



**PRAYER CORNER**

Lord Jesus Christ, You have triumphed over the grave and You have won for us new life and resurrection power. Give me the eyes of faith to see You in Your glory. Help me to draw near to You and to grow in the knowledge of Your great love for us and Your great victory over sin and death.

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION**

Regular Sunday Collection – \$9,145.656  
Building Fund Collection – \$1,763.90

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- 15 RIP(9pm) Jessica Lalonde / Janine Huntley
- 16 RIP(9am) Laurent Bruneau / Diane Bloxham & family
- 16 INT(10:30) Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners both living and deceased
- 16 RIP(12:30) Maria E. & Gustavo Vizcarra / The Granados family
- 17 RIP Laurette Leonard / Marianne Sephton
- 18 RIP Walter Gutierrez / The Gutierrez family
- 19 RIP Sherrill Weeks / Marianne Sephton
- 20 RIP Constanza Cotturone / Our Lady of Fatima School
- 21 RIP Gil Braconnier / Anita Braconnier
- 22 RIP Walter Harris / Rosemarie Bakker
- 22 RIP(5pm) Earncy & Zakariah Fernandez
- 23 RIP(9am) Laurent Bruneau / Emilienne & Donald
- 23 RIP(10:30) Ethan Denum / Our Lady of Fatima School
- 23 INT(5pm) Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners both living and deceased

**Congratulations and God bless the following Candidates and Catechumens who received the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil**

**Baptism / First Communion / Confirmation**

Vivian Valancius Xiangou Lai  
Hwaim Park Hyun Jung Choi  
Samantha Brady Ruddens Bosse

**Confirmation**

Alexander Forseille

**Baptism**

Olivia Valancius Kayle Yang  
Katherine Yang Yena Kim  
Hana Kim Chloe Yui Ham

Amelia Bosse



**DISCALCED CARMELITE SECULAR ORDER**

You are invited to the annual info meeting where you will learn about the vocation to the Discalced Carmelite Secular Order. Grow in holiness by way of Carmelite spirituality. On Thurs, May 6, from 1:30-2:30pm at All Saints Church. For more info, visit [www.ocdswest.ca](http://www.ocdswest.ca) or contact 778-861-5446.

**MARCH FOR LIFE**

Thursday, May 11—Victoria—watch this space for more info.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST:**

The Knights of Columbus are serving their delicious breakfast on Sunday, April 23. Bring your family, friends and hearty appetite for a bargain meal and parish get together. Family \$20; youth or adult \$6; senior \$5; children up to 11 \$3. Join us after the 9am and 10:30am Masses. See you there.



**THANK YOU!**

To all our faithful 'Sweet' supporters, our Purdy's Easter Fundraising raised enough to cover 8 chaperones for next Spirit Day. Enjoy your treats and Happy Easter! Fatima Youth

**THE WILD GOOSE IS COMING TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

If you allow Him, the Wild Goose will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Holy Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, and peace. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God.



The Wild Goose Catholic series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom. Starting May 3 at 7:30pm in the church hall. No charge to attend but you need to register at 778-998-8098.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**

"I thought I was okay, but I came anyway, and as the retreat progressed I thought 'Okay that's great, I'm alright now.' And then I would realize, 'Oh ... no I'm not.' It was absolutely necessary. This was so important for me to do. I am glad I did." ~Testimonial from a Rachel's Vineyard retreatant~



Come open the doors of your heart to God and let Him make sure you are more than okay. Let Him love you and restore you to whom He created you to be. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat. Next retreat is May 2017. For confidential information and to register call 604-525-0999.

**ESTATE BASICS & MEMORIAL PLANNING**

Here at this parish on Thurs, May 4 at 7pm in the church hall. This presentation by the Archdiocese of Vancouver Catholic Cemeteries will help you gather your thoughts before you write your first will or prepare to update your current will. To register, visit [www.rccav.org/events/93](http://www.rccav.org/events/93). For more info please contact Gardens of Gethsemani at 604-531-2141 or visit [rccav.org](http://rccav.org).

**CONSIDER INCREASING YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING**

Please consider the increasing costs needed to operate our parish. Apart from paying the bills your offertory gifts help make the many ministries and support programs in our parish possible. Most importantly, you help maintain a place of worship for you and your family to use each week. As God blesses us each year with many gifts, please consider recognizing the needs of the parish with a sacrificial increase in your weekly gift. Thank you



**RETRouvaille WEEKEND FOR COUPLES**

The weekend of April 21-23 in the Vancouver area—"Matrimony: A calling to forgive". For more info about the weekend contact Marc and Candice Tews at 604-530-6710 or visit the website: <http://www.retrouvaillevancouver.com/>

**OPEN HOUSE AT GARDENS OF GETHSEMANI**

Come for the annual open house at the Gardens of Gethsemani, your Catholic cemetery. Come and explore the grounds with informative tours. Family advisers will be on hand to assist you with your arrangements. On Fri, Apr 21 and Sat, Apr 22 from 9-5pm at Gardens of Gethsemani, Surrey. For more info, contact Terry Whiteley at 604-531-2141 or visit [rccav.org](http://rccav.org).

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

### Registration

We are now taking registrations for Our Lady of Fatima Vacation Bible School (VBS) for children ages 4-11. Forms can be picked up at the school or parish offices. VBS will run from July 17-21 from 9am-12 noon each day at the hall and school. The theme this year is "A Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments, Jesus in My Heart". It is jam packed with great songs, crafts, snacks, and FUN activities to help the children grow in their Catholic faith. The cost is \$60 per child or \$145 per family (with three or more children), and includes a CD per family and a t-shirt per child. Get your registration in early as space is limited. Registration closes Thursday, June 16.



