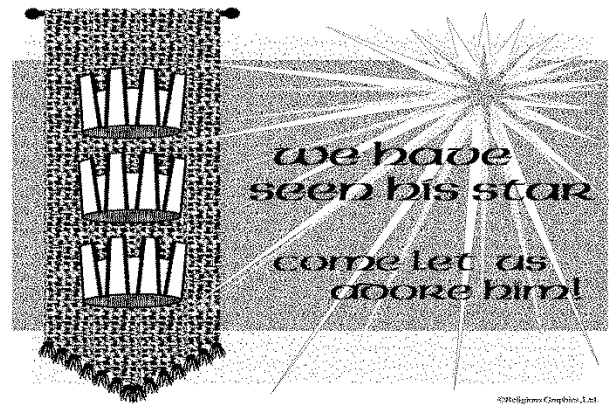


# Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2017

See His star and do Him homage!



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vicente Bautista, Albert Styk, Chanelle 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, Loretta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Deborah Coleman, Rod Rolston, Raquel Satparam, Jorge Amoranto, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman, Ruel Capili.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**Family Bingo Night** – We invite all parish and school families to play Bingo with us on Friday, Jan. 13, doors open at 6pm, games start at 6:30pm. Admission is \$5 per person and includes a free bingo card, popcorn and a drink. Pizza will be available by the slice for \$2. All ages welcome. There will be amazing prizes awarded for every game.

**Taste of the Nations** - The fundraising committee would like to feature YOUR culture through food during our Taste of the Nations 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on February 18. If you would like to be a part of this event please contact [stbeesboothreg@shaw.ca](mailto:stbeesboothreg@shaw.ca) for more information. There will be a meeting for all vendors on Mon. Jan. 16 at 7pm in the school library. See you there! Tickets for the Taste of the Nations 30th Anniversary Celebration will be on sale after all masses in the Gathering Room starting next weekend. Tickets are only \$25 each. We have limited seating so don't miss out!

**New Registrations** – Our school is accepting new registrations. Forms are available in the Gathering Area, or from the parish or school office.

## PREP NEWS

Thank you to our wonderful and dedicated catechists and youth volunteers for the time they give to teach and support our students and families each week! PREP classes will resume on January 11, 2017.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **THANK YOU!** Fr. Paul and Fr. Jimmy wish to thank all of the volunteers who helped to make the Christmas season celebrations special! Including those who decorated the church, all of the Choirs, the Lectors, the Eucharistic Ministers, and the Ushers. Your stewardship to our parish is greatly appreciated! Fr. Paul and Fr. Jimmy would also like to thank everyone for the Christmas gifts they received. Your kindness is appreciated!
- **PROJECT ADVANCE:** Thank you to all who contributed to Project Advance! In 2016, we received pledges totaling **\$134,065.59 from 370 parishioners.** To donate, please go to [www.projectadvance.ca](http://www.projectadvance.ca), or drop your pledge in the collection basket. Thank you!
- **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** The next Baptism Preparation Class will be on Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. To register please call Parish Office at 604.596.0566.
- **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The Knights of Columbus invite everyone for pancake breakfast after all Sunday morning Masses this weekend.
- **SENIORS LUNCH:** Our parish seniors (Golden Bees) get together once a month for lunch, socializing, and games. All parishioners 55+ are welcome! Lunch will be shared on Thursday, January 12 at noon in Room A. Bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share.
- **LADIES NIGHT OUT!** All ladies are invited for a social evening on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre with the focus on wellness & women's health issues. The evening, sponsored by the CWL, will have representatives from London Drugs Pharmacy and Cosmetics.
- **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEMBERSHIPS:** During the month of January, all women of our parish are invited to register as CWL members, or renew their membership. Members will be available in the Gathering Area after all weekend masses this month to answer questions and assist you with your membership. More information is available at <http://www.stbernadette.ca/parishgroups/cwl>

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### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

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Our next monthly meeting will be held Monday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Room D. We are always looking for new members. Please join us in prayer and discussion.

