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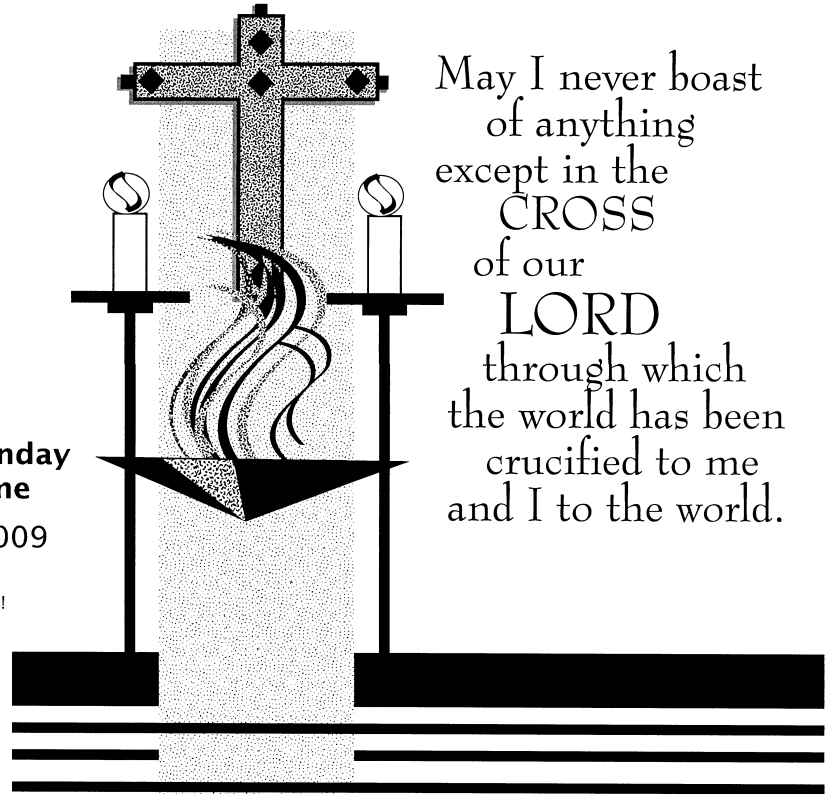
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**Twenty-fourth Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

September 13, 2009

Give peace, Lord,
to those who wait for you!



May I never boast
of anything
except in the
CROSS
of our
LORD
through which
the world has been
crucified to me
and I to the world.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:00 P.M. (Mass of Anticipation)

SUNDAY: 9:00 A.M.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:00 A.M.

7:00 P.M.

De Sales Ministry for the Deaf

Signed Mass at 9:00 A.M. on Sundays

Sr. Glenys Symons, Pastoral Worker

604-517-6680

St. George's Melkite-Greek Catholic Mission

Byzantine Rite Mass at 1:00 P.M. on Sundays

Fr. Maximos Basha, Pastor 604-431-0047

St. Vincent De Paul Society Help Line:

604-434-3699

Domestic Abuse Help Line: 604-640-7549

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday

Morning Mass

8:15 A.M.

Thursday, September 17th

New Vista

(Cancelled)

Saturdays & Holidays

9:00 A.M.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 9:30 - 10:00 am and 4:00 - 4:45 pm

(Appointments can be made through the Parish Office)

DEVOTIONS

The **Rosary** is recited at 7:40 am on weekdays and at 8:20 am on Saturdays

Liturgy of the Hours - Morning prayers will be said Monday to Saturday following morning Mass. Please join us!

Holy Hour: Thursdays (following Mass) 8:45 A.M.



Celebrating 75 Years

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 13th

Most people when asked, "What must I do to be a Disciple of Jesus?" will quickly and rightly respond, "Take up my cross and follow Him." Often the third requirement that Jesus gives us today is overlooked or neglected – 'to deny oneself'. What does it mean to deny oneself? There are many ways in which to respond. The simplest is to live a Christ centered life as opposed to a self-centered life. This is the essence of stewardship & discipleship.

