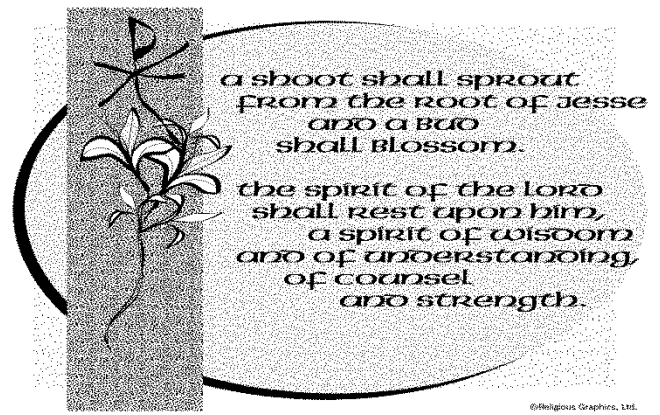


# Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

Our God will come to save us.



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Albert Styk, Channele Lim Yan, Rosa Alexander, Lois Charlebois, Catherine Salgado, Maria Pascua, Joe Schiffers, Gina Debulgada, Arnold Castro, Encarnacion Moreno, Manolo Asuncion, Nestor Hipolito, William Zanon, Joe Fauht, Kay McDonald, Rosemary McNeill, Connie Hatherton, Francesca Nichele, Gelina Cacal, Betty St. Pierre, Anna Aere, Eidrienne Montemayor, Veronica Sperling, Eugenia Taggar, Ben Reyes, Alexander Dobrzanski, Marguerite Andrews, Norma, Dawn Moscrop, Loreta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Deborah Coleman, Rod Rolston, Raquel Satparam, Jorge Amoranto, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman, Ruel Capili.

## BINGO



Tuesday, December 20 is Ugly Sweater Bingo. Wear your 'best' sweater for a chance to win a gift basket. Bingo will be closed on Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## 2017 CALENDARS

2017 Religious Calendars available in the Gathering Area. Cost is by donation and all proceeds go to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you to Rose Meyer of Bakerview Funeral Services for supplying the calendars!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

STUDY SESSIONS – All high school students are encouraged to join us! Learn how to use your weapons of faith to fight the battle against evil on Monday evenings at 7-9pm in the Gathering Area of the church. To register, please visit [bit.ly/YouthMinRegistration](http://bit.ly/YouthMinRegistration). For more info email [stbernadetteyouthmin@gmail.com](mailto:stbernadetteyouthmin@gmail.com).



## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



There is still time to donate for the Christmas hampers that we will prepare for those in need this Christmas season. If you wish to donate, grocery store gift cards are welcome items, in addition to non-perishable food. This allows the families that we support to purchase fresh items such as milk, eggs, meat, and other necessities such as diapers.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **PROJECT ADVANCE 2016:** Thank you to all who have contributed to Project Advance! As of November, we have received pledges totaling **\$124,515.59 from 349 parishioners**. To donate, please go to [www.projectadvance.ca](http://www.projectadvance.ca), or drop your pledge form in the collection basket. Thank you!
- **SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection this weekend for the Youth Ministry to assist the work of Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office. Our parish will receive a rebate from this collection. Please be generous in supporting the youth of our parish and archdiocese.
- **MISSALS:** Our Religious Articles stall has the new St. Joseph's Missals available. Cost is \$3 each.
- **2017 WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPES:** Weekly donation envelopes for **2017** are now available in the Gathering Area. **Please check your address**, and update the Parish Office with any changes. If there isn't a box with your name, and you would like to use these envelopes, please **print** your name on the Request Sheet and a box will be prepared for you to pick up the following week. **NEW PARISHIONERS**, please complete a registration card.
- **BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS: Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** come to the Parish Centre for pancake breakfast, prepared by the Knights of Columbus, and have your picture taken with St. Nicholas.
- **CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR PARISH SENIORS:** Seniors in our Parish (60+ years) are invited to the Seniors Christmas Dinner in the hall on Sunday, December 11. Doors open at 2:00 p.m., dinner is at 3:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Gathering Area. This event is sponsored and provided by the members of St. Bernadette Parish Catholic Women's League.
- **GOLDEN BEES:** Please note that there will be no potluck lunch this month for our Golden Bees.
- **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** The next Baptism Prep Class will be **Thursday, December 15** at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Area. To register please call Parish Office at 604.596.0566.

