



# Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 14, 2018**

## Want a Better Parish?

### A Prayer of Stewardship



My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.

It will be holy, if I am.

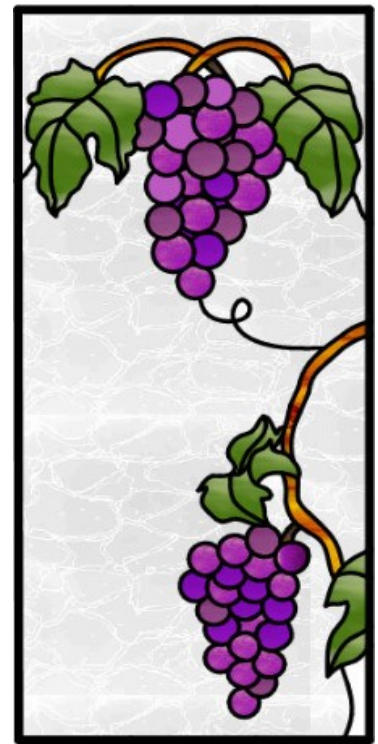
Its pews will be filled,  
if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work.

It will be prayerful, if I pray.

It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.

It will bring others into worship,  
if I invite and bring them in.



It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with the help of God, I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Amen.



**Still looking for a New Year's resolution?**

**Men**—come pray with us, Fridays, 6 a.m.

**Women**—experience the C.W.L. Wednesday, January 24, 7 p.m.

## A Glance at Our Parish Calendar

Monday	January 15	7:30 p.m.	Word of God Bible Study	Mallon Room
Tuesday	January 16	7:00 p.m.	R.C.I.A. Kickoff	Mallon Room
Wednesday	January 17	9:15 a.m.	School Mass	Church
		10:00 a.m.	Knitting for Charity	Mallon Room
		4:15 p.m.	P.R.E.P. Resumes	McCarthy Room
		<b>Rescheduled</b>	<b>C.W.L. General Meeting</b>	<b>to January 24</b>
Thursday	January 18	9:00 a.m.	AFF (Mary, A Biblical Walk)	Mallon Room
Friday	January 19	6:00 a.m.	Commuter Club	Mallon Room

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

<b>Sun</b> Jan 14	9:00 a.m.	Harry White †
	11:00 a.m.	
	5:00 p.m.	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
<b>Mon</b> Jan 15	8:15 a.m.	Francisco Ibañez †
<b>Tues</b> Jan 16	8:15 a.m.	Mary Cardenas (int)
<b>Wed</b> Jan 17	9:15 a.m.	Derek Ridsdale (int) <i>St. Anthony, Abbot</i>
<b>Thu</b> Jan 18	8:15 a.m.	Marla Meginbir (int)
<b>Fri</b> Jan 19	8:15 a.m.	Alice Tibay (int)
<b>Sat</b> Jan 20	9:00 a.m.	Gerald Carroll (int) <i>Our Lady's Saturday</i>
<b>Sun</b> Jan 21	9:00 a.m.	
	11:00 a.m.	Gordon Towill †
	5:00 p.m.	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>



### Discovery

Our next round of Discovery studies start at the end of January. Come rediscover the truths of our Catholic faith in a six-week small group discussion-based study about the love of God and the Person of Jesus. Study times are built off of your schedule.



### Source

Learn more about the Holy Spirit in this six-week, small group discussion-based follow-up study to Discovery.

For more information about Discovery and Source, and to register, email [Discovery@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:Discovery@ctrwestvan.ca).

### Please Pray For

Eun "Mary" Kim (*wife of Joon Hub*)



### We Continue to Pray for

*Kenneth Beesley, Carlos Bolbrugge, Timothy Buckley, Kacey Caldarella, Gerald Carrol, Veronica Chan, John Choi, Elias Chong, Wong Yuet Chun, Robert Coles, Rose Cullen, Sofia Curalli, Barry Cutler, Cecilia Donahoe, Dana Donelson, Margaret Fry, Eric Greenwood, Nicholas Havemann, Maria Helbig, Patrick Hickey, Patricia Keough, Benita Lameo, Young-pyo Lee, Marcos Lopes, Lawrence Marchant, Tom McCusker, Michael O'Brien, Ethan Price, Erich Puchinger, Natalia Pyk, Plunkett Quinn, Emma Grace Radziminski, Gordon Ridgedale, Derek Ridsdale, Leonie Roemuss, Margaret Ryan, Breda Sheehan, Theresa Sheehan, Milan Sikich, Linwood Trask, Maria Magdalena Velázquez, Rolly Waechter, Lucienne Watson, Joseph Wein, Amy Wheeler, Joseph Willgot, and Simon Wong*



### Pray for the Repose of the Soul of

Stella Jo Dean



### R.C.I.A.

Interested to know more about the Catholic Church? Are you:

- attending Mass out of interest;
- the spouse of a Catholic;
- a Catholic who has left the Church but is feeling a longing for home; or
- are of a different Christian tradition and thinking of becoming Catholic?

Then please come to the first session of our program for inquirers (RCIA), starting **this Tuesday, January 16 at 7 p.m.** We watch and discuss thought-provoking videos about the Catholic Church, her teachings, and why we do what we do as Catholics. For more information, please contact the Parish office at 604-922-1371.



