OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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Welcome

Welcome to all visitors! We are pleased that you are here. Father Larry, our pastor, would be delighted to meet you; please introduce yourself to him after Mass.

WEEKDAY MASS
Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am
There is no morning Mass, Confession or Adoration on the First Saturday of the Month.

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

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

ADORATION
Tues. to Sat. starting at 9:00am (following Mass). The Church will remain open until 6:00 pm.

NOVEMBER 1, 2026 **BULLETIN**
The Solemnity of All Saints

The Hallowtide Triduum

The souls of the dead are all around us. They live either with God, forever seeing the Beatific Vision – the Face of God, or they are in some way near to God in the purification state we know as Purgatory. Oh yes, and there are some poor souls who have forever turned away from God and suffer the eternal pains of hell. ***"Abandon all hope, ye who enter here"*** is inscribed above the Gates of Hell in Dante Alighieri's The Divine Comedy. That is hell – no hope.

I don't want to be a downer but it's imperative that Catholics believe that hell exists. Pope Pius XII said the greatest trick of the devil is to convince people that he doesn't exist. A lot of modern Christians say that God is all merciful and that he forgives us for everything and we'll all be in heaven someday. I don't think that's what Jesus said. It's true that God is all merciful and he wants to forgive us but there are a couple of conditions around that.

First, we need to be repentant of what we've done wrong which means we are sorry for what we've done and are willing to change and try to never sin again. Second, we may not presume on God's mercy. That means we can't sin thinking "it'll be alright because God will forgive me". Presumption itself is a sin against God.

So yes, sorry to say, there is a hell. And it's the last place the Lord would want us to go. In fact, God sends no one to hell! He begs us to turn around and come back to him so he can forgive us. When we refuse his mercy and forgiveness, that's on us: we are pursuing the road to hell.

But let us not dwell on the negative. Let us dwell on Jesus Christ's victory over death and our hope in the Resurrection. He died and rose from the dead so that we will also rise with him. It's a great victory because now, we no longer need to fear death. In fact, many Catholic customs unite death and solemn remembrance with expressions of joy.

The Lord wants us with him in heaven, forever sharing in his love and his Beatific Vision. We may have to go through Purgatory to get to heaven but it's a good price to pay because, when we die, we may not be capable of withstanding the Lord's gaze upon us. We need to be purified like silver or gold, to be rid of the impurities that prevent us from seeing God. But, after that, we will be with him - someday.

We celebrate this **Hallowtide Triduum of All Hallow Eve, All Saints Day and All Souls Day** certainly with a tinge of sadness for the loss of the ones we love. We grieve their absence at the same time we celebrate Christ's victory over death with, depending on the culture, music, lights, flowers, food, pictures. We celebrate and pray for the ones we love and ask them to pray for us. We are asked to remember them, around the family table or at the cemetery where sorrow and gratitude can dwell together. We all ultimately want to be remembered. So let us pray:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Peace,
Father Larry

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Pilgrimage to Lourdes June 2027

Join Father Larry on a pilgrimage to Lourdes! This trip-of-a-lifetime will take place from May 31-June 10, 2027 and will include various spots in France, including Lourdes, Toulouse, the Pyrenees, Paris and more. The tour will be conducted in English.

For more information, see the flyers near the entrances. A date for an information session with more details will be announced soon.

Project Advance 2026 Update

We will continue to accept donation for the 2026 Project Advance appeal until the end of December. Please help us reach our parish goal of $60,000! We have received $31,295 to date, just over halfway there. The funds will go toward paying off the remainder of our loan for St. Bernadette Hall. You can donate online through our website (olol.ca/donate) or by dropping your envelope marked "Project Advance" in the Sunday collection basket or at the parish office. Thank you for your support.

Praying with Scripture: Lectio Divina

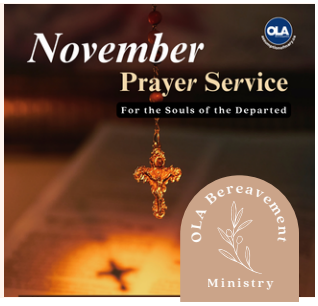
Everyone is welcome to come on Monday evenings to spend some time prayerfully reading Scripture. Lectio Divina is a way of becoming immersed in the Scriptures very personally. It draws on the way Jews read the text during Passover that retells the Exodus story. The Christian form of Lectio Divina was first introduced by St. Gregory of Nyssa (c 330- 395); it's a way of developing a closer relationship with God by reflecting prayerfully on the reading. Each week we will read the Gospel from the previous Sunday. Monday evenings at 7:30 pm in St Bernadette Hall. For more information, call the parish office.

