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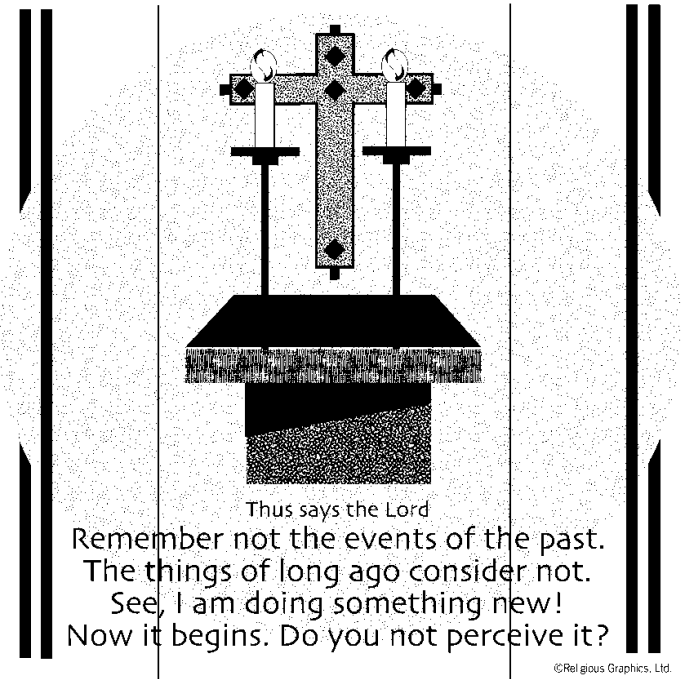
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**Fifth Sunday
Of Lent
March 21, 2010**

May we all remain one in Christ!



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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word

SUNDAY: 9:00 A.M.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:00 A.M.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

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 8:15 A.M.

Thursday, March 25th
Feast of the Annunciation **7:30 P.M.**

Friday, March 26th
School Mass **9:15 A.M.**

Stations of the Cross **7:00 P.M.**

Evening Mass **7:30 P.M.**

Saturdays & Holidays 9:00 A.M.

First Fridays 7:30 P.M.

CONFESSIONS

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

DEVOTIONS

Rosary: 7:40 am on weekdays and at 8:20 am on Saturdays.

Liturgy of the Hours: Morning prayers will be said Monday to Saturday after Mass.

Holy Hour: Thursdays after Mass

"For all other Mass Times, Confession Times and News & Events visit RCAV.ORG"

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 21st

How will you be remembered? As one who adhered to a strict observance of the law? Or, as one who was not too quick to judge, and lovingly give others a second chance. Throughout our lives, we will experience many relationships, and they are *all* gifts from God. How will you be a good steward of those relationships? In Jesus' encounter with the woman caught in adultery we are given an example of how we are to care for the people we encounter in our lives.



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Our Beloved Departed

Wah Ho Tam

Passed away March 13, 2010
Father of Shirley Kwan
Grandfather of Jessie, Shannon,
Emmet & Jasmine

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord

2010 Lenten Penitential Schedule

All services begin at 7:00 pm

March 22 nd	Holy Spirit
March 23 rd	St. Clare's
March 24 th	Our Lady of Mercy All Saint's
March 25 th	St. Luke's Our Lady of Assumption
March 26 th	St. Peter's Our Lady Lourdes
March 28 th	St. Michael's
March 29 th	Our Lady of Fatima
March 30 th	St. Francis de Sales

Lenten Opportunities

Stations of the Cross – Fridays 7:00 pm

Evening Mass - Fridays 7:30 pm

Great ways of uniting our sacrifices, hearts and love to His during Lent.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 1st

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 pm

Good Friday, April 2nd

Stations of the Cross & Communion 11:00 am
Solemn Liturgy 3:00 pm

Saturday, April 3rd

Easter Vigil 9:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Mass at 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 7 pm

Please note that there is
No morning Mass on April 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

Gym Roof Fundraiser

We have raised \$ 26,151. Thank you for all those who have participated so far. We have only \$23,849 to go. When you divide 50,000 into 1000 families it is only \$50 per family. We have 1800 families in the parish so this is not that much for our parish to raise. I encourage you to take part in this needed project. The envelopes are at the back of the church. Please write your name and address clearly so that we can credit it to your 2010 income tax receipt.

Feast of the Annunciation

Thursday, **March 25th** at 7:30 pm in honour of the solemnity.

Oppose Bill C-384

This weekend after Mass the CWL & Pro-Life group will be handing out petition cards opposing Bill C-384 which would legalize euthanasia & assisted suicide. Please take a moment to sign the card for a life saving cause.

