

ST. MONICA PARISH GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS

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M E E T I N G S

LEGION OF MARY

Handmaid of the Lord

Sat: 10 am - 12 nn

Mary Mother of the Redeemer

Mon: 10 am - 12 nn

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

3rd Sat. of the month after 9:30 am mass

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIEST

CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

Thurs: 9:30 am at the Family Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Executive: 3rd Sat. of the month,

10:15 am

General: 4th Sat. of the month, 10:15 am

(except Summer)

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

2nd Tuesday, 7:45 pm-9:00 pm

(except in December)

COUPLES FOR CHRIST

General Assembly every 1st Saturday

Teaching Night every 3rd Saturday

ST. MONICA PARISH YOUTH

MINISTRY

Regular Meeting every 1st Saturday

12 nn - 4 pm

BIBLE STUDY

Monday & Thursday 7 pm - 9 pm

RCIA

Thursday 7pm-9 pm



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:30 am - 1 pm / 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULES

WEEKDAYS: **9:00 am**

SATURDAYS: **9:30 am & 5:00 pm**

SUNDAYS: **9:00 am & 11:00 am**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAYS: **4:30 pm - 4:55 pm**

CONFESSIONS: 10 MINUTES BEFORE DAILY

MASS OR BY REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES

NOVENA TO

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

WEDNESDAYS: **7:00 pm**

MASS FOLLOWED BY NOVENA

& BENEDICTION

BAPTISM COURSE

EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT **6 pm**

BAPTISMS

4th SATURDAY AFTER 9:30 am MASS

HOUSE BLESSINGS

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

February 4, 2018

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The healing of Peter's mother-in-law shows how Jesus manifests his care and concern for those who are close to him, for those who follow him. His "personal touch" of healing affirmation is much in evidence. To be with Jesus is to experience God's grace and blessings not only for ourselves but also for our loved ones and those who believe in Jesus.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Our first reading relates the suffering and despair of Job. In the second reading, St Paul tells us we must not keep the Good News to ourselves, but we are called to share it with those we meet. Jesus, in the today's gospel, comes to bring healing and peace to all those he encounters.

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Today's Readings:

1st: Job 7.1-4, 6-7

Psalm: 147

2nd: 1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1.29-39

PARISH UPDATES

2017 Official Tax-Receipts – Your tax receipts are ready for pick up, please see the volunteer who is handing it out to make sure you receive yours promptly.

Our Parish Lenten Mission is coming up on Feb. 17 – 20. Fr. Matthew Linn, SJ, a Jesuit of the Central and Southern Province, will introduce the Mission on the weekend Masses. The Mission is on **Feb. 18, 19, 20** at 7:00pm. Invite a friend!

Windows Sponsorship – The form is available at the Parish Office when you decide to support with a monetary gift on the *Tree of Gratitude*. Thank you for your support.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2018 PENNIES(COINS) FOR HEAVEN CAMPAIGN - The St Monica Knights of Columbus 12861 request your support and donations for our 2018 Pennies for Heaven campaign for our Vocation Programs, Live in Seminar at the Westminster Abbey for our PREP Students, and St Monica parish seminarian Alexis Boquiren. Your loose coins (including pennies) and loose change will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support. Collection wheel borrow will be at the church foyer for these 2 consecutive weekends.

Mass and Anointing of the Sick

Archbishop Miller, CSB, will be celebrating a Mass of Anointing in honour of World Day of the Sick on Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Vancouver. The sacrament of anointing will be administered after the homily. All sick and their caregivers are invited to attend. Following Mass, simple refreshments will be offered in the parish hall. Plenty of parking available.

Our Lenten Mission Themes

Sun., February 18: Healing Our Image of God – Becoming All We Are

This presentation will focus on how we are made to the image and likeness of God, but we may be making God according to our image and likeness rather than become the fullness of Love. This evening will include a process of healing our image of God where it has been distorted by life's hurts.

Mon., Feb. 19: The Most Difficult Forgiveness: Forgive Oneself

We struggle to love and forgive another where we struggle to love and forgive ourselves. We continue the same struggles and faults because we hate the sin and the sinner. This presentation will focus on how to forgive ourselves in a way that heals us rather than traps us in repeating our unloving behaviour and getting angry at others who are unloving like us.

Tue., Feb 20: Going Forth: Embracing New Life

Each of us has a pattern of running from life when we feel a sense of being inadequate and not at home with ourselves. This presentation will follow the archetypal Prodigal Story, "We must celebrate because he was dead and has come back to life, he was lost and now he has been found."

Ash Wednesday Masses

Ashes will be distributed after the homily at the 9am and 7pm Masses. There will be NO Novena and Benediction in the evening service.

Burning of palms for Ash Wednesday

Please bring your old palms to the church these coming weekends and place them in the baskets in the foyer. You may also bring them to the parish office during business hours. The ashes will be burned and will be used at our **Ash Wednesday Masses on February 14, 2018.**



ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

ONE Conference 2018 - Mercy & Beyond:

Sharing Our Joy

The annual ONE Conference brings together 1,000 parish and ministry leaders from across Catholic Vancouver to connect, learn, and inspire each other. Mercy and Beyond: Sharing our Joy is the theme of the 2018 ONE Conference. Fr. James Mallon (Divine Renovation) and Dr. Josephine Lombardi are our keynote speakers, and we will hear practical tips from breakout session speakers Jake Khym, Dr. Deborah MacNamara, Abbott John Braganza, OSB, and Brett Powell about sharing our joy within our parish, our families, and our friends in the greater Church community. Join us Saturday, Feb. 10, from 9-5:30 p.m. at Chandos Pattison Auditorium at Pacific Academy in Surrey. Register today at onecatholic.ca.

Reformation and Communion

Last year we marked the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The Christian Churches in Richmond will host free seminars on Tuesdays, Jan. 23, Feb. 6, March 6, May 1, and June 5 at 7 p.m. There will be a special musical event on April 10 at 7 p.m. at South Arm United Church. All are welcome. Contact Pastor Christoph Reiners at 604-270-0085 for more information.

Lunar Thanksgiving Mass

Chinese Ministry invites all to the year-end Thanksgiving Mass celebrated by Archbishop Miller, CSB, followed by lunch on Monday, Feb. 12, at 11 a.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Vancouver. If interested, please contact Fr. Chu at pchu@rcav.org.

Stewardship Reflection

Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, "I do it all for the sake of the Gospel, so that I may share in its blessings."

See 1 Corinthians 9:23

Stewardship by the book – Sharon Hueckel

Mass Intentions

February 4-10, 2018

Sun, Feb 4—

Mon, Feb 5— Victor Chung (RIP)

Tue, Feb 6— Mrs. Lau (Thanksgiving)

Wed, Feb 7 — 9am, Arsenia Capitolo (RIP)
7pm, Victoria Coronel (RIP)

Thu, Feb 8— Mater Martinez
(Thanksgiving)

Fri, Feb 9— Evelyn Martinez (RIP)

Sat, Feb 10— 9:30am, Victoria Coronel(RIP)
5pm, Karen Lopus (RIP)

Development & Peace – Free workshop

Development & Peace – Caritas Canada invites you to a free workshop (everyone welcome), Together for Peace, on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's church in Vancouver. To register, email pinky.devpeace@gmail.com or call 604-612-9677.