

DECEMBER 31, 2017

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

*Simeon said, "This child is destined for the falling
And the rising of many in Israel."*

THIS WEEK

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve – Dec. 31 – 11:15pm thanksgiving prayers
(TE DEUM) & Benediction

New Year's Day – Jan. 1 – 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon &
4pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia;
Jerry Schaab; Ryan Lehwald; Kellie Marchak; Ian Wilson;
Maria Amato; John Pollard; Edna Cachero; Tom Luxford;
Marie Connor; Dominga Carrion; William Tam; Gloria
Peralta; Ernesto Hidalgo; Almira Steeds; Joanne McLeod;
Melody Carruthers; John William; Kay D; Cliff & Marion
Maxwell; Shirley Papuc; Mike Peake; Louella D'Penha;
Martha Smillie; John Burnell; Greg Hanna; Gloria &
Cecilio Peralta.

*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.*

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Brian Vint

MOMS & TOTS

No Moms and Tots on January 2nd.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I would like to thank all our parishioners for your commitment to help and support our parish in its various needs this year. I would like also to extend my gratitude to all who worked so hard to make our Christmas celebrations truly wonderful. Thank you to all who sent Christmas greetings and cards, gave gifts, food and drinks; those who helped in decorating our Church, and to all who were involved in the liturgy like the members of various choirs, ushers, lectors, ministers of the Eucharist; greeters, sacristans, altar servers, those who helped serve coffee and goodies, to St. Martin Guilds members and Knights of Columbus who delivered food hampers, those who helped in the physical upkeep of our Church and all involved.

On behalf of the parish staff, Fr. Camillus, Fr. Fred and myself, we pray that God will bless you and your families with His peace and joy this Blessed Season and in the New Year.

Fr. Amador M. Abundo



Next Life Night, Sun. Jan. 7, 7pm: "Epiphany Party"

This is our annual gift exchange and Christmas celebration. Please bring a wrapped \$5 gift. Please no food, gift certificates or money. But please do bring a festive snack to share!

Get your new calendar for Jan. - Jun. 2018 at the next Life Night!

IC Life Teen is for all high school aged teens!

Follow us 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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

General meeting is on Thursday January 4 at 7:30pm in the Gathering Area.

PARISH LIBRARY

"Every time you hear Mass in the state of grace, with devout attention and in a spirit of recollection, Our Lord, of His loving-kindness, makes you to participate in no less than 77 graces and fruits...1. For your salvation, God the Father sends His beloved Son down from Heaven." Visit the Library after Mass for your Catholic reading and movies! www.icparishlibrary.com

I.C. PARISH – POSTERS & SIGNS

The smaller frames (against sacristy outside wall) in the vestibule are dedicated spaces for specific Ministries and/or Groups. Unless it is your Group, please DO NOT move, remove, adjust, overlay or use for other material, otherwise it will be removed. The larger frames in Vestibule & Gathering Area, roll around school boards or Lucite frames 8 1/2 x 11" can be used, if space available and you do not cover other items. Non-church posters/signs must be submitted to the rectory office, stamped & dated (good for up to 30 day posting). Office staff will look after placement. Reminder: No posters/signs on walls, windows or church doors, except as authorized.

**LENTEN REFLECTION & MUSIC
WITH FR. ROB GALEA**

Our parish is hosting the Lenten Reflection and Music with Father Rob Galea on Saturday February 10, 2018 from 7pm to 9pm. Tickets are \$20 each. **However, we have an early bird special ticket of \$15 each. The early bird has been extended to January 8, 2018.** Net proceeds will go to the building fund. Tickets are available after Sunday Masses or at the Parish office.

PRO-LIFE MASS AND VIGIL

Join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil for unborn children and their parents on Saturday, January 6th. Mass is at 9am at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Vancouver, followed by the Rosary at Burnaby Hospital.

ST. MARY'S PARISH - PADRE PIO GROUP

All are invited to our next prayer meeting on Saturday, January 6 at 9:30am in the basement of St. Mary's Church, Vancouver. We will cover the judicial symbols of the Holy Spirit in our first session and will talk about Padre Pio and friends in our second session. For more details, contact Lucy Rodjito at lucy.rodjito@yahoo.ca.

PARENTING MINISTRY

Living through Grief:

This presentation will focus on healthy grief reactions and provide suggestions on how to manage them. There will be time for questions and discussions. Free admission and refreshments. Living Through Grief will be presented by registered psychologist Denis Boyd on Saturday, Jan. 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Helen's Church, Burnaby. Contact marcellegirard@shaw.ca for details or visit rcav.org/event/living-through-grief.

Anxiety in Children and Youth:

Dr. Gordon Neufeld sheds light on the problem of the escalating level of anxiety in our children. Although the focus is on children, the material will benefit anyone suffering from anxiety. St. Ann's Family Group invites parents and caregivers to this course on Thursdays, January 11, 18, 25, and February 1 from 7pm-9pm. Cost is \$30/person. Register to reserve your spot. For more details, email: stannsfamilygroup@gmail.com or visit rcav.org/event/making-sense-of-anxiety.

**MAY GOD BE WITH YOU THROUGH NEW YEAR
AND FILL YOUR LIFE WITH
COMFORT, LOVE AND CHEER
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.**

PROJECT ADVANCE

Our participation rate is at 31.7% which is 571 families participating out of 1798 current registered families.

OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION PARISH

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, 3141 Shaughnessy St., Port Coquitlam.

Pre-Lenten Parish Mission:

January 22-25, 2018 (Monday – Thursday)

Fr. Ricardo Pineda, CPM, Fathers of Mercy, Mission Preacher

THEME: If you knew the gift of God.

Mission Talks @ 7pm; Confessions @ 5:30-6:30pm & 8:15pm except 8:15pm on Thurs. (8:15pm Social Thurs.)

For questions, call 604-942-7808

Email: assumptionofmary@shaw.ca

Weekend Retreat:

February 2-4, 2018

Westminster Abbey, Mission, B.C.

Fr. David Bellusci, O.P., Ph.D., Retreat Master

Theme: The Power of God's Love.

Retreat Sch.: Fri., Feb. 2, 7:30pm to Sun., Feb. 4, 1:30pm

Cost: \$165.00/person

Register at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

604.942.7808; email: assumptionofmary@shaw.ca

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille is a Catholic peer ministry that saves marriages. The Spring program begins on the weekend of April 20-22 and followed by 6 weekly follow-up sessions and a monthly support meeting. To learn more about Retrouvaille, please visit www.retrouvaille.org or www.retrouvaillevanancouver.com.

THANK YOU

Our heartfelt thanks to all who have come and served unselfishly and faithfully in the 9-day Simbang Gabi (Dawn) Masses. To the choirs, Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers, the Volunteers behind the scenes setting up the reception, serving and cleaning-up after each day and to all the participants at the Mass - thank you for the tireless efforts and love of service to God and IC community. To the Mass sponsors and food sponsors - we are forever thankful for sharing your treasure, time and talent. Have a Blessed New Year!

From: Simbang Gabi 2017 Committee

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES – 2018

Contribution envelopes for 2018 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). **These envelopes should be used effective January 1, 2018.** Thank you.