## 2018 Sunday Envelopes

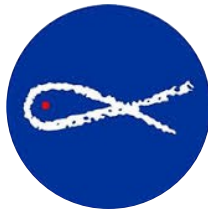
Sunday envelopes are still available to pick up in the church foyer. Please pick them up as soon as you can, and contact the Office if you have any questions.

## Adult Faith Formation — James



Starting January 25, our Thursday morning Bible Study group will begin a ten-week journey through the Letter of James. If you'd like a study book, please contact the office by next week.

## Thank You from the SSVP



The members of your Society of Saint Vincent de Paul group thank you for your generous donation of \$2,500 from the 2017 Project Advance funds, and for your amazing support of the 2017 Family Giving drive at Christmas. As a result of the drive, the SSVP group received 326 pairs of new socks, 214 pairs of new underwear, 35 new t-shirts, 29 new pairs of gloves, 9 new toques, 8 new scarves, and 1 new shirt.

Your 2017 Project Advance donation will be used to buy supplies for the SSVP group's monthly meals at The Door is Open, and all of the 2017 Family Giving items will be distributed to directly to the needy during those meals in the coming months. Thank you again!

## Estate & Funeral Planning Workshop



Presentations will be offered by staff from the Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Vancouver in the Mallon Room **next Sunday, January 21 after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses**. They will cover matters you may not have thought about but will help you gather your thoughts before you write your first Will or prepare to update your Will. Learn about the beauty and dignity of the Catholic funeral rite and how to formulate Pre-Need arrangements. Receive free guides and loads of practical advice. For more information, please contact Catholic Cemeteries by email or call 604-531-2141. You can also register online at [www.rccav.org/events](http://www.rccav.org/events).

## Catholic Women's League News



Please note the January Annual General Meeting has been moved to **Wednesday, January 24**, with Mass at 7 p.m., followed by the meeting and a testimony from Fr. Giovanni. Please come out to support your new Executive and hear Father Giovanni's moving story.

We are also looking for a few more executive members. If you can spare some time we meet every second month for an approximately 1.5 hour meeting. Come join us!

Our Priest/Deacon appreciation dinner will take place on February 5, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Italian Cultural Centre. Tickets are \$40. For more information and registration please email Lorraine at [lorraine.ma@shaw.ca](mailto:lorraine.ma@shaw.ca).

## Formation Corner



*Excerpted from the Pastoral Constitution Gaudium et Spes from Vatican II: The Church in the Modern World, no. 10*

The imbalances affecting the world today are in fact connected with a deeper imbalance rooted in the human heart where various elements are in opposition. On the one hand, human beings as creatures experience considerable limitations, while on the other hand they are aware of being unlimited in their desires and of being summoned to a higher life. They are subject to many attractions and constantly compelled to choose between them and renounce some of them. And being weak and sinful, they frequently do what they would rather not, and fail to do what they would. They experience internal disunity within themselves, from which so many disharmonies in society also originate. Many whose life is infected with practical materialism are prevented from clearly perceiving this dramatic situation; others are so crushed by wretchedness that they cannot appreciate it. Many consider they can find peace through various ways of interpreting events.

For the whole text, see [http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist\\_councils/ii\\_vatican\\_council/documents/vat-ii\\_const\\_19651207\\_gaudium-et-spes\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19651207_gaudium-et-spes_en.html)



## Prison Ministry Prayers

Thank you to all our parishioners who took the time to write Christmas cards to inmates after Mass. The inmates who received the cards were very grateful and gained strength from the knowledge that the greater community has not forgotten them. We are still collecting new Christmas Cards and 2018 calendars! Please deposit in the Prison Ministry Box in the foyer.

Please pray for these intentions written by some of the inmates:

*S: I pry for familys, I hurt and pry for my mom*

*T: Please pray for the door to open for me to go to Guthrie house. Pray for my family to be strong and get through the death of L. And wisdom to know she is in a better place.*

*L: I won't to put a pray for my mom. I all so put a pray for my fouthier. And for my aty Jhen.*

If you would like to get involved in the many areas of Prison Ministry, or would like to be a part of our prayer team and receive the full list of prayer requests, please contact at Anita Callahan, [anitacallahan2@gmail.com](mailto:anitacallahan2@gmail.com), or Karen Magee, [kdmagee@shaw.ca](mailto:kdmagee@shaw.ca).



## Thank You!

The CTR Christmas Family Giving Drive was a great success! Thanks to generous CTR parishioners, we were able to donate 144 full bags of groceries to be put on the shelves of the North Shore's Harvest Project Food Bank, and 16 bags of groceries, dropped off after the due date, were delivered to The Door is Open Food Bank. Thank you!

## Catholic Response to Secularism



Dr. Brooke Herbert of the Catholic Physicians' Guild will be giving a presentation on "The Threat of Aggressive Secularism: A Catholic Response", on Saturday, February 3, 2018, after the 5 p.m. Anticipatory Sunday Mass at St. Pius X Parish. All are welcome.

## Youth and Young Adult News



Teen YM kicks off 2018 with Youth Alpha film series. We meet twice a month on Sundays from 6-8:30 p.m. beginning with dinner. First session is on January 28. Email Vanessa at [youthministry@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:youthministry@ctrwestvan.ca) to sign up!

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