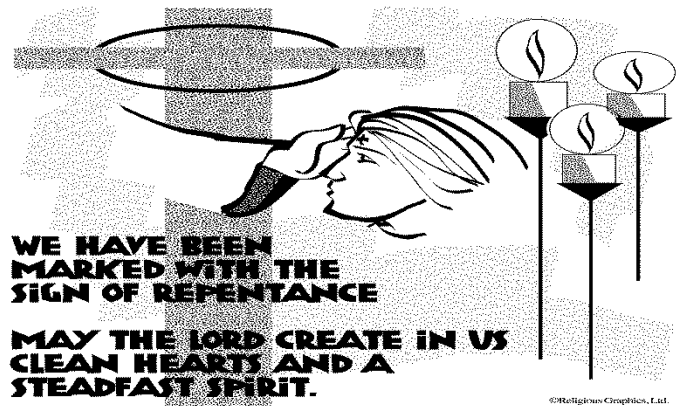


# First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017

Taste and see the goodness  
of the Lord.



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## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Elisa Castro, Christopher Jozi, Patricia Savcor, Robert Kreeft, 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, Loreta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Rod Rolston, Raquel Satparam, Jorge Amoranto, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman, Ruel Capili.

## ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL NEWS

**ST. BERNADETTE TOP SCHOOL IN SURREY!** - St. Bernadette School was voted the Best Elementary School in Surrey by readers of the Now Newspaper. We are very proud of this honour! We ranked 52<sup>nd</sup> out of 956 schools in BC by the Fraser Institute, the top 5% in BC and makes us one of the best schools in all of Surrey. Our school is great because of our wonderful families and the partnership and support we receive from parishioners.

**30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** - Many thanks to parishioners and various parish groups who helped make our 30th Anniversary a special night! Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, CWL and Couples for Christ for their abundant generosity!

**LIMITED SPACES LEFT FOR 2017-2018!!** - We are once again seeing an increase in applications and registrations. We would like to thank all of our families for their support in increasing the enrolment and getting the word out! If you would like to attend our school, please contact the office at 604-596-1101. Financial assistance is available. We don't want finances to be part of the decision making process. We currently only have 12 spaces left in the entire school: Gr. 1 - 3 spaces; Gr. 2 - 1 space; Gr. 3 - 2 spaces; Gr. 4 - 1 space available; Gr. 7 - 5 spaces Kindergarten, Gr. 5 and Gr 6 are waiting list only. We would love to see these spaces filled by next year. If you know someone who would like to attend our school, please have them call the school.

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection this weekend for St. Joseph's Society. These funds help to provide a pension to meet the living expenses of our retired priests.
- **TAX RECEIPTS:** Tax receipts for 2016 donations to the parish and Project Advance are available for pickup in the Gathering Area, or through the parish office during office hours. *Tax receipts will not be mailed.*
- **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to pancake breakfast after all Sunday morning masses this weekend, March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **SENIORS LUNCH: THE GOLDEN BEES,** our parish seniors, get together once a month for a potluck lunch, socializing, and card games. New friends 55+ are welcome! Thursday, March 9 at noon in Room A. Please bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share.
- **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** The next Baptism Preparation Class will be on Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. To register please call Parish Office at 604.596.0566



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday during Lent (March 3 – April 7) there will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. followed by Mass at St. Bernadette Parish.

## CWL NEWS

On Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. we will be holding our Annual General Meeting in the Parish Centre. All members are encouraged to attend, and a special invitation is extended to our new members. Refreshments will follow.



**WE ARE DUST AND UNTO DUST  
WE SHALL RETURN**

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## PREP NEWS

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There will be **no PREP classes on March 8, 15 or 22. PREP will resume on March 29.** For more information please see our PREP calendar on our parish website. As we enter Lent, let us take a moment to pray for our Catechists and volunteers who give their time each week to support the public and homeschooled children of our parish grow in their knowledge, faith and love of Jesus.


There will be a **training workshop for our PREP youth volunteers on March 8.** Please email [stbernadetteprep@telus.net](mailto:stbernadetteprep@telus.net) to confirm your attendance.

