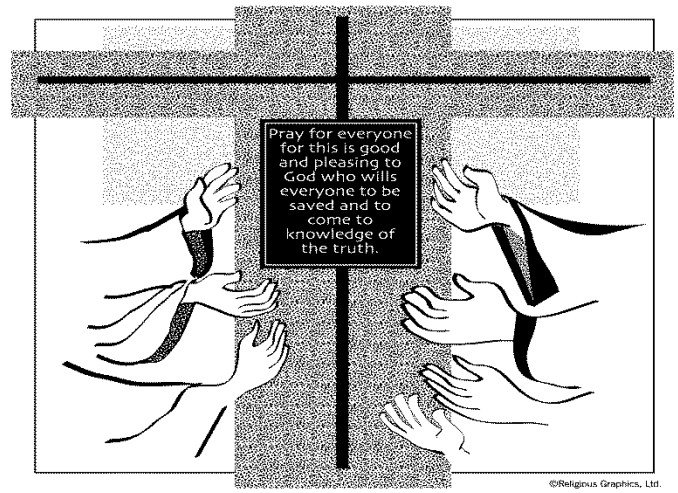


# Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016

Praise the Lord,  
who lifts up the poor.



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## PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

## ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL NEWS

**Thank You to the KofC** - St. Bernadette School community would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for their generous support of our Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast held on the first day of school. The members of the council served close to 300 people at the event!!! It is a wonderful tradition to kick off another school year.

**School Choir** - We are in need of a volunteer to help support Mr. Roy and Mrs. Branson with our school choir. The students practice Wednesday from 2:15 - 3:30pm and sing at our monthly school masses which typically land on a Friday. If you are able to help out please call the school or email the principal at [principal@stbernadette.ca](mailto:principal@stbernadette.ca)

## PREP NEWS

Our Parish Religious Education Program is designed for students enrolled in non-Catholic schools to provide them religious instruction and prepare them for the sacraments. We welcome all children from Kindergarten to Grade 7. The PREP office is now open. We are accepting registrations for **classes that will begin this week on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**. Applications are available in the Gathering Area, at [stbernadetteprep@telus.net](mailto:stbernadetteprep@telus.net), or from the parish office.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **PROJECT ADVANCE 2016:** Thank you to all who have already contributed to Project Advance, the proceeds of which goes to much-needed seismic upgrades to St. Bernadette Elementary. As of August 31<sup>st</sup>, we have received pledges totaling **\$114,925.59 from 304 parishioners**. With three months left in this year's campaign, we have already surpassed last year's total, and are well within reach of our parish goal of \$150,000! If you haven't donated yet, please go to [projectadvance.ca](http://projectadvance.ca) to make your donation, or drop your pledge form in the collection basket. We will also have volunteers available after mass on Sept. 24/25 and October 1/2 to assist you with your donation. Thank you again for your generosity!
- **SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection this week for our parish building fund. There will be a second collection next week for the Needs of the Canadian Church.
- **BINGO:** St. Bee's Bingo will resume on **Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**! Thank you to our volunteers who stepped up to make this possible! We are still in need of volunteers. Please see the insert regarding the call for volunteers, or contact the parish office for more information at 604.596.0566.
- **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** We invite all children ages 4 years to Grade 2 to join us at our 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Children will learn about the gospel at a level they can easily understand through storytelling, discussion and activities. We are still accepting volunteers. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, or would like more information, please contact the parish office.
- **CWL HOMEMADE APPLIE PIES:** The CWL will be selling homemade apple pies this weekend.
- **BADMINTON DROP-IN:** Note the date change during September to November. All are welcome to play **Sat. 4-6pm** and **Wed. 7-9pm**. Youth and kids are free, \$4/dropin for adults. Call Leslie at 604.720.5351 for more info.

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### **BIBLE STUDY**

Join us as Dr. Sean Innerst takes us through the Pillar II series, the Catechism treatment of the sacraments of the Christian Faith. We will discover how entering into the sacramental life of the Church bring us “the divine blessing, fully revealed and communicated.” Beginning Wed. Sept. 21 at 1:00-2:30 p.m. or 6:30-8:00 p.m. For more information or to join us, please call Ella at 604-597-7475.

