

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



Sunday Jan 20: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30pm YM FLAME (Church Basement)

Monday Jan 21: St. Agnes

6:00pm Bingo (School Gym)

Tuesday Jan 22

7:00pm Christian Meditation (Rectory basement)

7:00pm CWL (School Gym)

7:30pm Ablaze (Church Basement)

Wednesday Jan 23

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

7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)

9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Thursday Jan 24: St. Francis de Sales

7:00pm Mass/Adoration (Church)

7:40pm Prayer for Priests (Church)

9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Friday Jan 25: Conversion of St. Paul

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

7:40pm Healing Prayer (Crying Room)

9:00pm Benediction (Church)

Saturday Jan 26: St. Timothy & St. Titus

9:15am DNA (Rectory Basement)

9:30am Liturgy Committee (Rectory Dining)

10:00am YM Basketball (School Gym)

11:00am Alpha (Church Basement)

1:00pm CFC-FFL (School Gym)

1:00pm CFC-YFL (Rectory Basement)

1:00pm Migrant Ministry (Seminar Room)

2:30pm Baptism (Church)

3:00pm Legion of Mary (Rectory Living Room)

6:30pm CFC (School Gym)

Sunday Jan 27: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2:00pm Light of Jesus (School Gym)

7:30pm Neo Catechumen (Seminar Room)

PARISH INFORMATION

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS: Monday - Friday: 8:00am

Weekday Morning Rosary 7:00am / Weekday Morning Lauds 7:30am

WEEKDAY EVENING MASS: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7pm followed by Adoration at 7:45pm & Benediction at 9:00pm

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

SUNDAY MASS: Anticipated Mass Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am / 9:30am / 11:15am / 1:00pm / 5:00pm / 7:00pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:

Wednesday 6:00pm

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

Thursday: 8:00am & Saturday: 8:30am

DIVINE MERCY: Friday 3:00pm & 6:15pm

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

Weekdays: After all Masses (except Thursday Evening Mass)

Saturday: 9:00am-9:30am, 4:15pm- 4:55pm, 6:10pm- 7:00pm

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. Contact soberg@rcav.org.

PREP: Catechism Program for children attending public schools on Tuesdays or Wednesdays 6:30pm-8:00pm

Coordinator: Stefan Oberg E-mail: soberg@rcav.org.

TEEN PREP: Interactive Catechism Sessions for Teens on Tuesdays 6:30pm-8:00pm

Coordinator: Stefan Oberg E-mail: soberg@rcav.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY: E-mail: ana@marysyouth.com

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ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 6:30pm

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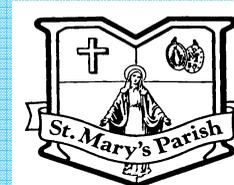
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*Pastor's
Corner*

MADE IN HEAVEN, DRANK ON EARTH!

Having a hard time to understand the Bible and use it fruitfully in your life? Get the Catholic Serendipity Bible. I have used it for this Pastor's Corner.

Today's Gospel is about a wedding in Cana where Jesus performed His first miracle in answer to His mother's request. He turned water into wine... Weddings in Jesus' time were important events. Relatives and townspeople would gather to celebrate, often for up to a week! To run out of wine would be a great social embarrassment, and a bad sign for the bride and groom. Can you imagine the local newspaper's headline the next day? "Mother of Young Preacher Takes Charge at Wedding" or "Water Mysteriously Turns to Wine at Reception" or "Mother and Son Save Bridegroom from Embarrassment" or "Local Guests are Stunned—Groom Saves Best Wine for Last."

1) How do you imagine Jesus felt about His mother's suggestion that He do something about the wine? annoyed embarrassed manipulated honoured reluctant willing other _____

2) How often do you feel pressure from family or friends to do something you don't want to do? everyday pretty often occasionally rarely never

3) In what area of your life do you feel the most pressure? physical emotional relational school financial spiritual career other _____

4) In verse 11, what does John, the author of this Gospel, mean by calling Jesus' miracles "signs?" What part does the function of the jars play in this story (verse 6)? And the excellent and abundant wine from Jesus?

5) Right now, what is the most exciting thing in your spiritual life? What in your life feels like stale water in an old jug?

6) What is the "wine level" (zest for living) in your life at the moment? overflowing half-full running out fast empty

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7) What is draining you?

8) How could Jesus bring celebration back into your life?

Reflecting on these questions, I now share some of my answers. In verse 10 the headmaster of the wedding banquet exclaims, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." That is what Jesus did for me. The water in the old jug was getting stale, the effect of sins. He took it away and put instead the best wine ever. Surely it was after His mother Mary requested it for me. I feel like celebrating the "Jesus and Mary effect" in my life. And I want to share this great wine "made in Heaven."

