



Don't Fence Me In

Oh, give me land, lots of land under starry skies above

Don't fence me in

Let me ride through the wide open country that I love

Don't fence me in

Cole Porter

Wouldn't it be great if we had no need of fences or boundaries that keep us from going where we want to go, doing what we want to do, and just enjoy total freedom without restriction? I don't think we will find that kind of freedom this side of heaven. Paradoxically, fences and boundaries also protect us. They can keep us out and they can keep us in. Perhaps what is appropriate while we're still on earth is to **develop the lack of the desire for unrestricted freedom.**

I'm thinking about these things because, as you might have noticed, we have installed a new cedar wood picket fence in front of the garden side of the church. In two or three weeks, it will be painted white with brown trim mimicking the façade of the church. The hope is to bring back the original character of the church with a fence that will keep the critters out and let lovers of the garden in.

Fences, in a sense, are like rules. We need them to regulate how we do things in the interest of the common good. In life, we have to play by the rules and the rules were set up in the dawn of creation. Some of the most important rules are gravity, which holds everything together in balance, and entropy which is the law that things fall apart.

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Jeremiah 20.7-9

2nd Reading: Romans 12.1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16.21-27

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Even Jesus abides by the rules and the restrictions placed on him by the Father. In the Garden he prayed to his Father to "take this cup from me", basically saying I don't want to go through with this (crucifixion). "But your will be done!" So, yes I will do it because it is what I came here to do and it is the way of salvation for countless souls.

And Jesus tells us that if we want to follow him, we too, will need to "take up our cross". We will do things that are difficult but necessary for our salvation. Things we don't want to do. Not do things we do want to do. To go in when we don't want to and to not go in when we do.

It's all necessary because that is how God's creation works. And oddly enough, when we follow the rules, that's **when we find liberation and true freedom.**

The man responsible for getting the fence up is our custodian, Terence Mazon. He has only been here for one month and a half and he has made a major impact on fighting entropy on our parish campus. In this short time, he has repaired many things and got us back on track for winning the battle against entropy. Unfortunately, he will soon be moving with his family to Manitoba. We wish him all the best and are sorry to see him go, it was way too short. Thank you Terence.

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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ALPHA is coming to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Alpha is an opportunity for anyone with or without a faith to explore life and Christianity in an open, friendly and informal environment. Alpha invites people to respond to the good news through a decision to follow Jesus. It serves to bring Christians, lukewarm Christians, non-Christians to a personal encounter with Jesus and helps develop missionary disciples.

There are 3 essential elements of ALPHA:

- An excellent dinner (at 6:30pm sharp)
- View a short video on important topics of life & faith
- Finishes with small group discussions

Start Date:

Thursday September 21, 2023 in Upper St. Ann's Hall at 6:30pm.

Free to attend but registration is required. Forms are available in the church or online at ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca/alpha
Please come and join us and bring a friend!



WE NEED YOU! To communicate with us.

Our parish is embarking on a new 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 ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca

Carney Garage Sale 2023 – Donations Needed

Please support one of Archbishop Carney Secondary School's vital fundraising community events with your donations while clearing clutter at home. **DROP OFF DATES:** Four Saturdays Starting Sept.16 & 23 to Oct. 7 & 14, from 9:30am until 1:30pm. **DROP OFF LOCATION:** 1335 Dominion Ave. Port Coquitlam at Archbishop Secondary School.

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 5 | 10:00 am – 11:30 am | Lower St. Anne's Hall

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.

PROJECT ADVANCE 2023

Empowering our Parish Vision

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.



Development and Peace
CARITAS CANADA

Development & Peace, Caritas Canada Vancouver council is hosting a

a Regional Assembly/Retreat from Friday afternoon, September 22nd to Sunday morning, September 24th at Carmel Hill, Little Flower Monastery, Deroche (after Mission), BC. This retreat is open to everyone. The theme is "Create Hope". For cost and registration or should you have any questions, please contact Pinky Pascual at pinky.devpeace@gmail.com or 1-604-612-9677.

Parish Religious Education Program

Preparations for going back to school are underway. Here at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, we are also busy and excited, preparing to welcome families with children to learn about the faith and know who Jesus is! You are invited to come to the Upper St. Anne's Hall on **Wed., Sept. 6 at 6:30 pm until 7 pm** to meet the catechists and the other families. If you have any questions, please connect with Ana at the parish office, either to register or to volunteer. Regular PREP classes start on **Wed., Sept. 13 from 6:30-7:30 pm.**



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

2-Sept	Saturday	5:00 PM	✝	Leo Paul Bilodeau
3-Sept	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISHIONERS
3-Sept	Sunday	11:00 AM	✝	Catherine Brown Lynn
4-Sept	Monday	8:30 AM	✝	Lu Lin Sin
5-Sept	Tuesday	8:30 AM	✝	Amy Reid
6-Sept	Wednesday	8:30 AM	✝	Opal McLean
7-Sept	Thursday	8:30 AM	INT	Robert Magri
8-Sept	Friday	8:30 AM	INT	Marie Beauregard
9-Sept	Saturday	8:30 AM	✝	Sai Fan Tang (Frank)

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.

Christian Life Program

You are invited to attend the Christian Life Program by the Couples for Christ at All Saints Parish in Coquitlam. Starts on Saturday Sept 9 at 6:30pm.



The Way of Beauty:

Encountering Jesus in Scripture and the Arts

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) invites leaders of catechesis and evangelization to The Way of Beauty, a webinar series that reflects on beauty and its powerful witness in the life of the Church.

The three sessions/series are:

- Beauty and Catechesis | Thursday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. | Speaker: Dr. Jem Sullivan
- Beauty and Evangelization | Thursday, Sept. 14, 10 a.m. | Speaker: Mr. David Dayler
- Beauty and Liturgy | Thursday, Sept. 21, 10 a.m. | Speaker: Fr. Paul Massel

All sessions will be held via Zoom, & will be recorded and packaged with a reflection guide for later release. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Hike, Bike or Run for LIFE

Please mark the date, **Saturday September 9th**, The Life Compass Society's biggest fundraiser of the year. We will meet at Lions Park, Port Coquitlam and PoCo Trail. Event starts at **9:30 am** with distribution of prizes, take group photo and begin at about **10:00 am**. At the finish there will be hot dogs, cookies and drinks for participants. Let us support the unborn, handicapped and elderly. Together let us make a difference. Sponsor sheets available at church vestibule or parish office. Cheques payable to Life Compass Society. Thank you for your support!

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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, 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 **the Knights of Columbus** for sponsoring.



PARISH MINISTRIES

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
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

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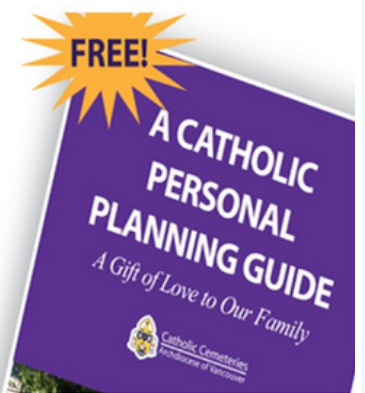
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