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Stewardship Reflection - Fourth Sunday of Easter



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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.

HABEMUS PAPAM!



We didn't have to wait too long for this momentous moment. The Book of Revelation proclaims, "Look! The lion from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has won the victory." It is speaking, of course, of Christ. And the new Vicar of Christ on Earth has chosen the lion's name for his moniker, Leo XIV.

I was particularly gratified by his choice of name because of his predecessor Pope Leo XIII's influence on our society through his teachings on Catholic Social Justice. Like a lion, he went after capitalism in the world and its abuses of human dignity and exploitation of workers as the industrial revolution took hold. And just as ferociously, he laid bare the dangers of Marxist philosophy and soulless communism.

His encyclical *Rerum Navarum* (1891) still rings loudly in our world today as it set up the very reasons that Catholics (and, of course, all people) need to understand why the killing of innocent human life is unacceptable in all circumstances. Which is why we march for life, pray for life and witness to the world that there is nothing more precious in the world than a human life - every human life.

Many of us went to Victoria, B.C. on Thursday together, to march, to pray and to share our message of joy. I was honored to be asked to do the opening prayer at the rally on the steps of the British Columbia Legislature building. Here is my prayer:

*Brothers and Sisters,
Let us pray,
In the name of the Father and the Son
and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

Lord, we come together before you in solidarity, recognizing each other's intrinsic worth and inherent dignity. We are in solidarity with each other and also with those who are most vulnerable, those with no voice, who cannot speak for themselves or defend themselves.

Lord, we ask you to help us to see ever more clearly the truth and the power of your love so we may share your love most abundantly with others, especially with those whose eyes have been veiled and cannot see the transcendent possibilities in LIFE. Lord, we ask you to guide those whose lack of imagination prevents them from knowing the value of human life.

Guide us in love to lead others to the truth, the truth that every human being has the dignity of being made in your image, a dignity that is equal for everyone, whether they are a super athlete, a Nobel prize winner, a homeless person, a person in a coma, an embryo, a fetus, a child. They're all yours, Lord. Let us treat them with equal dignity as you do. Let us love them as you do.

You have commanded us through your prophet Moses, "I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life."

AMEN.

In the peace of Christ,
Father Larry

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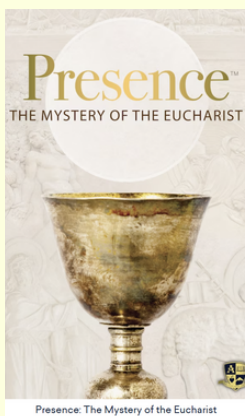
Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favourably on your servant Leo XIV, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

PRESENCE shows us the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

This 4 video session runs on Tuesdays of **May 27 / June 3 / June 10/ and June 17 from 7pm-9pm** in Our Lady of Lourdes' Upper St. Anne's Hall.



To participate, please fill in the Registration Form and drop completed form in boxes provided in the church or call 604-435-9134 and leave a message.

Operation Baby Bottle

Pregnancy Concerns' "Operation Baby Bottle" Fundraiser **starts today, Mother's Day, and runs until June 15, Father's Day**. Your generosity will help women and men in the Tri-Cities receive accurate information on pregnancy options, emotional care, practical help, and referral to community resources when facing complex pregnancy decisions and post-abortion support. We encourage you to take a baby bottle home, fill it with cash and return it to the church by Father's Day. Online donations are also accepted through the QR code on the poster in the vestibule or at pregnancyconcerns.org/donate

Mother's Day Prayer

Bless, dear Lord, all mothers on this special day and always. Grant them the wisdom and strength to guide their children on the right path. We remember the mothers who are no longer with us and ask that your perpetual light shine upon them. We pray for single mothers and those who finding mothering difficult. Grant them patience, restful sleep and the support they need. Look kindly upon women who long to be mothers but are not able to be so. Carry the burden of their aching heart with them. We pray for step-mothers, blended-family mothers and mother-figures that they may love those in their care and reflect your grace in their daily lives. O Blessed Mother Mary, we ask for your intercession on behalf of all mothers on this day.

