

# St. Francis de Sales Parish

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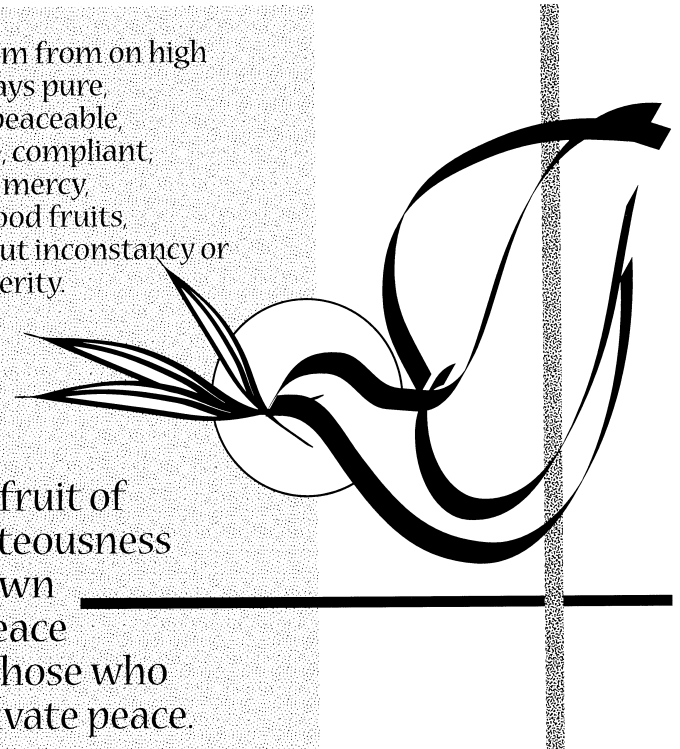
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Wisdom from on high  
is always pure,  
then peaceable,  
gentle, compliant,  
full of mercy,  
and good fruits,  
without inconstancy or  
insincerity.

The fruit of  
righteousness  
is sown  
in peace  
for those who  
cultivate peace.



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## Twenty-fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 20, 2009

The Lord will answer  
the cry of His people.

## 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.**

**Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

School Mass

**9:15 A.M.**

**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**

## 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 20<sup>th</sup>

Jesus tells us today that we are to be servants. Jesus, by His example, was a servant leader. He completely set aside self in order to fulfill the Father's will. It is only in a life of service that we discover the difference between success and significance – the stewardship way of life. Setting aside our own desires means that we trust in God and in doing so find a life free of anxious worries or cares.



If you wish to be first  
you must be the last of all  
and the servant of all

### Prayers for the Sick

Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain, especially: James Duff, Bob McLeod, 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

Flowers for the Altar were donated this weekend  
**In Loving Memory of Adeline M. da Costa**  
September 16<sup>th</sup> would have been her  
93rd birthday.

### 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.

### Pancake Breakfast

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

### RCIA Registration

RCIA the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will resume on **Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the school. 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:

#### 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!

### Volunteer Appreciation Evening

St. Francis de Sales parish is blessed to have a wonderful group of dedicated and talented volunteers. On **September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** all volunteers are invited for an appreciation evening with Fr. Smith and staff. **Please RSVP by Tuesday.**

### 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 30<sup>th</sup> until November 11<sup>th</sup>** (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.

### Religious Articles Booth

The Religious Articles Booth will be open next weekend following the 5 pm, 9 am & 11am Masses.

### Fax Machine Needed

The de Sales Deaf Ministry is in need of a fax machine. If you have one that you no longer need please contact the parish office.

## CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2009

**This Sunday, at the 9:00 Mass, we formally recognize  
all who are engaged in the work of catechesis in our parish.**

*Please keep them in your prayers*

## Come, Worship the Lord

### PREP CATECHISTS

Marguerite Goldsmith, Danielle Weber, Alison Acevedo Enodia Silva, Imelda Cammayo, Patricia Goldsmith, Veronica Reyes, Liz De Guzman, Bernadette Laxamana, Hendrika Kidd, Anthony Simonetta, Joyce Boddington, Ratna Tjokro, Yvonne Calderon, Cheryl Minns, Healdor Cordiero, Jessika Cordiero, Herme de Vera, Homer Sapitula, Peter Leong, Christina Pimentel, Sherli Mah, Alvin Rint, Chay Facun, Hilary Soo, Charlene Minns, Jocelyn Minns Celso Galvez, Joan Galvez, Vanessa Calero, Mel Juanima, Emelyn Reyes, Aaron Parido, Jackie Torres, Annabel Ng, Lauren Duda, Arianna Sapitula, Jonathan de Guzman, Christopher de Guzman Nica Reys, Bryle Cuff, Fidez Cammayo, Harriet Cammayo, Kevin Apodaca, Katrina Apodaca, Geneva Cuff, Danielle Boddington,

### SCHOOL CATECHISTS

Cecilia McLaren, Lucy Pacino, Margaret Goyarzu, Lara Martini, Gina Luongo Maria Wagner, Michael Penney, Liesl Knoll, Rose Adamovic, Jane Douglas, Greg Chapman, Naomi Panganiban, Julianna Craig, Denise Fawcett, Andrea Schaaf, Amelia Hara, Maria Chondroyannos, Sandy Dupas, Sharon Kazun, Christine Franklin, Trever Bencze, Barb Nicholson, Jennifer Tatu, Sonia Burrow, Shemran Mari Youkhaei, Celina Preciado, Ana Das

