

## **New Beginnings**

School is back! We don't even have a school but our parish life is certainly influenced by that school schedule. It's the end of summer "and all the roses are dying" as the song, "Danny Boy" relates. It's that feeling in the air. The season is turning, the sun is less hot, the days are growing shorter, the light looks slightly different especially at the end of the day. It is a softer light, announcing the change of seasons.

Now we're coming upon new things to do, new schedules. The parish is coming alive with new programs and new activities that help us draw together as community and to help each other get to heaven.

In my second year as pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, I'm hoping to build on the successful work we accomplished in the last year. We've developed a very strong core of volunteers that keep the parish running smoothly. We have a few key paid employees who are part of the joyful, welcoming feeling that one encounters here at the parish.

I myself, have been enrolled in a program, called Divine Renovation, in which I'm being coached in ways that will help my leadership skills and will help us move our parish from "maintenance to mission". This phrase describes the state of the Church at present and where it needs to go. It means we can no longer sit back and let business take care of itself. We need to begin reaching outward to our brothers and sisters that

## 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33.7-9 2nd Reading: Romans 13.8-10 Gospel: Matthew 18.15-20

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

need to hear about the joy that comes with an encounter with Jesus. We all need to examine what we think discipleship means and how implement it in our lives.

We're beginning the Alpha course on September 21. That is a new beginning that I really think will bear much fruit. I highly recommend it to our parishioners who would like to jump-start their flagging faith. It's an invigorating experience and you will never regret it. And so much more is going on: PREP is (Parish Religious Education starting Program), the Upper Room Conference, The Chosen, The Search, all of the many ministry opportunities, so many ways to participate, so many ways of discovering something wonderful about yourself while helping yourself and others get to heaven.

And all of this takes a tremendous amount of coordination and communication. To that end, we are modernizing our system communications, It would help a great deal if you would take three minutes and make sure we have your proper email address and phone number. Please help us to update our database so we can serve you better. (See the instructions inside the bulletin.)

"O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Harden not your hearts!" Psalm 95. God bless you.

Peace, Father Larry **SEPT 10, 2023** 

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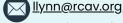
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## WELCOME

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

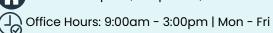
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## You are invited to try ALPHA

ALPHA provides a space for you to ask your questions about life, faith and meaning in a friendly environment with people who, like you, want to explore questions like: Why Am I Here, Is There More to Life Than This, Who Is Jesus, Why Did Jesus Die....etc.



Each ALPHA session includes an excellent dinner, a short video and small group discussion. It's friendly, low key, unpressurised and great fun. Give ALPHA a try and bring along a friend. ALPHA at OLOL starts on Sept. 21st 2023 at 6:30pm. Register today. Registration forms are available in OLOL church or you can register online at ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca/alpha

#### Mediatrix Conferences with Fr. Chris Alar, MIC Topic: Divine Mercy and It's Significance in Today's World

Venue: Our Lady of the Assumption Parish | 3141 Shaughnessy St.

PoCo | Sunday, Sept. 17 | 7:00pm - 9:00pm

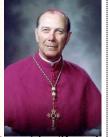
Topic: The Holy Mass, The Eucharist & Adoration

Venue: Corpus Christi Parish | 6520 Nanaimo St. Vancouver | Monday, Sept. 18 | 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

All are welcome. A free-will love offering will be collected at each talk for the Marians of the Immaculate Conception.

### Death of Archbishop Adam Exner, OMI

The Archdiocese of Vancouver is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Archbishop Adam Exner, OMI, who served as Archbishop of Vancouver from 1991 to 2004. Archbishop Exner peacefully died the morning of Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at the age of 94, in his residence in Grayson, Saskatchewan. As we



bid farewell to Archbishop Exner, we remember his life of dedication, compassion, and service. We offer our prayers and support to his family, friends, and all those whose lives he touched. The funeral will be held in Saskatchewan, and a memorial Mass will be organized at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver. Details for these services will be posted online at rcav.org once they are received.

#### **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.



**Empowering** 

We are now over \$30.000 in contributions, almost half way to our goal. Thank you to all who have contributed so far. Stay posted and be generous.

