

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY APR 10: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

1:00pm CFC-YFL (Rectory dining)
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar room)

MONDAY APR 11: ST. STANISLAUS

6:30pm Youth Ministry (Church basement)

TUESDAY APR 12:

6:00pm Baptism Prep (Church)
7:00pm MVA (Rectory Dining)
7:00pm Christian Meditation (Rectory basement)
7:30pm Ablaze Charismatic Prayer Group (Church basement)

WEDNESDAY APR 13:

6:30pm Bible Study (Church basement)
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

THURSDAY APR 14:

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

FRIDAY APR 15:

6:00pm CFC-SFC (Seminar Room)
6:00pm CFC-SFL (School Gym)
6:00pm Youth Ministry (Church basement)
7:00pm Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
7:40pm Healing Prayer (Church)
9:00pm Benediction (Church)

SATURDAY APR 16:

10:00am YM Basketball (School Gym)
1:30pm CFC Youth (Church basement)
2:30pm Youth Ministry (Rectory basement)
3:00pm Legion of Mary (Rectory Library)
7:00pm CFC (Church basement)
7:00pm CFC-FFL (School Gym)
7:30pm ARC (Church)

SUNDAY APR 17: 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1:00pm CFC-YFL (Rectory Dining)
1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)

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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PASTORS & STAFF

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

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WHO ARE YOU?

What keeps you from believing in God and following Christ, returning love for love? Part of you— part of us—is like Judas, the other part is like Peter. Choose the Peter part! That is your true identity. When Christ asks you, “Do you love me,” answer like Peter, “Lord, you know everything, you know that I love you.” But you think, “I cannot say that I love Him, maybe Peter can but not me! Because my betrayals and denials of Jesus are so many, I keep doing what I don’t want to do, and not doing what I want to do.” Yes, it’s true and Jesus knows it. But He keeps asking you, like He did with Peter, three times, “Do you love me?” He doesn’t do that to shame you, to lead you to despair, but to resuscitate what is dying in you, like He did for Peter and Lazarus! And it worked for them. So it will work for you. Don’t be like Judas who shut himself in, and forbid God to enter in him. That impenetrability “is the demonic origin of all despair, because not even sin can be an alibi for Christ who comes close to you, whatever you have done— like Peter who denied Him three times at the most crucial moment of Jesus’ Passion.” (Fr. Julian Carron) If Christ asks you “Do you love me?” it’s because He knows your deepest identity is not destroyed by your sins, no matter how many they will be— and no matter how grave they are. You want proof of that? Here it is; no matter what you have done, you will never need to be re-baptized. Sin cannot undo that. The grace of God goes deeper than sin can go to hurt you. At the call of Jesus, your true self wounded by sin will come out and live again in this life and in the next. You will need to be reborn again and again. You are not an angel. **Don’t build your life on your innocence, but on His love for you, always given, instant by instant, perfectly, unconditionally...**

And like Peter you will end up, dying like Him, choosing His love over your own life. “When life puts me with my

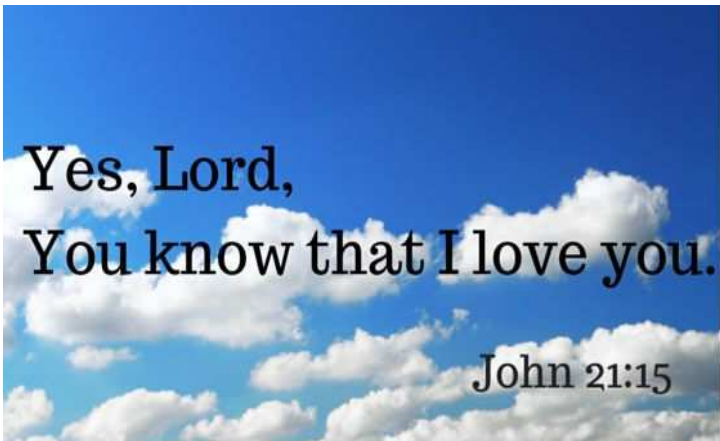
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back to the wall, when I have done something very bad, so bad that I am scandalized at myself, what defines me in that moment? Christ's embrace of me in baptism, that not even my wrong can undo, whatever wrong I have done. Nothing I can do can change Christ's attitude towards me." (Fr. Julian Carron)

Your deepest identity is like Peter, not like Judas. And it rests not on your shoulders but on His love for you, that awakens your love for Him.