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## HOLY CROSS SPRING BREAK CAMPS

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### Boys Spring Break Basketball Skills Camp

All boys in Gr. 4-7 planning on attending Holy Cross High School are invited to join us  March 13 to 17 from 9am-12pm at the Holy Cross High School Gymnasium. Please email [hcboysbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:hcboysbasketball@gmail.com) to confirm a spot. Space is limited and is first come, first serve. Download and complete a registration form at [www.holycross.bc.ca](http://www.holycross.bc.ca) or [www.hcboysbasketball.com](http://www.hcboysbasketball.com) and bring a cheque and form on the first day of camp. Cost is \$125.00 and includes a t-shirt and daily prizes.

### Boys Spring Break Football Skills Camp

All boys in Gr. 4-7 are invited to come out!  Introduction to the game, improve our football skills in a non-contact, fun environment with other future Crusaders on March 13 to 17 from 1pm-4pm. We plan to be outside on the Robert DeJulius Field (\*if the field is unavailable due to weather, we will use the gym\*). Equipment: Shorts, T shirts, running shoes, (cleats are optional). Please email Coach/Teacher Conrad Deugau [holycrosscrusaderfootball@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosscrusaderfootball@gmail.com) to confirm your spot. Please register by March 3, 2017. Download and fill out a registration form at [www.hcboysbasketball.com](http://www.hcboysbasketball.com) and bring a cheque and form on the first day of the camp. Cost: \$90.00 includes t-shirt.

To participate in **BOTH camps** the cost is \$200 (\$125 for Basketball, \$75 for football). Make Cheques payable to Holy Cross High School.

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## FREEDOM

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This annual reconciliation event for youth will be on Friday, March 10 at St. Patrick Parish, Vanc., 7:00–10:30 p.m. Participants will experience first-hand the healing power of Christ through music, prayer, testimonies and teachings, the sacrament of reconciliation, and adoration. Special guest speakers include Archbishop Miller, CSB; Sr. John Mary Sullivan, FSE; and Fr. Lucio Choi. More info at [www.rcav.org/freedom](http://www.rcav.org/freedom) or find us on Facebook.

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## SPRING FLEA MARKET & CLOTHING DRIVE

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The St. Bernadette School Fundraising Committee will be hosting a **SPRING FLEA MARKET** on **Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 2pm** in the Parish Hall. There will be fifty (50) tables available to vendors at the cost of \$20.00 per table payable by cash or cheque made out to St. Bernadette Parish. Tables are only confirmed once payment has received. All proceeds from vendor tables are yours to keep. To reserve your table(s), please contact [fundraising@stbernadette.ca](mailto:fundraising@stbernadette.ca) ASAP and drop your payment off at school office.

The St. Bernadette School Fundraising Committee will also hold a **CLOTHING DRIVE** on **March 26 9am - 1pm and March 27 8:30am - 9:30am and 2:30-3:30pm.** Acceptable items include used clothing, housewares, dishes, bedding, books, shoes, pots and pans, electronics, toys, sewing materials, etc. Please drop off all donations at our school gym. Proceeds will go to our Classroom Remodeling Project.

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## BURSARY INFORMATION

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The CWL of Canada, the Vancouver CWL, and the BC Yukon CWL each have bursaries available. Please help yourself to a Bursary Information Sheet found on the table in the Gathering Area for criteria, deadlines, and other detailed information.

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## MAMUNO TUDAD NI HESUS – FILIPINO MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

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Join us for Level I of the Leadership Formation Program for three Saturdays, March 11, 18 & 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta. Cost: \$60. Visit [www.rcav.org/filipino-ministry](http://www.rcav.org/filipino-ministry) or email [gbarcelon@rcav.org](mailto:gbarcelon@rcav.org) for more info.

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## SUGGESTIONS FOR LENTEN PRACTICES

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### PRAYING:

- *Spend more time to pray and meditate*
- *Attend weekday Mass*
- *Come to Sunday Mass on time*
- *Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

### FASTING:

- *Fast from judging others*
- *Fast from anger*
- *Fast from hostility*
- *Fast from idle gossip*

### ALMSGIVING:

- *Live simply*
- *Give more*
- *Expect less*
- *Volunteer time*