

APRIL 30, 2017

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus”

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Today’s Gospel is a familiar story. Why did these men not immediately recognize Jesus? With all the busyness of modern life, do we sometimes miss opportunities to recognize Christ in our midst? *“Stewardship always starts with a personal experience of the Risen Christ in our midst and in our hearts”* (Bishop Sylvester D. Ryan). Let us pray this Easter season, and all year, that we may be good stewards of each 24-hour day and take some time to quiet ourselves every day so that we may be attentive to the voice of God in our lives. Moreover, giving the Holy Spirit permission to guide all of our decision making processes and thoughts will aid us in drawing even closer to the risen Christ, and in doing so we become even better disciples and stewards of the mysteries of God.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lorraine Cameron; Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia; Jerry Schaab; Ryan Lehwald; Helen Kutty; Kellie Marchak; Ian Wilson; Maria Amato; John Pollard; Darlene Erskine; Leo Verstraete; Bearl Hall; Edna Cachero; Tom Luxford; Marie Connor; Dominga Carrion; William Tam; Gloria Peralta; Edward Chan; Ernesto Hidalgo; William O’Brien; Alex Cameron; Lawrence Cameron; Almira Steeds; Joanne McLeod; Vivian Tepoorten; Mildred Tamondong; Melody Carruthers; Agueda Rego; Maria B; Francisca Ong; Louella & Seneca.

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

Lorna Keras, Scott Clarke & Romeo Samson

PROJECT ADVANCE

The 2017 Project Advance Campaign will begin on May 6 & 7. Thank you to the people that have already signed up to volunteer. We need more volunteers for the 5:00pm, 8:30am and 4:00pm Masses. Signup sheets are available in the Gathering Area after all Masses.

CHILDREN’S ROSARY

Our next Children’s Rosary will be on Saturday, May 6 at 4pm in the Church. All are welcome.



Tonight, Sunday, April 30, 7pm: “Living Love Now”

Our final night of the Sex Positive series is about chastity and how it fits into our daily lives.

Next Sunday, May 7, 7pm: “Hide & Seek” Come to this mysterious night of fun, hiding and seeking. Please bring a flashlight and a friend.

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

General meeting for Knights of Columbus is on Thursday May 4 at 7:30pm in the Gathering Area.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

All women of the Parish are invited to attend our year-end social on Wednesday, May 3 after the morning Mass. Come gather, share time and goodies with us. The Bible Study will resume in September.



CWL

12 Hours of Prayer For Palliative Care - Thursday, May 4 from 7:30am - 7:30pm:

There are two things you can do to ensure Canada remains a nation that honours life from its natural beginning to its natural death: 1) Pray and 2) Sign the Petition. Please visit the CWL Table in the Gathering Area after all Sunday Masses and sign up. Thank you.

Knitting / Crochet Fundraiser

Please join us on the first three Mondays of May, in meeting room 4 at 9:15am - 11:00a.m. No experience necessary.

USE OF SUNDAY OFFERATORY

ENVELOPES

Parishioners are requested to **write** clearly the name, address and amount of donation; **circle the amount** printed on our Sunday collection envelopes. This is required to reconcile the donation amount for tax receipt and accounting purposes. *Thank you.*

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE ELECTION

Are you interested in being part of the **Parish Education Committee** for Immaculate Conception School? This year we have three positions to be filled. Interested applicants may pick up a nomination form from the school or parish offices. Those eligible to vote for the Parish Education Committee are Catholics who have reached the age of 19 and who are registered, participating members of the parish. The voters' list will be available in the Gathering Area after each Mass on the weekends of May 13/14 and 20/21. For more information, please contact one of the nominating committee members: Theresa Dudar, Ann Kishor and Suzanna Topic or by emailing the school office at info@icdelta.com.

I.C. COMMUNITY FAIR – JUNE 10

Just a weekly reminder about the Fair. There will be Games2U with their spectacular rides and big games, magic shows, karate display, carnival games, BBQ and a vendor market. There are still a few more vendor tables left and we are looking for volunteers to help with the event. Sponsorships and donations are needed for entertainment and prizes. If you are interested to help make this another successful Fair or you (or your company) are interested in being a Sponsor/Donor, please contact **Jane Rashed** at jane_hidalgo@hotmail.com. Sponsorship and Vendor forms are also available at the Parish office.

I.C. SCHOOL – DRAMA CLUB & CHOIR

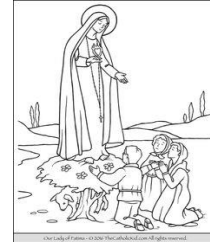


Come see the Broadway Junior version of Disney's The Lion King Jr., put on by the Immaculate Conception School Drama Club and Choir. The production will take place on **Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:30 pm, Thursday, May 4th at 1:30pm and 7:30pm and Friday, May 5th at 7:30pm** in the school gym. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 & under. Tickets can be ordered through the school office at 604.596.6116. Order your tickets soon!

MARCH FOR LIFE

MARCH FOR LIFE in Victoria will be on Thursday, May 11, 2017. Please join with us for this annual confirmation that life is sacred and abortion is a terrible sin and desecration of what it means to be a human being. Phone Mike 604.592.5110 to sign up to come with us, and for details. Thanks to all who have already done so.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA



IC Prayer Group is inviting everyone for a presentation to celebrate the centennial (1917-2017) of Our Lady of Fatima on **Saturday, May 6th after the 9:00am Mass at the Church**. The presentation of our invited guest who personally met the visionary, Lucia will consist of:

1. Why is the message of Fatima more important than ever?
2. A brief look at history: before, during and after the apparition in Fatima.
3. A 20-minute video clip of Fatima, narrated by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC.
4. PowerPoint presentation on: The Centrality of the Holy Trinity, the Holy Eucharist and the Rosary; The importance of Prayer and Penance; the reality of Heaven, Hell and Purgatory; Consecration to Our Lady.
5. What is our response and why is it critical?
6. Question and answer period.

Contact Lennie at 604.594.7296.

BISHOP DAVID MONROE'S 50th ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate Bishop David Monroe's 50th Priestly Ordination Anniversary, on Saturday, May 20. Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral at 5:10 p.m., followed by dinner at the Italian Cultural Centre at 7 p.m. Each table seats 10 guests and cost per ticket is \$55. For more info, contact Justine Goco at jgoco@rcav.org or 604-683-0281 ext. 50468. To register, visit rcav.org/event/bishop-monroes-50th-anniversary.

BIRTHRIGHT VANCOUVER

Birthright Vancouver, a downtown crisis pregnancy service, is hosting its sixth annual Walk/Run fundraiser at Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Cambie and 33rd Ave. Vancouver, on Saturday, June 17 at 10 a.m. For participation details, contact birthrightvancouver@gmail.com or follow "Birthright Vancouver" on Facebook.