

1st Reading: Wisdom 2.12, 17-20  
2nd Reading: James 3.16 – 4.3  
Gospel: Mark 9.30-37

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

# BULLETIN



OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
COQUITLAM

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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.



Way back in April, I wrote a two-part reflection entitled "Relics and the Sacramentality of the Catholic Faith". I wasn't planning on writing on that subject again, but I have some exciting news concerning relics and our parish.

I mentioned back then that I was having difficulty in determining what saints' relics were in our altar. I had mentioned that in the early persecutions of the Church, Mass was often offered, by priests and congregations hiding in the catacombs using the tomb of a martyr as the altar. That tradition has carried on through time so that every main altar in a church has been consecrated and relics of saints, especially martyrs, are secured somewhere in the altar. This is why the priest kisses the altar at the beginning and the end of the Mass.

Part of the exciting news is that I have discovered whose relics are beneath the altar at Our Lady of Lourdes. Who would you guess would be there? Drumroll.....

**St. Bernadette Soubirous**, of course, the young girl and visionary to whom Our Blessed Mother spoke at a grotto in Lourdes, France in 1858 telling the world that she is the Immaculate Conception.



## Relics and the Sacramentality of the Catholic Faith – Part 3

The other saint is **St. Marguerite Bourgeoys** (1620 – 1700) the founder of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre-Dame in Montréal in the colony of New France. She and her sisters educated young girls, the poor, and children of First Nations. She is known for founding one of the first uncloistered religious communities in the Catholic Church.

The other exciting news is that I discovered, in the back of a cabinet, one of the most important relics that exists: a relic of the True Cross. We brought it out on the Feast of the Exaltation (or Triumph) of the Cross, and carried it in procession before the Saturday morning Mass last week. It is a wonderful blessing that our parish possesses such a venerable relic.

But wait, there's more: I found another relic that appeared to be only a wax seal. Upon investigation, I discovered that the case for the relic had been damaged and that, inside was a relic of St. Francis of Assisi. There is also one relic of St. Catherine Labouré who is said to have relayed the request from the Blessed Virgin Mary to create the Miraculous Medal, now worn by millions of people around the world.

After all these great discoveries, I feel that our parish is being blessed. As such, I would like to honor the relics by housing them in a proper way that would allow the parishioners access to see them and arranging special days of veneration on the feast days of the saints. I believe these are signs of God's blessing on us and I am deeply humbled and grateful for this turn of events.

Peace, *Father Larry*

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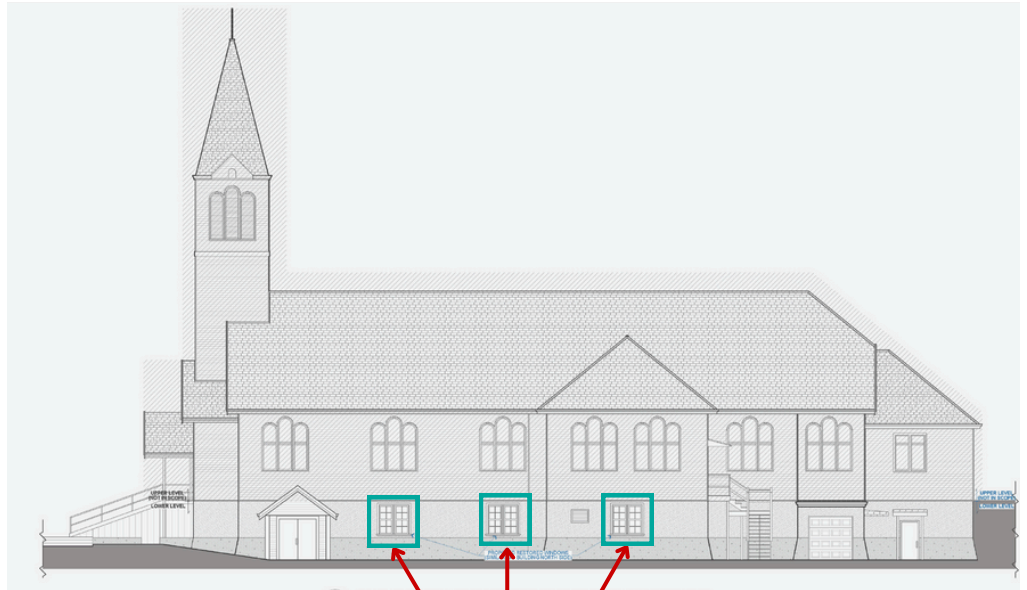
## Project Advance 2024

