

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



SUNDAY OCT 19: 29TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

9:00am Handmaids (Seminar Room)
6:30pm Youth Ministry (Church Basement)

MONDAY OCT 20:

6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)
6:30pm Youth Ministry (Church Basement)

TUESDAY OCT 21:

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

WEDNESDAY OCT 22:

7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:00pm Building Committee (Rectory Dining)
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

THURSDAY OCT 23:

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

FRIDAY OCT 24:

7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:00pm Lalith Pereira (Church Basement)
7:00pm CFC-FFL (Seminar Room)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

SATURDAY OCT 25:

9:15am DNA Men's Group (Rectory Basement)
10:00am Lalith Pereira (Church Basement)
10:00am YM Basketball (School Gym)
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)
2:30pm Knights of Columbus (Rectory Basement)
2:30pm Baptism (Church)
3:00pm Legion of Mary (Rectory Library)
7:00pm CFC-FFL (Church Basement)
7:00pm Adoration/Taize (Church)

SUNDAY OCT 26: 30TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

12:30pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)
6:15pm 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 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 from 9am-9pm

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. Email the Parish Office: parish.smarv@rcav.org **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

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

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PASTORS & STAFF

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*Pastor's
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MY FRIEND ETIENNE B., A LIVING CHRIST

Have you ever met a person who is not a people pleaser, who will answer you in accordance with the truth, even if it displeases you? Such a person will not falsify the truth according to his/her desire to be affirmed or to be accepted, or to keep his/her power or position. I have met one such person. His name was Etienne B. I could trust that he would say the truth no matter what. And he would say it kindly, not arrogantly, because he truly loved me as Christ does, and it was always out of love that he was faithful to the truth. God is love. God is truth. Love and truth coincide in Him. And so they did in Etienne B.

Have you ever thought, "I wish I could be one of the twelve apostles who became close friends of Jesus, getting to know His personality, His qualities, His ways of relating to God and to His friends?" Then you would know how to be a true Christian just by looking at Christ! Holiness and perfect joy consist in imitating Jesus. Yes, we can really know Jesus by reading attentively the Gospels, and by asking God to reactivate the Spirit of Jesus that we have received at baptism.

First, read attentively the Gospels! In today's Gospel we could remain absorbed by what Jesus says, by His puzzling answer to the Pharisees and the Herodians, I was! And I forget to ponder what they said about Him! Yes, even they, who were enemies of Christ, noticed the sincerity of Jesus and His unselfish truthfulness. Read the Scripture attentively, with this question, or desire in mind: "Who Jesus really was? How did He behave in day to day life? You will soon find

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out that Jesus lived everything that He taught. Looking attentively at the life of Jesus, you will not need to focus on your long list of sins, of do's and don'ts. You will see the commandments coming alive and coming together in one person, Jesus.

That is why we don't need the 650+ precepts of the Jews. We have one Person, Jesus-Christ, the Word of God made flesh. **And we have His Spirit.** The Spirit who has written His law in our heart. Thanks to Him, we know how we can imitate Christ in our own particular circumstances, with our own given personality. The saints have done this. Reading the life of a few saints is very helpful in finding our way of imitating Christ. Constantly ask, seek, beg the Spirit to reveal to you who Jesus is and how you can become another Jesus.

My friend Etienne B. was one of the most peaceful, joyful, and respected persons I ever met. That peace, joy and dignity can be yours. At a price, yes. But living like Christ is in itself the greatest reward in this life and in the next.

God bless you, Fr. Pierre

p.s.

The Beatitudes are Jesus' self portrait...



PARISH NEWS

CALLING ALL CWL LADIES AND LADY FRIENDS

Are you interested in knowing more about your personality? Your personality type? Come and find out on Tuesday Oct 21, when our speaker Diane Aloysius will talk about personality types and how knowing your type can help you grow and understand each other better. Enjoy a fun and informative evening in the School Seminar Room from 7-9pm. Bring your lady friends!


ST. MARY'S MIGRANT MINISTRY

St. Mary's Migrant Ministry and ISSof BC will sponsor a free, interactive discussion with Neil Frank Ferrer, Philippine Consul General on Saturday Oct 25 from 1-3pm in the School Seminar Room. If you are a Filipino or Filipino Canadian, this forum will answer all your questions on passport renewals, obtaining NBI clearance, dual citizenship process, getting notarial services and more. For info/register, contact Lenn Castro at stmarysmigrant@gmail.com or Resochita Arma at resochita.arma@issbc.org or 604-684-7498x1666. Please share this invitation with your friends and family.

FLAME (GR. 8-12) – MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE

Do you struggle to appreciate yourself? You are not alone. Experience God's love and blessings with your peers this Sunday, Oct 19 from 6:30-9pm in the Church basement. No pre-registration required and refreshments are provided.


SPARK (GR. 6-8) - SECRET ADMIRER

 Someone loves you so much, but you may not know Him very well. Find out who He is on Monday, Oct 20 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Church basement.

YOUTH IN THE SPIRIT (GR. 6-10)

Relationship with Jesus is only possible through the Holy Spirit. Learn about Him on Thursday, Oct 23 from 4:30-6pm in the Church basement.

ADORATION WITH TAIZE MUSIC

Come join us on Saturday Oct 25th from 7-8pm in Adoration to pray for peace in the Middle East, persecuted Christians around the world, our volunteers and families, and for an end to sex trafficking. 

CALENDAR AND NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

The Dominican Friars of Montreal promote the devotion to St. Jude, the Patron Saint of Hopeless cases. There are free copies of the calendar, which includes the novena, available in the Church foyer. All intentions are prayed for during the novena, October 20-28.

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LALITH PEREIRA

Community of the Risen Lord invite you to "Awaken My Spirit O Lord" with Lalith Pereira on Friday, Oct 24 from 6:30-9:30pm and Saturday Oct 25 from 10am-4pm in the Church basement. Call to register; 604-526-9910 or 604-525-2769.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR & PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Come join us on Sunday Nov 16 from 9am-3pm for a delicious pancake breakfast and start your Christmas shopping early. Table rentals \$15 or 2 for \$25. Contact Nancy at 604 434-7246 or nanbec@telus.net or Eileen 604 436-3633.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

NATIONAL PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE: LOVING LIFE NOW

Come to the Delta Hotel Richmond, from Thursday Oct. 23 to Saturday Oct.25 for the National ProLife Conference. Hear what leaders are saying about affecting hearts, minds, and behaviour to uphold the dignity of human life. More info at lifecanada.org/services/national-conferences.

LIVE IN RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Silent live-in retreat for women interested in discerning a call to religious life from Friday Nov 7 to Sunday Nov 9. For more information or to register contact Sr. Denece at 604-985-4872 or dbillesberger@shaw.ca. Space is limited.

LIVE IN RETREAT FOR MEN

On the weekend of November 14-16, there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the Seminary of Christ the King, Mission. For more information call 604-826-8715.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE DOOR IS OPEN

The Door Is Open is in need of female volunteers to assist with their Women's Wednesdays Arts and Crafts program, Wednesdays, from 8am-noon. If interested, please contact Sr. Chita at 604-669-0498 or e-mail ctorres@rcav.org.

GREETERS NEEDED AT THE DOOR IS OPEN

The Door Is Open is expanding our hospitality ministry literally at our front door. We invite you to join us in greeting our patrons by welcoming them to The Door Is Open as they enter our drop in centre. Greeters are needed from 10am-12pm. We are open and serve food 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Information and training sessions available in June. For more information, please contact Sr. Chita at 604-669-0498 or e-mail ctorres@rcav.org.