

*“For whoever is not against us is for us.”*



**September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Twilight Mass: Sunday, Oct 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm**



Our popular Twilight Mass will resume on Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. This monthly Twilight Mass is an attempt to reach out and to embrace the many among us who are seeking meaning in life. Catholic Seekers & Wanderers - come get together for worship, singing and faith sharing. All are welcome!

**❖ Immaculate Conception Parish Parish Religious Education Program**

Our religious formation classes are offered for boys and girls in Grades 1-7 who are not in Catholic Schools. We gather together in the Parish Center every Tuesday afternoons between 4-5pm. If your child is in Grade 2 they will be prepared to celebrate their First Holy Communion as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Those children in Grade 7 will be prepared to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our first class started Tuesday September 25 and we are still taking registration. Please contact the Parish office (604)224-5678 to register.



**Wedding Bells:** Let us rejoice with Hugo & Teri from our Parish who were married at Immaculate on Saturday Sep 22. The wedding gathered together family and friends from Indonesia, Germany, North Carolina, California, Toronto and beyond... May Teri and Hugo be blessed in their family life, have solace in their friendships and enjoy deep peace with everyone as they journey together as husband and wife.

**❖ Week Day Mass Times: 11 am, Tuesday to Friday**

**Dying Healed** hosted by Vancouver's Life Community - 3 evenings: Wednesday Oct. 10, to Friday Oct. 12, 7-9 p.m., at St. John the Apostle, Vancouver. This is a preparatory training and volunteer recruitment program for those who would like to spend time with the elderly, ill, disabled, and dying. Understand concepts such as human dignity, the purpose and meaning of human suffering, and the power of human presence. The presentation also walks us through the practical aspects of volunteering to visit those who are lonely, disabled, or home-bound. Sign up for the workshops today! Cost: \$45/person. For more information, call 604-733-6266.

**Immaculate Conception Parish Breakfast**  
**Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Breakfast to be served after All Masses**



**Come and enjoy a family breakfast and join us at our school OPEN HOUSE.**



**Let the joy of God fill your heart and soul as you walk through our Seismically Upgraded School for our precious little ones.**

**A Reflection**  
**Treasuring our 'Little Ones'**



Jesus condemned those who lead the little ones astray, but blessed those who care for them.

Children are extremely vulnerable.

They are like crocuses that appear in the open in February – frail, delicate, beautiful creatures .. innocent in an unpredictable climate.

If embraced by the sun, they will bloom to their full potential.

But if they are assailed by hail, they will die a premature death.

Love is to a child what sunshine is to a flower.

May the Lord, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, strengthen and support our family with His grace.

May God confirm our hearts in holiness so that we may be blameless in His sight.

May we live in such a way that our family be an example for others.



## Faith Enrichment Evening for School Parents: Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7-9 pm in the Jesuit Room

This Wednesday the Parish is once again offering a 'Faith and Human Formation' session in the Jesuit Room at the Parish

Center. (The school moms and dads who attended the first session in the series found it well worth their while). This series offers both solid faith information and faith sharing opportunities in order to make our Faith relevant to our lives and to encourage us in our personal and family situations. As our personal Faith is enriched we ensure that the Faith we hand on to our children is relevant to them as they grow in stature and wisdom.

Come join us in this great adventure of growing our personal Faith and making faith relevant for our children.

Facilitators: Mrs. Ginger Eckert, Mrs. Joey Aleksich, Mr. Keldon Formosa, Fr. Paul ofm

## Philosophy of the Human Person

Jay Irwin – a young Philosopher in our parish family will be offering a course on the 'Philosophy of the Human Person' for 6 Saturday mornings (2-hour sessions) this fall here at Immaculate.



### **First Session: Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-11:30am**

These morning sessions will help us to have a fuller appreciation of the dignity and value of the human person (who we are). If you are a university student, a parent raising children, in the midst of beginning a life career, changing careers or in the midst of a mid-life crisis – join us for these Saturday morning reflections. They are sure to awaken and refresh fullness of mind, soul and heart within you. There is a registration sheet at the back of the Church and at the parish office. For further information please contact the parish office.

**LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY** welcomes all prospective 2019-2020 candidates and their families to an **OPEN HOUSE** on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 from 6:00–8:00 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Welcome Address starts at 6:00 pm in the auditorium (1625 Nanton Avenue in Vancouver) and is followed by guided tours. For more information and online application, please visit our website ([www.lfabc.org](http://www.lfabc.org)) or contact Kathi Wilson at [wilsonk@lfabc.org](mailto:wilsonk@lfabc.org) or 604-738-9016 ext. 114.

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## Stewardship Reflection

Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. (Mark 9:41) Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? -Copyright © 2018 Archdiocese of St. Louis

## Catholic Mass Readings - The Word Among Us

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