

Reality "Everything in life is like the Eucharist: behind the appearances there is the real presence of the God who knows us and loves us."

(Food for the Soul B, Peter Kreeft, p. 765)

Last week we presented a film about the dangers of marijuana for young people, and we had a guest speaker, a young, Catholic youth leader, by the name of Katie Moric. She gave an inspirational talk about being young in a world in which the adults and powers that be, in the name of some kind of freedom, promote a substance that is clearly harmful to individuals and to society. This is a young woman who is in love with the Lord and in her description of that relationship with him, she used the word *"reality"*. What I was so enthusiastic about in her talk was that she sees everything through this lens of REALITY.

When we can know the world as it is, in all its splendour, in all of its components, seen and unseen, visible and invisible, we have a greater connection with God. Reality means being in contact with those elements of life that are real but are not of the material world; they are unseen. We can't see, touch, smell, taste or hear that part of reality but its existence can nevertheless be demonstrated. Thoughts come to mind thoughts that can't be seen and yet they are completely real and may even be shared, such as this thought I am God who knows us and loves us." offering you presently. I put it on paper or That, my friends, is reality. speak it), you receive it in your mind

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17.10-16 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9.24-28 Gospel: Mark 12.38-44

and now you have the thought and can do what you want with it.

When Katie speaks of reality, she's speaking of being aware of the entire picture. She's touching on a theological idea of the sacramental worldview of the Catholic Church. It is a worldview that is different than any other religious or cultural worldview or of any group in the world.

"At its core, the sacramental worldview means that, instead of seeing creation as something opposed to God, we begin to see everything, and every person God has created as the means by which he wants to share his life with us. To live a sacramental faith means that we can have confidence that the physical can make the spiritual present and point toward it." (Mysterion, Father Harrison Ayre, p. 30) That last sentence describes exactly what the sacraments do, the physical makes the spiritual present. There is nothing in all of creation that is not there for us to help us understand who God is and what he wants us to do.



Father Larry and Katie Moric

That is what Peter Kreeft wants us to understand by his beautiful and provocative statement,

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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.

Peace, Father Larry

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PROJECT **Building our** ADVANCE **Parish Community**

It is a remarkable time as we see funds coming in through Project Advance for our basement window renovation. The growth in both participation and donations has been steady. Thanks be to God! We have reached 70% of our parish goal of \$70,000 with donations of \$49,270. Our participation rate is 23.9% which is happily still climbing. Thank you all so much!

There are several ways to contribute to Project Advance: you may donate online through our website at ourladyoflourdescoquitlam.ca/donate, drop your well-marked donation in the collection basket or at the parish office, mail your donation directly to the archdiocesan Project Advance office or call the archdiocese at 604-683-0281



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Basement Reno Update

We received official permission this week from the archbishop for a line of credit to help fund the basement - funds we hope to use very little of but will likely need if several large bills come in at the same time. We are steadily moving forward and eagerly await the start and, of course, the completion, of the basement project. The next step is another permit application to the City of Coquitlam.

Father Larry away

Father Larry will be away from **Tuesday to Friday** next week for the annual Clergy Study Week. Please keep him and all the priests of the archdiocese in your prayers. There will be no daily Mass or Exposition at Our Lady of Lourdes during his absence. However, daily Mass will be available at two nearby parishes: St. Clare's, 2888 Delahaye Dr in Coquitlam, at 9 am daily; St. Michael's, 9387 Holmes in Burnaby, at 7:30 pm on Tuesday and 7:15 am Wednesday to Friday.

North American Congress on Mercy

The Third North American Congress on Mercy (NACOM) promises spiritually enriching presentations from inspiring, well-known speakers and powerful witnesses to God's love and mercy; Holy Mass; Eucharistic Adoration; Confession; uplifting sacred music; book signings; and time for sharing and fellowship. Friday, November 15 through Sunday, November 17 at Good Shepherd Church in Surrey. Learn more and register at marian.org/events.



