



## FIRST SUNDAY of LENT

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020



### THIS WEEK

#### Weekday Masses during Lent

Monday to Friday: 8:15am and 7:30pm

Friday: Stations of the Cross & Mass at 7:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Catherine Jenkins, Helen Chin, Bernie Battle, Hans Klaris, Florita Aldabon, Lau Po Shan, Pablo Hidalgo, Bernadette Chartrand, Peter Murtagh, Theresa Comendador, Desi Santos, Sally Lee, Yvonne Clucas, Belle Allan, Linda Fiore, Jaime Pestano, Mair Reynolds. *(Please notify the office of any changes)*

#### INFANT BAPTISM COURSE

Classes for parents seeking baptism for their infants - next session: **Tuesday, Mar. 3, 10 & 17 @ 7:00 pm. Adults only.** Please call the Sisters at 604-275-2844.

#### UPCOMING CALENDAR

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for St. Joseph's Society</b>	<b>TODAY</b>
<b>CWL General Meeting</b>	<b>Mon., Mar. 2, 8:00pm</b>
<b>Liturgy Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Tues., Mar. 3, 8:00pm</b>
Knights General Meeting	Mon., Mar. 9, 8:00pm
PEC Meeting	Tues., Mar. 10, 8:00pm
Parish Council Meeting	Tues., Mar. 17, 8:00pm
Marian Prayer	Mondays, 7:30pm
Charismatic Prayer Group	Tuesdays, 7:30pm
PREP	Wednesdays, 6:30pm
Craft Circle	Thursdays, 9am-Noon
RCIA	Thursdays, 7:30pm
Bingo	Thursdays, 6:00pm
Divine Mercy	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, 7:00pm
Legion of Mary	Fri. after 7:30pm Mass & Sun. 10:00am
Junior Legion of Mary	Sundays, 1:15pm

#### CWL GENERAL MEETING - MARCH 2

The members of the CWL will attend the 7:30pm Mass on Monday, March 2 and will hold their general meeting in the parish centre afterwards (approx. 8:00pm). All are invited. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

#### BIRTHRIGHT

Thank you for your generous donations of baby clothes to Birthright. Your support helps us maintain our services to families and pregnant women who come to us in need. Because of your help, we are able to provide clothing, diapers and other supplies for new babies. Your support to us is passed along to many!

#### LENTEN TALKS with Father Edwin

Have you ever wondered why we say and do certain things in the Mass? Dr. Edward Sri, in his DVD series "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass", will help you to understand and enjoy the Mass like never before. Five sessions will be held in the Parish Centre, Tuesdays, March 3<sup>rd</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>. We will meet after the 7:30 evening Mass for about 1 hour. After the video, discussion will be led by Fr. Edwin. All are welcome. Please invite family and friends.

#### WORLD DAY of PRAYER - MARCH 6

**1:00 - 2:00pm at St. Anne's Anglican, 4071 Francis Road**  
Christians from over 170 countries come together in spirit, uniting to pray for relevant issues affecting women and children. The movement has been active for nearly 100 years! Each year, a different participating country writes the service. This year, the writing country is Zimbabwe: "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk". Everyone welcome. Refreshments to follow. Please call 604-277-9626 for more info or to volunteer.

#### FREEDOM 2020

Freedom, the annual reconciliation event for youth sponsored by the Ministries and Outreach Office, will take place on **Friday, March 6 at Our Lady of Sorrows, 555 Slocan Street, Van., 7:00 to 10:30pm.** Participants will experience first-hand the healing power of Christ through music, prayer, testimonies and teachings, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Adoration.

#### BIBLE STUDY CORNER

March 7: Acts / Unlocking the Mysteries - Patriarchs

**Reflections on Genesis 3:6 Original Sin.** Man, tempted by the devil, let his trust in his Creator die in his heart and, abusing his freedom, disobeyed God's command. This is what man's first sin consisted of. All subsequent sin would be disobedience toward God and lack of trust in his goodness. Harmony is destroyed: the control of the soul's spiritual faculties over the body is shattered; the union of man and woman is subject to tensions; their relationship marked by lust and domination. Creation is now subject to decay: man will 'return to the ground', for out of it he was taken. Death makes its entrance into human history. (Catechism of the Catholic Church: 397, 400).

