

JANUARY 29, 2017

## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"Your reward is great in heaven."*

### Stewardship Reflection

The stewardship virtue of humility is encouraged in all the readings today. Stewardship proclaims that my gifts are not mine and they are not for my glory. All spiritual and temporal gifts belong to God and are to be used and shared in a manner that gives God glory. Christian stewards accept and acknowledge that all we are ever able to accomplish or accumulate in our lives, is only because our good and gracious God has enabled it. This belief inspires us to embrace a humble disposition. Humility does not mean we deny that we have a gift, it simply means we know the true and only source of all our gifts.

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#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lorraine Cameron; Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Janet Forsey; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia; Jerry Schaab; Ryan Lehwald; Helen Kutty; Kellie Marchak; 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; Gloria Peralta; Jo-Anne Macleod; Edward Chan; Ernesto Hidalgo; William O'Brien; Alex Cameron; Pascualito Seminiano; Lubomir Demcak; Romeo Samson; Ann Pelle; Betty Kovacs & Lorna Keras.  
*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.*

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#### PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Edward Zdancewicz Jr.

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#### CATHOLIC PRESS COLLECTION (B.C. CATHOLIC NEWSLETTER)

February is Catholic Press Month and with it comes the annual Catholic Press Collection. On Feb. 4-5, there will be a second collection at all parishes in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. 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 for mailing the paper. For those who don't receive it, it's also a great chance to help out. Please give generously on February 4-5 so we can continue to deliver to parishioners in the Archdiocese of Vancouver this vital, award-winning publication. Please visit [www.bccatholic.ca](http://www.bccatholic.ca) for more information on the Catholic Press Collection and the Catholic Press Association.



 **LIFE TEEN**  
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

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**Tonight: Sun., Jan. 29, 7pm: "Games Night"** Come play board games with us! Please bring a snack to share and a friend! Also bring your favorite board game!  
**Next Sun., Feb. 5, 7pm: "Belong"** We will learn more about the Sacraments of Initiation and how they build our community. For this Life Night, please bring a white t-shirt that you can paint on (ie. it won't go home white).

**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](mailto:icyouthmin@gmail.com)

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#### THANK YOU

A huge Thank You goes to all the volunteers, supporters, generous donors and friends who made Sto. Niño Fiesta 2017 possible. The celebration was successful and meaningful. Sharing our culture and rich religious tradition with our brothers and sisters from different cultural backgrounds here at our parish in IC is one way of enhancing our faith and promoting unity. VIVA SEÑOR STO.NIÑO!

*IC Delta Sto. Niño Organizing Committee*

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#### CHINESE NEW YEAR GREETING

Message from Archbishop Miller, CSB "It is a pleasure to send my greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year to all the Asian Catholics in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, as well as all who will join them in celebrating the Year of Rooster."

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#### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB will celebrate a special Mass in honour of the World Day of the Sick. Sacrament of Anointing will be administered after the Homily. All the sick and their caregivers are invited to attend. Join us on Feb. 10, from 10:30-1:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Vancouver. Refreshments to follow in the parish hall after Mass. For more info., please contact CHABC at [info@CHABC.bc.ca](mailto:info@CHABC.bc.ca)

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## **SECOND ANNUAL ORDINANDI DINNER**

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*(Please note, student rate now available)*

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. 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. Student rate now available! To register or for more info visit [vocationsvancouver.ca/events/ordinandi-dinner](http://vocationsvancouver.ca/events/ordinandi-dinner) or contact the Vocations Office at 604-443-3254.

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## **PRO-LIFE -VALENTINE'S DINNER DANCE**

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Surrey Delta Pro-Life Society's Valentine's Dinner and Dance. Live music with Tony Theiss and the Silver Stars February 4th, 2017 at the Cloverdale Catholic Parish Centre; Doors open @ 6 pm, Dinner begins @ 7 pm; Door prizes, Silent Auction, Tombola Raffle; Dinner by The Dutchmans Caterers; Tickets \$35.00 per person; Cash bar available on site. For more information call 604.574.0225.

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## **LENTEN RETREAT AT IC DELTA WITH FR. LARRE**

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You are cordially invited to attend the Lenten retreat at Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta with Father Larre Saturday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>

Mission Talk: 9:15 am & 7:10 pm.

Introductory Mission Sermon

Sat., Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>

The Most Important Decision in Life

Mon., Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>

Clinging to Faith in a Godless Society

Tues., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>

Maintaining Hope in Hopeless Situations

Wed., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>

Building a Loving Home in a Selfish Society

Thur., Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>

Bringing Love to a Violent, Hateful Society

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E-mail: [parish.icd@rcav.org](mailto:parish.icd@rcav.org)

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## **HOLY CROSS REGIONAL SECONDARY / OPEN HOUSE**

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Holy Cross welcomes all families to come and join our community for the annual Open House taking place January 31<sup>st</sup>. The Open House is from 5:30pm until 8:30pm. You will be able to listen to our band, conduct experiments in our science labs, view our students' artwork, meet and greet with students and staff and so much more. We look forward to meeting each one of you.

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH MAINTENANCE PERSON**

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This is a fulltime position which includes "hands on" knowledge of repair and maintenance in and around the parish buildings and grounds; some mechanical aptitude and general knowledge of plumbing/electrical; a healthy person unafraid of heights and climbing ladders. Some janitorial and landscaping work is required together with the setup/take down for parish groups. **The successful applicant will report directly to the Pastor.**

Applications to Rev. Father A. Abundo, Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta.

Acceptance of applications close on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

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## **THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION ON FAMILY**

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A skilled volunteer Treasurer/Book keeper to assist in the financial operations of the small charity. CIEF exists to educate and inform the public in Canada on issues regarding societal trends and social practices that impact families and children. If you would like to assist us, please send a resumé to Natalie Sonnen at [cief.director@gmail.com](mailto:cief.director@gmail.com) or call 778.805.2171.

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## **CWL - APPRECIATION DINNER FOR SISTERS/NUNS**

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There will be a Sisters/Nuns Appreciation Dinner sponsored by the CWL on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at the Italian Cultural Centre in Vancouver, BC. Doors open at 5:30pm. The cost is \$40 which helps to cover the expenses of all the sisters in the Archdiocese. Please contact Liza Tisalona by February 7<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend. Contact No: 778.232.5953.

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## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

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Feb 7 at 7:30pm in the Gathering Area. All existing members and new members who would like to join the Committee to organize events in the Parish are welcome. We meet once a month to arrange the schedule and set up events for the Parish.

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## **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES – 2017**

Contribution envelopes for 2017 are available in the Gathering Area. 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.