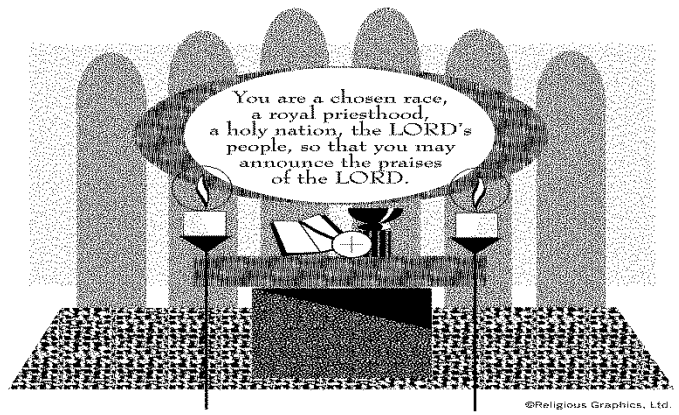


Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

Behold, I am with you
always, alleluia!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Peter D'Mello, Joseph Matthew, Evelyn Garvida, Hardy Sullivan, Caridad Pablo, Bernard Espiritu III, Grace Tan, Ben Armonio, Elisa Castro, Christopher Jozi, Patricia Savcor, Robert Kreeft, Vicente Bautista, Chanelle Lim Yan, Lois Charlebois, Nestor Hipolito, Connie Hatherton, Francesca Nichele, Eidrienne Montemayor, Dawn Moscrop, Loreta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman.

ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Mother's Day - St. Bernadette School would like to wish all Mothers a blessed and relaxing Mother's Day! We are so thankful to have such wonderful and committed Mother's in our community.

First Holy Communion - We would like to congratulate all students for completing their First Holy Communion last Sunday. May God bless you as you take another step forward in the sacraments of initiation.

LIMITED SPACES LEFT FOR 2017-2018!! - We are once again seeing an increase in applications and registrations. If you would like to attend our school, please contact the office at 604-596-1101. Financial assistance is available. We currently only have only a few spaces left in Gr. 1 & Gr. 7; all other grades are waiting list only. If you know someone who would like to attend our school, please have them call us.

PREP NEWS

Our Confirmation Mass will be on Sunday, June 4 at 3:00 p.m.; rehearsal on Wed., May 31 at 6:30 p.m. Registration for 2017/18 is now underway. Applications are available online, or from the parish office. Please note the early registration discount.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!!



Thank you to all of our volunteers who are so dedicated! We are still looking for two or three volunteers to be CALLERS, as well as a number of volunteers who could help with various GENERAL DUTIES. Bingo takes place on Tuesday evenings and volunteers rotate weeks. All training is provided. To find out shift times, please contact Erin at 604-596-1833 or call the parish office.

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR:

Project Advance 2017 Live Gratefully, Give Generously
Dear Parishioners,

I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for a very successful Project Advance 2016 appeal! Last year we raised \$131,170.00, of which \$67,248 was returned to our Parish Building Fund. It is evident that you are very generous!

The Archdiocesan goal for our parish this year remains \$58,000. The money raised above this goal will again go into our Parish Building Fund.

Our parish projects for this year are:

- A dignified grotto in honour of our Lady, near the tree in the courtyard.
- The renovation of the choir area, and the crying room.
- The relocation of the tabernacle to the centre of the sanctuary, as required by the Archbishop.

Again, with *One Faith, One Church, One Family*, we will make the Project Advance 2017 appeal successful. Your participation counts, and all gifts matter!! You can donate in three ways; by giving your pledge in person to one of the volunteers after mass; by detaching the pledge card from the enclosed brochure, sealing it, and dropping it in the mail; or by going online to www.rcav.org, clicking on "Donate Options" and filling out the form.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. May God bless you, your family, and our parish!
-- Fr. Paul Bui

**We are looking for volunteers to help gather donations before and after the masses on May 20th, 21st, 27th and 28th. The commitment is a maximum of 30 minutes before and 30 minutes after the mass. If you would like to volunteer, please contact J.J. Guerrero at jjguerrero@shaw.ca.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **FR. PAUL AWAY:** Fr. Paul will be away Tues., May 16 to Fri., May 19 for the annual priests retreat. Fr. George from OLGK will celebrate morning Mass with us on these days. Please keep Fr. Paul and all priests in your prayers.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS...cont.

