

**JULY 23, 2017**

**16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

*“An enemy came and sowed weeds  
among the wheat....”*

**Stewardship Reflection:**

*“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.” - MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38*

As children of God, we are all “good seeds,” blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow “good seeds” on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

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**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; Alex Cameron; Lawrence Cameron; Almira Steeds; Joanne McLeod; Vivian Tepoorten; Mildred Tamondong; Melody Carruthers; Roger Charbonneau; Frank Donovan; Brian Vint; Maria B; Cliff Maxwell Darlene McItale; Mike Peake & Bill Cyre.

*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**

William O’ Brien

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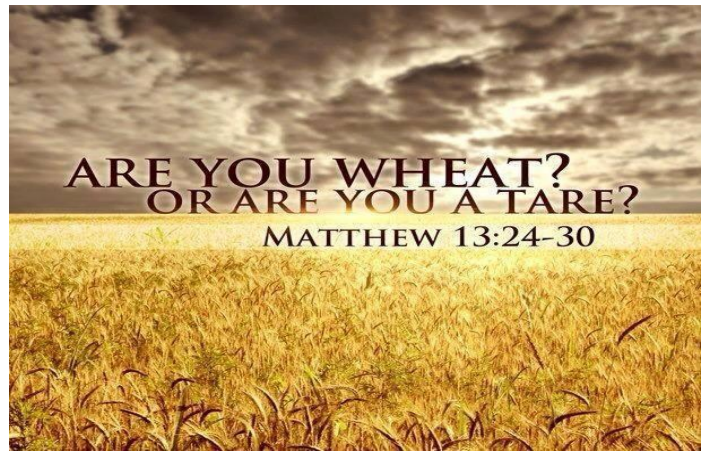
**PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT PLAN**

Parishioners can use our pre-authorized debit plan towards the Sunday collection. Those who are on pre-authorized debit plan, please continue dropping the empty Sunday collection envelopes in the collection basket. For more information please call the parish office 604.591.2271.

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**CAR PARKING**

Please respect the ‘NO PARKING’ areas at all times in our parish grounds.



**Coffee & Juice: Hey teens!** We need your help serving coffee & juice after all the Sunday Masses on July 29/30!

**Next Sun., Jul. 30, 7pm: “Sunday, Sonda, Sunda!”** We’ll be making our own sundaes! We’ll provide the ice cream and you bring your own toppings (bring some to share too) and your favourite spoon!

**Upcoming: Sun. Aug., 6pm – 9pm: “YM Games”** We’re defending our cup! Come play games against other parishes! It’s going to be fun!

IC Life Teen is open to all those who are in high school and those who just finished off their Grade 7 year.

**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



**PARISH LIBRARY**

Come into the Parish Library after Mass today to join in the Summer Reading Adventure! Read a book and enter to win! Also, can you answer this week's Quiz Question for another chance to win! Question: What does a priest or Eucharistic minister say before giving the Eucharist to the communicant? Correct answers receive a prize in the Library!

Visit [www.icparishlibrary.com](http://www.icparishlibrary.com) for more details.

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**REGISTRATION FOR RCIA**

RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*) You can pre-register at the Parish office. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, or already Catholic and would like to learn more about their faith, or have not made their First Communion or been confirmed, then this program is for you. There is no registration fee & materials are provided. If you would like to serve the Lord as a sponsor by journeying with someone who is going through RCIA, please call the Parish Office: 604.591.2271.

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## **INTIMACY WITH GOD - RETREAT**

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IC Parish prayer group is inviting you to attend the "Intimacy With God" Retreat August 12, Saturday 8:30 am to 5pm at School Gym and Church. Be a part of the healing service with laying off hands or anointing. Experience God's healing power through Fr. Denis Phaneuf, Diocese of Saskatoon. Ticket \$10 available at the parish office. Please contact Lennie: 604 594 7296 or Edna: 604 596 9216.

