

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY JUN 11: TRINITY SUNDAY

01:00 PM Light of Jesus (School Gym)
 12:45 PM Legion of Mary Juniors (Rectory Living Room)
 02:00 PM CSM (Rectory Living Room)

MONDAY JUN 12

04:00 PM VBS (Rectory Dining Room)
 05:00 PM Youth Ministry (Seminar Room & School Gym)

TUESDAY JUN 13: ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

04:00 PM VBS (Rectory Dining Room)
 06:00 PM Baptism Prep (Church Hall)
 07:00 PM Mission Ablaze LSS Mass (Church & Church Hall)
 07:00 PM Christian Meditation (Rectory Basement)
 07:00 PM MVA (Rectory Living Room)
 07:00 PM Families for Christ (School Gym)

WEDNESDAY JUN 14

06:45 PM Bible Study/Lectio Divina (Church Hall)
 07:00 PM Hands of Veronica (Rectory Dining Room)
 07:00 PM Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
 07:40 PM Healing Prayer (Church Children's Room)
 09:00 PM Benediction (Church)

THURSDAY JUN 15

06:30 PM Knights of Columbus (Church Library)
 07:00 PM Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
 09:00 PM Benediction (Church)

FRIDAY JUN 16

06:00 PM Street Ministry (Rectory Living Room)
 06:00 PM CFC FFL (School Seminar Room)
 06:00 PM CFC SFL (School Gym)
 07:00 PM Mass/Adoration/Confession (Church)
 07:40 PM Healing Prayer (Church Children's Room)
 09:00 PM Benediction (Church)

SATURDAY JUN 17

10:00 AM Youth Ministry BB (School Gym)
 12:00 PM Light of Jesus (Rectory Dining Room)
 02:00 PM CFC FFL (Rectory Basement)
 03:00 PM Legion of Mary (Rectory Living Room)
 03:00 PM Street Ministry (Church Library)
 05:00 PM CFC YFL (School Gym)
 06:00 PM Cancer (Rectory Living Room)
 06:15 PM Corpus Christi Procession (Church & Church Hall)
 07:30 PM ARC (Church)

SUNDAY JUN 18: CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

01:00 PM Light of Jesus (Rectory Dining Room)
 01:00 PM Migrant Ministry (School Seminar Room)
 12:45 PM Legion of Mary Juniors (Rectory Living Room)
 02:00 PM CSM (Rectory Living Room)

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
 baptizing them in the name
 of the Father and of the Son
 and of the Holy Spirit**

- Matthew 28:19



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 of the Blessed Sacrament 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 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 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

Coordinator: Edwin Cruz

E-mail: prep.smarv@rcav.org

Tuesdays or Wednesdays 6:30-8pm / Teen Prep Wednesdays only

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Coordinator: Rocelyn Catris

Email: youth.smarv@rcav.org

ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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PASTORS & STAFF

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

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Assistant to the Pastors: Theresa De Ocampo (ext. 6)

Finance & Property Manager: Ossie Fernandes (ext. 7)

Youth & Young Adult Ministry: Rocelyn Catris (ext. 247)

RCIA/PREP Coordinator: Edwin Cruz (ext. 5)

Reception: Marianne Peraro (ext. 0)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday: 8:45am to 5pm

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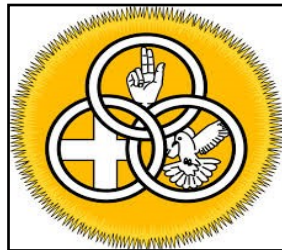
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*Pastor's
Corner*

THREE WAYS WE CAN EXPERIENCE GOD

The best way for me to communicate what I grasp of the Mystery of the Trinity is by sharing 3 personal experiences. The first relates to God the Father. Looking at the famous painting by Rembrandt about the Return of the Prodigal Son, I was touched by the loving look of the Father and his hands on the back of the Prodigal Son. It seemed to me that the Father was re-creating his son anew. I then realized that the forgiveness of the Father for me (for each of us) is like a re-creation, going back into God's womb and there, being made anew. It's more than a simple washing away of the wounds of sins I have committed. Most of us have sins for which we can never make proper amend on our own, and therefore, we would be doomed to hell. Many saints did not commit this kind of sin but only through God's PREVENTIVE grace. But God the Father, because he is the Creator, the source and origin of everything that exists, can recreate us in his very womb. It's absolutely amazing and freeing. The Son participates in this forgiveness too. It is through the Son, through his Passion and Resurrection that the Father pours out his forgiveness. The Holy Spirit participates, too. In the Holy Spirit, we are renewed; in him, we receive the desire to be forgiven and the grace to accept it.

