

JANUARY 7, 2018

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

“They knelt down and paid him homage.”

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“Arise, Shine for your light has come,” Isaiah says. He calls us to know God’s presence, God’s light on us, around us, and commands us to spread that light. Isaiah tells the people of Israel that the light of God’s blessing shines on them and beyond them. He sees nations streaming to them, attracted by God’s light.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia; Jerry Schaab; Ryan Lehwald; Kellie Marchak; Ian Wilson; Maria Amato; John Pollard; Edna Cachero; Tom Luxford; Marie Connor; Dominga Carrion; William Tam; Gloria Peralta; Ernesto Hidalgo; Almira Steeds; Joanne McLeod; Melody Carruthers; John William; Kay D; Cliff & Marion Maxwell; Shirley Papuc; Mike Peake; Louella D’Penha; John Burnell; Greg Hanna; Gloria & Cecilio Peralta; Walter Priller; Florence Victorino & Willie Cordeta.

If you have a relative who is sick in the hospital or at home, please let the rectory know so that we can arrange for a visit.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Jean Zerr

12-NOON CHOIR

The 12-noon choir is looking for choir members. If you enjoy serving through singing or playing musical instrument and are interested in joining our choir, please contact the Director, Lu Faron ph: 604.760.0060 or email: lufaron@yahoo.ca or Chi Medrano at 604.596.6508 or email: chi_medrano@yahoo.ca.

We practice every Sunday morning at 10am and usually have extra practice during Christmas and Lenten season. We encourage the members to attend practice and be present at the 12 noon Sunday Mass.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

‘Refusing to Recycle your Parents’ mistakes’ (Parenting the way God parents by Katherine Koonce) presentation by Joy Jose, Pastoral Counsellor on Saturday, Jan. 20 at 10am-11:30am in the Gathering Area. Free child care will be available on site. Registration by e-mail: jajasmns@gmail.com



 **LIFE TEEN**
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Next Life Night, Sun. Jan. 7, 7pm: “Epiphany Party”
This is our annual gift exchange and Christmas celebration. Please bring a wrapped \$5 gift. Please no food, gift certificates or money. But please do bring a festive snack to share!

Get your new calendar for Jan. - Jun. 2018 at the next Life Night!

NEW LIFE NIGHT SERIES: “ONE” starting next Sunday, January 14, 7pm in the Youth Room. This Life Night series unpacks what the Catholic Church means when she says she is pro-life; specifically discussing inherent human dignity, euthanasia, the death penalty, abortion, immigration, refugees, and the poor.

IC Life Teen is for all high school aged teens!

Follow us on Instagram, SnapChat, Twitter and Facebook! (iclifeteen)

For more information about Youth Ministry and Life Teen, please contact Faye

p: 604.785.6729 or e: icyouthmin@gmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Please come to the Gathering Area for the purchase of the Knights of Columbus "Charity Appeal" raffle tickets. Draw will take place on the weekend of January 13/14.

PARISH LIBRARY

"Every time you hear Mass in the state of grace, with devout attention and in a spirit of recollection, Our Lord, of His loving-kindness, makes you to participate in no less than 77 graces and fruits..."²For your salvation, the Holy Spirit changes bread and wine into the true Body and Blood of Christ." Visit the Library after Mass for your Catholic reading and movies! www.icparishlibrary.com

SANTO NINO – FEAST OF THE HOLY INFANT JESUS

Join us as we celebrate the feast of Santo Niño on Sunday, January 21 at the 4pm Mass. After Mass, a traditional procession will take place followed by a Potluck reception in the school Gym. For those who would like their statue of Santo Niño placed at the foot of the altar for blessing, please plan to arrive about 10 minutes before the start of the Mass. Food donation and volunteer sign-up sheets will be available in the Gathering Area.

LENTEN REFLECTION & MUSIC WITH FR. ROB GALEA

Our parish is hosting the Lenten Reflection and Music with Father Rob Galea on Saturday February 10 from 7pm to 9pm. Tickets are \$20 each. **However, we have an early bird special ticket of \$15 each which ends tomorrow, January 8.** Net proceeds will go to the building fund. Tickets are available after Sunday Masses or at the Parish office.



CWL

It's that time of year again! CWL membership payments are due for the year. Membership forms are available on our notice board. If you could, enclose the form and \$30.00 in an envelope with your name and phone number and either drop it off at the Parish office or in the Sunday collection basket. Thank you.

PREP NEWS

Parishioners who regularly attend the Saturday 5 pm mass, note our First Communion celebrations begins Saturday, January 13. All of our parish community is encouraged to share the journey with these young children and their families, keeping in mind these Masses will be busier than usual. Masses this year will be on Sat., Jan. 13, Feb. 17 & 24, and April 14 & 21, with First Holy Communion celebrated on Sunday, April 29. Our thanks to the parishioners who accommodate these special Masses and offer prayers for our parish children as they prepare to receive the Eucharist for the first time.



SERRA CLUB

We invite you to attend our Vocations Mass at 7pm on Thursday, January 11 at our parish. All are welcome. Fr. Rodney Nootebos, Vocations Director, is the celebrant.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES – 2018

Contribution envelopes for 2018 are available in the Gathering Area. If you would like a box of envelopes and one is not available for you, please PRINT your name on the list provided or call the Parish Office (604.591.2271). **These envelopes should be used effective January 1, 2018. Please DO NOT USE any of the 2017 or earlier contribution envelopes that you may have, please recycle them. Since the serial numbers on the boxes for each family changes every year, please put your full name & address on the first envelope you use.** Thank you.



I.C. PARISH – LENTEN MISSION

You are invited to attend the Lenten Mission at our parish from Sunday, February 11th to Wednesday, February 14th conducted by Redemptorist Fr. Eugene O'Reilly. Join us and allow Jesus Christ through the richness of His Word, to love you into fullness of life and a deep sense of personal well-being.

Please mark your calendars. More details to follow in the coming weeks.

WOMEN BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study will be starting the new year by having a social gathering after morning Mass on Wednesday, January 17. Come enjoy some fun, goodies and conversation with other women parishioners. We look forward to welcoming all women in the Gathering Area from 8:45am to 11:15am.

We will begin our new study, Zechariah 7-14 on Wednesday, January 24 after morning Mass.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISH - LIGHT OF JESUS FAMILY (LOJ)

Do you feel empty inside? Alone and in need of a community? The Feast is a monthly gathering of the Light of Jesus (LOJ) Family, aimed at celebrating and spreading God's love through worship and inspirational talks. We gather every second Friday of the month at the Mary Help of Christian hall of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 10460 139 St, Surrey, BC V3T 4L5 from 7pm to 9 pm. Light refreshments will be served.

Our next Feast will be on January 12th. We hope to see you there!! Be inspired! Be blessed! For inquiries call Allan @778.317.2413 or visit our website <http://www.loj-vancouver.com>

I.C. PARKING LOT

Please be reminded that the speed limit for our parking lot before, during and after school hours and during Mass times is 10km/h. Street speed limit on 88th is 30km/h. No vehicles should be parked near the curb around the Church area during Mass times as this causes blockage of other vehicles leaving the vicinity. Thank you.

I.C. CHANGE INITIATIVE

Please encourage your children to donate some of their loose change in the two boxes marked 'I.C. Change Initiative' located at the entrance of the church and the other next to Our Lady's statue. The proceeds will go towards our Parish Building Fund.