

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY AUG 30: 22ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1:00pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)
1:00pm CFC-YFL (Rectory Dining)

MONDAY AUG 31:

6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)

TUESDAY SEP 1:

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

WEDNESDAY SEP 2:

7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

THURSDAY SEP 3: ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

6:30pm Knights of Columbus (Rectory basement)
7:00pm Mass/Adoration (Church)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

FRIDAY SEP 4: *First Friday All day Adoration*

7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:40pm Healing Ministry (Crying Room)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

SATURDAY SEP 5:

8:00am 2000 Hail Mary (Rectory Dining)
8:30am Legion of Mary (Church basement)
1:30pm CFC Youth (School Gym)
2:30pm Baptism (Church)
7:00pm CFC (Church basement)

SUNDAY SEP 6: 23RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

1:00pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)
1:00pm CFC (Church basement)
1:00pm CFC-YFL (Rectory Dining)

The Lord's Day

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 / 3pm (**Tagalog**) / 5pm / 7pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:

Wednesday 6pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

Thursday: 7:20am & Saturday: 8am

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 & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: Coordinator: Rocelyn Catris

Email: youth.smarv@rcav.org

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 5pm

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PASTORS & STAFF

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

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Pastor's Corner

"EVIL FROM WITHIN"

We all tend to blame other people for the evil we do, as if they were the source, the cause of it. We like to believe that the course of events around us is also the cause of the evil we do. But Jesus said, "All the evil things come from within." (Mark 7:23) What things? "Fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly." (Mark 7: 21-22) You still doubt it? Jesus knows we are skeptical about that. So Jesus "called the crowds again and said to them (to us), "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart that evil intentions come (Mark 7:145-15, 21)

Adrienne von Speyr, mystical writer and stigmatist comments, it is "as if sins, in their movement from within to without, call forth uncleanness. In their tending from (inner) thoughts to (external) deeds, from project (intentions) to realization." (quoted in Magnificat, August 2015, p.424) Let's look, with A. von Speyr, how this works and see how we can become aware of it. Everything starts with evil thoughts. "These evil thoughts can surface first, for a moment, as mere temptations; but when someone resists them and arms his heart against them, they do not make him unclean. But if he welcomes them and allows them to grow, and they leave him with the strength of the developed thought, of the evil intention, then they make him unclean— and not only him, for man is always, whether he wants to be or not, bound to the people around him. Unclean thoughts and, even more, unclean deeds poison all his surroundings."

"Let us investigate in detail how things stand in our interior, whether we have the inclination to make room for the evil thoughts that surface in us as temptations, to leave them time to expand and to defile us."

Pastor's Corner Continued...

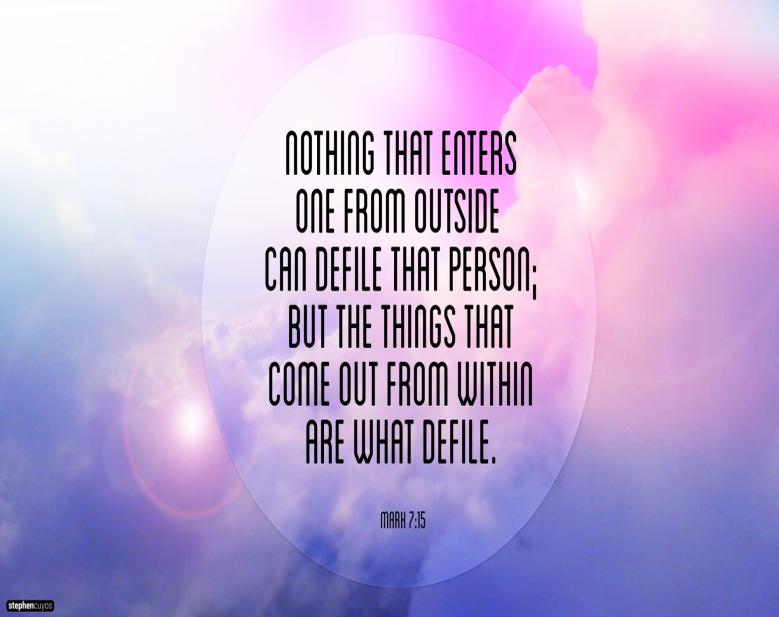
Pastor's Corner Continued...

