

**January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Stewardship Reflection**

*“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” (Nehemiah 8:10)* Ezra’s instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.

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**University Mass 2019: “let it be done to me according to your word.” (Lk 1:8)**

Archbishop Miller, in partnership with the community of Simon Fraser University, cordially invites university and college communities to the University Mass. All students, faculty, and staff with their families from public and private post-secondary institutions are invited to this annual Mass on Saturday, Feb. 9, at 7 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Confessions start at 6 p.m. A performance on vocation and fellowship in Holy Rosary hall will follow the Mass. *To download the poster, visit <https://rcav.org/event/university-mass-2019>*



***Come Join Us!***

***Sunday, Feb 3rd at 8pm***

Twilight Mass is our little way at Immaculate to evangelize the many within our families and city who are seeking deeper meaning in lives and wandering in the hope of finding a faith community for their lives.

***On Feb-3rd, acclaimed jazz pianist Doug Louie will be joining us to lead some gospel singing at the Twilight Mass. Please join us at 7:30pm for pre-mass songs, and at 8pm for Mass.***

***We Look Forward to Seeing You! All Are Welcome!***

**Next ICS School Mass: Feb 6 at 9:00am**

It is always wonderful to have Parents and grandparents joining us at our monthly school Mass. Your presence means a lot to your children and it is a moving experience to behold our school community at Mass.



**Wednesday, January 30 at 7pm**

**Taize  
Prayer Service**

***Singing – Hearing – Silence – Meditation - Praying***



Join us for an evening of Taize prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church on **Wednesday, January 30 from 7-8:15pm.** Taize is a unique form of Christian prayer that involves song, silence, and contemplation – come try it out! **Further Taize services will take place at the same time on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month through June.**

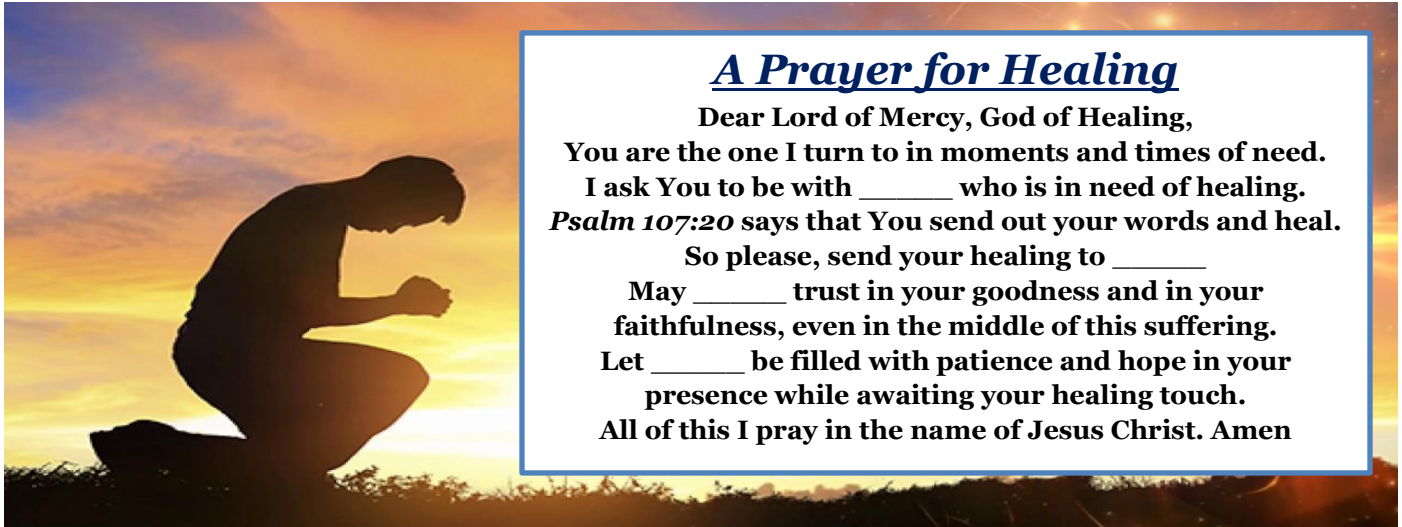
***Are You or Someone You Know Thinking About Becoming Catholic?***

***R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:***

If you are an adult and find yourself pondering about Baptism, Holy Communion or Confirmation, these sessions are for you! Often time the call to become a Catholic begins with ‘wonderings and ponderings’ within our minds. If you have wonderings and ponderings about things Catholic join us for our RCIA sessions. The sessions are informal and planned around your questions and life situation. We will meet on Friday, Feb 1 at 7:30pm in the front lounge at the parish center. For more information, please contact Fr. Paul at 604-224-5678.



**A Journey in  
Faith**



**A Prayer for Healing**

**Dear Lord of Mercy, God of Healing,  
You are the one I turn to in moments and times of need.  
I ask You to be with \_\_\_\_\_ who is in need of healing.  
Psalm 107:20 says that You send out your words and heal.  
So please, send your healing to \_\_\_\_\_  
May \_\_\_\_\_ trust in your goodness and in your  
faithfulness, even in the middle of this suffering.  
Let \_\_\_\_\_ be filled with patience and hope in your  
presence while awaiting your healing touch.  
All of this I pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen**

**Tax receipts for 2018** will be available around the middle of Feb. They will be sent to you by mail. If you have moved please contact Kathy at the Parish Office 604-224-5678 to update your address or notify us via email: [sec@icvancouver.ca](mailto:sec@icvancouver.ca) Thank you for your cooperation.

**St. Patrick's Regional Secondary School** A friendly reminder that if you are interested in applying for the 2019-20 school year (Grade 8-12), please remember to submit your completed applications at the school by Wednesday, Feb 13.



**Immaculate Conception School Open House** It was wonderful to see so many attending our school's Open House on Jan 23. If you missed the school's Open House please contact our school office as soon as possible (604)224-5012 to pick up an application package. We are accepting applications from Kindergarten to Grade 7 for the 2019-2020 School year.


**A Thank You Note from Prison Ministry** – Thank you everyone who donated cards and calendars for the men and women in prison. They were so grateful to be able to send cards to loved ones at Christmas. – Lois



***Grace is Unlimited***

We as human beings are frail and foolish.  
We have been told that grace is to be found in the universe.  
But in our human foolishness and short-sightedness,  
We imagine divine grace to be finite,  
and for this reason we tremble.  
But the moment comes when our eyes are opened,  
and we see that grace is infinite.  
Grace demands nothing from us but that we wait in  
confidence and acknowledge it with gratitude.  
Grace makes no conditions  
and singles out none of us in particular.  
Grace takes us all to its bosom  
and proclaims a general amnesty.  
– Isak Dinesen

**Parish Sunday Coffee after the 10am Mass**

 Thank you again for everyone who volunteered to help with our Parish Sunday Coffee. You provide a great opportunity for new parishioners to meet with the community. This weekly 'social' is a wonderful time for us to get to know more about each other and to share our faith. There is a sign-up sheet in the Jesuit Room. Thank you for being a part of this ministry.