Project Advance makes possible the many ministries and programs that bring us together, furthering our evangelizing mission, both at the parish and throughout the archdiocese. With your donations over the years, we have been able to accomplish many great works! It is inspiring to see so many people working together to further the Kingdom of God. Most parishioners are aware of our plans to renovate the basement. An important feature of the renovation is to bring back the windows that were boarded up over fifty years ago. Windows allow the light to come in. Beautiful daylight. Allowing daylight in through the windows will make our church basement far more appealing than a box filled with artificial light. Our parish goal this year is \$70,000 to help cover the cost of the windows. All parishioners are encouraged to donate as participation is just as important, if not more so, than the amount given. Please offer something, large or small, for the future of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

You can contribute to Project Advance by speaking with a volunteer at the church entrance, going online to [projectadvance.ca](http://projectadvance.ca), scanning the QR code on the Project Advance poster, or by dropping by the parish office. Let's bring God's natural light into the church basement and help shine the light of faith on our neighborhood.

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### 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 Parish Office.

## Upcoming Funeral

**Lina Aussant**, a long-time parishioner, has passed away. She was an active part of this community for many years. Her funeral will be on **Friday, September 27 at 11:00 am.**

Let us keep and her family in our prayers.



21-Sept	Saturday	5:00 PM	INT	Dianne Yusko
22-Sept	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
22-Sept	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Thanksgiving
23-Sept	Monday	8:30 AM	INT	Rosina Butani
24-Sept	Tuesday	8:30 AM	✝	Jessie H. Odulio
25-Sept	Wednesday	8:30 AM	✝	Lee Sew Ying Wan Yan Lun
26-Sept	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Ptolomeo Dalocanog
27-Sept	Friday	8:30 AM	INT	Gilberte Knapp
28-Sept	Saturday	8:30 AM	✝	Ernesta Trevisan

**BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS.** Please connect with the parish office to request an intention.

## Parish Religious Education Program - PREP

PREP assists parents in providing religious education for children in Grades 1-7 who are not attending Catholic schools. The children learn the basics of the faith and are prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation.

Calling all parents of public schoolchildren from Gr.1-7 to register now for PREP classes held **every Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30.** Registration forms are available at both church entrances or at the parish office. **Any question please email or call the parish office.** PREP year 2024-2025 starts on September 11th. at the Upper St. Anne's Hall, located at the farthest end of the church parking lot.

## From Garage Sale 2 ---to the Church Basement Fund

Another \$1,531.25

Thanks to donors; set-uppers; ad poster posters; not-so-secret security agents; the original GSTers (Garage Sale Teamsters), their better halves and the new members; the wrap-uppers. Most of all, to Everyone who shopped!!

Funds generated from:

- Family Fun Day, July 14, 2024 ----- \$18,824.70
- Garage Sale 2, Sept 14 & 15, 2024----- 1,531.25
- T O T A L (Thank you, dear Lord.)----- 20,355.95

Can there be any more???!!! We'll see!!!



## BOTTLE DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus are holding a recycling bottle drive to fund our church basement 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](http://www.return-it.ca) or scan the QR code. Thank you!!

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## 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, Teresita Cunningham and David Lee.**

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 **Choir** for sponsoring.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

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- PREP** Marilyn Sarte
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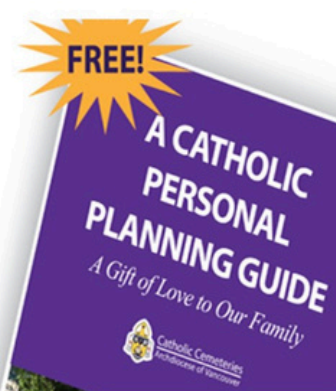
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