Our Beloved Departed

☩ **Elaine Fox**

Passed away September 10, 2009

☩ **Renoldo Bie**

Passed away September 9, 2009

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain, especially: Vivian Tang, Elmer De Lara, Lilibeth Loewen, Catharina Dewit, Edward Birch, Stefan Belanic, Elizabeth Wiberg, Angelo Maras, Girolamo Clemente, Michael Kramer, Darlene Bossert, Tom Blackett, Eunice Royle, Frank Royle, Gina Cases, Angus MacDonell, Joe Zimmerman, Nessa Tuite, Connie Detjen, Josephine Sapitula, Denis Vaughn, Dora Andau, Lynn Mullen, Sonia Burrow, Eileen Garvey, Theresa Butler, Ken, Rosa & Francisco Scigliano, Jennifer Cutler, Helen Gorrie, Shirley Haker, B. Sheehan, Vera Harvie, Jeanette Barbosa, Patricia Bisland, Archie Rodrigues, Ronald and Cecilia Young, Vivian Comey, Harvey Fowler, Josephine Cheng, Frank, Shannon, Shawn, Michele, Gabriel Harris, Tess Asuncion, Sr. Mary Claire McDonald, Arleen Won, Irene Malinowski, Ziggy Malinowski, Bozena Kwiatkowski, Joseph Casey, Paul Cunha, Jose Galvez, Hilde Mudespacher, Ike Punzalan, Sofie Metcalfe, Marg & Ian McKee, Marie Sebastian, Grace Szakun, Olga and Steve Stefanik, Dorothy Ferraro, Eileen Hoglund.

If you know someone who has recovered and is able to be removed from the prayer list please contact the parish office. Thank you

Baptism in Our Parish

We welcome and congratulate *Niko Sebastian Alladina, Maya Maja Deng, Nicholas Samuel Wong & Macram Deng* who were baptized in our parish this weekend.

School Support Fund

In our elementary and high school we have children and young adults from our parish whose parents are finding the school fees a real financial burden. The monthly support the parish pays out is fairly high. If you are interested in helping us with this support please contact the parish office. Fr. Smith.

PREP started last week, if you have not yet registered your child, please do so asap. PREP is held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:15 in our school. Our Parish Religious Education Program is for children attending public school in grades K to 7. We also have a children's RCIA, (Christian Initiation) for children who are not yet baptized or for children over the age of 8 who have not yet received First Communion.

RCIA Registration

RCIA the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will resume on **Wednesday, September 23rd at 7:00 pm** in the church office. The RCIA is a process, which provides an opportunity for adults to ask their questions. This is done within a small group of adults, in a very casual, non-threatening environment in which the needs of each person are considered and respected. The RCIA is for non-baptized adults who want to ask questions about the Catholic Church, and who may or may not be thinking of becoming a Catholic; for those married to Catholics who want a better understanding of the faith of their spouse and children. And for those already baptized in a different Christian denomination who may be considering being received into full communion in the Catholic Church and for baptized Catholics who have not yet been confirmed. Please call the parish office to register.

Youth Events:

Jr. Youth Welcome Night, Friday, September 18th 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the church basement. Youth from grades 6 - 8 are invited to come out to this welcome night for fun and fellowship.

Youth Orientated Mass

We are looking to have the 7:00 pm mass as our Youth Orientated Mass. If you're a youth between the ages of 10 - 35 and would like to get involved in the offertory, or participate as an altar server, lector (reader), greeter, or choir member for the 7:00 pm Sunday mass, please contact Mylene at the parish office. Come out and get involved!

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study

The Coffee Break Women's Bible study will re-commence on **Wednesday, September 16th**. We will be doing something new - Jeff Cavins' video study titled "A Quick Journey through the Bible". It's a very engaging study moving through the Bible from Genesis to the Acts of the Apostles over the period of a few months. As always, we will gather for coffee and breakfast snacks in the Church Hall at 9:00 am. Please join us! Preschoolers are welcome in our nursery program. If you've questions, please call Joan Agon at 604-520-7012 or Marg Gaines at 604-431-5092.

Pancake Breakfast

Please join us next Sunday, **September 20th** for the famous Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast. Everyone is welcome to attend following the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses.

Volunteer Appreciation Evening

St. Francis de Sales parish is blessed to have a wonderful group of dedicated and talented volunteers. On **September 25th at 7:00 pm** all volunteers are invited for an appreciation evening with Fr. Smith and staff. The invitations have been mailed, if you do not receive yours, please rsvp to the parish office by September 17th.



Life in the Spirit Seminar

Are you searching for a deeper relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ? The Life in the Spirit Seminar is a powerful spiritual experience that helps us live our lives in the power and joy of the Holy Spirit.