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Info: Jiggy @ 778-874-8569

### Next Sunday's (Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>) LIFE Afternoon (2-3pm):

40 Days for Life is an international campaign to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and peaceful all-day vigils at locations that provide abortion. St. Paul Parish is participating on this day in front of BC Children's Hospital. Coming from our previous LIFE Nite on prayer, we will be praying from 2-3PM on 33rd Ave. and Willow St. (near the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver office). Please meet us at this location before 2PM and please bring a Rosary. If you need a ride, please contact any of our leaders.



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



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

## ST. PAUL YOUNG ADULTS COMMUNITY (SPYAC)

Info: Katherine Angustia at [mskat@live.com](mailto:mskat@live.com)

**Friday, March 6**

### SPYAC participating in the 40 Days for Life event

"Lent is a time of fasting, almsgiving, and, of course, prayer. On that note, we would like to invite everyone to join us in a prayer vigil for the unborn children and their families with the 40 Days for Life campaign. Bring your friends and dedicate a moment of your time to lift a prayer with us. If you are interested, we will be meeting at St. Paul's Parish at 7:30pm. We hope to see you there! God bless!"

## SPIRIT PRE-TEEN MINISTRY

Info: [ministries.spirit@gmail.com](mailto:ministries.spirit@gmail.com)



[www.spirit youth ministry.wordpress.com](http://www.spirit youth ministry.wordpress.com)



[www.instagram.com/stpauls.spirit/](https://www.instagram.com/stpauls.spirit/)

## LENT

Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for Baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's Word and of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Lenten instructions stress these baptismal and penitential themes.

## PREP: Parish Religious Education Program

PREP classes continue this Wed., Mar. 4, 6:30 to 8:00pm. Parents of First Communion Candidates will meet on Wed., Mar. 4, 6:45 to 7:45pm in the Parish Centre gym. First Communion Candidates will make their First Confession during class time on Wednesday, March 11. Confirmation registration/sponsor forms are due April 1. If you have any questions, please contact Clay Imoo (PREP Director) at [clayimoo@shaw.ca](mailto:clayimoo@shaw.ca). As well, please let Clay know if you anticipate your child(ren) being absent from class.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

The Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign goes until 7:00pm on Palm Sunday. The date for St. Paul Parish is **Sunday, March 8, 7:00am to 7:00pm**. The vigil will be held at W. 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. and Willow St., Vancouver, in front of the Priests' Residence. Please sign up for your hour on the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church or call Caroline Macken at 604-272-1155.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

*Could you not watch one hour with me?*



"Do you want many graces? Go and visit the Blessed Sacrament often. Do you want few graces? Visit the Blessed Sacrament rarely. Do you want none at all? Then never pay a visit to the Blessed Sacrament." (St. John Bosco) Do you want Jesus all to yourself for one hour a week? Then commit to **Thursday 2-3am, a Vacant Hour**. Call or text Lynne at 604-961-7920.

## WHAT IS SO GOOD ABOUT THIS NEWS?

**March 9, 10, 11 - 7:00 to 9:00pm at St. Patrick's Parish, 2881 Main Street, Vancouver.** Join Father Nick Meisl as we reflect upon the theme of evangelization in the New Testament. We will consider what important biblical passages teach us about the radical message we are called to communicate, and the method we are challenged to use. This will help us appreciate more deeply the joy that comes from living and sharing the Gospel. For more information, please call 604-874-7818 or email [parish.stpatsvan@rcav.org](mailto:parish.stpatsvan@rcav.org)



## SCHOOL CONNECTION

Daily Lenten Masses have now begun. Throughout Lent, daily Mass start time has been adjusted to 8:15 am, so that school students can begin the day with Mass and then lead right in to the start of the school day. School students are asked to sit together in the first few rows of the church. Staff members will also be present to help supervise, so parents are not required to attend.