



SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT

December 9th, 2018



THIS WEEK

Wednesday	Our Lady of Guadalupe
Thursday	St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr
Friday	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Mina B. Cardoz, Fernando Estrella, Roberto De Guzman, Bella Allan, Yvonne Clucas, Linda Fiore, Dydy Co, Jaime Pestano, Tessa Comendador, Peter Murtagh, Mair Reynolds, Norman Ngan. *(Please notify the office of any changes)*

INFANT BAPTISM COURSE

Classes for parents seeking baptism for their infants - next session: **Tuesday, Jan. 8, 15 & 22 @ 7:00 pm.** *Adults only.* Please call the Sisters at 604-275-2844.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

2nd Collection for Charitable Works	TODAY
PEC Meeting	Tues., Dec. 11, 7:00pm
Next Sunday	Pancake Breakfast
Parish Council Meeting	No meeting in December
Liturgy Committee Meeting	1 st Tuesday, 7:00pm
Marian Prayer	Mondays, 7:30pm
Charismatic Prayer Group	Tuesdays, 7:30pm
PREP	Wednesdays, 6:30pm
Craft Circle	Thursdays, 9am-Noon
RCIA	Thursdays, 7:30pm
Seniors Line Dancing	Back in January
Christmas Bingo	Thurs., Dec. 13, 6:00pm
Divine Mercy	3 rd Friday of each month, 7:00pm
Legion of Mary	Fri. after 7:30pm Mass & Sun. 10:00am
Junior Legion of Mary	Sundays, 1:15pm

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - NEXT SUNDAY



Come and enjoy a tasty breakfast prepared by members of the Knights of Columbus and served with a smile by our teens, **next Sunday, December 16th.** Breakfast is by donation and we appreciate your generosity.

PARISH CHRISTMAS BINGO - DECEMBER 13



\$35 Ticket Package - available at the door the night of the event! Doors will open at 4:30pm with Bonanza PreCall at 6:00pm.

Door prizes & goodies!!
Free tea and coffee!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS GIVING

To help children experience the Christmas joy of giving, we encourage you to have them prepare and wrap an item of baby clothing to bring to church and present to the Child Jesus in the Crib at Christmas. These items, in turn, will be given to Birthright whose work is to assist young mothers who choose to keep their baby rather than have an abortion. **Please no toys or food of any kind.**



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Supported by today's Charitable Works Collection



Christmas is just around the corner! One way to care for others during this season is to donate to the Christmas Hamper Program. Look for the tree with the gift tags at the entrance of the church to find out which non-perishable food items you can donate. These items will be used to help make up the Christmas Hampers for those in need.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Could you not watch one hour with me?



Thank you to the person who temporarily signed up for Thursday 2-3am. There are still two Vacant Hours that need to be covered: **Sat 1-2pm and Sat 2-3am.** I ask all the people who drop into the Chapel but cannot commit to an hour *to pray for Vacant Hours to be covered.* The Chapel needs prayers as much as commitments to continue the 24/7 with Jesus so this will help. When the prayers provide the grace for a person to respond to "One Hour a Week" call or text Lynne 604-961-7920 to sign up. Thank you in advance.

BIBLE STUDY CORNER

December 15 & 17

Bible Timeline: 11. Royal Kingdom – Part 1

The Gospel of Matthew: 10. 11. Matthew 10 – Jesus Commissions the Twelve

Reflections on Sunday's Readings: *[Phil. 1:4]*

Joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (cf. Gal 5:22) and a virtue intimately connected with supernatural charity, from which it derives (cf. "Summa Theologiae", II-II, q. 23, a. 4). It is a gift a soul in grace experiences, irrespective of its personal situation or circumstances. It comes from union with God and recognition of his loving Providence towards all creation and especially towards his children. Joy gives the Christian peace and objectivity in everything he does.

For more info: Chito 604-808-4129 or Beth 604-231-9190

YOUTH MINISTRY

Info: Jiggy @ 778-874-8569

Next Sunday's LIFE NITE (Dec. 16th 8-9:30PM):



LIFE TEEN Christmas Party!

Our annual Christmas party is here! Come out to our last LIFE Nite of the year and join us in celebrating Christmas!

Please bring some savoury food to share and ugly Christmas sweaters are highly encouraged!

 <https://www.instagram.com/stpaulslifeteen>

 <https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsLT>

ST. PAUL YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY (SPYAC)

Info: Mary @ 778-858-5167

SPIRIT PRE-TEEN MINISTRY

Info: shintaro.tachihara@gmail.com

Spirit Christmas Party - December 14

Come party with us this Christmas! Please bring a savory dish to share and dress up in ugly sweaters and festive colours.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER/DANCE



Join the Knights of Columbus as we ring in the **NEW YEAR!** Cocktails at 6:30pm, Dinner at 7:00pm, and music all night long! Tickets are \$45.00/person and can be reserved by calling: Tony 778-297-0193, David 778-893-8236, Edgar 604-270-4260,

Francis 604-273-8175, or Alberto 604-275-7426.

Proceeds benefit the St. Paul New Church Building Fund.

2018 DONATIONS

With the end of 2018 fast approaching, now is a good time to review your investments, income, and tax responsibilities and consider a donation to our New Church Building Fund a part of your review. Donations can be made to Project Advance by credit card, cash, or cheque or directly to the Building Fund by cash or cheque. If you are considering donating investments or securities, please contact the parish office. Remember, donations are a way to reduce your income tax.

Donations received in the parish office by December 31st will be credited for 2018 (cheques must be dated December 31st, 2018, or earlier).

PREP: Parish Religious Education Program

PREP classes continue this Wed., Dec. 12, 6:30 - 8:00pm. Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will go to Confession during class time.

Parents and families are invited to join us on Wednesday, December 12 from 6:30 to 6:45pm in the gym for our Advent Prayer Service.

Last day of PREP classes for 2018 will be December 19 (potluck for families, Christmas presentation in the gym).

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

SIMBANG GABI MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses at 7:00pm (7:30pm at St. Paul Parish)

Saturday, Dec. 15 - Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver

Sunday, Dec. 16 - Our Lady of Sorrows, Vancouver

Monday, Dec. 17 - St. Francis de Sales, Burnaby

Tuesday, Dec. 18 - Sacred Heart, Ladner

Wednesday, Dec. 19 - Our Lady of Hungary, Vancouver

Thursday, Dec. 20 - St. Monica, Richmond

Friday, Dec. 21 - St. Paul, Richmond (followed by a pot-luck reception in the parish centre)

Saturday, Dec. 22 - St. Luke, Maple Ridge

Sunday, Dec. 23 - St. Jude, Vancouver

MASS of REMEMBRANCE - DEC. 16

The Mass of Remembrance, for family members who have passed away this month, is next Sunday, December 16th.

Masses are at 12:30pm and 2:30pm in the Evangelist Chapel, at Gardens of Gethsemani.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

The Archbishop's Mass For Life will be celebrated on Friday, December 28, at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver. Rosary begins at 11:30am and Mass is at 12:10pm.



SCHOOL CONNECTION

Join us on **Tuesday, December 18th**, for St. Paul School's production of *Christmas Shoes*. We have two shows - a 1:30 pm matinee, and an evening show at 7:00 pm. Come and help us celebrate the joy of the season!

NEW Sunday Missals for sale (\$4) as well as 2019 calendars (\$2) - at the entrance of the church on the weekends and in the parish office during the week.

Your 2019 envelopes can be picked up at the entrance of the church. Please do not use them until January 1.