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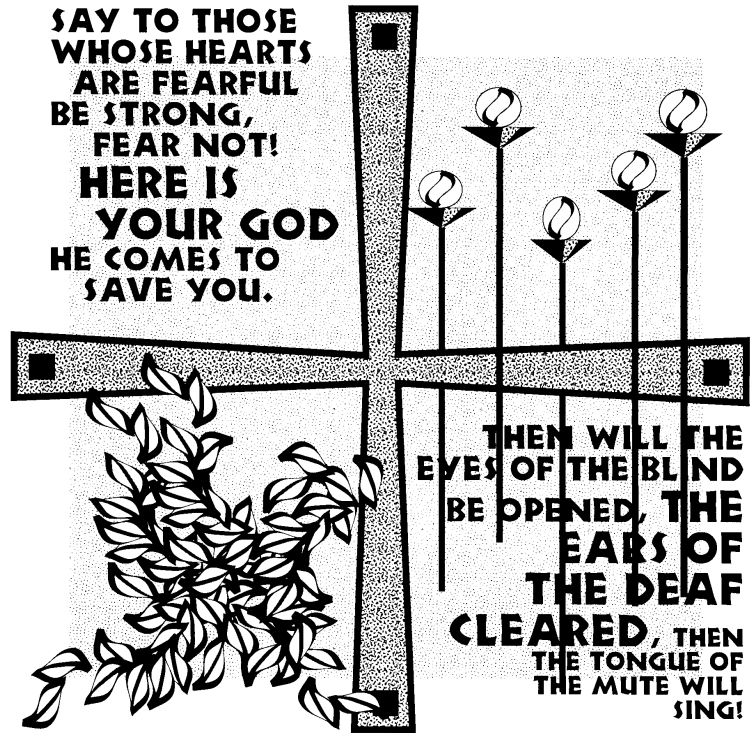
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**Twenty-third Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

September 6, 2009

Lord, you are always
just and merciful!



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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

Tuesday - Friday

Morning Mass 8:15 A.M.

Monday September 7th

Morning Mass 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, September 9th

Harmony Court 2:30 P.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

September 6th – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. James speaks to us today about hospitality. To be a good steward of our community means that we ensure *all* feel welcome. The gift we encounter in each person calls us to hold everyone in high esteem. Christian hospitality is so much more than *planned* hospitality, like coffee Sundays and greeters. To live as a Disciple of Jesus is to enter into a *daily disposition* of hospitality. Try practicing the S.A.S. of hospitality at work, at home and especially in the Church on Sunday.



Our Beloved Departed

☒ Edith Robert

Passed away September 2, 2009
Sister of Joe Webb

☒ Jakob Schalle

Passed away September 4, 2009
Father of Peter Schalle

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: 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, James Lim, 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, Elaine Fox, 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

Weddings in September

We congratulate the following couples who will be married in August. We wish them each a long and happy Christian Marriage.

Tim Walsh & Tracy Walsh – September 3rd

Johnny Morabito & Teresa Marino – September 5th

Narinderjit Siva & Stephanie Sezeto – September 7th

Roy Lim & Cynthia Lowe – September 19th

Ian Gispon & Patricia Kazun – September 26th

In Loving Memory

Cornelia Van Koeveringe - September 1, 1981
Margaret Cunha – September 1, 2008
Lourdes Sta. Ana – September 3, 2001
Josefina Punsalan Acuna – September 3, 2007
Edward William Frank – September 4, 1954
Norm Huson – September 4, 2008
Maria Lucia – September 4, 2005
Anton Rabar – September 5, 1999
Annie Apacible – September 6, 2001
Edward Wozniak – September 6, 2000
Jim Mayne – September 6, 2008
Jose Maria Xavier – September 9, 1976
Frank Girard – September 9, 2008
Beatrice Beatch – September 10, 2008
Milagros de Vera – September 11, 2004
Rose Owens – September 13, 2008
Edward Dewit – September 13, 2005
Simeon Garcia – September 13, 1986
Juan C. Lamasan Jr. – September 14, 2007
Natividad Cajipe – September 15, 2004
Rick White – September 16, 2006
Dickie Baker – September 16, 2008
Chi Huy Lao – September 17, 2003
Edward Frank – September 18, 1954
Flores Carlos Galvez – September 18, 1957
Prose Paraiso – September 20, 2001
David Connaughton – September 20, 2008
Nettie Murphie – September 22, 2005
Jose A. Dela Torre – September 22, 2007
Jolly Caedo – September 22, 2008
Rufina Abad-Galvez – September 23, 1993
Estella Galvez-Sarte – September 23, 2008
Margaret Ralls – September 24, 2008
Laura Roder – September 27, 2006
Frank Sweeney – September 28 ----
Elsie Earl – September 29, 2006

Baptism in Our Parish

We welcome and congratulate **James Drizzet Samuel Rogers & Sophie Sora Okajima Ramos** who were baptized in our parish this weekend.

PREP resumes Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 pm

PREP is held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:15 in our school. **If you have not yet registered, please do so this coming week.** Registrations will also be taken on the first night for latecomers, but we prefer you to pre-register. Please pick up a registration form in the church entrance or the parish office. 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.

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.

CWL Meeting

The next CWL meeting will be on Thursday, September 10th at 7:30 pm in the church hall. All members are invited for this first meeting of the 2009 – 2010 year.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study group will resume meetings, following our summer recess, on **Tuesday, September 8th at 9:00 AM** (following morning Mass) in the church basement meeting room. Please note the change of venue. We will be reading and discussing the Gospel of St. Matthew, following a course of lessons prepared by Little Rock Scripture Study. We invite other men of the parish, who are available and interested, to join us in this endeavor. Those of us who have been members of this group have found our scripture study meetings to be informative, engaging and richly rewarding! If interested, please call Ed Gaines at 604-431-5092.

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.

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.

Thank you!!!

The Agape Street Ministry would like to say a special and heartfelt thank you to all the parishioners who have given their precious time during the summer months in helping us pack candies for the working women in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside. May God bless you for your generous donations and participation in this great work of love and mercy!

The Travelling Exhibit of the Pilgrim Pope

What better way to honour the Pilgrim Pope than with a travelling exhibit? On September 18, 1984 Pope John Paul II made his historic visit to Abbotsford and Vancouver, and to commemorate the 25th anniversary of that visit, the Archdiocese has assembled a travelling exhibition of artifacts and memorabilia.

The kick off for the exhibit will be **Sunday, September 13th at 2:30 pm at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver**. That Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev. J. Michael Miller, CSB, Archbishop of Vancouver, and will be attended by other B.C. bishops as well as many of the people who helped with the Pope's visit 25 years ago.

The exhibit includes digital photos, artifacts from the event, and six large banners to be displayed in Churches across the Archdiocese in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, to get a taste of the exhibit, visit www.rcav.org/jp2visit

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.

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.

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.

2 Weeks to Sign up for 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? This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on the 18th of September, 2009 email 1009@retrouvaille.org OR call 604-530-6710 OR visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com



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." Instructor: Fr. Alan Boisclair, BA, MA, STL in marriage and family. Registration: Respect Life Office: 604-683-0281.

First Nations Return to Spirit in Victoria

The Diocese of Victoria will be hosting a "Returning to Spirit" Workshop (for Clergy, Religious Communities and Non-Aboriginal individuals) at Bethlehem Centre in Nanaimo from Sept. 21st – 25th. For information call Cynthia Bouchard at 250-479-1331 or Email: chancery@rcdvictoria.org. Register by September 7th.

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 26 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.

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

Holy Rosary Cathedral: September 13th 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.

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.