Neufeld Parenting Workshops: Making Sense of Anxiety

The escalating level of anxiety in our children begs for an explanation as well as a solution. Dr. Gordon Neufeld sheds light on this age-old problem, paving the way for natural interventions that can actually get to the root causes as opposed to just managing symptoms. Although the focus is on children, this enlightening material will benefit anyone suffering from anxiety. Weekly on Tuesdays via zoom from November 3 to 24, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Register and learn more at bccatholic.ca/events

November Prayer Services at Our Lady of Assumption

November is the month that we especially remember and pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Every Sunday in November at 3 pm, the OLA Bereavement Ministry will lead a Prayer Service for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. All are warmly welcome you to join in praying the Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet for all of our departed family members and loved ones whether lost recently or long ago. Held in the Chapel at Our Lady of Assumption with entrance through doors close to Shaughnessy St, not through the main church doors. Every Sunday in November at 3 pm.



Holy Souls 30-Day Devotional

Throughout November, we are invited to pray for the faithful departed and remember those who have gone before us. Receive a daily prayer in your inbox as we entrust our loved ones to God's mercy and remember them in hope. Sign up for 30 Days of Prayer: rccav.org/holysouls/

Archbishop Carney Craft Fair

Archbishop Carney Secondary School is hosting its annual Christmas Craft Fair the weekend of November 14/15. The craft fair brings together local makers, crafters, and small businesses for a wonderful opportunity to find unique Christmas gifts while supporting our local community. This is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year for the school and draws crowds from near and far. Come and buy some one-of-a-kind Christmas items for your loved ones! Archbishop Carney Secondary School 1335 Dominion Ave Port Coquitlam on November 14 from 10 am to 4 pm and November 15 from 10 am to 3 pm. Hope to see you there

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

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.

BAPTISM
By appointment only.

FUNERAL
Contact Parish Priest before making arrangements.

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

Mass for Deceased Bishops, Clergy and Consecrated

The annual Mass for deceased bishops, clergy and consecrated men and women will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Wednesday, November 4 at 12:10 pm. All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

31-Oct	Saturday	5:00 PM	†	Rodolfo Lavilla Jr
1-Nov	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
1-Nov	Sunday	11:00 AM	†	Ong, Padua & Deduque family
2-Nov	Monday	8:30 AM	†	All Souls in Purgatory
3-Nov	Tuesday	8:30 AM	†	Valerie & Odulio family
4-Nov	Wednesday	8:30 AM	INT	Reginald Briant Valerio
5-Nov	Thursday	8:30 AM	†	Deceased CWL Members
6-Nov	Friday	8:30 AM	INT	Paola Granados
6-Nov	Friday	7:00 PM	†	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
7-Nov	Saturday	8:30 AM		*No Mass*

Together for Good Marriage Workshop

One day could change your marriage! The Together For Good Workshop will provide you with tools, exercises and guided conversations to help you and your spouse grow a healthier, more joy-filled and resilient marriage. Hosted by Neil and Sharol Josephson, previously the national directors of FamilyLife Canada who have been married for over 40 years. This workshop is exclusively for married couples. Lunch and workbooks included. Please note that childcare is not available. Sat., Nov 07, 9:30 am-4:30 pm at Holy Trinity Parish 2725 Lonsdale Ave in North Vancouver. $60 per couple. For more information or to register, go to https://beholdvancouver.org/events/together-for-good-marriage-workshop

"Let it be Done": Musical Play about Mary's "YES" to God

A musical that connects Mary's courageous "Yes" to God with the struggles of today's generation. Set between biblical Nazareth and the modern world, the story follows Mary as she embraces God's calling, while Anna faces her own struggles with doubt, identity, expectations, and finding her place in the world. Secure your tickets with the link below. See you in December! tinyurl.com/LetItBeDone2026 Saturday - Dec.5, 2026 | 1:00pm or 6:00pm (doors open 1 hour prior) at the Rio Theatre | 1660 E Broadway, Vancouver

Eucharistic Fire: The Secret of St. Carlo Acutis

St. Carlo Acutis (1991-2006), the first millennial saint, is inspiring a new generation to set the world on fire with Eucharistic love. Nicknamed "God's Influencer," Carlo used modern technology to proclaim to millions around the world the truth of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist. Carlo's love for the Eucharist wasn't just personal: it ignited a holy fire that continues to spread. Come hear Fr. Rich Conlin speak on this Eucharistic Fire. Saturday, November 14 at 9 am (after morning Mass) at St Luke's Parish Centre in Maple Ridge. For more information, see the bulletin board.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

Kathleen Lauzon, Gilberte Collette, Ozina Finnigan, Jose (JoJo) Alonco, Ralph Roberts, Anna Kocko and Sister Claire Marie.

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 & 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

Alpha	Anthony Marroquin
Altar Servers	Marilyn Sarte
ACRSS Rep.	Sam Delli Santi & Elga Gonzalez
CWL	Josephine (Dollie) Basa
Choir	Roger De Villa & Agnes Wan
Couples for Christ	Sydney and Noemi Tanudtanud
Extraordinary Ministers	Sam Delli Santi
K of C	Anthony Marroquin
Lector	Dinah Lescano
Prayer Group	Alex & Nancy Lim
PREP & RCIA	Marilyn Sarte
Pro-Life	Ting and Nercy Barona
Project Advance	Kathy Gorkoff
Ushers	Robert Tang & Terry Charbonneau

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