God bless you, Fr. Pierre



PARISH NEWS

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

St. Mary's School has completed re-registration and has limited spaces for K-7 for the 2016-2017 school year. Please visit our website to download an application form or stop by the School Office.

SPARK (GR.6-8) - BEING ME

We have a problem – around the world, boys and girls are so concerned with their looks that they are holding back from important life activities. Find ways to prevent low self-esteem and achieve the best version of you this Monday Apr 11 from 6:15-8:15pm in the Church basement. Invite your close friends too!

FLAME (GR.8-12) - EASTER POTLUCK CELEBRATION

Before we reach the end of Easter Time, join in celebrating our Lord's Resurrection on Saturday Apr 23 from 3-5pm at New Westminster Pier Park. Meeting is at 2pm in the parish office. Permission forms are required. Please bring food/drink to share.

FLAME (GR.8-12) - 3 MONTH PERMISSION FORMS

In order to make it easier for parents to permit their youth during out-trips, Youth Ministry has adapted a 3-month permission form that describes our planned activities for the next 3 months. More details are found in the forms. They can be picked up from the foyer or parish office. For electronic copies, please go to <https://goo.gl/3oSi4l>.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL RAFFLE SALES

Would you like to win a trip for 4 to Puerto Vallarta, or a Caribbean Cruise for 2, or \$500 cash? St. Mary's School is selling raffle tickets after all Masses during April and May. Tickets are \$2/each or \$20/booklet. All proceeds go to the Parish Building Fund.

DRIVE 4UR SCHOOL FUNDRAISING EVENT

Please support the Drive 4UR School fundraising event on June 18 by taking a free test drive. For each test drive, Ford Canada will donate \$20 toward our Parish Building Fund, to a maximum of \$6,000. Pre-register for a test drive at www.drive4ur.com/en/drive4urschoolstmarysschool/Register; or go to the parish website and click on the link.

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FOOTPRINTS OF GOD BIBLE STUDY

Topic on Wednesday Apr 13: Paul: Contending For The Faith - Chapter 4 "Contending Unto Death" (*Paul, exclaiming that for him, "to live is Christ and to die is gain", suffers for the faith and is finally beheaded in Rome*). Ongoing Bible Study every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 8pm in the church basement. Start at any session; prior attendance not required. Free, including study guides!

MIGRANT MINISTRY

St. Mary's Migrant Ministry and ISSofBC will hold a free workshop on "Family Sponsorship" on Apr 17 from 1-3pm in the Seminar room. Tim Bailey, an Immigration and Refugee lawyer is the speaker. Register at stmarymigrant@gmail.com or resoquita.arma@issbc.org or 604-684-3599 ext. 1666.

UPDATE ON MARIJUANA APPLICATION

The 3441 Marijuana application has been approved by the City of Vancouver despite over 1800 signed letters against it. Health Canada does not authorize licensed marijuana producers to have storefronts. Yet, the City of Vancouver is approving zoning change from General Office to Marijuana-related. Even though the Federal government aims to create a process that will lead to the legalization and regulation of marijuana, at this time marijuana stores are illegal and should be closed immediately. In order to combat illegal marijuana stores, we are looking for lawyers or law students to help. If you can help, please contact Mildred at mmoy_ca@yahoo.com or call 778-885-9611.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

THE NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT

The New Evangelization Summit, held in Ottawa and streamed to 29 host sites around North America including St. Patrick's Parish, Vancouver, brings together speakers who are leaders in New Evangelization. All Catholics will benefit from this opportunity to be further equipped in the mission of the Church. Speakers include Sherry Weddell, Christopher West, Dr. Peter Kreeft, Angèle Regnier, Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, Bishop Christian Riesbeck; on Friday Apr 15 from 7-9:30pm and Saturday Apr 16 from 8:45am-4:30pm. Cost: \$30. Note: Saturday lunch will not be provided. To purchase tickets, visit www.newevangelization.ca.