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### **CHRISTMAS TREE CHIPPING**

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The Knights of Columbus 9534 will be holding their annual Christmas Tree Chipping and Bottle Drive at St. Matthew's Parish parking lot (16079 – 88 Avenue, Surrey) on Sat., January 7 and Sun., January 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day. Cost is by donation and will benefit local charities.

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### **ALPHA'S PARENTING CHILDREN COURSE**

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No role we undertake is more important than parenting. Enjoy dinner and a first-class parenting video-and-discussion program to help build our parenting skills. Join us for 10 sessions, starting Wed., Jan. 11, at Precious Blood Parish, Surrey. The course is for any parents, step-parents, prospective parents or caregivers of children aged 0 – 10 years. Each session will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end promptly at 7:45 p.m. Only one-time \$20 fee for individuals or couples required (includes course manual and child-minding). For more details, visit [rcav.org/event/alphas-parenting-course](http://rcav.org/event/alphas-parenting-course).

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### **DECREE FROM ARCHBISHOP MILLER**

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A DECREE for the closing of Holy Cross Church, Surrey, in Star of the Sea Parish. Having received the recommendation of the Pastor of Star of the Sea Parish and having consulted the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Vancouver on August 23, 2016, I, J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver, hereby decree that Holy Cross Church located in Surrey, BC, is to be canonically closed and no longer used for divine worship effective January 16, 2017, in accordance with canon 1222, §2. The entire decree can be read at [rcav.org/Decree-Holy-Cross-Church](http://rcav.org/Decree-Holy-Cross-Church).

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### **ST. MARK'S COLLEGE AT UBC**

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St. Mark's at UBC is presenting a Program Spotlight on January 18, 2017, at 7:00pm for anyone who has an interest in a teaching career. Guests will learn about our unique BA program for future teachers and have an opportunity to meet faculty, advisors, and current students. They also will go on a campus tour and have their questions answered during our Q&A. Space is limited, please register or find more info at <http://stmarkscollege.ca/programs/undergraduate-program>.

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### **SERRA CLUB**

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Serra Club Fraser Valley West, the lay apostolate for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, will hold their next meeting on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. at IC Delta Parish.

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### **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

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Start off the New Year by attending a Marriage Encounter weekend. February 24-26 at the Carmel Hill Retreat Centre. Call Steve and Mary Bohnen to register 604.876.7298 or email [wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com](mailto:wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com), or visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).

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### **WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES**

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Pope Francis urges us to do as Jesus did by proclaiming the good news of hope to all, especially to those in great need. He wants to "focus attention on the smallest of the small." Children who often arrive unaccompanied in their destination countries "are unable to make their own voices heard" and "easily become victims of grave violations of human rights." Join us on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish, Surrey, for the 6th annual World Day of Migrants and Refugees Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Miller, CSB. [rcav.org/world-day-of-migrants-and-refugees](http://rcav.org/world-day-of-migrants-and-refugees)

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### **VALENTINE'S DINNER & DANCE**

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Surrey Delta Pro-Life Society's Valentine's Dinner and Dance, featuring live music with Tony Theiss and the Silver Stars, on February 4th, 2016 at the Cloverdale Catholic Parish Centre (17475 59 Ave, Cloverdale). Doors open at 6pm, dinner begins at 7 pm, by the Dutchmans Caterers. Door prizes, Silent Auction, Tombola Raffle, cash bar. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. For more info, please call 604.574.0225.

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### **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR**

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Celebrating the 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Life in the Spirit Seminar on Friday, Jan. 20 at 7:00pm at Immaculate Conception Parish in Delta. Main celebrant is Bishop Joseph Phuong Nguyen, Kamloops Diocese. After Mass there will be laying of hands for those who need prayers, followed by a reception at the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome! For more info, please call 604-594-7296.

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### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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Catholic Independent Schools of Vancouver Archdiocese is seeking individuals interested in working in the CISVA as Educational Assistants and as Teachers. Please visit our website at [www.cisva.bc.ca](http://www.cisva.bc.ca) for further information on how to apply and to view available teaching positions.



**Welcome and congratulations to the following who were baptized in our Church in November and December:**

*Anya Fernandes, Trisha Isidro, Sarah Gosek, Dillon Francis, Aurelia Moore, Chloe Reyes, Hunter Jaggard.*