Catholic Spiritual Care Available after Lapu-Lapu Festival Tragedy

In these days of sorrow following the tragedy at the Lapu-Lapu Day Festival in Vancouver, I continue to hold you all, especially our Filipino community, in my prayers. If you or your loved ones are seeking spiritual care, Catholic hospital chaplains are available to offer prayer, support, and the Sacraments, including Anointing of the Sick. Faith-based counselling and other spiritual supports are also available to help individuals and families carry their grief with hope. Resources are likewise available for clergy, parish staff, ministry leaders, and Catholic educators to accompany those affected by trauma, drawing on the best practices of pastoral care. For more information on these supports, please visit rcav.org/lapu-lapu. May our merciful Lord bring healing to all who are suffering, and may our Blessed Mother comfort every broken heart.

+ J. Michael Miller, CSB
Apostolic Administrator

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
Adoration: 9:00am – 10:00am and 5:45pm – 6:45pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tues. to Fri. 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 6:00pm.

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 the Parish Office.

Installation Mass of Archbishop Richard W. Smith



With gratitude to God, the Archdiocese of Vancouver joyfully welcomes The Most Reverend Richard W. Smith as the Archbishop of Vancouver. His Installation Mass will be a moment of great significance as he formally takes up his ministry among us. Due to limited space, the Mass will be by invitation only. Everyone is invited to watch the live stream at rcav.org and join us in prayer on **Friday, May 23 at 7:00 pm.**

Youth Night



All youth are welcome to come to the OLOL Youth Night on Fridays at 7:30 pm for some ping pong, board games, conversation, and food.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

Kathleen Lauzon, René & Gilberte Collette, Father Lucien Larré, Fernand Finnigan, Ozina Finnigan, Father Alan Boisclair, Jose (JoJo) Alonco, Ralph and Marguerite Roberts.

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 **CWL** for sponsoring.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

10-May	Saturday	5:00 PM	✝	Florence & Norman Langlois
11-May	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
11-May	Sunday	11:00 AM	✝	Rae Rosalie Nicolas
12-May	Monday	8:30 AM	✝	Helen Nicolas
13-May	Tuesday	8:30 AM	✝	Joseph Alfred Magri
14-May	Wednesday	8:30 AM	INT	Thanksgiving to Holy Family
15-May	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Flor Bilodeau
16-May	Friday	8:30 AM	✝	Gerard Bilodeau
17-May	Saturday	8:30 AM	INT	Barbara Lee Lynn

Healing After Abortion — Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and discover the oasis of His love and mercy which will satisfy all your longings and thirst in a way nothing else possibly can after suffering the effects of an abortion. Next retreat is **May 23-25, 2025**. For confidential information call (604) 525-0999 or email info@pacscanada.org.

OLOL.ca/construction-corner

CONSTRUCTION CORNER

Week 5



Some of the crew making our renovation happen: Damon Sabbadin, Assistant to the Project Manager; Gavin Bizzarri, General Contractor; Giulietta Roz, Project Manager; Albert Hong, On Site Architect.

PARISH MINISTRIES

- Alpha** Anthony Marroquin
 - Altar Servers** Alex Lim
 - ACRSS Rep.** Irenaeus Lim & Elga Gonzalez
 - CWL** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
 - Choir** Roger De Villa & Agnes Wan
 - Couples for Christ** Jet & Jane Sarmiento
 - K of C** Anthony Marroquin
 - Lector** Thelma Papas
 - Prayer Group** Alex & Nancy Lim
 - PREP** Marilyn Sarte
 - Pro-Life** Ting and Nercy Barona
 - Project Advance** Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
 - Sacristan** Alex Lim
 - Ushers** Robert Tang & Terry Charbonneau
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