

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Wis 7:7-11

2nd Reading: Heb 4:12-13

Gospel: Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

OCTOBER 13, 2024

BULLETIN

I Am So Grateful

mud. Our wheels are clogged, and we can't move forward.

But **when we have gratitude for all that is, we're liberated. Because everything is a gift from God!** When we accept all that God has for us, the sunshine and the rain, we never have to worry because he only has love for us. He only has our good in mind in what he wills for us.

That doesn't mean we laugh in the face of cancer or tragedy or war. It means that, despite those things, we have a deep sense that God will bring us through our trials and that, eventually, he will bring us home to himself. That is our goal. That is why he created each of us, to be with him forever and share his love. St. Paul tells us (paraphrasing Job) "We brought nothing into this world, nor have we the power to take anything out." *1 Timothy 6:7*

While we are here on our pilgrimage on earth, we can trust that God is with us. **I am so grateful for that.**

I want to tell you I am grateful to you, Dear Parishioner, I am grateful to be the Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, I am especially grateful to be a priest of the Roman Catholic Church and I am grateful for my life - no matter what happens. God bless you all and I wish you a lovely, brilliant and blessed Thanksgiving Day.

Peace,
Father Larry



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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.



Back in the seventies and eighties, the most popular comedian in Quebec was Yvon Deschamps. He was a monologist, very funny and ironic. In one of his monologues, he was talking about how 'kids today' don't appreciate anything:

"Tu leur donne tout... C'est pas ca qu'ils veulent!"

"You give them everything... That's not what they want!" Ha, ingrates.

Gratitude! It's the only way forward. What are you grateful for? Can you name one thing? Can you name five things? Can you name a thousand things? Is there anything that you are not grateful for? Aye, there's the rub! The truth is that there is nothing that we have or are that does not come from God and there is nothing that we should not be grateful for.

We have many things that are unwelcome in our lives, sickness, legal trouble, debt, friction in the family, schoolwork assignments not completed and believe it or not we need to be grateful for these things as well.

Of course, it's easy to be grateful for the air we breathe, the roof over our heads, our siblings, our parents, our children. But do we take time to acknowledge our gratitude?

When we are grateful and especially when we express our gratitude, we continue moving forward. We're not stuck on what we don't have, or what is not going our way, or the trials we have, the trouble we're in. If we let them, those things will stop us in our tracks and life can begin to feel like we're stuck in the

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Our parish is making steady progress towards the Project Advance goal of **\$70,000**. Thanks to all of you who have donated especially you who are donating to Project Advance for the first time. We have raised **\$31,495** so far and are just shy of the halfway mark to our goal. It is not too late to make a gift. Every gift no matter the size will make a difference in our community. The money we raise will go towards new windows in the church basement.

Please consider making a gift today to Project Advance. You can give online at projectadvance.ca, by phone at 604-683-0281, or in-person at the parish office. Thank you so much for your support.

PROJECT ADVANCE Building our Parish Community
2024



Let us bring back God's natural light to our church basement!

A Call to Fast and Pray for Peace

Statement by the **Most Rev. William T. McGrattan**, Bishop of Calgary and CCCB President, to the Catholic Faithful in Canada, inviting them to pray and fast for peace.

"Our world is suffering. The wars are growing. All Catholics are invited and encouraged to take up Pope Francis' call to pray and fast for peace. Prayer is a most powerful instrument, capable of healing division, changing hearts, opening minds, and bringing new beginnings to situations which seem impossible. Fasting, in this context, provides a special way by which to join ourselves to the suffering of others, in solidarity with them, as well as to the sufferings endured by Christ during his Passion and Crucifixion. We may think, as we fast, of the many forms of human suffering that are associated with war and all forms of violence, and thereby strengthen the earnestness and concreteness of our prayers. Such steps help to create a society where all people can flourish in the way that God intended. **Let us, in this month of the Holy Rosary, ask for Mary's help. Mary, who bears the title Queen of Peace, is a powerful intercessor** who, likewise desiring peace among all peoples and nations, brings our prayers and petitions to God and makes them more effective."

