



PALM SUNDAY

the PASSION of the LORD

April 14th, 2019



THIS WEEK

Please refer to last week's insert for Mass times or see them online at www.stpaulparish.ca

Confessions

At St. Paul Parish: Monday & Tuesday - 7:00 to 9:00 pm
Good Friday - 7:00 to 8:00 pm
Holy Saturday - 10:00 to 11:00 am

At Canadian Martyrs: Sunday, April 14 - 2:30 to 5:00 pm
Good Friday - 6:00 to 7:00 pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lisa Rodriguez, Percival Toca, Myrna Moffat, Catherine Jenkins, Pol Garcia, Diane Chyan, Yvonne Clucas, Belle Allan, Sat Lee Yong, Linda Fiore, Jaime Pestano, 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, May 7, 14 & 21 @ 7:00 pm. Adults only.** Please call the Sisters at 604-275-2844.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Knights Executive Meeting	Mon., Apr. 22, 7:30pm
St. Martin's Guild Meeting	Thurs., Apr. 25, 7:30pm
Next Pancake Breakfast	Sunday, May 19
Liturgy Committee Meeting	1 st Tuesday, 7:00pm
PEC Meeting	2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm
Parish Council Meeting	3 rd 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	Thursdays, 2:00 - 4:00pm
Bingo	NO BINGO Holy Thursday
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

CHRISM MASS - APRIL 17

One of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our Church is the Chrism Mass. Join Archbishop Miller and the priests of the archdiocese on **Wednesday, April 17, at 5:00pm** at Holy Rosary Cathedral for the blessing of the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chrism.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Could you not watch one hour with me?

Please note that The Adoration Chapel is closed Thursday 18th when the Holy Thursday Mass begins and will reopen after the Easter Vigil on Saturday around 11:00pm.



"This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist," (Pope John Paul II)

As our Lenten journey continues, come to the Chapel often to console Him and thank Him for what He suffered for our salvation. Show Him a lot of love.

"Jesus, we love You and we adore You because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world the world."

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - APRIL 28

Sunday, April 28th, 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. Prepare for the Feast Day with the Novena of Divine Mercy starting on Good Friday. Everyone Welcome.

MARCH FOR LIFE - VICTORIA - MAY 9

The Knights of Columbus has organized bus transportation from St. Paul Parish. To reserve your seats, please see the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church. Call Edgar Ursua at 604-270-4260 or Caroline Macken at 604-272-1155 for more information.

BIBLE STUDY CORNER

April 20 & 22 - No Bible Sessions

Reflections on Sunday's Readings: *Philippians 2:8*
His obedience, moreover, was not simply a matter of submitting to the Father's will. He made Himself obedient. He chose voluntarily to give Himself up to crucifixion in order to redeem mankind. "Debasing oneself when one is forced to do so is not humility", St. John Chrysostom explains; "humility is present when one debases oneself without being obliged to do so". Christ's self-abasement and his obedience unto death merits a loving response on our part: we should show that we desire to be one with Him, for love "seeks union, identification with the beloved. Christ brings us face to face with the ultimate choice: either we spend our life in selfish isolation, or we devote ourselves and all our energies to the service of others" (St. J. Escriva, "Friends of God", 236).

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Info: Jiggy @ 778-874-8569

This Sunday's LIFE Nite (April 14th 8-9:30PM):



LIFE TEEN XLT

It's a nite of Adoration, Praise & Worship and Confession as we near the end of Lent and the start of Easter!



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



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

ST. PAUL YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY (SPYAC)

Info: Mary @ 778-858-5167

SPYAC Good Friday: April 19, 7-10:30pm

Lent is the perfect time for us to refocus, and reexamine what the Easter season really means. Perhaps the weight of worldly issues has given you lots to think about. Along with our keynote speaker, Fr. George, we invite you to join us for a Good Friday Retreat on Friday, April 19 at 7:00pm, where you'll have the opportunity to reflect, ask questions, and truly explore the foundations of our faith through the mysteries of the Triduum. A small meal will be provided, and entrance is by donation. To help anticipate numbers for food, please email spyacteam@gmail.com to register and inform of any food allergies/sensitivities. See you then!

SPIRIT PRE-TEEN MINISTRY

Info: shintaro.tachihara@gmail.com

PREP: Parish Religious Education Program

Prep classes continue this Wed., April 17, 6:30 - 8:00pm. Confirmation robes are due back on Wednesday, April 17. There will be no PREP classes on Wednesday, April 24 due to the Confirmation Mass and reception.

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.



SCHOOL CONNECTION

As the school prepares for Holy Week, we invite you to attend our Gr. 7 presentations of the Last Supper (11:00am) and the Shadow Stations of the Cross (2:00pm) in the school gym on Holy Thursday. *The week that changed the world continues to change our lives.*

HOLY WEEK is a term referring to the week beginning with Palm (Passion) Sunday and ending with "Holy Saturday." It includes the last days of Lent. It is sometimes referred to as **Fig Sunday** because figs were eaten that day memorializing the fig tree cursed by Christ after his entry into Jerusalem.

Spy Wednesday is the name given for Wednesday of Holy Week alluding to Judas agreeing with the Sanhedrin to betray Jesus.

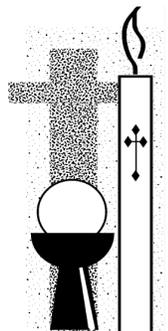
Maundy Thursday is an ancient name for Holy Thursday that comes from Jesus' words that day from the Latin, *Mandatum novum da nobis* (I give you a new commandment.....John 13:34). That phrase began the ancient foot washing ceremony.

Shear Thursday is a name for Holy Thursday that came about because of an ancient practice of trimming hair and beard that day as a sign of spiritual preparation for Easter.

Tre Ore (Italian: Three Hours) The name refers to Christ's three hours on the cross and to the noon-to-three o'clock Good Friday service. It was traditionally a series of homilies on the seven last words, along with song, silence, and stations.

The Mass of the Pre-Sanctified. This is not a Mass at all but an old name for the Good Friday service which includes Communion "pre-sanctified" (consecrated the night before). Good Friday remains the only day of the year without a celebration of Mass.

The Great Service of Light. Although not the heart of the Easter Vigil, this service is symbolically rich and a favourite prelude for the *Exultet* readings, and the glorious Eucharist following it. Celebrated in the Middle Ages, it may even go back to the fourth century. The light of the Paschal candle represents the light Christ brought to a darkened world. It was all the more powerful as a symbol in the days when fire was struck from flint - of necessity, reminding the believer of the flame of faith which is struck from Christ, the cornerstone of the Church.



The Triduum. The ancient Great Three Days - to which all leads and from which all flows - celebrate the heart of Christian faith: Jesus' redemptive death and resurrection. Related to the Church year as Sunday is related to each week, the Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, continues through Good Friday and Holy Saturday, culminates in the Easter Vigil, and concludes with Evening Prayer of Easter Sunday.

With the renewal of the Triduum:

-Lent is observed until the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

-The Great Three Days are celebrated.

-The Great Feast (Easter) is sustained for fifty days.

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends."