

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 24, 2017

I am the salvation of the people,
says the Lord



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Virginia Guzman Pedroza, 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, Loreta Di Curzio, Evelyn Jackson, Lenore Burlack, Mary Hollman.



PROJECT ADVANCE
Live gratefully, give generously.

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.

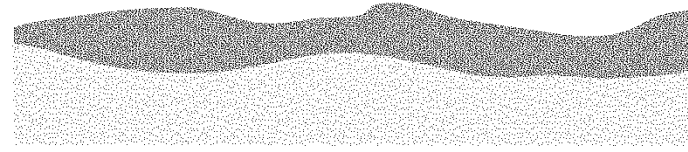
To make your donation, you may give online at www.projectadvance.ca, or bring it to the parish office, or you may mail your donation using the brochure or pledge form. Donations can be made by cash, cheque or credit card; and can be made in one lump sum, or divided into convenient monthly payments. Your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

RCIA

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



As high as the heavens are above the earth,
so high are my ways above your ways
and my thoughts above your thoughts.



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **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.
- **BADMINTON DROP-IN:** All are welcome to play Saturdays 4-6pm and Wednesdays 7-9pm. Note the change in days from Sundays to Saturdays. Youth and kids are free, adults \$4.00 per drop-in. Call Leslie at 604.720.5351 for more info.
- **LINE DANCING:** Line Dancing is back! Mondays 6:45-8:30 p.m. beginning Sept. 25th. \$5 drop in fee. Zumba is also ongoing, Mon & Thurs 5:45-6:45 p.m., also a \$5 drop in fee. Contact Dinah at 778.386.2059 or zumbadinah@gmail.com for more info.
- **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The Knights of Columbus invite everyone for pancake breakfast after all Sunday morning Masses next weekend.



ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL NEWS

Thank You to Mrs. Villeneuve - Our school community would like to thank Mrs. Villeneuve for painting the Statue of Mary outside of our school. This our students that Mary, our mother, is watching over our students and praying for them.

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

Welcome to Our New Families - Our school is proud to welcome 35 new families into our school this year. Many of these families are also new to the parish community. We are excited to see so many new faces and look forward to introducing them to you as we journey together through the year.

Fall Social - Everyone is invited for an evening of socializing, silent auction, raffles, and dancing. Sat. Oct. 14 at 7:00 p.m. at One20 Pub (8037 120 St., Delta). For ticketing information, please contact Michelle at fundraising@stbernadette.ca.

PREP NEWS

PREP classes are now underway. All children must be registered before attending their first class. We have opportunities for volunteers in PREP. Please contact Lisa at PREP@stbernadette.ca

JOIN THE CHOIR!

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.



BINGO



Volunteers are always needed! We are currently in need of two cooks and two announcers. All training is provided. 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN HOLY HOUR EVERY MONTH

Join Fr. Rodney Nootebos, Director of Vocations and Seminarians, along with other members of the faithful throughout the Archdiocese, in a monthly Holy Hour of prayer, intensely focused on asking the "Lord of the Harvest to send forth labourers into the harvest." September's Holy Hour will be on Sept. 21 at St. Patrick's Parish. Next month's Holy Hour will be on October 11 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Delta at 5:30 p.m. Visit rcav.org/event-archdiocese-holy-hour for the full calendar and to download a printable poster.

THANK YOU! - - FROM BIRTHRIGHT

Birthright of Surrey/Delta has closed its doors after 40 years, following the retirement of Helen Martens. Many thanks to all the parishioners, the CWL, the Knights, St. Martin's Guild, Society of St. Vincent DePaul, and of course, our parish priests! We would not have been able to help all the moms and their babies without your support these many years!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CORNER

Our Executive Meeting will take place Thurs., Sept. 28 at 7:00 p.m. in Room C of the Parish Centre.



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.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Inviting all who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Get together with fellow parishioners in parish community environment every second week. Our next meeting is on Friday, Sept. 29 at Immaculate Conception Parish, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in meeting room 4 (off the Gathering Area). If you have any questions, please call Thea Baxter at 604.590.6402.

BC LIONS FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT



On October 21st, the BC Lions are hosting their annual Faith & Family Night. Enjoy a great night of football as the BC Lions take on the Edmonton Eskimos. Kickoff is at 7pm. Following the game you will have the opportunity to listen to players & coaches discuss Faith, Family & Football as well as enjoy a performance from a Christian band. Additionally, each group member will receive a free pair of BC Lions sunglasses. Total cost per ticket is \$30. For more information, call Aaron Martin at 604.930.5454 or the parish office.

MEN'S RETREAT

The Men's Retreat is for every man searching for a deeper relationship with God and a fuller understanding of what it means to live as a son of the Father. Get away from the busyness and demands of our schedules to personally encounter God the Father and experience His generous love. Join us from Sept. 29 to Oct. 1, at Rockridge Canyon, Princeton, 2000 Willies Ranch Rd. Register today! <http://rcav.org/mensretreat/>

THE DOOR IS OPEN

The Door is Open is in need of clothing and food donations, especially season-appropriate clothes for men and women (not children), such as t-shirts and men's underwear (new). Please make sure the clothes are washed and placed in clear bags labelled for men or women. Non-perishable food donations are also requested, including pasta (macaroni and spaghetti mostly, but other kinds accepted), pasta sauce, and canned tuna. If you can donate, please contact Frances at thedoorisopen.ca/#contact.