### Helpers Needed

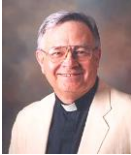
For this event to be successful we need dedicated people to help in various ways—everything from setting up and decorating, greeting families, taking pictures, sending out email reminders to leading a group, station or craft. If you can help in any capacity or have questions about VBS, please email Silvia Dunbar at sadunbar98@outlook.com.

### SPRING INSTITUTE

Discover the beauty of the faith through one day sessions at the Archdiocesan Spring Institute. Sat, April 29, from 10am-4pm at Holy Cross Secondary School, Surrey. Cost for full-day course: \$40 (before Apr 24) or half-day course: \$20 (before Apr 24). Lunch included. Register & more info, <http://rcav.org/oc-spring>

### BIBLE STUDY

Noted Biblical scholar Fr. Jim Nisbet—The Acts of the Apostles (completion) and The Book of Revelation—Apr 28-30—Fri 7-9pm and Sat & Sun 9am-5pm—St. Mary's Parish, Van. For more info and to register call Adrian at 604-380-2575.



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### Archdiocese of Vancouver

►Parish Administrative Assistant—F/T—Holy Cross Parish, Bby. The ability to create an environment of hospitality for all those who enter or call the office is a vital part of this role. Deadline April 21.

All information at the Archdiocesan website [rcav.org](http://rcav.org)

### GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY



The Good Shepherd Ministry is a Catholic outreach ministry located at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Vancouver, and supported by Catholic Charities. Street teams walk a planned route each evening and offer those they meet in the Downtown Eastside a small candy bag with a Bible verse or personal

note of inspiration. The goal of Good Shepherd Ministry is to introduce the beauty, power and comfort of prayer to those they meet in the Downtown Eastside. Volunteers are from parishes and schools all over the Lower Mainland, and young students from many of our elementary schools supply us the handwritten notes and candy bags. To learn more about this ministry, visit [vancouvergoodshepherd.com](http://vancouvergoodshepherd.com)

### ADULT CONTINUING EDUCATION



Continuing education sessions are being offered every Friday from 7-9pm in the parish library. It is free of charge and delivered by presentations and a "Visual walk through the Bible". Light refreshments will be served.

## ECO MINISTRY

### Rogation Day Fair

Come celebrate the return of spring! Bring your own garden seeds to be blessed at Mass, then enjoy some fellowship time with refreshments and interactive displays. Sunday, May 7 following both morning Masses.



### Meat-Free Friday

Don't forget to put in your order for this month's meal, Chickpea & Eggplant Moroccan Stew. Order and payment deadline extended to April 16 for Easter. Order today at [ecofatima.weebly.com](http://ecofatima.weebly.com)

### Green Tip

The return of spring reminds us that new life always comes after the darkness. Praise God for the new blossoms, which are symbols of our Easter hope in the Resurrection.

### DONATE BLOOD

As a Community Partner of the Canadian Blood Services, the Archdiocese of Vancouver has been asked to help raise awareness of the importance of donating blood. Giving blood is one of the most direct ways you can help someone. Consider making an appointment and attend one of the blood donor clinics:



- Sun, Apr 16, 9:30am-4:30pm at Place Maillardville, Coq
  - Mon, Apr 17, from 1pm-8pm at the Chinese Community Church, Port Coquitlam
  - Every Tues, Wed, Thurs, from 8am-2pm at 888 Dunsmuir St., 2nd Floor, Vancouver
- Make your appointment online at [www.blood.ca](http://www.blood.ca) or by calling 1-888-2 DONATE (1-888-236-6283)

### PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

The directories are available at the parish office. \$10 each.

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**PRAYERS** are requested for: Lucienne Albert, Romilda Ang, Gary Arbeider, Rella Audette, Jaime & Eleanore Awa, Henriette Bernardin, Mona Bouchard, Shawn Bouchard, Elaine Bro, Lena Chabot, Lisa Chan, Chase, Jeanine Ching, Dave Clifford, Felicidad Co, Jackie Connors, Nora Criss, Rev. Guy Delionnet, Ken Dorval, Jessica Elabassy, Sid Fehr, Anne Gibson, Taylor Hamelin, Claudette Heino, Amalia Hightower, Sylvia Ingalls, Doris Javier, Jasmine, Nicole, Jeannine, Breanne Kelly, Aurea Kugler, Gonzague Leonard, Norma, Joey Pacis, Bernice Parker, Dianne Paxton, Karen Peterson, Hilda Ramos, Aurelie Roy, Roger S., Paul Sanchez, Rob Schmuck, Lukas Sturgess, Tania Sutanto, Lillian Svensson, Noemi Talabis, Chris Weston, Amanda Wong, Helen Wong, Cheryl & Larry Wunderlich, Dianne Young.

### MEDITATION ON THE GOSPEL

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One thing is certain, if Jesus had not risen from the dead and appeared to His disciples, we would never have heard of Him. Nothing else could have changed sad and despairing men and women into people radiant with joy and courage. The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of the Christian faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know Him and the power of His resurrection. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Christ and to know Him personally as our Lord and Savior. Do you accept the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection with skeptical doubt and disbelief or with trusting faith and joyful wonderment?