The second experience relates more to the Son. It is the experience of infinite beauty that draws us to God. This is according to St. Thomas Aquinas and the Scriptures. Christ is the resplendent image of God's glory (Hebrews 1:3). We also get a glimpse of his beauty in the Transfiguration. The beauty of God can be experienced in nature, as is often the case for me, or through Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son: it is the beauty of his teaching, the harmony of his life, the beauty of his virtues, of his holiness, of his goodness. "All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being" (John 1:3). All beauty comes from him, especially the beauty of spousal love that we see in marriage and in consecrated life. This experience of beauty is given to us in the Holy Spirit living in us, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son. And its ultimate source is the Father. That experience has a redeeming quality. It is the experience of Christ the Redeemer who gives us a participation in his beauty.



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The third experience is about being transformed in our most intimate being. Particularly, the experience of being able to love another person or God, above our limited capacity. You wonder how you become more patient, more forgiving, even for a person that you didn't like. You experience the Love that is from the Father, being active in you, for the sake of other people. It can be quite amazing. It is like the "finger of God" (Luke 11:20), as Jesus said, touching your very self, and making wonders in you. Like ET! The "finger of God" is the Holy Spirit touching you and transforming you. All this is FROM the Father, THROUGH the Son, IN the Holy Spirit.

The Trinity is like a net of relationships coming from above (the Father), through the Son, in whom "we live and move and have our being" (Acts 3), and in the Spirit acting in us. God surrounds us in and out with himself. We are in the joyful dancing and singing circle of the three-in-one.

**God bless you,
The Father, the Creator and Origin
The Son, the Redeemer
The Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier**

Fr. Pierre

PARISH NEWS



BIBLE STUDY

Jesus said "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life". In what sense do you believe this? Join Lectio Divina this Wednesday, Jun 14 at 6:45pm in the church basement to explore its meaning. Everyone is welcome!



SPARK (GR.6-8) - DEFEAT FOR HUMANITY

We see or hear it in the news - war happens in different parts of the world. Sometimes, even in our own local communities or homes, it could feel like we are in a war. The absence of war is called 'peace'. Is this what we should be striving for? Join us this Mon, Jun 12th 6:15-8:15pm in the School Gym and share your thoughts on this peacefully. :)

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL RAFFLE SALES

Parent volunteers will be selling raffle tickets again after all masses, don't miss the chance of winning a trip for 2 to Paris or an Apple iPad or cash of \$500 - \$2.50 per ticket or \$25 per booklet, draw date is June 25, all proceeds will go to the school building project. What better way to support our school and a chance to win some awesome prizes!! Thank you for your support and participation.



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Join Fr. Pierre in the Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession at St. Mary's on Saturday June 17, after the 5pm Mass. If you are not attending the anticipated Mass, please come to the Church basement at 4:30pm for singing practice. Songs are available at <http://stmarysvancouver.ca/corpus-christi/>. After the procession, join us for light refreshment and ice cream! You can also bring finger food to share. Parish ministries are welcome to bring their banners during the procession.

MIGRANT MINISTRY WORKSHOP ON DEPRESSION

ISSofBC and St. Mary's Migrant Ministry will hold a FREE workshop about "Understanding Depression" on June 18th, Sunday, 1-3PM at the seminar room, school gym. The Resource Person, Dr. Francois Botha, a registered Psychologist, will speak about the signs of depression, possible causes, how to manage depression and resources available. To register, please email Lenn Castro at stmarysmigrant@gmail.com or Chit Arma at resoquita.arma@issbc.org or call 604-684-7498 ext. 1666.