NORTH AMERICAN CONGRESS ON MERCY



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OF MERCY

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. Nonparishioners 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.



The Knights of Columbus are holding a recycling bottle drive to our church basement fund improvements. Please drop off your recyclables in clear plastic bags before each Sunday mass on mark bins "K of C Bottle Drive" at the church basement. Here are the list of recyclables that are accepted for the bottle drive:

- Aluminum cans
- Plastic and Paper Drink containers
- Glass bottles
- Dairy and Non Dairy Milk **Containers and Wine Bottles.**

Please LEAVE LABELS ON, RINSE RECYCLABLES and do not include garbage in the bags. For more info please check out www.return-it.ca

Thank you

or scan the QR code.



for support of our bottle drive. We have raised over \$1000.

Please keep them coming!

Birthright Volunteers Needed

Would you like to help women in crisis pregnancy situations? Birthright Vancouver is currently looking for volunteers who can commit three hours a week on a weekday morning or afternoon to this mission. Training provided.

Contact: 604-687-7223 or birthrightvancouver@gmail.com.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

Dr. Erb, Kathleen Lauzon, Ralph Roberts, René & Gilberte Collette, the Quek Family, Father Lucien Larré and Teresita Cunningham.

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

9-Nov	Saturday	5:00 PM	INT	Christina Versoza	
10-Nov	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners	
10-Nov	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Fernand & Ozina Finnigan	
11-Nov	Monday	8:30 AM	+	Camelia Padua	
12-Nov	Tuesday	8:30 AM	+	Francesco Bertani	
13-Nov	Wednesday	8:30 AM	+	Lin Chay Ong	
14-Nov	Thursday	8:30 AM	+	Trevisan family	
15-Nov	Friday	8:30 AM	+	Jaime Awa	
16-Nov	Saturday	8:30 AM	+	Baptista family	
To book Mass Intentions please connect with the parish office to request an intention.					



As November continues, we invite you to go deeper into the mysteries of death and the afterlife. What happens when we die? Should we fear what comes next? Where are our deceased loved ones? Encounter the beautiful, yet challenging truths of the Catholic faith in Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well. Episode 2, "The Afterlife," dives into what happens after deathheaven, hell, and purgatory-and the difference between particular and general judgment.

Discover what awaits us on the other side with clarity and hope! For free access go to formed.org/signup, type in our parish postal code, V3K 2E6, and enjoy this episode and all other Formed content.

FORMED Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well Episode 2

Pray for Holy Souls This November

Praying for the faithful departed pleases God, who makes use of our prayers to help purify these souls in purgatory that he loves. You can sign up to receive daily prayers right in your inbox throughout the month of November from Gardens of Gethsemani. Sign up now: rcav.org/month-of-holy-souls

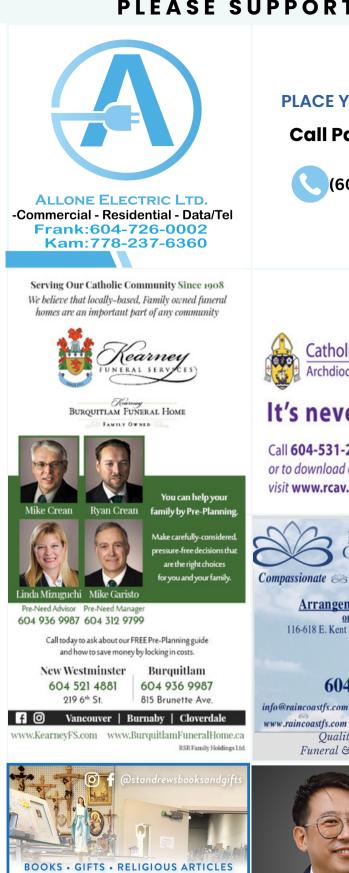
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Prayer Group	Alex & Nancy Lim
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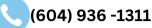
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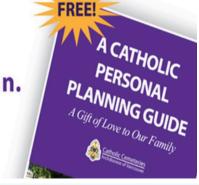
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