

April 28th, 2019
Divine Mercy Sunday



*Jesus
I trust in
You!*

Stewardship Reflection

“Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’” (John 20:21) Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. Look for opportunities to share His peace, not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well. In giving, we receive the peace of Jesus Christ.

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**Twilight Mass at Immaculate
Sunday, May 5 at 8:00pm**



Since 2010, we've been reaching out to welcome the many Catholic Seekers/Wanderers among us who seek meaning, mercy or perhaps a new beginning. Join us once-a-month around God's Word and Table. The music liturgy is guitar-led. Bring a friend with you!

Mark Your Calendar

Twilight Mass – May 5
First Holy Communion – May 5
ICS School Mass – May 8
Confirmation – May 15
MayFair – May 25
KOC Pancake Breakfast for Altar Servers - Jun 23

ICS PARENTS, IC PARISHIONERS, & GRANDPARENTS:

Being a teenager now in Vancouver Canada is very different than when you were a teenager. Very different.

Help your child get ready for the teenage years - Before the teenage years.

❖ On Thursday, May 9 at 7 pm :

come to a helpful evening presentation in the Parish Centre for IC parents titled:

“TEACH KIDS THE TRUTH: YOUR CHILD GROWING UP”

by Mrs. Sue Dvorak - a presenter in CISVA schools and mother of six children aged 16-26

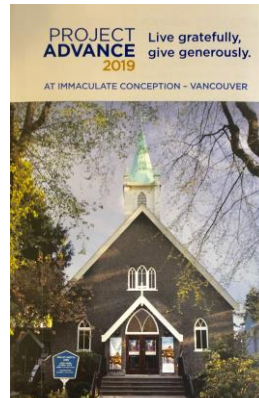


The presentation discusses talking truth with your children about:

♦ *puberty and sexuality* ♦ *technology and social media* ♦ *relationships* ♦ *being a teenager*

All Dads and Moms are most welcome, to get thinking about these big topics early! Join a discussion looking at the challenges that will be there for your child, and how to approach those challenges positively.

See you on Thurs May 9 at this practical, encouraging presentation looking ahead to your child's bright future!



*Live gratefully,
Give generously.*

**Project Advance
2019**

**Growing
our Faith
through
GENEROSITY**



Building our Future

upon a Foundation of Faith:

Our Project Advance Capital Campaign for 2019 begins on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5. Through electronic media Archbishop Miller will address us on the weekend at the homily through the use of a Project Advance DVD. Together we are entering into a future promised by God – a future of hope and blessing. Let us be in solidarity and steadfast in prayer as we walk together as a Parish and Archdiocese into the future God alone offers to us and to the world.



Eucharist – First Holy Communion: As a Parish family let us hold in prayer all of the boys and girls in our parish who will be receiving Jesus in the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time this May. As a catechetical reminder, through the Sacrament of the Eucharist we receive Christ – the Body, Soul and Divinity – in each sacramental species of bread and wine. Eucharist completes our initiation. It is the fullest sign of our incorporation into the Eucharist body of

Christ. It is a sacrament that unites us as one body in Christ. That is why it is called an initiation sacrament. It is the most complete sign of our membership in the body of Christ. We become what we have received: the Body of Christ. We have 25 boys and girls celebrating First Holy Communion in May – how blessed is our Parish family. Let us pray with and for them by name: Nathan, Jay, Matthew, Lucy, Aaron, Conor, Quinn, Abigail, Kelly, Jonah, Carter, Brody, Theo, Julian, Abigail, Alaina, Han, Elise, Marlowe, Fenna, Nathaniel, Declan, Claire, James & Bea.

Sacrament of Confirmation: This May 30 young men and women in our Parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Monroe. As a catechetical refresher, Confirmation is a special outpouring and strengthening of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation is the gift of the Holy Spirit through the sign of oil and the imposition of hands. The sacrament permanently seals us to Jesus and commits us to live as a disciple. The candidates for Confirmation have asked us to pray for them and to let you know that they are praying for us – their Parish family. Let us keep them in prayer by name – Samantha, Marissa, Cierra, Hannah, Maya, Veronica, Oliver, Christina, Michael, Elisabeth, Lucas, Michaela, Daniel, Jason, Kohei, Richard, Arianna, Leela, Emilio, Elise, Mason, John, Samuel, Annika, Nicole, Scott, Indeo, Phoenix & Wyatt.

Confirmation Meeting for ‘PREP’ Parents and for your son/daughter being Confirmed: SUN, April 28, 4-5 pm

At this information meeting we will update you as a family on what still needs to be prepared for as we get closer to the actual day of Confirmation. Fr Paul is expecting at least one parent to be present.

ICS School Mass: Wednesday, May 8 at 9:00am

Parents and grandparents come join us at our monthly school Mass on May 8. Your presence means a lot to the children. It is always a moving experience to behold our school community at Mass.

St. George’s School Spring Fair: May 4

St. George’s School annual Spring Fair will be held on Saturday, May 4. As a good neighbour we are happy to assist with parking – they will use our school ground for parking - traffic will be busy from 8am to 6pm.



Today, I will grow in knowledge, love of God and service to others.

Nominations for ICS Parish Education Committee The Nominating Committee for Immaculate Conception School’s PEC is inviting nominations of those interested in standing for election to the Education Committee (for 2019/2020 school year). Please contact Laura Williams or Grace Wright care of the school 604-224-5012 if you wish to make a nomination. Deadline is May 10th. Please note that both nominators and nominees must be Catholic and active IC parishioners.

St. Patrick High School Raffle:



Grade 12 students from St. Pat’s will be coming to Immaculate on the weekend of May 4 & 5 to sell Raffle tickets. This raffle raises money for essential student programs at the school. The Celtic Raffle is an annual ALL CASH-PRIZE RAFFLE fundraising event. Tickets are only \$2 each or \$20 for a book of 10 tickets. **The prize money totals \$18,000. First Prize = \$10,000 Second Prize = \$5,000 Third, Fourth and Fifth Prizes = \$1,000 ...** Please support such a wonderful high school!



Saturday, May 25th, 11:00am – 2:00pm

Mayfair is a celebration of our Parish and school community at Immaculate. It is good that one of the highlights at Mayfair has become the ‘Crowning of Mary’. Mary is the patron saint of our community. She gathers men, women and children from all over the world to Immaculate. She leads all of us into the life and joy of her son Jesus. At Immaculate we have much to be thankful for and to celebrate.

Mayfair is a joyful event! It is a parish and school event to celebrate the joy in our soul because Immaculate is our home. Mayfair is not intended to be a fundraiser. Nor is it a work project. Mayfair gathers us together so that we can delight in one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. Everyone who flips burgers, makes sandwiches, pours tea, organizes games, sets up booths does it in a spirit of love - a deep love for Immaculate. In the midst of working together friendships form and our spirits are lifted and renewed. So come and enter the joy of the day and let your spirit soar on eagle’s wings as you delight with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Come and have some fun!