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SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

BULLETIN



What Is A Human Person?

(male) is somehow ignored and children are encouraged to “be who they feel they are”. But we know “from medicine, natural law, and divine revelation, that each person is created either male or female, from the moment of conception.” Pope Francis writes, “It needs to be emphasized that biological sex and the socio-cultural role of sex (gender) can be distinguished but not separated...It is one thing to be understanding of human weakness and the complexities of life, and another to accept ideologies that attempt to sunder what are inseparable aspects of reality.” *Amoris Laetitia*, no. 56.

There is a deep rift in our society over this fundamental issue of identity. It behooves us, as Catholics to know and understand the basic human anthropology from a Catholic point of view.

“The Church’s teaching rests on three principles, all knowable by way of human reason.



First, the human person is an ‘embodied soul,’ the composite of the spiritual and physical. To be a human person means to be a unity of body and soul at the moment of conception, a human person.”

Second, the human person is created male or female.

Third, the differences between man and woman are ordered towards their complimentary union in marriage.

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“In the past decade our culture has seen growing acceptance of transgender ideology – that is, the claim that a person’s biological sex and personal identity have no necessary connection and could in fact, contradict each other. According to this view, “human identity” is self-defined and “becomes the choice of the individual.” Consequently, our culture is experiencing a rapid rise in the number of persons claiming an identity contrary to their biological sex. Attempts to accommodate such claims already have resulted in tremendous upheavals in our social, legal and medical systems.

This situation presents a serious challenge for all members of the Church because **it presents a view of the human person contrary to the truth.**”

This is from the introduction of “A Catechesis On The Human Person And Gender Ideology” by the Most Reverend Michael Burbidge, Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia.

We are living in a world in which the basic tenets of our beliefs, of our Catholic beliefs, are being denied and teased out from the strong foundations on which our society was built. Basic beliefs such as,

*“God created man in his image;
in the divine image he created him;
male and female he created them.”*

The fundamental concepts of what is a man, or a woman are being challenged. The science of xx chromosomes (female) differentiated from xy chromosomes



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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.

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A Catechesis on the Human Person and Gender Ideology

A talk by
Father Skip Thompson, M.S.A.

Can we change our sex — our gender? Is it possible? What does science, common sense, and the Church tell us about men and women? What are the effects of gender ideology upon our children and our families?

Explore these questions based on the catechesis of the Most Reverend Michael Burbidge, Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia.

Date: **Thursday, September 5th**

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Venue: **Upper St. Anne's Hall**

From page 1, *What Is A Human Person?*

I encourage you to know more about this, especially you parents, because we need to be able to respond to what is happening in the halls of schools and the legislative chambers. It profoundly affects us all. We must be able to respond with great love and guide our children to the truth. Please come on Thursday evening, September 5 to listen to Father Skip Thompson's talk on "A Catechesis on the Human Person and Gender Ideology."

Peace, *Father Larry*

Welcome Leanne Penco – Our new Administration Assistant

At long last, we have found the perfect person to fill our very important position of Administrative Assistant. Her name is **Leanne Penco** and we are blessed that she has moved to Port Coquitlam recently. She comes with a wealth of experience from St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Vancouver and many years of working with the Ministry and Outreach Office in the Archdiocese.

The administrative assistant is "the face" of the parish, reflecting Christ to parishioners and non-parishioners alike. The parish office is the hub of communication, the source of sacramental record keeping and the scheduling centre of parish activities. I run a well-organized and professional office and offer a strong Catholic faith and courteous manner."

This is from our new administrative assistant's cover letter when she applied for the job.

I feel blessed that Leanne will be working to make our parish a thriving, welcoming place. She starts **Tuesday, September 3**. Please stop by the office to say hello and introduce yourself.

We welcome you, Leanne.



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

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

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Pro-Life Mass & Vigil

We warmly invite you to a profound spiritual event at:



St. Jude's Parish,
3078 Renfrew St. Vancouver



Saturday, Sept. 7, 2024
at 9:00 AM.

Celebrant: **Father Larry Lynn**, Pro-Life Chaplain of the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

See you there!

31-Aug	Saturday	5:00 PM	✝	Ptolomeo Dalocanog
1-Sept	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
1-Sept	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Ting & Nercy Barona
2-Sept	Monday	8:30 AM	INT	Paul Ramos
3-Sept	Tuesday	8:30 AM	INT	Maria Parappilly
4-Sept	Wednesday	8:30 AM	✝	Solidum Family
5-Sept	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Betty Bilodeau
6-Sept	Friday	8:30 AM	✝	Gisele Caron
6-Sept	Friday	7:00 PM	✝	Poul Gilbert
7-Sept	Saturday	8:30 AM		No Mass

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Church basement, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Sept 14, 2024 -- - 10a.m. - 4pm

Sept 15, 2024 -- - 10a.m. - 2pm

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Parish Religious Education Program - PREP

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.

Thank you and 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.



**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 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:

Lina Aussant, 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 **CWL** for sponsoring.

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- Alpha** Anthony Marroquin & Alex Lim
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- ACRSS Rep** Irenaeus Lim
- CWL** Josephine (Dollie) Basa
- Choir** Roger De Villa & Agnes Wan
- Couples for Christ** Alejandro & Stella Delos Santos
- K of C** Anthony Marroquin
- Lector** Suzanne Tkach
- Prayer Group** Alex & Nancy Lim
- PREP** Marilyn Sarte
- Project Advance** Kathy Gorkoff & Francis Gutierrez
- Sacristan** Alex Lim
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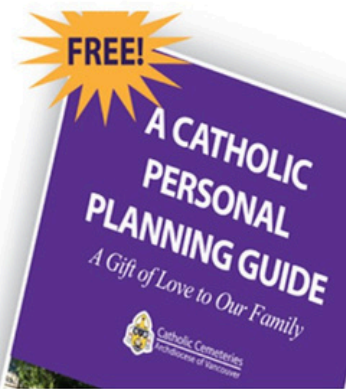
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