You will have an opportunity to do just that in our Parish starting on **September 30th until November 11th** (for 7 Wednesdays) **from 7:30 to 9:30 pm**. To register please phone Alex Lim at 604-435-9134, Marnie Murray at 604-525-5123, or Geraldine Campbell at 604-437-7142.

Job Opportunity

St. Francis de Sales School requires a teacher's assistant/pre-school assistant. Full - time position (to cover maternity leave) from November 16, 2009 to June 30, 2010. ECE is required. Please contact Mrs. McLaren at 604-435-5311 if you are interested.

Food Bank

We would like to encourage everyone to please continue to donate non perishable items to the food bank. There are donation boxes behind the last pew in the church. The food bank will not accept bread or any other perishable items. Thank you

WHAT'S NEW?

MORE THINGS ARE WROUGHT BY PRAYER THAN THIS WORLD DREAMS OF.....If you have not noticed it already, there is a PRAYER PETITION box placed on the church entrance. You are welcome to write and place your prayer requests in it. These prayer petitions will be prayed over every Wednesday night during the Prayer Meeting at the church hall and they will then be burnt. No petition will be read.

Scouts Francophone

Scouts francophone start their adventurous season with a "Meet & Greet" registration night on **September 21st** and continue on following Mondays from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM at Fatima Center, 315 Walker St., Coquitlam for more information please call 604-936-3624.

A Pentecostal Preacher Becomes Catholic

For 25 years, Alex Jones was the Senior Minister of 2 Pentecostal churches in Detroit. In March 1998, while reading the apostolic Fathers and subsequent church history, in preparation for a homily, Alex Jones discovered the Catholic Church to be charismatic, liturgical, hierarchical and Eucharistic-centered. That began the journey of his conversion to Catholicism. Subsequently 54 members of his churches and 14 members of his family embraced the Catholic faith. Now, ordained a permanent Deacon by the Archbishop of Detroit, Deacon Jones goes around N. America and the world, teaching on how to evangelize to non-Catholic's. Come and hear his testimony in DVD, this coming Wednesday night (Sept. 16th) at the 7:30pm prayer meeting in the church hall. Everyone is welcome.

Catholic Charismatic Conference

Back by popular demand, Deacon Alex Jones will be at this year's Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Conference, **September 25th and 26th at Broadway Church 2700 East Broadway**. Encourage others to attend. Tickets are \$10.00. Call Lennie at 604-597-8227 or go to www.vccrs.ca under Events.

CHABC Conference

The annual conference of the Catholic Health Association of BC will be held at the Executive Plaza Hotel in Coquitlam on **September 17th**. The theme this year is "Nurturing a Living Mission in Today's Health Care Culture" with our keynote speaker addressing this issue from both a facility and a parish perspective. We will also have a series of short presentations by those who work and volunteer in caring for the sick and the elderly in our care facilities and our parish communities throughout the province. The conference will include Mass with Archbishop Miller to start the day. The registration brochure is available at chabc.bc.ca or by calling 604-524-3427. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Discover Theology of the Body

Come and discover God's plan for Life and learn about this revolutionary teaching of John Paul II. This 11 week course begins Thursday, **Sept. 17, 2009** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 828 Laval Square, Coquitlam from 7:00 - 9:15 pm. Cost of the course is \$40 per person and includes the text "Man and Woman He Created Them - A Theology of the Body." Registration: Respect Life Office: 604-683-0281.

The Pope John Paul II Exhibit will be at the Following Locations: St. Ann's Abbotsford: September 19th - 20th All Saints: September 26th - 27th Our Lady of Mercy: October 3rd - 4th Simon Fraser University: October 5th - 7th St. Patrick's Van: October 10th - 11th Sts. Peter & Paul: October 23rd - 24th St. Stephen's: October 31st - November 1st Canadian Martyrs: November 7th - 8th.