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.

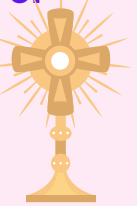
ADORATION

Tues. to Sat. starting at 9:00am (following Mass). The Church will remain open until 6:00pm.

Catholic Women's League (CWL) Membership Campaign

Do you want to join an organization that recognizes and celebrates healthy family life? The core purpose of the CWL is to unite Catholic women to grow in faith and to promote social justice through service to the Church. Your primary role as parent, provider and caregiver is respected and honoured by the CWL. You may attend meetings and events and perform corporal works of mercy as your time permits. Your membership adds power to the CWL's voice as the League lobbies government on social justice issues on behalf of a national sisterhood of Catholic women. Come, join us! For more information, please speak with a CWL member.

Special Event at Our Lady of Lourdes – Celebrate One Year of an Open Church, Adoration and Prayer for Peace



Come for a special evening, of exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, on **Tuesday, October 22 at 7 pm**. We will mark the one-year anniversary of keeping our church open for worship and adoration daily with an evening of silence, prayer, music and confessions. Time spent before our Lord in the Eucharist is never wasted. As Saint Teresa of Calcutta said, "When the Sisters are exhausted, up to their eyes in work; when all seems to go awry, they spend an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. This practice has never failed to bear fruit: they experience peace and strength."

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.



"Being With" Volunteer Training

"Being With" a free training to gain the confidence to visit and journey with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick, or dying, in order to renew their hope and purpose in life. A workbook is included. **October 19, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.** with lunch included at **St. Patrick's Parish** in Vancouver. Learn more and register by October 16 at beholdvancouver.org/events.

12-Oct	Saturday	5:00 PM	INT	Florante & Nercy Barona
13-Oct	Sunday	9:00 AM	INT	Nora Lynn Beauchamp
13-Oct	Sunday	11:00 AM	INT	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
14-Oct	Monday	8:30 AM	INT	Jimmy Lynn
15-Oct	Tuesday	8:30 AM	✝	Kathryn Neilson
16-Oct	Wednesday	8:30 AM	✝	Wilson family
17-Oct	Thursday	8:30 AM	✝	Lina Aussant
18-Oct	Friday	8:30 AM	✝	Julie Deduque
19-Oct	Saturday	8:30 AM	INT	Lucy and Harry

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

CARNEY GARAGE SALE

Saturday, October 26th (8:30 am - 3:30 pm)

Sunday, October 27th (9:30 am - 2:30 pm)

Don't miss the largest annual indoor Garage Sale in the Tri-Cities area. We will have an impressive display of new and used items at bargain prices. Strictly clean and reusable items will be up for sale. Support the school while getting great deals on Household Items, Tools, Books, Toys, Clothing, Sporting Goods, Electronics, Decorative Items, Knickknacks and much, much more! Don't forget to come by our Silent Auction (bidding closes at 3:30 pm on Saturday). We would also like you to try our freshly baked treats from the Bake Sale area and Grab & Go Sandwich/Snacks Bar from the Cafeteria. Cash & Credit Cards accepted.

Remember to spread the word to your family and friends!



We need your support!



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!!

SCAN ME



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 **CWL** for sponsoring.

PARISH MINISTRIES

- Alpha** Anthony Marroquin & Alex Lim
- Altar Servers** Alex Lim
- 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
- Ushers** Robert Tang & Terry Charbonneau

Contact parish office for info.

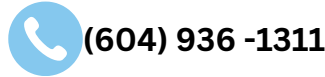
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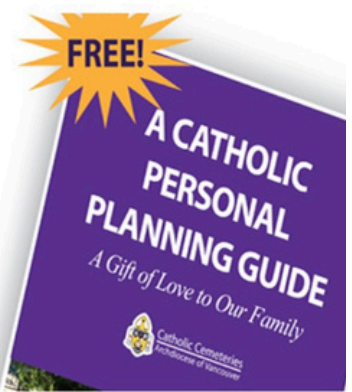
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