, the pieces of Jesus' life, but they can't make sense of them. They conclude that Jesus was a false messiah. He didn't free them from the oppressor, rather they killed Him. The stranger who is Jesus Himself! - slowly enlightens them by interpreting the Scriptures according to His pattern. Indeed the Scripture—then the Old Testament of the Bible— can only be understood in reference to the very core of Jesus Christ Himself, according to His inner design, His pattern. Then, the two Emmaus disciples reach their destinations, invite Jesus for supper. Christ breaks the Bread— He presides the first Mass after the Resurrection.

What is the "pattern" of Christ's life? Jesus gives them a hint in verse 26 of today's Gospel. "Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then

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enter into His glory?" Yes! The pattern is "God self-emptying love, even unto death! God's willingness to journey into the dark country of sin and death in order to bring us His love. God's act of taking upon Himself the sins of the world in order to take them away...the mystery of Redemption through suffering love." (Fr. Barron)

Why is suffering necessary in order to unfold and express love? A theologian, Matthew Livering, wrote, "In a world gone wrong, there is no communion without sacrifice, there is no love without sacrifice." After original sin, we became aware of our finitude, of our mortality, and we were afraid... We wanted to hoard for ourselves power, popularity, possessions, pleasures. Once we are set in our egotistic ways, the path of love will always be painful.

Indeed, we are not saved from suffering and death, but through suffering and death. We are saved by a Divine Love, willing to pursue us even through death and suffering.

At the Mass, we apply the pattern of Jesus to the Scriptures of the Liturgy of the word, the homily helps us to do so. And we give up something of ourselves in offertory and collection. Finally we represent the pattern of self-sacrificing love at the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and we "eat" this pattern, the paschal mystery at the Communion to the Body given and the Blood poured out. Then we go out in the world to become Christ-like, to become self-sacrificing love, in every moment of our existence.

*God bless you, Fr. Pierre*

*p.s. To learn more about suffering, attend the Fr. Hampsch conference - see bulletin ad*

## PARISH NEWS

### FILIPINO MASS

St. Mary's Tagalog mass will celebrate Flores de Mayo on May 25th. We invite children up to 10 yrs old to participate in the short procession around the Church that day. If interested please contact Daisy 604-430-0193 or Ven 778-323-8242.

### MIGRANT MINISTRY

We will host with ISS of BC a workshop on "Self Assessment and Career Decision Making" on Sat, May 10 from 1-3 pm in the school seminar room. To register, email stmarysmigrant@gmail.com or contact Editha Magtibay at 604-684-3599 x1272 or email Editha.Magtibay@issbc.org.

## PARISH NEWS

### 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On the weekend of May 17/18 we will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Fr. Pierre's ordination!

#### SATURDAY MAY 17:

5pm Mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller, followed by a reception in the Church basement. Donation of finger foods gratefully accepted. Please drop off to Church basement before Mass.

#### SUNDAY MAY 18:

Cake and coffee following all Masses in the Church basement, and a chance to greet Fr. Pierre!



**PLEASE JOIN IN THIS MOMENTOUS CELEBRATION, ALL ARE WELCOME!!!**

### ST. MARY'S CWL ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON

CWL is hosting Mother's Day Luncheon on Sunday, May 11 from 11am-2pm. Treat your mother to a fabulous lunch and show her your appreciation! We have a great menu! Tickets are \$20/adult, \$9 for children 7-13yrs \$9 and free under 6yrs.

### PROJECT ADVANCE 2014

Thanks to your generous support in 2013, we raised \$156,234. This year's goal is to raise \$210,000, with the rebate going to our building fund. Committee members are available to collect returned pledges and register new donors after each Mass until the end of June. You may also give online at rcav.org. Please join us for a delicious treat in the Church basement to celebrate the launch of 2014 Project Advance.

### SOURCE

If you have completed DISCOVERY and would like to continue your spiritual journey, joins us for six Wednesdays commencing May 14 at 7pm in the rectory basement the text cost \$7 and is available on the first night. Bring your Bible, pen and note book. For more details phone Ed 604-438-4187 or email e.livera@yahoo.com.

### THANK YOU FROM EMILY RYZNAR

Thank you for your prayers and support of my summer Pro-Life mission with CCBP. Your generosity was overwhelming and your donations will make a big difference to the ProLife movement. May God Bless you for your kindness and generosity.

## PARISH NEWS

### P.R.E.P. REGISTRATION

Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P.) offers religious instruction for children who attend public school. The next P.R.E.P. year begins Sept 9 & 10. Registrations accepted on the following dates: May 6, 7, 13, 14 at 6:30-8pm in the SCHOOL Office. There will be special registration dates on May 10 & 17 from 10am-3pm (School Gym entrance.) An early bird discount rate will apply if you register during these dates. Regular fees will be charged after May 31. Please **DO NOT** submit forms to the parish office, they will NOT be accepted. For more info, please contact the PREP Coordinator at 604-435-9611 ext. 5 or email prep.smarv@rcav.org.

### SPARK (GR. 6-8) – SOCIAL

Let's continue the Easter celebration with fun games, good food and lots of laughter! Join us on Monday, May 5 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church basement.

### FLAME (GR. 8-12) - THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Discover who you really are and what you are called to be, to know your true purpose is to discover your path to the freedom and the joy you were created for. Sound too good to be true? Join us Sunday, May 4 from 6:30-9pm to the Church basement. Please contact Rocelyn at 604-435-9611 ext.247 or email youth.smarv@rcav.org to register.

### YOUTH IN THE SPIRIT (GR. 6-10)

Praise songs+games+food+prayer ministry=awesome spiritual youth experience! Join us every 2nd & 4th Thursday, 4:30-6pm in the Church basement. Next event is Thursday, May 8.

### TEACHING/PRAYER FOR HEALING AND DELIVERANCE

Healing and Deliverance Presentation and Prayers on Friday, May 30 from 7-9pm and Saturday, May 31 from 10-4pm, in St. Mary's Church basement. Internationally known Erika Gibello will present. For more information, please contact Roy at 604-523-2769 or visit www.vccrs.ca.

## DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

### SUFFERING, THE WAY TO GROW- FR. JOHN HAMPSCH

World renowned Fr. Hampsch will lead the way through suffering with topics: Why me Lord? The why of suffering? Why does God ignore my prayers for relief? Coping with life's darkest moments. Friday, May 9 from 7:30pm-9:30pm or Saturday, May 10 from 9am-5pm, Archbishop Carney Regional Secondary School, Port Coquitlam. Tickets are \$20 single or two for \$30, available at the parish office.