



**October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Stewardship Reflection

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

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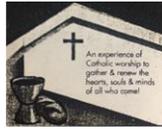


**Autumn Leaves:** While Autumn leaves are beautiful they end up making our sidewalks slippery once they become soggy. It would be wonderful if our Parishioners (high school students and adults) would help themselves to the outside brooms and help us sweep up the leaves. Even though we have a company that does this weekly along with regular parishioners, it is impossible to keep up with leaf removal. It can be a labor of love for your brothers and sisters in Christ.



All Are Welcome 8 pm mass Oct 14 Nov 4 Dec 2

### Twilight Mass: Sunday, Oct 14th at 8:00 pm



Our popular Twilight Mass will resume on Oct 14th. 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!



### Archbishop's Pastoral Visit:

As a Parish we are blessed to have Archbishop Miller come for a Pastoral visit on Thursday, Nov 8 to Sunday, Nov 11. It will be an opportunity for him as our Shepherd to spend time with us in the setting of our parish and school family.

### ❖ Parish Religious Education Program

Our PREP are offered for boys and girls in Grades 1-7 who are not in Catholic Schools. We gather every Tuesday afternoons between 4-5pm. If you wish to have your child prepare and receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion (Grade 2) or Confirmation (Grade 7) this year, please contact the Parish office (604)224-5678 to register.

### Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

As a Parish let us express a huge note of appreciation to the Knights of Columbus for hosting last Sunday's Blueberry Pancake Breakfast. You could tell it was a labor of love by the smiles on their faces as they flipped the pancakes and made up the plate – they graciously served over 220 breakfasts! We also want to acknowledge the other men from the parish who joined ranks with the Knights and who helped set up, whip up, serve up and clean up.

*If you are not a Knight consider becoming one – their fellowship is a great blessing to all who belong.*



## **All Souls' Day Mass – Friday, November 2 at 7:00 PM**

At this Mass we invite the families who had a funeral Mass at Immaculate over this past year to gather and to pray for their loved one who died. The name of your loved one will be prayed aloud and the family is invited to bring up a Prayer Candle in their memory. We provide the candle.

If you had an immediate family member die this past year but the funeral was elsewhere you are also invited to remember them at this Mass. Their name will be prayed aloud and you are invited to bring up a candle in their memory. (Please contact Kathy in the parish office to let us know their names and when they died).

Other parishioners who come to the Mass will be given a Prayer Card and invited to write down the names of their loved ones who died over the years. You will be invited to bring your Prayer Card up to the Altar where they will remain for the month of November and remembered at all of the Masses.



**R.C.I.A – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** Later this month we are hoping to begin Faith Information and Formation sessions for men and women both inside and out of the Parish who carry a desire within their mind and soul to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

R.C.I.A is an informal process to help men and women discern why Religion is important and relevant in our personal life, family life and in our society. We will be meeting every other Friday from 7:30-8:30pm. For those who are interested please contact the Parish office and leave us your name, number and email address so that we can be in contact with you.

If you have a family member or friend who asks questions about God, Prayer and Faith, perhaps you could come with them to the sessions. Often times people are simply waiting to be asked... - Peace and all Good Fr. Paul ofm

**The Anna and Simeon Group – A Parish Ministry to gather our Senior Parishioners who are ever so faithful to our Parish: Wisdom is with aged men and women, with long life understanding (Job 12:12)**



On Friday, Oct 19 our Parish Seniors (55 and over) are invited to meet up for the 11:00 am Mass. Following Mass everyone is invited to gather for lunch in the Jesuit Room. How good it is to gather with our brothers and sisters in Christ and cherish a shared history of faith and friendship. Immaculate is here today because of your faithfulness, generosity and goodness of heart.

\*It is Pro-D Day for the school so the school playground will be available for parking.

**Immaculate Conception School Mass: Wed, Oct 10 at 9 am**

### **Married Life Enrichment for Couples – Friday Evening (Date TBA)**



At Immaculate we have a most gracious married couple who have offered to host a Marriage Enrichment Evening for married couples (younger and older).

When was the last time that you as a couple made some time to ponder, treasure and 'fan into flame' your marriage relationship? Every marriage needs a tune up every now and then. You are invited to come and invest in renewing your married and family life – your marriage is one of the greatest blessings you have in your life! Please contact Kathy in the office so that we can give you more information.



### **Philosophy of the Human Person**

#### **First Session:**

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

❖ Sign-up sheet available at the back of the church



**Prayers:** One of the most beautiful things that we can do within our parish family is to hold one another in prayer and blessing. Jim and Ann Trotter – long time parishioners who usually attend Sunday 8:30am Mass – have asked us to hold them and their family in prayer. Ann is in palliative care at home and her prayer is that a circle of grace will surround her family. Let us pray with and for them...