

EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION of the LORD

April 16th, 2017



Pastor's Easter Message

"Two men in brilliant Clothes said to the women, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen." Luke 24:6. Then Jesus began appearing to his disciples. He was more radiant than they had ever seen him. Suddenly the power of his Resurrection began to work miracles in their lives:

they ceased being despairing men and became daring missionaries. Off they went to preach the Good News. And everywhere they preached, the power of the Resurrection worked miracles in people's lives. They believed again after doubting. They hoped again after despairing. They loved again after hating.

The power of Christ's Resurrection continues to work miracles in people's lives wherever it is preached and wherever people open their hearts to it. "Do not be afraid, open wide the doors of your heart" (St. John Paul II) that the power of Christ's Resurrection may work miracles in your lives and in the lives of your families.



THIS WEEK

Monday Mass at 9:00am
Tuesday to Friday Mass at 8:00am
Friday Mass also at 7:30pm
Saturday Mass at 9:00am

The 'Via Luci' (or 'The Way of the Light') begins Friday, April 21st at 7:00pm here at St. Paul Parish!

Every Friday evening during the Easter Season (prior to the 7:30pm Mass), Fr. Mark McGuckin will be leading the Stations of Light – a scriptural meditation upon the various appearances of Jesus, from his Resurrection to His Ascension. Following the model of the Way of the Cross, the faithful enter into the central event of our faith – the victory of Resurrection – and discover anew the beauty and meaning of discipleship. In 2001, the Holy See promoted the Via Lucis devotion as a powerful means to foster the restoration of a Culture of Life in our world that is often characterized by a culture of death and despair. Come and see what the Via Lucis is all about at 7:00pm this Friday!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Norman Ngan, Jenny Mottu, Laura Fisher, Al Haverty, Fernando Estrella, Peter Murtagh, Frances Gillies, Ernesto Hidalgo, Yvonne Clucas, Patrick Leung, Julie Dean, Michael Dow, Benjamin Coté (Please notify the office of any changes)

INFANT BAPTISM COURSE

Classes for parents seeking baptism for their infants - next session: Tuesday, May 2, 9 & 16 @ 7:00 pm. Adults only.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Knights Executive Meeting Mon., Apr. 24, 7:30pm St. Martin's Guild Meeting Thurs., Apr. 27, 7:30pm Parish Council (note date change) Tues., May 2, 7:00pm Marian Praver Mondays, 7:30pm Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays, 7:30pm PREP Wednesdays, 6:30pm Thursdays, 9am-Noon Craft Circle Thursdays, 7:30pm RCIA Seniors Line Dancing Thursdays, 2:30 - 4:30pm Thursdays, 6:00pm Bingo 3rd Friday of each month, 7:00pm Divine Mercy Legion of Mary Fri. After 7:30pm Mass & Sun. 10:00am Junior Legion of Mary Sundays, 1:15pm

FEAST of DIVINE MERCY

Next Sunday, April 23rd, the Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated at St. Paul Parish with a special Hour of Adoration, Benediction, and Divine Mercy prayers from 2:45 - 4:00pm. Everyone welcome. Prepare for the Feast Day with the Novena of Divine Mercy starting on Good Friday.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Could you not watch one hour with me?

Christ died but He stayed with us in the Holy Eucharist where He is truly present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. He is always with us – please help make sure that we are always with Him who specifically asked us to spend one hour with Him.



Pray to respond as he responds when we ask something of Him.

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Info: Clarissa @ 778-384-5102

This Sunday's LIFE NITE (Apr. 16):



HAPPY EASTER!!

The Lord is risen! We'll be taking a break from Life Teen to celebrate the Lord's resurrection. Enjoy the break with your families! Happy Easter!

Next Sunday's LIFE NITE (Apr. 23): 8:00-9:30 pm



XLT: RESURRECTED

After 40 days of darkness, Jesus has saved us from our sins. Join us for a

night of praise & worship and Adoration as we celebrate Easter and the resurrection of Christ.

ST. PAUL YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY (SPYAC)

Info: Mary @ 778-858-5167

SPYAC Presents: Pages and Pints Every Tuesday evening, 7:00 - 9:30pm, starting May 2nd

SPYAC is starting book club and brew pub nights for young adults; a space to ponder and discuss on good reads and also to hang out with great friends.

We're kicking off the first of our series, *Rediscover Jesus*, by Matthew Kelly, on May 2nd at 7:00pm at a local pub. Venue is still to be determined - more info to come.

Whether you know the books already or not, share your thoughts and get some new perspectives. Come out and bring a couple of friends for some good conversation and drinks! Don't have the book? We've got you covered! Just \$5 and it's yours. For more info, check out the SPYAC Facebook page! We hope to see you there!

SPIRIT PRE-TEEN MINISTRY

Info: stpauls.spirit@gmail.com

RICHMOND SHARES

Downsizing, decluttering, or recycling? Richmond Shares is a web-based service for posting your unwanted items for donation. It is a program of the Richmond Women's Resource Centre assisting all families who are in need (refugees, single parents, fire victims, seniors) with items to help them settle into our community. Visit the website at www.richmondshares.bc.ca to post your items or for more information (no pick-up or storage available).

PREP: Parish Religious Education Program

PREP classes continue this Wednesday, April 19 from 6:30pm to 8pm. Students should bring back their mite boxes.

The Confirmation Rehearsal is on Wednesday, April 19 from 7pm to 8pm in the Church. Candidates, sponsors, and parents must attend this rehearsal. As well, Confirmation gowns are due back on Wednesday, April 19.

If you have any questions, please contact Clay Imoo (PREP Director) at clayimoo@shaw.ca. Please advise Clay if you anticipate your child(ren) being absent from class.

KRISPY KREME FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus council of St. Paul Parish is spearheading this fundraiser again! 50% of the proceeds will go to St. Paul New Church Building Fund and 50% will go to the



BC Charity Appeal Foundation. Members of the Knights will be at the entrance of the church, starting next weekend, to take your

orders and payment. A box of Krispy Kreme donuts is \$10. Delivery will be on Sunday, May 7th. For more information please contact David Chong at 778-893-8236 or Sundy Arca at 604-275-6669.

OPEN HOUSE at GARDENS of GETHSEMANI

Set aside your sacred space at the Gardens of Gethsemani, your Archdiocesan Catholic Cemetery. Come and explore the grounds with guided and self-guided tours. Also save up to 10% on inground burial, and cremation plots (valid during the two-day event only) Friday, April 21st and Saturday, April 22nd between 9:00am and 5:00pm. Our Family Service Advisors will be available to assist you with your arrangements.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The strife is over, the battle done The victory of life is won

The powers of death have done their worst But Christ their legions has dispersed

The three sad days are quickly sped He rises glorious from the dead

Alleluia!



SCHOOL CONNECTION

Alleluia, Alleluia! He is Risen! Easter reminds us how God has been good to us. He gave His own precious son to save us from our sins. Let's return the favour by sharing our blessings to others. St. Paul School wishes a most joyous Easter to all!