

December 16th, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent



Giving is a popular topic of conversation this time of year. There is joy in giving. When we give in gratitude to God for the many gifts He has given us, it enriches the experience of giving a gift. When gratitude is behind our giving, joy always accompanies the gift. Joy radiates from giving and it multiplies. It is more than giving to a need; and it is needing to give.

Stewardship Reflection

“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.” Philippians 4:6 St. Paul reminds us that our God is an abundant God, the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. When we trust that God will take care of us, it is easier for us to share what we have been given.

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Christmas & New Year Office Hours:

Thursday, Dec 20 – 9:00am to 12:00noon
Parish office will be closed from Friday, Dec 21 to Wednesday, Jan 2. We will reopen on Thursday, Jan 3.
May your holidays be filled with God’s love, joy and peace

Project Advance 2018 – Have you made your pledge for this year yet?

Live Gratefully, Give Generously – We need to bring The Light of Hope to Others!



It is the major fundraiser that we have as Roman Catholics to enable us to do the ministry that Jesus asks from us as the Church. Thank you to those who have made a gift. Your gift is a sign that you value Immaculate and want to support the outreach we do in the name of Jesus. With your support, we have exceeded our

Archdiocesan goal and the funds we raise now will rebate to Immaculate, which enables us to bring the presence of Jesus’ love to others. Donations can be made through the Parish office, drop off at Mass or contribute online at www.rcav.org.

Tax receipts will be issued for donations received by Dec 27, 2018. If you have not yet made a gift it is not too late!! We thank you for your generosity and your prayerful support.



★ Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Monday, Dec 24

4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm & 10 pm Mass

** The 10pm Mass is our Traditional Midnight Mass*

Christmas Day - Tuesday, Dec 25

10:30 am & 12 noon Mass



New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day

New Year’s Eve - Monday, Dec 31

4 pm Mass

New Year’s Day – Tuesday, Jan 1

10:00 am & 11:30 am Mass





Immaculate Conception
V A N C O U V E R

**Immaculate Conception School
OPEN HOUSE**

January 23rd, 2019 / 6:30 – 8:00pm

Come Discover Why ICS Catholic Elementary Is For You

Accepting applications for Kindergarten to Grade 7 for the 2019-2010 School Year.

For more information please contact the school office at (604)224-5012 or email: office@icschoolvancouver.com



Family Skate The Knights of Columbus are bringing back the New Year's Eve ice skating and hot chocolate on **Dec. 31st**. We have rented the ice at Kitsilano from 1:00 pm – 2:30pm on December 31st and would like to invite all the families to come and skate for free!! Rentals are also included. We hope to see you there! All are welcome!



Come Join Us for this great Parish Event!

❖ Donations for 2018

Please drop off any donations at the Parish office by Dec 27 at noon or put in the collection basket when you come for Mass by Dec 31 if you would like to have it receipted for 2018.

You can now E-Transfer your donations to the Parish to our Parish Accounting email:
IC_Accounting@shaw.ca / Password: *ICParish*
We thank you for your generosity and support!

2019 Sunday Envelopes are available for pick up from the Parish Center. Please refrain from using your envelopes from previous years as your number may have changed. If you were not assigned a box of envelope for 2019 and would like to have one, please contact Kathy at the parish office.

Thank you to everyone who came out to our annual IC Parish Women's Potluck Dinner on Dec 10. Everyone had fun and good times. *A big Thank You to the ladies who organized this wonderful event!*



**Last Day of School at Immaculate
is Friday, Dec 21**

May our students and their families be blessed with a joyful Christmas holiday and holy-days!



Turkey Dollars The Knights of Columbus are collecting Turkey Dollars as offered by Stongs Market

to deliver turkeys to Catholic Charities and to the Covenant House during Christmas time. A collection box is located at the Church entrance. Thank you!

Thank You A big Thank You to each and every one of you who support The Knights' Winter Coats Collection which helps different Catholic charities to distribute winter clothing to the needy. Great Job!

Archbishop's Annual Mass for Life

Join us as we celebrate life on Friday, Dec. 28, at Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver. Rosary begins at 11:30 a.m. and Mass is at 12:10 p.m.

Condolences As a Parish family we are saddened to hear of the death of †Benjamin Ramos. He is the father of our school staff Jean Ramos. Eternal rest grant unto †Benjamin, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May our Blessed Mother Mary comfort Jean and her family as they go through this difficult time.

Parish Sunday Coffee Thank you to all of you who volunteer for our coffee gatherings after the 10am Mass on Sundays. This presents an opportunity for new parishioners to meet others in our community. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Jesuit Room for January. We thank you for your continued support!