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## **B.C. DAY HIKE**

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Join St. Mary's Parish for a hike on B.C. Day, August 7 from 9:30am-4pm at Belcarra Regional Park with Fr. Pierre. Those not joining the hike can stay at the picnic shelter. Please bring your own food and water. Transportation available at \$10 per person. For those who are going on their own, meet-up time will be 9:15 am at Belcarra Picnic Area Shelter #2, which has been reserved for St. Mary's Parish for the day. For more information, please contact St. Mary's Parish office at 604.435.9611 or youth.smarv@gmail.com.

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## **SISTERS OF THE CHILD JESUS**

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Come celebrate the Sisters of the Child Jesus' anniversary on Friday, August 11. Join us for Mass with Archbishop Miller at 5pm followed by a mix and mingle reception with the Child Jesus family at St. Mary's Church, Vancouver.

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## **PERMANENT DIACONATE**

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Do you feel called to be a Permanent Deacon? Curious about the role of the Permanent Deacons? Deacons also share in the pastoral responsibilities of outreach, such as visiting the sick, the homebound, those imprisoned and in need. Men interested in this ordained ministry, along with their wives are invited to an introductory seminar covering the history, theology and practicalities of the Permanent Diaconate. Sessions on Saturdays on September 23, October 28 and November 19. Register at <http://stmarkscollege.ca/programs/deacon>.

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## **NATIONAL LITURGICAL CONFERENCE**

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This year's National Liturgical Conference takes place from Monday, November 6 at 7am to 9pm through Tuesday, November 7 at 8:30am to 4:30pm. The special rate of \$159 ends Oct. 6. Guest speaker Father Michael McGourty. Registration is \$73 or \$105 with lunch. Registration for the closing banquet Tuesday evening is \$35. You are also invited to join a pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey in Mission on Monday, November 6 from 8am to 5pm. Cost for the pilgrimage is \$55. For more info, please contact 613.241.9461ext.154 or visit <http://nlo.cccb.ca/index.php/announcements>

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## **PROJECT ADVANCE APPEAL 2017**

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**Our parish participation goal: 50%**  
**As of July 7, 2017, we have received:**  
**347 donations which is a 17.4 % participation rate.**  
**Every pledge makes a difference. No matter how small or large. Participating is part of stewardship.**

Thank you to everyone that has already participated. Pledge forms can be mailed/dropped off at the Parish office. If you did not pick up your pledge form you may give on line at [www.rcav.org/giving](http://www.rcav.org/giving). You will get an instant acknowledgement of your gift and also have the option to obtain your tax receipt on a one time donation.

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## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES – MISSION, B.C.**

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Come to Fraser River Heritage Park, 7494 Mary Street, Mission, to pray and celebrate in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday, Aug. 19, from 10am to 4pm. Confessions begin at 10am, celebration of the Eucharist at 1pm by Bishop Emeritus of Kamloops, David Monroe. After Mass, there will be a procession to the Grotto where Rosary is prayed followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please contact Teresita Nixon at 604.940.7006. Please bring picnic baskets and chairs. [www.rcav.org/missionpilgrimage/](http://www.rcav.org/missionpilgrimage/)

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## **LIFECANADA 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GALA DINNER**

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The LifeCanada Gala 2017 will be held at Londale, overlooking North Vancouver, Friday September 8 from 5:30pm-9:30pm. Come out and support the important work of LifeCanada.

<https://lifecollective.io/lifecanada/events/lifecanada-s-2nd-annual-gala-event>.

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## **GARDENS OF GETHSEMANI**

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Join us for our monthly Mass of Remembrance as we pray for family members who have passed away this month. Mass is Sunday, July 30 at both 12:30pm and 2:30pm in our Evangelist Chapel, at Gardens of Gethsemani, Surrey. For more information, please contact Terry Whiteley at [twhiteley@rccav.org](mailto:twhiteley@rccav.org)

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## **DRESSING WITH REVERENCE**

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While fashions go in and out of style, reverence never does. No matter what the season, a gentle reminder is in order as to appropriate dress for attending Mass. As brothers and sisters in Christ, it also reflects our level of respect for one another. Any clothing, or lack of clothing, that distracts those around us is not appropriate. As a Parish family, let us encourage one another to be witnesses to our faith with reverence and with mutual respect.