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### **RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

A wonderful parish process for people who want to find out more about the Catholic faith, or want to explore what the Church teaches and believes. It is ideal for those who have never been baptized, or have been baptized in other denominations, or are already Catholic but are not yet confirmed. RCIA sessions are **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** in the Gathering Area. For more information, or to register, please contact Emily at 604.572.1086.

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### **HOLY CROSS JUNIOR CRUSADERS BOYS BASKETBALL**

The tryouts for the Holy Cross Junior Crusader Boys Basketball Team will be held at the Holy Cross gym on Sat. Sept. 24th 4:00pm-5:30pm and Sun. Sept. 25th 2:00pm-3:30pm. If you are a boy in grade 4-7 and thinking about attending Holy Cross High School in the future, you are eligible to tryout. There will be one or two practices a week and one game a week. The tryout is free for everyone.

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### **SING WITH US**

Our 10:00 a.m. choir is seeking additional voices. A desire to sing praise, and a willingness to contribute to our group is all that is required. Please contact Joanne at 604-582-0026 if you are willing to share your voice.

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### **CELEBRATION: SAINT OF CALCUTTA**

Mark the canonization of St. Mother Teresa! Join us on Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2:30 pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral, 646 Richards Street, Vancouver, for a Celebration of the Canonization of Mother Teresa. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller. Reception to follow in Rosary Hall. [www.rcav.org/mother-teresa](http://www.rcav.org/mother-teresa)

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### **ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER**

The fifth annual Archbishop's Dinner takes place on October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. An evening with Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB celebrating the Year of Mercy, and supporting our expanding efforts to serve the poor and marginalized in the community. Reception at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$150 per person; order forms available at the parish office or pay by credit card online at [www.rcag.org/dinner2016](http://www.rcag.org/dinner2016).

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### **COMMUNICATING WELL AT HOME**

Practicing the Skills to Help Us All Get Along This three-part workshop will help families learn the skills and techniques to help communicate effectively and respectfully. It will help you understand and practice the skills in a playful and interactive setting. The first two sessions are for all members of the family 16 and over, while the final session will welcome all family member 8 and over. Thursdays: Sept. 29, Oct. 6 and 13, 2016 from 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Saint Nicholas Parish, Langley. Cost: \$50 per family. For more info or to register, visit [www.rcav.org/event/communicating-well-home/](http://www.rcav.org/event/communicating-well-home/)

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### **5TH ANNUAL WALK TO KEEP THE DREAM ALIVE**

Domestic Abuse Services – Our Lady of Good Counsel Society Invites you to join us on Sunday, September 25th. Run, walk, bike, or roll through beautiful Tynehead Regional Park. Registration is at noon on-site, or register online at [www.domesticabuseservices.ca](http://www.domesticabuseservices.ca). For more info call 604.585.6688

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### **ROSARY RALLY**

There will be a Rosary Rally held at Unwin Park in Surry on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at noon, rain or shine. Everyone is welcome to attend!

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### **MARRIAGE PROBLEMS?**

Retrouvaille is an affordable program that provides couples with the tools to rekindle romance and repair ALL kinds of marriage problems. Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples avoid separation and regain a joyful relationship. You do not need to be Catholic to attend. For confidential information or to register for the Lower Mainland program commencing the weekend of October 14 - 16, 2016, call 604-530-6710, email [vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org](mailto:vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org) or visit [www.retrouvaillevancover.com](http://www.retrouvaillevancover.com).

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### **HEALING AND FORGIVENESS THROUGH GOD'S MERCY**

Year of Divine Mercy Retreat with Fr. Denis Phaneuf and Moira Noonan. Come and experience God's healing and forgiveness. Fri. Oct. 21, 7pm -9pm, Sat. Oct. 22, 9am-4pm and 5pm Mass with Healing Prayer at the Immaculate Conception Parish School Gym, Delta. Tickets are \$10 each and are valid for both dates. Tickets are available at the parish office or contact Lennie 604.594.7296 or Edna 778.228.3816.



Christ became poor so that by his poverty  
we might become rich