# SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



From the dawn of the first day, God desired communion with his creation. How brilliant it would be if the whole of creation would understand what that means. "God desires communion with us". Yes, and with each of us and all of us, and that we would embrace it with the fervor that that knowledge demands.

When you think about our faith and you see all that has happened in salvation history, and you read the Gospels and follow the story of Jesus and his Apostles; you know their struggles, the obstacles they had to overcome, the beauty of his teachings, and we still don't appreciate the immensity of what God has done for us and that he desires to be in communion with us.

#### We are in him, and he is in us. He - is God.

"We are half-hearted people", says G. K. Chesterton. "We are like little children living in terrible slum conditions, content to play in the slimy mud and find ourselves amused, because we cannot imagine what is meant by an offer of a holiday by the seaside". We just can't imagine it.

Imagination is important in the Catholic Faith. We need to use our imaginations because the Mystery is so deep. We need not allow ourselves to be stuck in the routines of our faith, meaning there's real life and then there's 'church on Sunday'. No, no, no, our faith is so much more than that.

Our faith, properly understood, should make us tremble.

1st Reading: Exodus 24.3-8 2nd Reading: Hebrews 9.11-15 Gospel: Mark 14.12-16, 22-26

# The Source and the Summit

That God became one of us is simply beyond our imagination. That he allowed himself to suffer and to be killed is another huge stumbling block for many. That he rose from the dead so that we will rise also is completely over the top, if we're thinking the way the world thinks. That he instituted the sacraments, from which we receive life-giving grace, spiritual nourishment and through which we remain in him and him in us and we are all part of his body: well, that's simply amazing. But wait, there's more!

Listen closely now - He never went away. He left himself physically here through the ministerial priesthood, in the Holy Eucharist! Here's where it gets heavy: we eat him!

God, the creator of the universe, through whom all things have being, humbled himself to share in our humanity so that we may share in his divinity. We are in him, and he is in us and he - is God. In his humility, he allows us to ingest his body and blood, soul and divinity, all of him. What we are eating is greater than all the earth, the sun, the entire cosmos and all the universe. The Son of God is ingested by us and by this action he makes us part of him - the creator.

Christ is the source of our faith. And Christ is the the highest point of our faith, the summit, if you will. And in the greatest act of humility your creator, Jesus Christ, allows us to eat him and live in us so that we can live in him because, since the dawn of the first day he desires to be in communion with you...and me.

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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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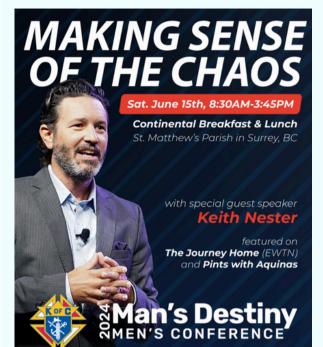
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# Join the Operation Baby Bottle Fundraiser!

From Mother's Day to Father's Day, Pregnancy Concerns is hosting the "Operation Baby Bottle" fundraiser. Nearly half of pregnancies in Canada are unplanned, and these families need our help. By participating, you're providing vital care, encouragement, and letting them know they are not alone. Here's how you can make a difference:

- Pick up a baby bottle at the church
- Fill it with cash and cheques
- Return it to the church by Father's Day (June 16th)

Prefer online? You can donate that way too! https://www.pregnancyconcerns.org/donate/ Let's come together and show our support.



This conference aims to educate men and their sons about the value of Catholicism and how to combat the evils that are so corrosive in modern society. Ultimately, it seeks to help participants lead more virtuous lives. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus (Council 9534), the conference will have Keith Nester as guest speaker. **On Saturday, June 15, 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.** at St. Matthew's Parish in Surrey. Cost is \$60. Learn more and register via beholdvancouver.org/events.

# Adeus da Ana

After much reflection and prayer, I decided to accept a new job offer in which I will work from home, which makes this new role perfect for the current moment in my life and that of my children. I will resign from my current position at the parish, but my commitment to this community remains firm.