PREP REGISTRATION

PREP Registration (Catechism for Grades 1-7) is still on-going. Please submit your forms at the Parish Office, Mon-Fri, 2:00-5:00pm. For new students, kindly submit a copy of your child's baptismal certificate with the registration form. Registration deadline is August 15, 2017.

MESSAGE FROM PROJECT ADVANCE TEAM

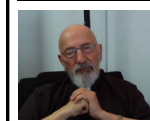
A quick update, current total pledges is at \$41,322 / 20% of our parish goal of \$200,000. Also a reminder that Project advance committee members will be available to collect all returned pledges and register new donors after each mass until end of June. We also encourage you to send your gift online at www.projectadvance.ca Remember, participation from all parishioners is most important and is one of key factors to make this a successful campaign, NO gift is too small. We thank you in advance for your generous support.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FROM BELARUS

We would like to invite you to have a look at handmade religious articles and souvenirs made by the Sisters of Saint Elisabeth Convent (Belarus) who will visit St.Mary's Church on Wednesday, June 14. All these goods are made with love and prayer and bring blessing to home. The Sisterhood of Saint Elisabeth was founded in 1996. For more than 20 years sisters have been rendering spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and the suffering at the National Psychiatric Clinic, the boarding home for children with special needs and mentally challenged adults, a TB clinic. You can support them by purchasing items of devotions for yourselves and your beloved ones.

REMEMBER ST. MARY'S PARISH IN YOUR WILL

MSGR. ESSEFF RETREAT CD/DVD



A recording of St. Mary's 3-day Lenten Retreat with Msgr. John Esseff is now available in CD & DVD. You can get them after all Masses this weekend or at the parish office for \$10. A recording of the PPPG session is also available for \$5.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF-WORTH

In this small group, we're exploring and investigating into your childhood realities about the family you grew up in. To explore and investigate without blame or judgement, simply to observe historical events as fact and the meaning created by the experience. Facilitated by Patricia Vickers Ph.D. Join us on Monday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Kateri Centre, 887 Keefer Street, Vancouver.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE/CARITAS CANADA

Nearly 20 million people are currently at risk of death, in South Sudan, Yemen, Nigeria and Somalia, according to the United Nations. This crisis stems from armed conflicts coupled with severe droughts brought about by climate change. On May 29, the Government of Canada launched a Famine Relief Fund that will see every dollar donated for international aid between March 17 and June 30 doubled. Please help by donating online www.devp.org or phone toll free 1-888-234-8533. Or mail your cheques payable to Development and Peace Famine Relief Fund - Emergency postage free envelopes will be available in the foyer. Thank you for helping!

YOUNG ADULT LIVING CAMP

Western Canada Chinese Catholic Living Camp is an annual Catholic youth and young adult camp for ages 17 - 35. This year's theme, *Pass It On*, is to pass on the Marian message. Throughout the camp, with guest speaker Fr. Francis Ching, we will learn about how Mary's teachings go hand in hand with the gospel messages and how it is applicable to our everyday life. This year's camp is at Camp Charish in Chilliwack from Sept 1 - 4. Registration is now open on wcccl.ca/. Questions? Email wcccl.info@gmail.com

THREE-DAY RETREAT

Shalom Ministry invites you to a three-day spirit filled residential retreat. Celebration of Holy Eucharist and Adoration, spirit-filled Praise and Worship, talks by renowned speakers- Fr. Lucien Larre, Fr George Kumbloomoottil O.P., Sr. Gracy Varghese, Alex Antony- focusing on inner healing and confessions. Retreat starts on Friday Jun 16, 8:30AM and ends Sunday Jun 18, 4PM. Venue - Mountain View Retreat Center, Hope, BC. Registration Fee \$250 each, includes room and board. Very limited seats available. Register today at <https://www.shalomworld.org/festivals/events/166> or call (778-863-9972) to register. Come and experience the liberating power of God's love and see how this retreat can make you a new person in Christ, washed and cleansed with His Precious Blood!