

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2017

How precious is your mercy,
O God!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sheila Pomeroy, Ruth Mohr, Catherine Salgado, JudyLyn Marquez, Peter D'Mello, Joseph Matthew, Hardy Sullivan, 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, Loretta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman.



The 2017 Project Advance campaign continues throughout the year. Thank you to those of you who have already contributed this year! **As of August 31, our pledges total \$92,496.00 from 243 parishioners.** We have reached our Archdiocesan goal of \$58,000. The money raised above this goal will again go into our Parish Building Fund to assist with our parish projects:

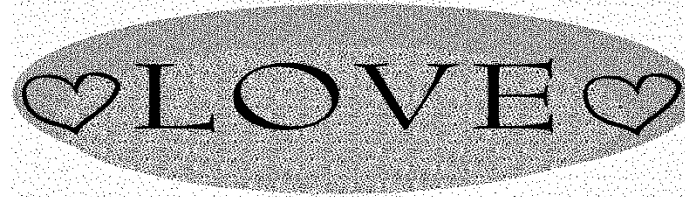
- A grotto in honour of our Lady, in the courtyard.
- The renovation of the choir area, and the crying room.
- The relocation of the tabernacle to the centre of the sanctuary, as required by the Archbishop.

To make your donation, you may give online at www.projectadvance.ca, or bring it to the parish office, or you may mail your donation using the brochure or pledge form. Donations can be made by cash, cheque or credit card; and can be made in one lump sum, or divided into convenient monthly payments. Your participation counts, and **all gifts matter!** Thank you for your continued support!

PREP NEWS

PREP classes start Wednesday, September 20 at 6:30pm and parents are asked to attend with their children on this evening. ***PREP registration will take place on Mon., Sept. 18 7-8pm in the church. All children must be registered by Monday evening or will not be able to attend classes on the first night. We have some opportunities for volunteers in PREP. Please contact Lisa at PREP@stbernadette.ca

As far as the east is from the west



so far has the Lord
put our transgressions from us

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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **HOMEMADE APPLIE PIES:** The CWL will be selling homemade apple pies this weekend after all masses, while they last.
- **CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED:** Our 10 a.m. choir is looking for additional voices to join them! A willingness to participate is all that is required. Practices are on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Please contact Joanne at 604.582.0026 for more info.
- **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:** The next Baptism Preparation Class will be on Thursday, Sept. 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. To register please call Parish Office at 604.596.0566.
- **LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN:** We invite all children ages 4 years to Grade 2 to join us for Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 11:30 a.m. mass on Sundays. For more info or to volunteer, contact the parish office at parish@stbernadette.ca.
- **PARKING LOT:** Last year new lines were painted in the parking lots. The design provides better safety measures during school hours. The solid yellow line running parallel to the school field and playground is **NOT TO BE CROSSED** by any vehicle on weekdays from 7am to 6pm, as these are the times that students are on the premises. We appreciate everyone's consideration for the safety of our students.
- **BADMINTON DROP-IN:** All are welcome to play Sundays 4-6pm and Wednesdays 7-9pm. Youth and kids are free, adults \$4.00 per drop-in. Call Leslie at 604.720.5351 for more info.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Room D. We welcome new members! Please join us in prayer and discussion.

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Justin Betuzzi, nephew of Connie Osborne.

ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL NEWS

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

School Choir - We are pleased to announce that Mr. Cos Natola, our music teacher, will be conducting our school choir, with support from Mr. Roy and Ms. Branson. Practices will be on Thursday's after school if you wish to join us.


R C I A

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. For more information, or to register, please contact Emily at 604.572.1086 or the parish office at 604.596.0566 / parish@stbernadette.ca

BIBLE STUDY

Come join us and "Journey Through the Bible" with Jeff Cavin's "The Bible Timeline" Series. Wednesday, 1:00-2:30pm in Room C of our Parish Centre. For more info contact Ella 604.597.7475.

BINGO

 Volunteers are always needed! We are currently in need of two cooks and two announcers. Please consider helping out if you have a free Tuesday evening! All training is provided. Please help yourself to the insert which outlines positions, times and duties. For more info contact Erin in the Bingo office on Tuesdays at 604.596.1833 or the parish office at 604.596.0566.

HOLY CROSS JR. CRUSADERS BASKETBALL

Tryouts for the Holy Cross Junior Crusader Boys Basketball Team will be held in the Holy Cross gym on Saturday, September 23, 3-5pm and on Sunday, September 24, 2-4pm. If you are a boy in grade 4-7 and are 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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CORNER

PIE BAKING: Thank you to everyone who helped with baking this month! Pies are this weekend after all masses, while they last.



ST. JOHN PAUL II ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

St John Paul II Academy is a new high school in South Surrey slated to open for Gr. 8 students in Sept 2018. Interested parents will hear from Archbishop Miller; Mr. Michel DesLauriers (Principal); Mr. Troy Van Vliet (Head of the Building Committee); and members of the CISVA Superintendents Office. This important meeting is for all parents who have an interest in the new high school regardless of what grade your child is currently enrolled in. We look forward to meeting you.

Tues., Sept. 19 Cloverdale Catholic Gym
Wed., Sept. 20 St. Bernadette's Parish Hall

All sessions will start at 7:00 p.m. For more information please e-mail: mdeslauriers@cisva.bc.ca

PRO-LIFE WALK FOR LIFE

CHANGE OF DATE!! The Annual Walk for Life has been changed to **September 30**. Pledge sheets are available in our Gathering Area. Participants meet at Cloverdale Catholic School (17511 59 Ave, Surrey) at 10:00 a.m. Pizza served afterward to all participants. All proceeds will be used by Surrey Delta Pro-Life Society to further their mission. Pro-Life tees in adult sizes S to XL will be available for purchase before the walk for \$20.00 each. For more info contact Laurie Geschke at 604.828.4645.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is back, October 20-22, in Deroche, BC (just east of Mission). Worldwide Marriage Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together whether they have been married a short time or many years. Married couples learn how to rekindle the passion in their relationship and keep love growing. The communication skills learned on this weekend of discovery can enrich your marriage in ways you never thought possible. For more info or to register, contact Steve & Mary Bohnen at 604.876.7298 or wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com.

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille helps married couples get back to a loving relationship, providing tools to get your marriage back on track. Rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. For confidential information or to register for the program in the Lower Mainland commencing the weekend of October 20 - 22, 2017, call Marc and Candice at 604-530-6710, email us vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org or visit our website www.retrouvaillevancouver.com



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