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

#### To communicate with us.

parish is embarking on communications program called Flocknote to help serve you better. We would like to take this opportunity to update our database. We need each parishioner to contact us with: address, email address and one phone number. This can be done over the phone, stopping by the office or, the easiest way is to go to our website and fill in the form <u>ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca</u>



## **Parish Religious Education Program**

Welcome to our PREP children and their parents for a year of growing in faith: to know, love and follow Jesus. Regular PREP classes start on Wed., Sept. 13 at the Upper St. Anne's Hall of the church at 6:30pm -7:30pm. Please be prompt as we only have one hour a week of catechism. If you have not registered yet, please connect with Ana at the parish office.

WELCOME TO

**OLOL PREP** 

#### **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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THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS				
9-Sept	Saturday	5:00 PM	+	Sai Fan Tang (Frank)
10-Sept	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS
10-Sept	Sunday	11:00 AM	+	Joe Geier
11-Sept	Monday	8:30 AM	+	Albert Lopienc
12-Sept	Tuesday	8:30 AM	+	Francesco Bertani
13-Sept	Wednesday	8:30 AM	+	lmelda Federipe
14-Sept	Thursday	8:30 AM	+	Juanito Boowgoling
15-Sept	Friday	8:30 AM	+	Miraflor Valerio
16-Sept	Saturday	8:30 AM	+	Andy Beauregard

#### **Prayer Box**

We now have a prayer box by Our Lady's Grotto. Feel free to write your prayer intentions on the paper provided. We'll collect all the prayer requests at the end of the month and offer them up during masses.

The Chosen | Season 3 | Episode 1 | Home Coming Jesus delivers the most life-altering sermon in history. The result? More followers, more enemies, and disciples ready to follow Jesus anywhere. Simon and Eden reunite, Matthew faces his past, and Andrew visits John the Baptist in prison. Tuesday, Sept 12 | 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Lower St. Anne's Hall

#### THANK YOU!



I would like to personally thank all of you who sponsored me for the Hike, Bike or Run for Life put on by the Life Compass Society this Saturday. And especially, I want to thank our parishioners who got their own sponsors and did the Walk themselves. I am really excited by the generosity you are showing toward the cause for life. It sparks hope for the future. Thank you. Father Larry

#### **Upper Room Conference 2023**

Be inspired by our roster of engaging speakers and discover strategies and tools to equip yourself for mission! Join us on Saturday, Sept. 23, from 8:00 a.m. to 6: 00 p.m. at Pacific Academy in Surrey. Cost is \$75, inclusive of food and two breakout sessions. Parking is free. To qualify for a \$10-discount, simply gather a group of 8 or more people and register together with a parish coupon code. Learn more and register at upperroomvancouver.com.

#### please contact Pinky Pascual at

**PARISH MINISTRIES** 

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Saturdays Starting Sept.16 & 23 to Oct.

7 & 14, from 9:30am until 1:30pm. **DROP** 

OFF LOCATION: 1335 Dominion Ave.,

PoCo at Archbishop Secondary School.

Caritas Canada Vancouver is hosting

a retreat from Friday afternoon, Sept.

22nd to Sunday morning, Sept. 24th at Carmel Hill, Little Flower Monastery,

Deroche, BC. This retreat is open to

everyone. The theme is "Create Hope".

For cost, registration or any questions,

pinky.devpeace@gmail.com or 1-604-

Event with

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Altar Servers Alex Lim **ACRSS Rep** Irenaeus Lim

**CWL** Josephine (Dollie) Basa

Choir (Sun 9am) Josephine (Dollie) Basa

612-9677.

Garage

Choir (Sun 11am) Roger De Villa

Couples for Christ Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos

K of C Danny Kusnardi

**Grief Support** Peter O'Reilly

**Lector** Suzanne Tkach Prayer Group Alex & Nancy Lim

**PREP** Marilyn Sarte

**Project Advance** Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez

RCIA David & Angela Kan

Sacristan Alex Lim

**Ushers** Robert Tang & Terry Charbonneau

Contact parish office for info.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

the CWL for sponsoring.

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

Lina Aussant, Jamie Awa, Dr. Erb, Kathleen Lauzon, Ralph Roberts, Gilberte Collette and the Quek Family.

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



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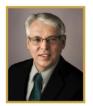
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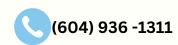
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Please Remember Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Your Will. Thank you!