

ST. MONICA PARISH GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS

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 R Sullivan
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MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY

Handmaid of the Lord
 Sat: 10 am - 12 nm
 Mary Mother of the Redeemer
 Mon: 10 am - 12 nm

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 nm - 4 pm

BIBLE STUDY

Monday & Thursday 7 pm - 9 pm

RCIA

Thursday 7pm-9 pm



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April 22, 2018
4th Sunday of Easter

PASTOR: **Rev. Robert Wong, SJ**

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

Our world often tells us that we should be strong, secure and self-sufficient on our own. We may be able to do this in certain areas of our lives, but not when it comes to salvation. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who is our strength, our protection and our salvation.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Peter says, there is salvation in no one else but Jesus. In the second reading from the First Letter of John, we are called children of God. In the Gospel, Jesus says that he is the Good Shepherd, who lays down his life for us, his sheep.

Today's Readings:

1st: Acts 4.7-12
 Psalm: 118
 2nd: 1 John 3.1-2
 Gospel: John 10.11-18

Listening, Discerning and Living—Pope Francis' Message for 2018 World Day of Prayer for Vocations—
 "In the diversity and the uniqueness of each and every vocation, personal and ecclesial, there is a need to listen, discern and live this word that calls to us from on high and, while enabling us to develop our talents, makes us instruments of salvation in the world and guide us to full happiness".
 (Complete text available at www.vatican.va—choose 'English' and then 'Messages')

PARISH UPDATES

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting—Tuesday, April 24th, 7:45 pm is our next meeting. Representatives of our parish groups, please make this meeting a priority.

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### **PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND AND JORDAN,**

Fr. Robert will be accompanying a group of pilgrims from April 28 to May 10. In his absence, Bishop Emeritus David Monroe will be filling in the Masses. Fr. John Tritschler will preside the 9am & 11am Masses on April 29. Your prayerful accompaniment is welcome. Thank you.

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PROJECT ADVANCE 2018 – “Support the Faith - Continue the Legacy”

is the theme for this year’s Appeal. Our share is \$25,000.00, an increase of \$5,000. We would keep our total goal the same as previous year, \$75,000.00. Please pray with open hearts and minds as good Christian stewards whose desires are to live gratefully and give generously. Thank you for your previous generosity!

Our Project Advance volunteers are available in the foyer to assist with your gift donation.

You may make your pledge online at

www.projectadvance.ca

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**Tree of Gratitude** – A few new inscriptions of Dove and Leaf plaques have been added to the beautiful sculpture on the wall. Thanks to our generous parishioners and friends. May the Lord bless you with his love and grace!

### **Project Advance Stewardship Prayer**

*O God, the Father of every gift,  
all that we are and have comes from your hand.*

*In Jesus Christ, your Son,  
you have given us the greatest of all gifts.*

*Fill our hearts with his love,  
so that we may be parish communities  
of faithful, caring people.*

*Grant us the grace to be good stewards  
who, in the name and spirit of Jesus,  
Share our gifts of time, talent and treasure  
for the building up of your Kingdom  
in our Archdiocese and throughout the world.*

*May we see Project Advance as our way  
to live gratefully and give generously  
for your honour and glory.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**"Hepatitis Beware"** as a humanitarian project of Canadian Liver Foundation will give free blood screening to parishioners who will register. The disease is a silent killer which does not exhibit signs or symptoms for up to 20-30 years. If left unchecked can lead to liver failure, liver cancer, and death. **St Monica will have a Free Blood Test if we have 100 signatures. Please register at the foyer today April 21/22, 2018 after mass.** Other screening at St. Patrick’s Church on May 26, 2018 and at Metrotown on June 2, 2018. To register, call: Laarni – 604 551 3360 \* Gigi – 604 367 9970 \* Demi – 604 324 3255 \* Lita – 604 551 4883

**Music for Voice and Organ** – Holy Rosary Cathedral’s lead soprano Sarah McGrath and organist Denis Bedard in concert. Works by Bach, Pergolesi (from Stabat Mater), Mozart (Laudate Dominum and Alleluia), Saint-Saens (Ave Maria), Bedard and others. **Friday, April 27 at 8 p.m. at Holy Rosary Cathedral.** To register, visit <http://rcav.org/event/music-for-voice-and-organ>

## ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

### **Men's Discernment Night**

Do you have questions about discerning God’s call for your life? Vocations in Progress for single men, aged 17 and up, is an opportunity to meet priests, ask questions, and learn about their life and spirituality. The informal event will include prayer, dinner, and discussion at **St. Patrick's, Vancouver, on Wednesday, April 25, at 7 - 10 p.m.**

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One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies

The 2018 One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies global pro-life prayer event is scheduled for **May 4, 5 and 6.** Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of unborn babies. For details and to register go to: <http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org/>

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### **Magnificat Breakfast**

You are invited to the Magnificat breakfast on **May 12 from 9:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** In the words of the Magnificat, Mary proclaimed to Elizabeth her gratitude for the wonderful action of God in her life. Please join us at our first breakfast for Catholic women of Vancouver where we will share together in the same spirit of gratitude and praise of God. After breakfast, there will be a time of prayer for the needs of all present and an opportunity to hear one woman’s experience of the transforming love of Christ in her own life. Please plan to come and bring a friend to rejoice in the presence of the Lord. Register at [magnificatvancouver@telus.net](mailto:magnificatvancouver@telus.net) include your name, phone number, email address and names of guests. Cost \$25.00. Contact Gloria at 604-946-9241.

### **Stewardship Reflection**

#### **4th Sunday of Easter**

To be good stewards we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who “leaves the sheep and runs away and scatters them.”



“Feed  
My  
Sheep”

*Stewardship by the book – Sharon Hueckel*

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **April 22-28, 2018**

Mon, Apr 23— Chow Mui (RIP)  
Tue, Apr 24— Florida Alcalá (RIP)  
Wed, Apr 25— 9am, Lourdes Varona (RIP)  
7pm, Johnny Cheng (RIP)  
Thu, Apr 26— Julie Dean  
Fri, Apr 27— Diego Salacup (RIP)  
Sat, Apr 28— 9:30am, Archie Dean  
5pm, Tel Decena

**Our new website, [stmonicaparish.ca](http://stmonicaparish.ca) is now live. Also, visit and like us on Facebook: ‘Smon Monica’.**