SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever welcomes one such child...... welcomes me.”

THIS WEEK

Fri. - Sept. 28  Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz-Celebration on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 12noon Mass followed by procession and prayers.
Wednesdays  Mass at 8:15am & 6:45pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help followed by Mass.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” (Mark 9:35) Jesus teaches us that we are called in Stewardship to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is “to make holy,” from the words “sacer”=sacred and “facere”=to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Creg Rosales; Ryan Lehwald; Kellie Marchak; Ian Wilson; Maria Amato; John Pollard; Edna Cachero; Almira Steeds; Melody Carruthers; Kay D; Shirley Papuc; Mike Peake; Louella D’Penha; Gloria & Cecilio Peralta; Darlene McHale; Helga & Bert Wolters; Dominga Carrion; Maria & Jose Santos; Jean Van Loo; Marie Connor; John William; Edward Chan & Bernardo Obregon.

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Anthony Wynne

MOMS & TOTS

There will be no Moms & Tots on Tuesday, September 25.

BAPTISMAL COURSE

The baptismal course will be held on Sunday, September 30 at 2pm in meeting rooms 2 & 3.

LEGION OF MARY FOR JUNIORS

Attention parents: The Legion of Mary meeting for Juniors will be held in meeting room #2 every Friday when school is on, from 3pm to 4pm. Newcomers are welcome too! Contact Molly Abraham at 604.597.3354.

Life Teen (High School):  Sun., Sept. 23, 7pm “Illuminate” Bring a friend to this fun night! Wear a white or neon shirt. Also, please wear runners.

Edge (Grade 6&7):  Wed., Sept. 26, 6:45pm -8:00pm “Minute to Win It” Show us your “under pressure skills” in this fun, challenging night. How will this be relevant to your faith? Let us show you! Bring a friend!

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

For more information about Youth Ministry, please contact Faye p: 604.785.6729 or e: icyouthmin@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING CO-ORDINATOR

The Parish is seeking an individual who is willing to take on the role of volunteer Screening Co-ordinator. The archdiocese, through its Safe Environment Policy, requires that volunteers who work with children and vulnerable adults be screened. Some working knowledge of Excel spreadsheets would be an asset. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Abundo.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The sponsorship for our refugee family is still on average processing time. Our visa office is relying on UNHCR determination in their eligibility assessment. All funds raised for this purpose is held in our Refugee Fund. We thank you for your patience and generosity regarding our program. Please keep our refugees in your prayers.

PREP NEWS

PREP HAS STARTED! If your child is in grades 1 to 7 but not enrolled Catholic school, the PREP program (Tuesdays 6:30pm-7:45pm) is where he/she will be prepared to receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation as well as be helped to grow in their faith at all grade levels. This year's Archdiocesan theme for Catholic education is "What Do You Ask of Me, Lord?" Are you being called to be intentional about helping children to embrace their Catholic Faith - either by registering your own children in the PREP program, encouraging other parents to enrol their child, or by being a volunteer? If your answer is YES, please contact the PREP coordinator, Jane Waldock at prep.icdelta@gmail.com or call/text 778.997.4672.
Everyone is invited to the September Breeze Dinner and Dance on Friday, September 28 at 7pm – late night. Dinner tickets are $30/each and are on sale after each Mass. There will be entertainment for the evening, great food and Drinks, Raffle, DJ, Photo Wall, Door Prizes and Best Dressed Awards. We will have our raffle items displayed in the Gathering Area. Raffle tickets are 1 for $2, 3 for $5 and 7 for $10.

We are still looking for sponsors, donors and volunteers to make this another successful event. Signup sheets are available in the Gathering Area. Please support this event - a fundraising for the needs of our much-awaited IC Adoration Chapel.

For more details please contact Chi Medrano at 604.596.6508 or chi_medrano@yahoo.ca.

**GREETERS NEEDED**

We need volunteers to welcome people outside our church as they arrive. Please contact Margaret Taddei at mtaddei@telus.net if you are interested in helping 15 minutes before Saturday-5pm, Sunday-12noon or 4pm Masses.

**INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MASS**

October 15 is National Infant Loss Awareness Day. On that day, we remember our little ones who have gone too soon. Archbishop Miller will be celebrating Mass at the Evangelist Chapel at the Gardens of Gethsemani. We will light up the cemetery in their honour, so please come and join us on Monday, October 15 at 7pm.

**ST. FAUSTINA’S FEAST DAY**

First Friday Mass in honour of St. Faustina, Apostle of the Divine Mercy. Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction after Mass on Friday, October 5 at 8am at St. James Church, Abbotsford.

**COUPLES CONNECT: A DEEPER BOND**

Couples Connect: A Deeper Bond is a 6-week workshop to help couples better understand each other and develop a deeper connection. October 4, 11, 25, November 1, 8 & 15 from 7pm-9pm at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Port Coquitlam. Cost: $40.

cav.org/event/couples-connect-a-deeper-bond.

**I.C. PARISH WEBSITE**

This bulletin can be accessed through our website at icdelta.ca.

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**PROJECT ADVANCE UPDATE**

Our participation rate is at 26.2% which is 477 families participating out of 1821. Follow-up letters were sent September 5 to appeal for your participation and generosity. Thank you for your support.

**COAST TO COAST ROSARY**

Inviting all parishioners to join in a World-Wide Clarion Call for Peace by praying the Rosary on the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary on Sunday, October 7 at 1pm in our church (right after the 12noon Mass).

**HOLY CROSS BOYS BASKETBALL**

The tryout for the Holy Cross Junior Crusader Boys Basketball Team will be held at the Holy Cross gym on Friday, September 28, 6-8pm & Saturday September 29, 10am-12noon. If you are a boy in grade 4-7 and thinking about attending Holy Cross High School in the future, you are eligible for tryout. There will be 1 or 2 practice a week and one game a week. The tryout is free.

**7TH ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP’S DINNER**

Archbishop Miller has designated the proceeds for the Annual Archbishop’s Dinner to support the training of permanent deacons for the service of our Archdiocese. Dinner is on Tuesday, October 30 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Tickets are $175 each. For further details or reservation, please call Lennie David at 604.594.7296.

**PET BLESSING**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish:** Bring your pets for special blessing in honour of St. Francis of Assisi who was known for his love of animals. On Saturday, September 29 at 2pm. For more info, please call the parish office at 604.255.8855.

**St. Clare of Assisi Parish, Coquitlam:** Bring your pets to be blessed on Sunday, October 7 at 2pm. We will be accepting donations of cash, pet food, collars, leashes, old towels and any other pet supplies which will be given to a local animal shelter.

**THANK YOU**

A big thank you to all who supported the summer ice cream sale. A total amount of $1,300 was raised and will be used to support the activities of the Bridging Generations outreach program.

**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.