God bless you. Fr. Pierre

*Taken from Catholic Serendipity Bible p.1637
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PARISH NEWS

FLAME (gr 10-12) – FLAME TIME

Come one, come all. The FLAME time fun continues and we are ready for another event filled with faith, fun and fellowship. Get ready for the games, open your heart to go deeper in your faith and step out of your comfort zone to make some new friends. What's the event all about? Well you'll just have to come and see for yourself. Join us on Sunday, Jan 20 at 6:30pm in the Church basement for a night of faith, fun and fellowship.



DISCOVER THE MEANING OF LIFE

Come to the first ALPHA course and meet new friends over a free lunch and learn about the most intriguing topics of the Christian FAITH and about LIFE; then discuss the topics in small groups. This 8 session course starts on Saturday, Jan 26 at 11am-2:30pm in the Church basement. Each session starts with a (free) meal. Pre-registration required; please contact the parish office at 604 435-9611 ext 0; or alphastmarysvan@gmail.com.

PROJECT ADVANCE

Thank you parishioners! Your generous donations made it possible for us to achieve our parish goal of \$100,000. To date the contribution is at \$114,000 which entitles us to receive a rebate which will go towards the development of the Parish Center.

PARISH NEWS

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL REGISTRATION & YOUTUBE!

St. Mary's School is pleased to offer registration for *new* students for the 2013-2014 school year. Application packages are available online at stmary.bc.ca and from the school office Monday-Friday 8:30-4:00pm. Our Grade 7 students have created a short 3 minute video for the Archdiocesan Catholics Come Home YouTube Contest. Its purpose is to promote our faith and encourage people to come back to the Church. We are asking all parishioners to view our YouTube video on a smartphone or computer at home. You will need to create a YouTube account if you do not have one and if you enjoyed it, click on the "Like" button. You can find our video by typing *Mary's Vancouver Catholics Come Home* in the YouTube search bar. Thank you for your support.

2013 ENVELOPES

All remaining 2013 envelopes have been moved to the foyer. Please collect yours as soon as possible.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

Couples for Christ is inviting all married couples, widows or widowers, and separated Catholics to a Christian Life Program that will start on Jan 26 at 7pm at St Mary's School Gym. Fellowship and free light snacks follow. The program is free but pre-registration is requested. To register or inquire, please call: Albert & Anna Angeles at 604-522-2259; Ricky & Rocky Ysonza at 778-855-0398, Elhy & Jona Juan at 604-782-4802 or Joe & Flor Pelingon at 604-438-3821.

GRACE THAT REIGNS

Join us as we intercede for priests this Thursday after the 7pm Mass. See www.GracethatReigns.com.

CATHOLICS COME HOME PRAY & FAST

Archbishop Miller is inviting all parishioners to choose one day to fast during our Catholics Come Home campaign. Please sign up in the foyer.

CATHOLICS COME HOME PRAYER COMMITMENTS

Please find CCH prayer commitment forms in the foyer that you can fill out and commit yourself to. Keep the form with you, or in your prayer book, as a reminder of the CCH program, and your commitment to pray for its fruitful success.

CATHOLICS COME HOME "WE MISS YOU" CARDS

Please take a "We Miss You" card from the foyer. Read the instructions, fill out the card, and give it to someone you would like to invite back to the Church. Please take as many as you need.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

PARISH LIBRARY

Check out our parish library new additions on Sunday Jan.20. The library will be open from 10:30am-12:30pm, and from 4pm-7pm, and will continue previewing the Catholicism series DVD. We are looking for more volunteers so we can be open after all Sunday masses.



DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP MILLER



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ: The First Stage of the Catholics Come Home campaign has been a huge success and we're now gearing up for Part 2: building on the momentum generated by the TV ads. We want these ads to spread far and wide, further than traditional media such as TV. Here's where you come in. No one is in a better position to extend the reach of these ads than you are through your social media, email and personal contacts. You are invited to www.vancouvercomehome.com, where you will find a simple two-step process for sharing the CCH videos through Facebook, Google, Twitter, YouTube and email. The handout at the CCH table in the foyer contains instructions that show how easy it is to share these commercials with those in your social media circles. As always, prayers are encouraged for the success of this momentous campaign, as we head into its next stage. Thank you for your support of our important evangelization during this Year of Faith.

DEVELOPING MINISTRY LEADERS.

Archdiocesan Winter Institute offers one-day faith formation and ministry training for adults. Topics include: What Does it Mean to Call the Eucharist the Body of Christ? Tweet this! Social Media, Basics of the Faith and more. Ministry training offered for RCIA, PREP & Youth Ministry. Jan. 26 at St. Patrick Secondary School, from 10am-4pm. Cost \$35, includes lunch. Everyone welcome. For more information and registration visit: www.rcav.org/oc/winter.

VOCATION LIVE IN

On the weekend of February 15-17 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.