

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12th, 2017

Stewardship Reflection:

“Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

- Matthew 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay; how is God calling you to use your gifts today?

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Letter from the Archbishop

Please take a few minutes to read and pray the Pastoral Letter that Archbishop Miller has sent out to all of us as Roman Catholics. The Pastoral Letter is in regards to the legalization in Canada of euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide. The Archbishop is inviting us to discern the moral implications of such a law and how such a law diminishes the sanctity and dignity of life.

Gold Mass for Scientists

Are you a researcher, scientist, or interested in science? A Gold Mass for scientists will be celebrated at St. Mark's Parish at UBC on Friday, Nov. 17 at 5:30 pm with Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, as main celebrant. Light refreshments will be served after Mass. All are welcome to attend. rcav.org/event/gold-mass-for-scientists/

Reverently Laying to Rest Service

A service for families who have had cremated remains at home for more than one year. This is a no-cost service to intern remains in a communal crypt. We will have a small service in the chapel and a committal service in the mausoleum. Contact Terry Whiteley at 604-531-2141. Final arrangements must be completed no later than Nov. 17. Space is limited.

❖ *Thank you to all the 'new & regular faces' who came to join us at our monthly Twilight mass this past weekend. May the Spirit of God be with you all.*

All Souls Mass 2017

As a Parish family let us continue to pray for all who have died over this past year in our families and parish. It was a blessing to have so many families return to Immaculate and join in our Parish's All Souls Mass. May our prayers and holy remembering this month comfort all who grieve and fill our souls with the Peace of Christ. Our prayer intentions for all who have died will be remembered at all of our November Masses.

Special Blessings to all who prepared for our All Souls Mass and reception this year.

Eternal rest grant unto all who have died, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Condolences and Prayers

As a Parish we extend our prayers to the McGivern family. Dr. Edward McGivern died this past week. He lived a full life. His family and caregivers watched over him as his health diminished...he was blessed to die in his home with family by his side. As a Parish family we especially know his son David who is a lector at the 5pm Mass. The Funeral Mass will be Saturday, Nov 18 at 11am. (No reception after the Funeral Mass)

Project Advance: Live Gratefully, Give Generously

Thank you to those who have responded to this year's Project Advance. Participation in Project Advance shows that we are striving to live the Gospel; people working and giving together, helping to make our community and lives richer through faith and service. This annual appeal makes our parishes vital communities and enables us to reach out to those who are struggling and marginalized. Every gift of Project Advance matters and usually fills your soul with the joy of God. So please make your contribution or pledge today if you have not done so. It's never too late. Tax receipts will be issued for donations received before Dec31, 2017. There are forms available at the back of the church or you can donate online at www.rcav.org/giving, or contact the parish office.



Saturday, December 2 from 8:30am – 1pm

SAVE THE DATE for our old-fashioned Christmas Fair! This year we will be introducing the Christmas Marketplace where there will be gift items of all kinds. If you are able to donate handmade crafts – Christmas ornaments, handknits, jams & jellies and other handcrafted items – or if you have a business making/selling handcrafted items and would like to book a table in our Marketplace – please contact Kim Jacob (778)994-9785 or kimberly.jacob@hotmail.com. Home baking donations are also very much appreciated, closer to the date – please contact Kim for more information. Our Raffle Ticket sellers will be at the masses on Nov 18, 19, 25, 26. Thanks for supporting our school!

NES Conference 2017: Setting Hearts Ablaze

What keeps you from sharing your faith? Ministry leaders and members involved in evangelistic and discipleship ministries are invited to participate in a one-day conference with worship, fellowship, and inspiring speakers who will describe how to step out in faith and share the joy of the Gospel. *Setting Hearts Ablaze* will be held Saturday, Nov. 18, at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre from 9am – 4:30pm. Register at rcav.org/ablaze or on Facebook at [NES 2017: Settings Hearts Ablaze](#)

The Seniors Group at Immaculate Conception Parish invites you to a Remembrance Day Sing-A-Long which will be held from 1:30-3:30pm on November 13 in the Jesuit Room. Music by Ed Gacek. Come prepared to sing. Song sheets will be provided. Refreshments will be served. Admission: \$5 per person. Donations will be made to several charities. Contact Anne at (604)291-8378 for details. **All Are Welcome!**

 **Mark Your Calendars**

- Nov 13 - Seniors' Social**
(Contact Anne 604-2918378)
- Dec 2 - Immaculate Conception School X'mas Fair**
- Dec 3 - First Sunday of Advent**
- Dec 4 at 7pm - Advent Confessions**
- Dec 5 - IC Women Christmas Potluck**
- Dec 8 - Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception**

Franciscan Begging!

We have a young family (in our parish) who needs a place to live for a year. Due to life circumstances (studies) they have minimal resources to secure regular accommodation. As a Parish community (their extended family), is there someone among us who has a basement apartment or another option of housing where this family could stay for a year? Let's storm heaven in prayer for them. Perhaps you or someone you know has an apartment they could use? May the Lord inspire you to give a roof over a holy family. I pray to God that as a parish we can reach out and journey with this family. For more info please contact me – Fr. Paul or email the parish office.

Holy Name of Jesus Parish CWL Craft Fair

Sat & Sun - Nov 18 & 19 at 10am-1pm

Nov 18: Bake Sale & Tea Garden

Nov 19: Pancake Breakfast

Lots of items to choose from for Christmas shopping!

Chalice Christmas Catalogue

If you want more information about the Chalice catalogue in this weekend's bulletin please contact Caroline at (604)266-0371.



As we are approaching the end of 2017, the parish office is going to prepare the 2018 Sunday envelopes soon. Please kindly update your contact info with Kathy at the parish office. Thanks for your cooperation.