"We do not investigate only the evil things we have already done, but also those to which we are open, those we would do if the power of grace did not hinder us. We thank God for his grace, and ask him to extinguish everything sinful glimmering within us, through the power of his grace."

What is the "investigation" that von Speyr is speaking about? The daily examination of conscience or even better, the daily examen prayer recommended by St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Christopher West recalls this true story. At a gathering of bishops, a woman managed to climb on the stage and walked across it, completely naked. All the bishops covered their eyes, except one. He looked at her with so much compassion, sad that such a beautiful person was exposed and degraded. The woman saw his eyes and later on came back to faith because of the way the bishop looked at her, with sheer mercy and love. And she gave a public testimony about it. That bishop was truly chaste. Nothing evil could come from his heart.

God bless you, Fr. Pierre



NOTHING THAT ENTERS
ONE FROM OUTSIDE
CAN DEFILE THAT PERSON;
BUT THE THINGS THAT
COME OUT FROM WITHIN
ARE WHAT DEFILE.

MARK 7:15

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PARISH NEWS

R.C.I.A. ACCEPTING INQUIRERS

Are you an adult who would like to join the Catholic Church? Perhaps you are a baptized Catholic, but lack the Sacrament of First Communion or Confirmation. Maybe you just would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and what the Church teaches. Welcome to RCIA! We start in early September and are taking registrations now. Please contact rcia.smarv@rcav.org.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

We invite all married couples, singles, single parents, divorced, separated, widowed to a Christian Life Program (CLP) sponsored by Couples for Christ. The program starts Saturday Sep 19 at 7:30pm in the Church basement. Refreshments served, no fee. Bring your children to join Kids for Christ-Christian Life Program. More info: Chris/Julie 778-996-4420, Andy/Cheng 778-988-3835 or Dannie/Eden 604-710-6211 or email chriscanilanza@yahoo.com.

PROJECT ADVANCE 2015

Total donations to date are \$99,148 or 50% of our parish goal. We encourage all parishioners to return your pledges or register as new donors. Please place your pledges in the collection basket, or you may also donate online at rcav.org. Thank you for your ongoing support!

SENIOR YOUTH BASKETBALL

Youth basketball is open for grades 8-12 from 10am-12pm in the School Gym. Schedule at <https://goo.gl/tG5FYQ>.

CAMP FLAME: RANSOMED (GR.9-12)

Have you been hurt before? Most of us, if not all, certainly have been. Perhaps you or someone you know could benefit from receiving healing through this upcoming retreat on Sept 25-27 at Camp Capilano, North Vancouver. Space is limited, so reserve early. For info, contact Rocelyn at 604-435-9611 ext.247 or email youth.smarv@rcav.org.

ST. MARY'S FACEBOOK



Check out our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/stmarysvancouver

PARISH NEWS

BIBLE STUDY

On September 9, we will begin the acclaimed Bible study series called The Footprints of God. "Unlike any video or film series ever made", this presentation "explores more than 2000 years of Jewish and Christian history." Author Steve Ray will take you to actual Bible locations, combining spectacular cinematography, solid Catholic teaching, and his unique, enthusiastic style in a lively travel documentary format that makes difficult concepts easy to understand. Join us every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Church basement. Free, including study guides! The schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

Marian Pilgrimage to the Grotto in Portland Sept. 4-6, 2015. Price per person: \$399.00. Call Teresita 604-868-2354 or email: aquinas@telus.net.

CHARISMATIC HEALING CONFERENCE

The annual Catholic Charismatic Healing Conference will be on Friday Sep 18 and Saturday Sep 19 at the Chandos Pattison Auditorium, Surrey. Conference and bus tickets (to the conference) are both available at \$10 each in the parish office during office hours.

ARCHDIOCESAN VOCATIONS FAIR

Join us on Sunday, Sept. 20 from 1-5pm at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Vancouver for an Archdiocesan Vocations Fair. With 54 religious orders currently serving in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, this is a great opportunity to learn more about the work they do. Come celebrate the many different religious orders in the diocese, both men and women, followed by Mass in the Church celebrated by Archbishop Miller. Visit vocationsvancouver.ca for more details.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

Join us at the Fourth Annual Archbishop's Dinner on Thursday, Oct. 29, at Hyatt Regency Vancouver. Tickets are \$150 each with approximately \$70 receipted as a charitable donation. Please register with the Parish Office 604-435-9611 ext. 6 or email parish.smarv@rcav.org.