

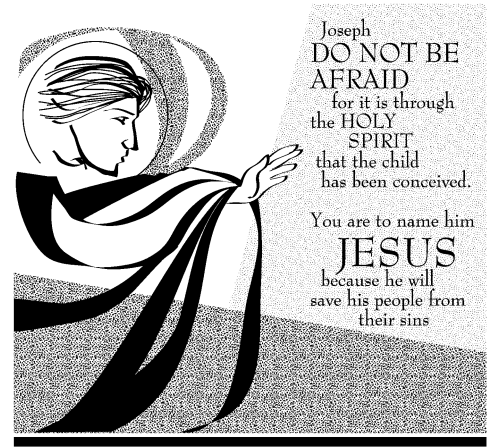


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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2016

Come and rescue us, Lord, with
your mighty power.



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THIS WEEK

- Wednesday - 6:45pm Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help, 7pm Mass
Friday - 1pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:00pm Confessions
- 6:40pm Benediction
- 7pm Mass.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

- Christmas Eve - Dec 24 - 6:30pm; 9pm & 12 Midnight
Christmas Day - Dec 25 - 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon
& 4pm
New Year's Eve - Dec 31 - 5pm Anticipated Mass
11:15pm Thanksgiving
prayers (TE DEUM) & Benediction
New Year's Day - Jan 1 - 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon
& 4pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lorraine Cameron; Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Janet Forsey; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia; Jerry Schaab; Edward Zdancewicz Jr.; Ryan Lehwald; Helen Kuty; Kellie Marchak; Myrna Cussen; Ian Wilson; Maria Amato; John Pollard; Archie D'Souza; Darlene Erskine; Leo Verstraete; Bearl Hall; Jean Van Loo; Edna Cachero; Tom Luxford; Marie Connor; Dominga Carrion; William Tam; Benedicto Tugade; Henry Morell, Gloria Peralta; Jo-Anne Macleod; Edward Chan; Michael Garding; Amira Steeds & Ernesto Hidalgo.

If you have a relative who is sick in the hospital or at home, please let the rectory know so that we can arrange for a visit.

PARISH LIBRARY

The Parish Library is open weekends after Mass as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am-11am for your Advent and Christmas books and movies! The Library will be closed December 25 (Sunday) and January 1 (Sunday).

BAPTISMAL COURSE DATE CHANGE

The baptismal course is held this Sunday, **December 18, at 2 pm in rooms 2 & 3.**



Tonight, Sun., Dec. 18, 6:30pm (back at 9:30pm): "Annual Christmas Shopping Trip" Meet at the youth room and come shop with us! We will be going shopping for socks and other items that we will be donating to the Catholic Charities: Men's Hostel and the Door is Open. We are asking for a minimum donation of \$5 per person help pay for the items we purchase. This is also an opportunity to get some of your own personal shopping done if you need to! Meet us at the Youth Room!

Upcoming: Sun., Jan. 8, 7:00pm: "Epiphany Party!" Come to our annual Epiphany party! Please bring a wrapped gift (\$5 worth, no food, candy or gift cards) for the gift exchange. Also bring a snack to share.

Keep up to date and find out about upcoming events on Instagram, SnapChat, Twitter and Facebook! (iclifeteen) For more information about Youth Ministry and Life Teen, please contact Faye p: 604.785.6729 or e: icyouthmin@gmail.com.

AN INVITATION TO THE COMMUNITY

Come join us in our annual "Simbang Gabi" - a nine-day celebration of Masses in preparation for the Birth of Jesus Christ - December 15-23, 2016; December 15-21 @ 5:00 a.m. and December 22-23 @ 6:00 p.m. If you would like to be a novena mass sponsor. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church. You can also call 778.319.4571/778.228.3816 or contact the Parish Office at 604.591.2271.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Car Magnets will be on sale throughout the "Advent Season" for \$5.00 each or 2 for \$8.00.

