



Wisdom Is a Person

Since we started opening the church for daily adoration of the Holy Eucharist, I have been discovering the true beauty of our home here in the heart of Maillardville. It is a haven from the distractions and the brutality of the world. It's not a hide out. It's a place of encounter. We come into the quiet of the church and there may be two or three others, and we encounter our Lord, face to face.

I have a friend from the seminary, Father Barry Braum, who is with the Missionaries of the Holy Eucharist. He wrote a book entitled **That I May See** which is about journeying to the radiance of the Eucharist. He writes, "Every single holy hour we make dramatically changes the world for the better. In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we begin to burn more intensely and love more ardently. Not only do we pray with him when we are in adoration, but we begin to pray like him. We leave behind our own desires and take on the desires of Christ." [1]

[1] Father Barry Braum, *That I May See*, p 77-78



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thess. 4.13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

To be filled with heavenly things, we need to be emptied of earthly things. This is what happens in adoration. We empty ourselves of the preoccupations that we naturally have and allow Jesus to correspond with our hearts. And he fills us up. We begin to see solutions that were evading us. We begin to find the peace that had been eluding us.

We find there, the very thing we've been looking for:

"Resplendent and fading is wisdom. And she is readily perceived by those who love her and found by those who seek her.

She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire.

Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed,

For he shall find her sitting by his gate."

Wisdom 6: 12-14

"God's final revelation in the New Testament teaches us that wisdom is indeed a person! God's Wisdom, God's total and eternal knowledge of himself, the mind of God is so real that it is the second person of the Trinity." [1] It is the Logos, the Word of God, it is Jesus Christ himself.

[1] Peter Kreeft, *Food for the Soul*, p 742

And you will find him here where there is a welcoming warmth and an undeniable charm built into this old 'country church'. To sit here and pray in the quiet of an afternoon is to experience a little taste of heaven. Come and join us whenever you can. God bless you.

Peace,

Father Larry

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WELCOME

We welcome all visitors. If you are new to the Parish, please fill out the registration form available at the entrance to the Church. And please introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Larry.

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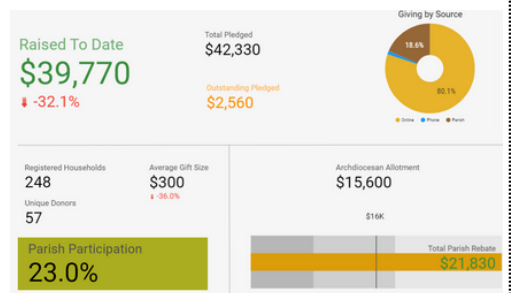
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We are slowly inching our way toward our goal of \$70,000 which will help us achieve the finishing of the church basement and allow it to become the center of social life here at Our Lady of Lourdes. We thank you for the great generosity of those who have contributed so far. The Archdiocese has released a new promo video for Project Advance, and I am greatly impressed by the quality of the one and a half minute short film. We will be showing it at the coffee and donuts after the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses. It's really good. Here is the link to find it online and you will also find it on our website. Thank you for your generosity. Video: ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca



ADORATION



**SERVE THE LORD
IN SIMPLE PRAYER
AND
CHANGE THE WORLD**

**WILL YOU COMMIT TO
ONE HOUR A WEEK
TO PRAY FOR PEACE?**

**Sign Up Sheet is available
at Church**

BECOME A TEAM LEADER.

**SPEAK TO ANA IN THE OFFICE
(604) 936-1311**

Catholic Debate Night on Nov 18th

Join Assumption Young Adults for our first ever Debate Night! Following an hour of adoration, we will be hearing a discussion between representatives of Catholic, Public, and Homeschools and which one is most beneficial for raising children in this day and age. This event will be moderated and will provide the audience with a chance to ask questions and offer their own insights. Agenda:

- Adoration will be held in the church from 7-8pm
- The debate will take place in the parish center from 8-9pm
- The social will last from 9-late in the parish center

We hope to see you there! Address: 3141 Shaughnessy St, Port Coquitlam

Chantons Noël 2023 !



Les Echos du Pacifique will celebrate their 50th anniversary with a Christmas concert at **7 p.m.** at our Church on **December 9, 2023.**

More info to come, for now please save the date!

lesechosdupacifique.info/en/concerts/

Life Compass Workshop Retreat for Men

This retreat workshop aims to help men eradicate passivity and build life purpose and meaning. This workshop is facilitated by Brett Powell and his son, Jacob. On Saturday, **November 25, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** at Holy Grounds Coffee House on the campus of St. Patrick's Parish in Maple Ridge. Space is limited to 50. Enjoy early bird rate until Wednesday, November 8. Learn more and register at buildmylifecompass.com.