It has been an honor to serve and grow with all of you. Although my role within the church is changing, my dedication to supporting our parish family continues, and I hope to remain connected to each of you in this new chapter.

Thank you for your understanding and support. May God bless you all.

Ana Moura

#### WEEKDAY MASS

Mon. to Sat.: Rosary at 7:55am and Mass at 8:30am Thursday Mass will be followed by Adoration.

Dear Beloved Parish Community,

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

#### FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

No morning Confession or Mass

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Tues. to Fri. 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.

#### 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.

### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

# **Pro-Life Mass & Prayer** Viail Schedule:

Celebrant is Father Larry Lynn - Pro-Life Chaplain of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. All Masses at 9:00 am unless otherwise stated:

#### Julv 6 St. Clare of Assisi Parish 2888 Delahaye Drive, Coquitlam

August 3 St. Joseph's Parish 32550 7th Avenue, Mission



### Catholic Youth Conference

The Ministries and Outreach Office of the Archdiocese of Vancouver invites you to join us at the Catholic Youth Conference! This event is meant for high school youth in grades 8-12 and the adults that are journeying with them as their parish youth ministry leaders, teachers, and mentors. This full-day event will include keynote speaker Paul J. Kim, breakout sessions, time for prayer, praise and worship music, food, and opportunities for you to interact with other youth from around our Archdiocese. On Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Pacific Academy's Mary Pattison Chapel in Surrey. Learn more and register as a group at cyc.rcav.org.

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1-Jun	Saturday	5:00 PM	INT	Solidum Family
2-Jun	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
2-Jun	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Raymond Javier
3-Jun	Monday	8:30 AM	+	Lee Sew Ying Wan Yan Lun
4-Jun	Tuesday	8:30 AM	+	Souls in Purgatory
5-Jun	Wednesday	8:30 AM	INT	Aurora Tadeo
6-Jun	Thursday	8:30 AM	+	Lee Sew Ying Wan Yan Lun
7-Jun	Friday	8:30 AM	+	Roman Millano
7-Jun	Friday	7:00 PM	+	Mario Del Groso
8-Jun	Saturday	8:30 AM	INT	Cacilda Chu

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

Bereavement Support for Those Whose Loved Ones Have Chosen MAiD Has someone you loved chosen MAiD? We are offering a 4-week support group for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one through Medical Assistance in Dying (also known as MAiD or euthanasia). This small group (8 people) will offer an opportunity to work through some of the complications of this grief with others who have experienced similar situations with family and friends. This is not about the politics or morality of euthanasia. This is a peer-led group to support each other through our Catholic faith and the mercy of God. We will use scripture, discussions, and reflections to work through the many aspects of bereavement. On Thursday, June 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Vancouver. Registration deadline: Thursday, June 6. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.



The Knights of Columbus are holding a recycling bottle drive to fund our church basement improvements. Starting Saturday, June 8th, please K of C drop off your recyclables in clear plastic bags before each Sunday Bottle mass on mark bins "K of C Bottle Drive" at the church basement. This will help create a better space for our community activities. Every bottle **Drive** makes a difference! Thank you for your support.

Our Parish is on Diving into the beauty of the faith has never been easier: at home, on the go •••RMFI or from any internet connected device.

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

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

Lina Aussant, 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 Knights of

Columbus for sponsoring.



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# **PARISH MINISTRIES**

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ACRSS Rep	Irenaeus Lim
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Choir	Roger De Villa & Agnes Wan
<b>Couples for Christ</b>	Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos
K of C	Danny Kusnardi
Lector	Suzanne Tkach
Prayer Group	Alex & Nancy Lim
PREP	Marilyn Sarte
Project Advance	Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
Sacristan	Alex Lim
Ushers	Robert Tang & Terry Charbonneau

## Contact parish office for info.

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