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## SCHOOL NEWS

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**LIGHTS OF HOPE CELEBRATION** – This is the final weekend to purchase your bulbs after mass. The Lights of Hope Fundraiser combines our spiritual needs with the needs of our school and parish. It unites us together and fosters prayer. You can participate by purchasing light bulbs (\$5 each) that will light up the “Lights of Hope Trees” in the courtyard. For each bulb purchased you receive a paper ornament to dedicate your bulb to a particular intention. Those intentions will be offered up at our Lights of Hope celebration on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> before our Christmas Concert, when we light up the trees with the bulbs you purchased, as a symbol of the hope we are bringing into the world and our community through your intentions.

**30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** – Our next planning meeting will be on Mon., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. in the school library. We are still in the early planning stages and we need your valuable input to make it a great success. Everyone is welcome to attend. We will be discussing our **Taste of the Nations Community Dinner** to celebrate our school’s 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The dinner will be held in February 2017. Please email the school at [fundraising@stbernadette.ca](mailto:fundraising@stbernadette.ca) for more information.

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### RCIA

Last Sunday we had the Rite of Acceptance and the Rite of Welcoming for the Catechumens and Candidates in our parish RCIA program. Our Catechumen, **Bijan Rahmanifar and Yalda Rahmanifar**, had the **Rite of Acceptance**. This is for non-baptized adults who wish to be received into the Catholic Church. **Vanessa Swain** will also have the Rite of Acceptance. The **Rite of Welcoming** is for baptized Catholics and other Christians who are completing their initiation into full sacramental life of the church, and full communion of the Catholic Church. Our Candidates, **Jim Bennett, Genet Cherkosse, Engdasew Dababu, and Chrissie Taylor**, had the Rite of Welcoming. Please keep our Catechumen and Candidates in your prayers to assist them in their faith journey.

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### RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Erna Bagonghasa.



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## ST. BERNADETTE GROTTA

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We would like to extend an invitation to our parishioners, who have General Contracting experience, to quote on assisting our parish with the new grotto that is being planned in the courtyard. If you are interested, please contact Fel at 778.883.9448 for more information and details on the project.

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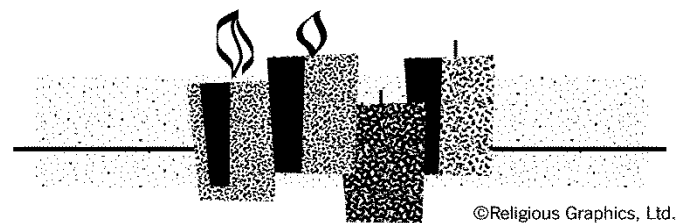
### BASKETBALL CAMP

Holy Cross High School Christmas Basketball Shooting Camp is for boys and girls in Gr. 4-7 planning on attending Holy Cross High School. The camp will be on Mon. Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> – Wed. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am to 12pm at St. Matthew’s Elementary Gym in Surrey. Please email Head Coach/Teacher Matthew LeChasseur at [hcboysbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:hcboysbasketball@gmail.com) to confirm a spot in the camp. Space is limited and will be first come first served. Download and fill out a registration form at [www.holycross.bc.ca](http://www.holycross.bc.ca) or at [www.hcboysbasketball.com](http://www.hcboysbasketball.com) and bring a cheque and the form on the first day of the camp. Cost is \$75.00 and includes daily prizes.

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### SIMBANG GABI

The Filipino Community of the Archdiocese of Vancouver is once again happy to host the novena Masses leading up to Christmas, in accord with the Filipino tradition. Everyone is welcome! All Masses begin at **7:30 p.m.** Inaugural Mass in English will be celebrated by Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB, with readings and songs in Filipino, on Dec. 15 at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver. Mass schedule in Filipino: Dec. 16 at St. Paul Parish, Richmond; Dec. 17 at St. Luke Parish, Maple Ridge; Dec. 18 at Sacred Heart Parish, Ladner; Dec. 19 at St. Jude Parish, Vancouver; Dec. 20 at Our Lady of Hungary Parish, Vancouver; Dec. 21 at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Vancouver; Dec. 22 at St. Monica Parish, Richmond; **Dec. 23 at St. Bernadette Parish, Surrey.**



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### ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Tuesday	December 13	Precious Blood Parish	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 14	St. Matthew's Church	7:00 p.m.
Monday	December 19	Our Lady of Good Counsel	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	December 20	Immaculate Conception Parish	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 21	Star of the Sea	7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 22</b>	<b>St. Bernadette Parish</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

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