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am
Thursday Mass will be followed by Adoration.

SUNDAY MASS

English: Sat.: 5:00pm and Sun.: 9:00am
English/French: Sun.: 11:00AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Masses: 8:30am and 7:00pm
Adoration: 9:00am – 10:00am and 5:45pm – 6:45pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tues. to Sat. at 8:00am until 8:25am
Sat.: 4:00 – 4:45 pm. Or by appointment.

HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone who is not able to attend Mass and wishes to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISM

By appointment only.

MARRIAGE

All couples planning to be married in this Parish should contact the pastor at least 6 months in advance. Non-parishioners must obtain written permission from your parish.

FUNERAL

Contact Parish Priest before making arrangements.

SACRAMENTALS

For blessing of cars, religious articles and house blessings, please contact Parish Office.

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are offered to God as prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Please connect with the parish office to request an intention.

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12-Nov	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS
12-Nov	Sunday	11:00 AM	†	Francesco Bertani
13-Nov	Monday	8:30 AM	†	Lin Chay Ong
14-Nov	Tuesday	8:30 AM	INT	Maria
15-Nov	Wednesday	8:30 AM	†	Michael Kar Wah Sher
16-Nov	Thursday	8:30 AM	†	Michael Brasset
17-Nov	Friday	8:30 AM	INT	Cacilda Tang
18-Nov	Saturday	8:30 AM	†	Archbishop Adam Exner

Walking in the Way of the Lord:

Attuning to God -

An Advent Retreat for Divorced and Separated

Join us as Jody Garneau, through her life experience and formal education, leads participants through a process of self-awareness, healing, and growing in trust. Our desire is that participants will increase their ability to maintain boundaries, establish healthy relationships with others, and move forward with more integration and peace. By establishing a more profound level of interior peace, participants have the opportunity to be attuned to God and his vision of each person. The day will start with Mass and participants will have the opportunity to have small group discussions, time for Adoration and Confession, and a shared meal. This retreat will take place on **December 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey**. Registration is \$15. Learn more and register online at beholdvancouver.org/events

Clergy Study Week

NO MASSES OR CONFESSIONS FROM TUESDAY UNTIL SATURDAY

Father Larry will be away at the Clergy Study Week next week from Monday afternoon, November 16 until Friday afternoon, November 17. All priests of the Archdiocese are obligated to attend. As far as we know, there will be no Masses in the Tri-City area at that time.

Here at Our Lady of Lourdes, there will be Morning Prayer with distribution of the Holy Eucharist each morning at 8:30.

The church will remain open for prayer during the day as long as people are signed up (see the sign-up sheet). The Eucharist will not be exposed, however. But let that not dissuade you. Jesus is in the tabernacle, and he loves you just as much.

Community Dinner (Archdiocese of Vancouver and Temple Sholom)

Join us for an interfaith dinner with the communities of the Archdiocese of Vancouver and Temple Sholom, which serves as a venue for engaging in dialogue and building friendships. Rabbi Dan Moskovitz and Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB, will engage in conversation about their journey to spiritual leadership, followed by a table discussion about your own "origin" story. On Thursday, **November 30, at 6:00 p.m. at Temple Sholom in Vancouver**. Cost is \$36. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill, especially:

Lina Aussant, Jamie Awa, Dr. Erb, Kathleen Lauzon, Ralph Roberts, René & Gilberte Collette, the Quek Family, Marielle Wunderlich and Father Lucien Larré.

Through the intercession of St. John Paul II we ask that you heal them O Lord. Give them love and strength we pray, through Christ our Lord.

COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER MASS

Come and join us for coffee after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays. Celebrate with each other and get to know your fellow parishioners. This weekend we thank **the CWL** for sponsoring.



PARISH MINISTRIES

- Alpha** Anthony Marroquin & Alex Lim
- Altar Servers** Alex Lim
- ACRSS Rep** Irenaeus Lim
- CWL** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
- Choir (Sun 9am)** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
- Choir (Sun 11am)** Roger De Villa
- Couples for Christ** Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos
- K of C** Danny Kusnardi
- Lector** Suzanne Tkach
- Prayer Group** Alex & Nancy Lim
- PREP** Marilyn Sarte
- Project Advance** Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
- Sacristan** Alex Lim
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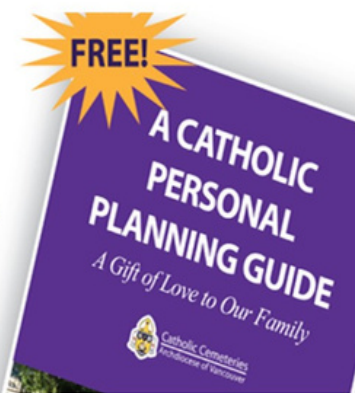
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