Internet Safety Workshop

Will be held on on Monday, **March 22nd** at 7:00pm in our school gym. Please join us for a very informative evening. This workshop is for adults only. For further information, please contact the school at 604-435-5311.

Lenten Reflections

The Catholic Woman's League invites the SFDS community, men and women, to join them on **March 27th** for Lenten Reflections with Father T. Smith. The morning of reflection begins with 9:00 AM Mass followed with coffee break in the parish hall. Following confessions in the church, Father Smith will join us and share his "Lenten Reflections".



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St. Francis de Sales Pre School

We are now accepting applications for our 3 yr & 4 yr old pre school program for the 2010/2011 school year. Please contact the school office at 604-435-5311 if you are interested.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate an Easter lily to help decorate to Church, please bring it to the office **between Monday, March 29th and Thursday, April 1st**. We will have special dedication cards to placed on the bulletin board for those who would like to donate their lily in memory of a loved one.

Decorating for Easter

If you are interested in helping us decorate the church for Easter, please join us on Saturday, **April 3rd** at 10:30 am in the church.

Pennies for Heaven

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations after every Mass during March. The money from this fund is given to the Archbishop towards education of new Priests. Please donate generously.

Religious Articles Shop

Will be open before and after the 5:00 pm Saturday Mass on **March 20th** and **March 27th** as well as Sunday **March 28th** following the 9:00 am & 11 am Masses. Please come by to see our first Communion Articles and other merchandise.

Advertising in the Bulletin

As a way to cut bulletin printing costs we will be selling ad space on the back page of our bulletin. If you are interested in advertising your business, please contact the parish office for more information. The cost is as low as \$125 for a six month run.

1000 Hail Mary's

Please come and join us in Prayer, on Holy Saturday, **April 3, 2010** at St Francis de Sales Church Hall from 8:00 am-3:30 pm. Refreshments are provided. This is organized and sponsored by The Legion of Mary. For more info, Cindy Baguio at 778-371-7272 Or Evelyn Lacson at 604-313-2080.

Alms Giving

One of the three pillars of Lent. There are many areas where our alms can do much good. One area that needs our attention is the Catholic education of our children. Please consider giving some of your alms to help some of our struggling parents with tuition and supplies. Please call the parish office for more information.

Feast of the Divine Mercy – Sunday, April 11th

We will have a special Liturgy at **3:00 pm** which will include:

- * Blessing of Divine Mercy Images,
- * Exposition
- * Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- * Benediction

Everyone is welcome to join us and to bring your Divine Mercy images for the blessing. Information sheets about the Feast of Divine Mercy and the Novena are available at the entrance of the church.

World Youth Day - Madrid 2011

There is only about 500 days to go. Youth from the ages of 17 to 70+ are invited to attend this wonderful and inspirational gathering of young people from all over the world. Those who are interested in going are asked to call Marguerite at the parish office. We will begin meeting after Easter.

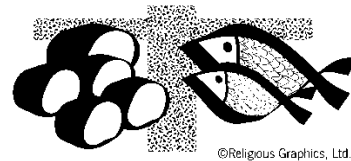
Youth Events

Freedom

Youth Ministry Office will be holding a reconciliation event for youth and young adults. This year's event will be on Friday, **March 26th** from 7 pm – 10 pm at St. Mary's Parish in Vancouver and is open to all high school teens and young adults. Participants will experience first-hand the healing power of Christ through music, prayer, testimonies and teachings, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Keep this night free.

Weekend Retreat for Men

Join us for a spiritually uplifting experience the annual retreat for men on Palm Sunday weekend, **March 26th, 27th & 28th** at Westminster Abbey in Mission. For further information and registration, please contact Bill Cahill at 604-519-1965 or email billcahill@shaw.ca. Cost is \$160. Retreat Master is Fr. Gabriel de Chadarenian, O.P.



Prayers for the Sick

Please remember those among our families and friends who are suffering the burden of illness or pain, especially: Mary Nieuwboer, Maura Mae De Jesus, Candido Alfonso, Robert Chia, Nashka Fajto, Manuel Redondo, Lynn Yuson, Betty D'Andrea, Teresa Morabito, Joe Detjen, Barbara, Beatris Velazquez, Denis Thorarinson, Sandra P. Ruiz, George Thierman, Cristina Radeka, Liliana Brenko, Darlene Niska, Grinda De Baat, Fr. Juan Martens, Joel Estella, Carmen Ruiz, Tom Blackett, James Duff, Lilibeth Loewen, Catharina Dewit, Edward Birch, Elizabeth Wiberg, Angelo Maras, Girolamo Clemente, Katarina Kramer, Gina Cases, Angus MacDonell, Joe Zimmerman, Nessa Tuite, Connie Detjen, Josephine Sapitula, Denis Vaughn, Sonia Burrow, Eileen Garvey, Theresa Butler, Ken, Rosa & Francesco Scigliano, Jennifer Cutler, B. Sheehan, Vera Harvie, Jeanette Barbosa, Ronald and Cecilia Young, Vivian Comey, Josephine Cheng, Frank, Shannon, Shawn, Michele, Gabriel Harris, Tess Asuncion, Sr. Mary Claire McDonald, Arleen Won, Irene & Ziggy Malinowski, Bozena Kwiatkowski, Joseph Casey, Jose Galvez, Ike Punzalan, Sofie Metcalfe, Marg & Ian McKee, Marie Sebastian, Grace Szakun, Olga & Steve Stefanik, Dorothy Ferraro, Eileen Hoglund.