- **FR. JIMMY AWAY:** Fr. Jimmy will be away on vacation from May 10 to June 2. Please keep him in your prayers during his travels.
- **PIES FOR SALE:** Our CWL have homemade apple pies available for sale after all masses this weekend, while they last.
- **FASHION SHOW:** The CWL Annual Fashion Show will be held on Thursday, May 25, in the Parish Centre. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., show starts at 7:30 p.m. Join us for refreshments, door prizes, & 50/50 draw. Tickets are \$10 per person, and are available in the Gathering Area after weekend masses or from the parish office. *CWL members, please pick up your tickets from the Gathering Area.*
- **FUN CASINO NIGHT:** Our Knights of Columbus are hosting a Fun Casino Night on Saturday, June 24th in the Parish Centre. Proceeds will benefit Signal Hill, and local initiatives. Tickets are \$25 each, and include \$5,000 play money and free snacks. The evening also features raffle draws, pot lucky, prizes and a cash bar. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available in the Gathering Area after all weekend masses, or at the Parish Office.

BURSARY INFORMATION

Knights of Columbus - The BC Knights of Columbus Charity Foundation is offering 30 bursaries valued at \$500 each. The Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger Bursary is available to all Catholic students in BC who are enrolling in the *second or subsequent year* of post-secondary at any legally recognized institute of higher learning. Any interested and qualified student must write to the State Bursary Chairman to request a bursary application form. A complete list of Terms of Reference are available on the table in the Gathering Area, or from the parish office. Deadline for applications is June 30, 2017.

VANCOUVER REMEMBERS AND HONOURS

Join us Thurs., May 18 for a community vigil for those who have been affected by the overdose crisis. Hosted at Christ Church Cathedral, 690 Burrard St, Van. Prayer services led by clergy and aboriginal elders. All are welcome – please share with community members, families, frontline workers, first responders, and anyone else who has been affected. Schedule: 1:30 p.m. Opening Ceremony, 2:00 p.m. Open Space for prayer, reflection, 5:30 p.m. Interfaith Memorial Service.

HAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BLESSED

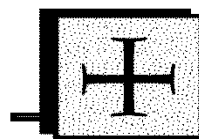
Would you like to get your marriage blessed so you can receive the sacraments? We can help you! On September 16, 2017, Archbishop Miller, CSB, will celebrate the blessing of marriages at St. Clare's Parish, Coquitlam for a large number of civilly married couples. To learn more, attend an upcoming info session: May 17 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales, Burnaby, or May 31 at 6:30 p.m., at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Surrey. For more info, contact Deacon Greg 604-771-2975 or Jimmy 778-378-5389.

LOST STATUE

A statue of Mary Christian of Help was left behind in travelling from house to house last year during the Block Rosary. The Legion of Mary is now searching for this statue. If you have it, or know where we might find it, please contact Ella at 604-597-7475, or bring the statue to the parish office.

PIANO DONATED

We are seeking the donors of the piano that was delivered to the parish hall recently, and ask that the donors please contact the parish office. Thank you!



The stone rejected
by the builders has
become the cornerstone.

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Congratulations to all students who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Sian Abraham, Lauryn Aranha, Amery Aviles, Joelle Borba, Mariah Calimoso, Caitlyn Camales, Eunice Camales, Layla Chiang, Mea Cornejo, Kesler Curtis, Davin Dalupang, Megan De Asis, Troy Dela Punta, Lexi Dimou, Jhenica Dinoso, Lance Duenas, Jenna Fajardo, Luc Fournier, Denzel Franz, Jason Garcia, Caius Guerrero, Makayla Guerrero, Mia Guerrero, Natasha Guerrero, Janelle Guzman, MacKenzie Hartnett, Marilyn Honghong, Kristen Huang, Hudson Ingham, Luis Isidro, Elyza Ito, Darvione Moya, Ethan Nacpil, Siobhan Naval, Jasper Puyaoan, Jex Ramos, Jose Reinoso, Eliya Reyes, Sofia Rojas, Rafael Urrutia, Gabriel Veloso, Matthew Villamin, Constantine Villanueva, James Villanueva, Isyss Vu, Danuli Weerasekera, Victoria Wieckoski, Hadley Wilson-Palm, Riley Yang, Ainsley Yumang.



Happy Mother's Day!

