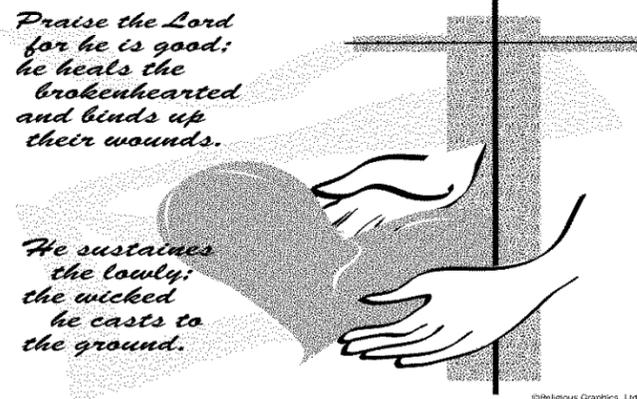


Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2018

O come, let us worship God!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Carmine Cello, Crystal Schuster, Anna Aere, Roger Pasag, Leo Dy, Virginia Guzman Pedroza, Sheila Pomeroy, Ruth Mohr, Catherine Salgado, JudyLyn Marquez, Joseph Matthew, 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.



PROJECTADVANCE
Live gratefully, give generously.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 2017 campaign. Your gift allows our parish to meet its special needs and allows us to continue supporting one another and give thanks to the good Lord for the many blessings of faith, family, and treasure that we have been given.

In 2017, our pledges totaled \$112,341.00 from 323 parishioners.

2018 donations by cash, cheque or credit card can be made online at www.projectadvance.ca, brought to the parish office, or mailed. Donations 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!

Many Nations, One Church, One Family

Saturday, February 10, 2018

Semi Formal Dinner & Dance

Tickets are \$50 each, available after all weekend masses, or from the parish office.

Gift baskets and Silent Auction items will be on display Feb. 3 & 4. Anyone who is unable to be at the Gala can take this time to bid on items or purchase tickets for a chance to win a basket.

Raffle tickets are \$2 each; available after all weekend masses, or from the parish office. Win CASH prizes!! Draw date is Feb.18/18.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

- **SENIORS LUNCH:** Please note that the Golden Bees seniors potluck luncheon on Thursday, February 8 has been **canceled this month**. Please join us in March.
- **2017 TAX RECEIPTS:** Tax receipts for 2017 donations are available for pick up from the Gathering Area. Please do not disturb the order of the receipts so everyone can find their name easily. If your receipt is missing, please contact the parish office.
- **BRING BACK BLESSED PALMS:** Ash Wednesday is February 14. Please return blessed palm branches to the church **on or before next Sunday, February 11** so they may become the ashes used in the Ash Wednesday Liturgy. If you are unable to return the blessed palms, you are asked to burn them and scatter the ashes in the garden. Remember they are blessed, and should not be idly discarded.
- **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** The Knights of Columbus invite everyone for pancake breakfast after all Sunday morning Masses next weekend. 

BC CATHOLIC PUBLICATION

February is Catholic Press Month and with it comes the annual Catholic Press Collection. On the weekend of Feb. 3/4, there will be a second collection to support the BC Catholic publication. This is a great opportunity for parishioners to show their appreciation for receiving The B.C. Catholic. The collection helps defray your parish's costs of mailing the newspaper to parishioners. For those who don't receive it, it's also a great chance to help out as all the money collected stays in the parish. Please give generously this weekend so we can continue to deliver this vital, award-winning publication. Visit www.bccatholic.ca for more info.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

With the cold weather, our Street Ministry continues to need socks (new or good, clean used pairs), warm blankets (clean, no quilts please), and sleeping bags. These items can be left in the SSVP box in the Gathering Room. 

ST. JOHN PAUL II ACADEMY

St. John Paul II Academy is now accepting applicants for Gr. 8 for the 2018-19 school year. As there are a limited number of spaces available, all student applications must be completed by Fri. Feb. 23, 2018 and returned to Mr. Michel DesLauriers, Principal, 4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver, BC, V5Z 0G3. Application Forms and more info is available on the school website at www.sjp2academy.com. Email or call with any questions: mdeslauriers@cisva.bc.ca 604.683.9331.

UNDERSTANDING DOMESTIC ABUSE

This presentation by the Domestic Abuse Society is directed to young people over 16 years of age, and adults who are interested in learning more about domestic abuse. Join us Thurs. Feb. 8 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre where we will talk about the risk factors that lead to domestic abuse, warning signs to be aware of, ways to support the victim, and some options for getting help. We will also introduce you to the Society and the work that we do. There will be some handouts to refer to, and a question and answer period to conclude the evening. The presenters will be available after the session for further inquiries. Besides being important information for everyone to be aware of, this presentation can change lives and is particularly useful if you have concerns about the safety of someone you love.

ONE CONFERENCE 2018

MERCY & BEYOND: SHARING OUR JOY

The annual ONE Conference is back, bringing together 1,000 parish and ministry leaders from across Catholic Vancouver to *Mercy and Beyond: Sharing our Joy*. We are excited to announce our speakers, including Fr. James Mallon (Divine Renovation), Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Jake Khym, and Dr. Deborah MacNamara. Join us on Saturday, Feb. 10 at the Chandos Pattison Auditorium in Surrey with music, talks, exhibits, and a closing Mass with Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB. Register today at www.onecatholic.ca.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

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." March 15 at St. Nicholas Parish in Langley from 7 - 8 p.m.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CORNER

Everyone is invited on Thursday, February 8 at 7:00pm in the parish hall for a special presentation by Domestic Abuse Services. Following the presentation, we will have a brief general meeting. 

ORDINANDI DINNER

Join Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, Bishop Stephen Jensen of Prince George, and members of the Catholic faithful as we gather together in support of the men who are soon "to be ordained" ("ordinandi") to the priesthood. Meet your future priests: Deacon Guy Zidago, who will be ordained for the Archdiocese of Vancouver, and Deacon Ken Anderson who will be ordained for the neighbouring Diocese of Prince George. Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at the Italian Cultural Centre, 3075 Slocan Street, Vancouver. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$50 (Student rate: \$25). You can also sponsor a priest or seminarian. To register or for more info on how to sponsor a priest or seminarian, visit vocationsvancouver.ca.

VOCATION LIVE-IN

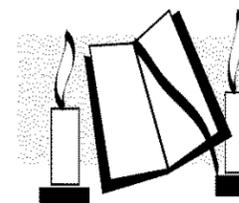
On the weekend of February 16 - 18, there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the Seminary of Christ the King, Mission, BC. For more information call 604-826-8715.

SHARE LENT ON APRIL 7

In 2018, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada's Share Lent theme is "Together for Peace", which follows up on our Fall 2017 write-in campaign of "Peace be with Her". After 10 years of campaigning, we celebrate the just-announced appointment of an ombudsman to oversee the responsible social behaviour of the extractive mining industries at home and abroad and are thankful for the over \$1-million D&P response to the Rohingya crisis in Myanmar. In a world rife with religious, ethnic, and political conflicts, D&P is working to heed the words of St. Francis and be "instruments of God's peace and of bringing hope where there is despair". Please generously support your D&P campaign this approaching Lenten season.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

There are a number of employment opportunities currently available in our diocese and in our schools. Volunteer opportunities are also available. Please visit www.cisva.bc.ca for further information on how to apply and to view available teaching positions. Or visit www.rcav.org/employment for more details on employment and volunteer opportunities in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.



do all that you do
for the sake of the gospel
in hopes of having
a share in its blessings