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT

If you are a registered parishioner and would like to advertise in the IC Parish bulletin for the next 12 months (Feb.1.2017-Jan.2018), please contact the office at 604.591.2271; latest by **Jan. 20, 2017.**

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

2016

Mon. Dec. 19 7:00pm - OLGC

Tues. Dec. 20 7:00pm - Immaculate Conception
Parish (Delta)

Wed. Dec. 21 7:00pm - Star of the Sea

Thurs. Dec. 22 7:00pm - St. Bernadette

GREETERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

We are making a special effort to give a Christmas welcome greeting to the members of our faith family. Individuals, couples, families, friends – please consider coming about twenty minutes before scheduled Mass time. The job requires your generous gift of time, your welcoming smile, and our blue vest. Please contact: Margaret Taddei at mtaddei@telus.net/604.594.8539.

DECREE FOR THE CLOSING OF HOLY CROSS, SURREY, IN STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

Having received the recommendation of the Pastor of Star of the Sea Parish and having consulted the Presbyteral Council of the Archdiocese of Vancouver on August 23, 2016, I, J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver, hereby decree that Holy Cross Church located in Surrey, BC, is to be canonically closed and no longer used for divine worship effective January 16, 2017, in accordance with canon 1222, §2. The entire decree can be read at rcav.org/Decree-Holy-Cross-Church.

PROJECT ADVANCE REMINDER

If you have not yet made a pledge this year, please consider doing so. Please contact our parish office or go online at www.projectadvance.ca and clicking on the 'Donate' button, to qualify for a 2016 tax receipt, donations need to be received by December 24, 2016.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES – 2017

Contribution envelopes for 2017 are available in the G.A. If you would like a box of envelopes and one is not available for you, please PRINT your name on the list provided or call the Parish Office (604.591.2271) and it will be ready for you to pick up the following Sunday.

Please DO NOT USE any of the 2016 or earlier contribution envelopes that you may have, please recycle them. Since the serial numbers on the boxes for each family changes every year, please put your full name & address on the first envelope you use. Thank you.

The "O" Antiphons

*O Emmanuel, King and lawgiver, desire of the nations,
Saviour of all people. Come, and set us free, Lord our God.*



MOMS & TOTS VOLUNTEER HELPERS NEEDED

If you are interested and able to occasionally help host Moms and Tots in our parish Gathering Area on Tuesday mornings between 8:30am and 11am - please phone or email Margaret Taddei: 778.772.7239/
mtaddei@telus.net.

NO MOMS AND TOTS - December 20, 27 and January 3. Moms & Tots resume January 10, 2017.



CWL

CWL – will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2020. The national launched a Centenary Logo Contest in August at the National Convention. Members are encouraged to join and submit their creative and original logo ideas before December 28, 2016. Please email to: andrearawl@hotmail.com or call Andrea @ 604.598.1896 for more information.

ARCHDIOCESE OF VANCOUVER IS NOW HIRING

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is looking for candidates with a background in administrative support and familiarity with project management tools and principles, to support the Ministries and Outreach offices. If you have a minimum of two years' experience in an office environment, experience working with project management tools, and a love for ministry, we want to meet you! If you enjoy working in a fast-paced environment surrounded by a team of professionals who share your love for Jesus Christ and His Church, please send your cover letter and resume to humanresources@rcav.org with "Ministries & Outreach position" in the subject line.

SECOND ANNUAL ORDINANDI DINNER

Join Archbishop Miller and members of the Catholic faithful as we gather together in support of the men in our Archdiocese who are soon "to be ordained" ("ordinandi") to the priesthood. Meet your future priests: Deacon Francesco Voltaggio, Deacon Giovanni Schiesari, and Deacon Juan Lucca. Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 1, at the Italian Cultural Centre, 3075 Slocan Street, Vancouver. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., dinner begins promptly at 6 p.m. Cost: \$50. 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