### YOUNG PEOPLES LITURGY OF THE WORD PRESIDERS

Ratna Tjokro, Lulu Bailtaan, Vesna Lisac, Des Cook, Patty Wong, Gina Bauer, Sorina Topan, Christina Pernia, Edita Sebit, Gigi Sapitula, Joyce Boddington, Catherine Choi, Charlene Minns, Cheryl Minns, Jocelyn Minns, Susie Balbino, Edita Sebit

### RCIA CATECHISTS

Fr. Thomas Smith, Fr. Mariano Barreto, Marguerite Goldsmith, Lois Lee Sun, Amalea Sutedjo, Judy Lee

Members of our parish who teach in the Archdiocese of Vancouver



### CWL Bazaar

The CWL is collecting articles for the white elephant table for their fall fair, to be held on **October 17th 2009**. Please, only items that are clean and in good condition. (NO clothes, shoes or material.) We do need books, in good condition. Homemade crocheted, knitted or craft items are needed and used costume jewelry. We are planning a bottle draw so bottles of juice, wine, preserves etc. are also needed. Small new items, suitable for baskets for the Lucy Seven draw are welcome. Used small toys for the fish pond. There will be a box in the church entrance for all donations. Thank you.

### DVD Media Library

Is opening this weekend from 10:00 – 11:00 am. We need a few more volunteers to help out. This counts for parent volunteer hours or STMC hours. Please contact the parish office if you are available.

### Pro Life Campaign

Please join us on Sunday, **October 4th** from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm to campaign for Life of the unborn and the prevention of Mercy Killing. We need to show more moral support for this cause which is continually being eroded in a world that more and more embraces the Culture of Death. Although we regularly pray to thank God for the precious gift of human life, our annual turnout has been disappointingly small compared to some other parishes. We gather around 1:30 pm in the parking lot behind the school before starting the rally along Kingsway.

### 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.

## Prayer Petition Box

Please feel free to write and place your prayer requests in the box at the entrance of the church. They will be prayed over every Wednesday night at the prayer meeting in the church hall and then burnt. No prayer requests will be read.

## Needs of the Canadian Church

Next Sunday, a special collection is held in parish communities across the country to support the pastoral work of the Bishops nationally and internationally. Known as the Bishops' Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada, this collection helps dioceses pay their annual contribution to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC). Founded more than 65 years ago, the CCCC is the assembly of all the Bishops of Canada, including those of the Eastern Catholic Churches. In addition to assisting in consultations with the Holy Father and the various departments of the Holy See, the CCCC works in close partnership with other Episcopal Conferences around the world, and in particular with those in the Americas. Through the work of its commissions and committees, it is involved in the issues that affect the life of the Church today and shape society. The Bishops of Canada wish to thank you in advance for your generosity.

## Light of Jesus Community Vancouver

invites everyone to a **Living in the Light Retreat**, October 24<sup>th</sup>, Saturday at St. Mary's Parish (church basement) from 8:00 am - 8:00 pm. Featured Speakers are Father Pierre LeBlonde, Father Gabriel Chadarevian, Father Mariano Barreto and Bo Sanchez (through a DVD presentation). Be Blessed...Be Nourished...Be Inspired! Admission is FREE! Please bring a bag lunch. Snacks will be served.

## Catholic Charismatic Conference

Back by popular demand, Deacon Alex Jones will be at this year's Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Conference, **September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.vccrs.ca).

## The Pope John Paul II Exhibit will be at the Following Locations:

All Saints: September 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>  
Our Lady of Mercy: October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Simon Fraser University: October 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>  
St. Patrick's Van: October 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>  
Sts. Peter & Paul: October 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>  
St. Stephen's: October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Canadian Martyrs: November 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Build a Better World Together with COLF

The Catholic Organization for Life and Family has launched its annual message to families, titled "Families, Let's Build a Better World Together." The reflection is available on the COLF website: [www.colf.ca](http://www.colf.ca).

## Get Your Pet Blessed at St. Clare of Assisi

Bring your dog, bring your cat, bring your budgie (but don't bring your snake) to be blessed on Sunday, **October 4<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 pm at St. Clare of Assisi Parish. The pet blessing tradition dates back to the times of St. Francis in the 12th century. We will be accepting donations of pet food, collars, leashes, and any other pet supplies which will be given to a local animal shelter.

## Embodied Prayer and Meditation Retreat

at Queenswood in Victoria, **October 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>**. 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](http://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 26<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:a-mfransoo@shaw.ca), or Sr. Veronica Tang, SIHM, 604-936-3455 [sihm@telus.net](mailto:sihm@telus.net).

## Cenacle Retreat Centre

Exploring the spirituality of Dorothy Day, foundress of Catholic Worker House: Saint or sinner? Saturday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, at 9:30 - 3:30. \$50 includes lunch and DVD viewing. Reservations: 604.266.1611.

## 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 3<sup>rd</sup>**, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at St. Mary's Church, 5251 Joyce Street, Vancouver.