Silent Directed Retreat

at Queenswood in Victoria (Sept. 25-27; Fri. evening to Sun. 3pm) This retreat offers the opportunity to sink deeply into silence, both outer and inner, in the peaceful, nurturing atmosphere of Queenswood Centre. With your own spiritual or religious views as a starting place, a spiritual director will accompany you on an inner journey as you listen to the voice of the Divine within your heart. All-inclusive live-in price: \$350. More information / registration: www.queenswoodvictoria.ca/silent-directed

Embodied Prayer and Meditation Retreat

at Queenswood in Victoria (Oct. 5-8; Mon. evening to Thurs. 1pm) Christians honour that God's Word became flesh and lived among us, a powerful Divine message of the significance of our bodies on our spiritual path. Yet we sometimes leave the temple of our bodies sitting on hard pews, while our minds are encouraged to soar freely with God. Embodied prayer brings our whole being - body, mind, emotions, and spirit - into our relationship with the Holy. In this contemplative retreat, participants will explore communion with God through various types of embodied prayer with ancient roots and contemporary form. Both those committed to their path of faith and those who consider themselves explorers of faith are welcome! All-inclusive live-in price: \$443 | Commuter price: \$272. More information / registration: www.queenswoodvictoria.ca/embodied-prayer

Could Religious Life be for You?

Calling all women who dare: you are invited to a Day of Conversation on Religious Life with sisters of several communities, led by Sister Toyleen Fook, SP, on Saturday **September 26th** from 10-3 at 789 Alderson Avenue, Coquitlam (next door to the Convent). Easy transit access. For information and registration contact: Sr. Anne-Marie Fransoo, SEJ, 604-936-2875, a-mfransoo@shaw.ca, or Sr. Veronica Tang, SIHM, 604-936-3455 sihm@telus.net.

September Dance for St. Paul's Singles

Are you over 30 and single? If so, check out the St. Paul's Singles New Members Dance, **September 19th** at the Croatian Catholic Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 3105 East 1st Ave., Vancouver. Music by Patrizia Coletta. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Members \$12. Non-members \$15. Please call Lina 604-433-0055.

Revive Marriage Romance with Retrouvaille

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. Program begins **September 18th**. Call 604-530-6710 or Email: 1009@retrouvaille.org or visit HelpOurMarriage.com.

Half Century Celebration for IC School

Immaculate Conception School, Delta, is 50 years young! Come celebrate with old friends and share stories at our Gala Dinner & Dance on **September 26th**. Tickets are \$40 each. Tables of 10 can also be reserved. There will also be an Afternoon Tea on Sunday, September **27th** from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. For more information, contact Cheryl 604-583-2590 or Michelle mljacob@telus.net

Party and Pomp for President and Principal

You are invited to join in the Welcoming Mass and Installation of Dr. John Stapleton as 10th Principal and Vice-Chancellor of St. Mark's College and 2nd President of Corpus Christi College. The event will take place on Tuesday, **September 22nd** at 6:00 pm. For more information on this event, please contact Florence Allay-Chan at 604-822-6862; email president@corpuschristi.ca

Learn to Explain Your Faith at St. Mary's

Have you ever been asked questions about the Faith but didn't know how to answer? May be you know what the Church teaches, but not why. This conference, entitled That They May All be One, is designed to do just that – explain clearly and convincingly what the Church teaches and WHY, focusing especially on where we find these teachings in the Bible and the Early Church. Topics will include Papal Infallibility, the Eucharist, the Blessed Mother, How Are We Saved? and much more. Presented by Graham Osborne. Saturday, **October 3rd**, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at St. Mary's Church, 5251 Joyce Street, Vancouver.

Are You a Doctor? If so, this is for You...

The Catholic Physicians' Guild is sponsoring a Basic Training Workshop for Physicians on the Billings Method from Sept. 18th – 20th. Physicians and their spouses are welcome. The workshop will take place at the Convention Center of Coquitlam Inn, 319 North Road, Coquitlam. Cost per person: \$100. Facilitator: LeeAnn Kinderwater. For further information please contact: Woomb BC at 604-936-4472, e-mail: artandlou@shaw.ca, or fax: 604-936-5690.

Faith Formation this Fall at St. Patrick's

Saturday, **September 26th** - sponsored by the Office of Religious Education & the Youth Ministry Office and held at St. Patrick's High School, Vancouver. The institute is open to anyone interested in an experience of learning, community and spiritual growth. Pre-registration is required. For all course descriptions and registration, please visit our website at www.rcav.org/ore Click on *Fall Institute* or call us at 604-683-0281.

Parishioners Corner:

"Live-in Nanny wanted to help care for happy 11 month old boy in South Surrey area. Tagalog language skills an asset but not required. Please contact, Melissa at 604-535-9054 or 604-313-7797."