Share Lent 2010

Donations made by churches across Canada on this one day, Solidarity Sunday, allow Development and Peace to support more than 200 partners in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. Ten percent of the Share Lent collection goes to help people living in emergency situations. Because of the special needs in Darfur, where people are suffering from the effects of 20 years of civil war, Development and Peace has made Sudan a priority country for special assistance until 2011. Joining forces with *Caritas Internationalis*, Development and Peace will focus on the needs of women and children living in internal refugee camps in the Sudan.

Thank you for your generous contributions. Your gifts to Development and Peace today, given in love, will grow wisely in the hands of our partners. In solidarity, we can help peace and justice grow, and ease hunger in the world.



Vision TV

The National Catholic Mission 2010, "A God for all seasons," will be broadcast on VISIONTV on Monday, **March 29th** (Pt. 1) and Tuesday, **March 30th** (Pt. 2) at 6:00 p.m. and repeated at 8:00 pm. It will feature Spiritan Father Pat Fitzpatrick and Benedictine Sister Joan Chittister.

Volunteers Needed

Luke 15 House, Surrey, is a Christian recovery house for men in addiction. We are looking for volunteer plumbers, electricians, and handymen who can help us on an on-call basis with general house maintenance. Kindly contact Anne or Nigel at (604) 930-4884.

Volunteer Training Program Coming Soon

Domestic Abuse services is holding a volunteer training program on **March 27th**, **April 10th**, **April 17th** and **April 24th** at St. Augustine's School, 2145 W. 8th Avenue, Vancouver from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. Registration deadline is March 19. For information or to register, please e-mail das_olgcs@telus.net; call 604.640.7549; 604.708.8402;

Retreat for Pastoral Care Ministry

On **April 21st** Archbishop Miller will be leading a retreat sponsored by the Catholic Health Association of BC for those who work and volunteer in the Pastoral Care Health ministry. Parishioners who visit the sick and the elderly in health care facilities and in their homes are encouraged to attend this half-day session at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Coquitlam. The focus of the Archbishop's talks will be Spe Salvi, Pope Benedict's encyclical on Christian Hope. The retreat starts with Mass at 9:00 am and will adjourn at noon. Cost \$25 per person. Pre-registration is required.

St. Paul's Parish Anniversary

Calling all former parishioners, students or staff of St. Paul's Richmond. Come join us as we celebrate the parish's 75th anniversary and the school's 50th. A barbecue, hosted by the school will be held on Friday **May 21st**. On Saturday (May 22) the 5pm Mass, concelebrated by the Archbishop and former pastors, will be followed by a banquet. Tickets are available at the rectory. Groups of 10 may reserve a table. On Sunday (May 23) at 1:00 pm there is an open house in the parish centre and school.

Spring Institute

Sponsored by the Office of Religious Education and 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 or call us at 604-683-0281.

Attend the First Ever Stewardship Gathering

Mark your calendar for **April 16th** at 7:00 pm for the first ever Archdiocesan stewardship gathering at St. Clare of Assisi Parish in Coquitlam. Anyone interested in learning about Stewardship is invited. The evening promises to be especially good for the novice, or anyone looking for basic information about stewardship. We will discuss what works, successes and challenges. There will be presentations and time for interaction followed by a wine and cheese reception – details will be forthcoming.

Come hear the Good News

Come hear the Good News about Pope John Paul's "Theology of the Body". Christopher West, the renowned author and speaker on John Paul's masterful insights into human life and love, is coming to Vancouver for the "Freedom to Love" Conference sponsored by Couples for Christ on Saturday, May 22, 2010, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm at Glad Tidings Church, Fraser Street, Vancouver. Registration fee is \$30 until March 31, and \$40 thereafter. Please call 604-270-9463 or email cfcvan@cfc.ca or log on to www.bc.cfc.ca to obtain a registration form.

A Lifeline for Marriage

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. 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 April 30, 2010, email 1009@retrouvaille.org; visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com; call 604-530-6710.