

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 22, 2018

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Where is our Faith?

Today's Readings are especially poignant to the western world. North American culture is oversaturated with marketing. Advertisers promote the message that if we buy their products, we will be complete. Most of us have experienced the disappointment of a newly purchased item falling short of our expectations.

Today's readings, especially the Gospel, contrast God's true love with worldly promises of love that fade. Jesus uses the analogy of the Good Shepherd and compares his authentic concern for the flock with that of the hired help who only care about their pay cheque. They flee the scene at the first sign of danger, leaving the sheep to fend for themselves. This message is also present in the other readings. In the first reading, from Acts, Peter states that "there is salvation in no one else." To put our faith in others, whether they be advertisers or celebrities, will lead to disappointment. In Psalm 118, the psalmist praises God who has protected him when all else failed.

God promises us a greater love than we can imagine. As the ultimate sign of this, he sent Christ into the world to call us. During Easter season, and today on World Day of Prayer for Vocations, we pray that Jesus' message will be embraced by all people searching for immortal and timeless love.

Andrew Hume, Toronto, ON

Parish Schedule

Apr. 23 Mon	9:00 AM <i>Int: Francisca Martin †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 1:00 PM SENIORS SOCIALS
Apr 24 Tues	9:00 AM <i>Int: Victoria and Glen Westman</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 1:30 PM St. Theresa's Circle Meeting
Apr 25 Wed	9:00 AM <i>Int: Philomena Rego †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 9:30 AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena 9:45 AM LEGION OF MARY Meeting 6:30 PM PREP
Apr 26 Thurs	9:00 AM <i>Int: Lawrence †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 10:00AM Walking with Purpose 10:30 AM Mass @ Residence at Clayton
Apr 27 Fri	CCS SCHOOL 9:00 AM <i>Int: Filomena Lagrisola †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 10:00 AM Moms & Tots 2PM-3:00PM Holy Hour 7PM CFC Christian Life Program
Apr 28 Sat	9:00 AM <i>Int: Maureen Thiele</i> 4:30 PM <i>Int: Tibor and Julie Kalmar</i> 50 Anniversary	8-9 AM Men's Faith Study Gathering 8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 9:30 AM Confession 10AM Catch up PREP Class 5:30-8 PM Children's Ministry Gathering
Apr 29 Sun	9:00 AM <i>Int: PB Parishioners</i> 11:00 AM <i>Int: Emily Flint †</i>	8:30-8:55 AM Confession 10:30-10:55 AM Confession 3:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group

Stewardship Reflection

4rd Sunday of Easter

You are a leader! In one way or another your vocation calls you to lead. Life leadership roles like parenting is one example. Another is leading a spouse or friend in the right direction. You may not be in a leadership 'position' in your job, yet opportunities to lead at work come up every day. Any time you try to influence another person in a positive way you are acting as a leader. Our common vocation as disciples of Jesus is our most important leadership role. As disciples, we are all called to lead others to Christ. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and his way of leading is a model for leadership that we should imitate.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR: sick & shut in; Norman Jansen, Debbie Davis, Mary Deguara, Gene Leclair, David Thiele, Leandro Rodino Jr., Mike Makarenko, Delorus Lee, Aurora Pereira, Dawn Epaarachchi, George Davies, Gracie Formby, Jim O'Brien, Velma Cronin, Silvia Gallagher, Helen Gaska, Pat Horbay, Bernadette Leclair, Mabel O'Donnell, Carolyn Goertzen, Dario Dira, Leonie Faucher, Carol Armstrong, Rejeanne Lajoie, George Blakey, Lily Gallant, Lucy Gallant, Carol LeBlanc, Corry Van Den Brand, Roy Gregory, Jenna Faykosh, Artemio Abrogena, Sue Broerken, Roy MacLeod, Christopher Lasell, Norah Aucoin, Norma MacInnes, Margaret McCreddie, Cheryl McDonald, Andrea Haley, Louise Jones, Brenda Curran, Fran & Maureen, Gary Hopper, Mary Hollman, Daniel Gibbons, Catharina Noble & all sick & shut in of our parish. May our Lord sustain, comfort & heal them through faith.

Welcome New Parishioners

Dennis Panaglma & Zandra Alejandria, Brothren & Christie Osei, Hector & Daphne Calderon-Sotomayor, Lloyd & Jackie MacI-ing, Jason & Fiona Longo, Jonie Pascual & Kirk Lu, Veronica Zivin, Arturo & Mary Anne Rafael, Michelle & Jordan van Bakel, Christine Mok & Michael Chan. **Welcome to our Parish Family!**

Baptized in March

Gabiel Dean Panaglma, Anna Olivia Castillo Bralski & Xyrus Brian E. Vinoya



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP) Thank you all Confirmation students for attending the retreat. Catch up preparation class on Sat, Apr. 21 at 10am. PREP FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL on Wednesday April 25 at 6:30pm in the church PREP FIRST COMMUNION on Sun, Apr 29 at 2pm All Confirmation parents please see your email and complete your requested help with the First Communion Celebration. Bless you all.



Children aged 4-10 are invited to come Sat, Apr 21 from 5:30-8PM to the Columbus Rm for our Children's Ministry gathering. Explorers (Youth in Gr. 6-8) Night on Apr 28, 5:30-8PM at the Columbus Rm. Volunteer Readers and Ushers needed for Youth Masses every 2nd & 4th Sat, Sep—Jun. Please email pbyouth@telus.net for more info or visit www.pbyouth.ca.



Invites you to **READY, SET, LEARN!**, an early literacy program. This is a free 3&4 year old Preschooler Event hosted in the Cloverdale Catholic School Wee Saints Preschool Room on April 26, 1—2:30 PM. Contact Crystal MacKay to register at cmackay@cloverdalecatholic.ca or 604-574-5151. **Preschool registrations for 3 yr. old (morning) and 4 yr. old (afternoon only) programs are being accepted. Contact the parish office for forms or download from www.weesaintspreschool.ca/register.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN We are still in need of Presiders and Assistants. Please contact Maria at mharkison@gmail.com if you are able to assist our ministry. We wish you a prayerful Lent season and joyful Easter!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose has been a Knights of Columbus tradition for 58 years. It is carried across North America from Canada to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico to honour Our Lady. We will have the Silver Rose at Precious Blood and will have a **prayer service on Tues, Apr. 24 @ 7:30pm**. All are invited to join us in praying to Our Lady to strengthen our efforts to restore the Culture of Life in our society.

K OF C GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER Proceeds of this fundraiser go towards our Organ Replacement Fund. We are at \$23,697.00 Less than \$8,000 to go!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL) Our next gathering on Tues, May 1 will be PLANT NITE! Invite all ladies to join us for a lovely evening of making a tea cup succulent terrarium. Supply fee of \$2. Pls. RSVP preciousbloodcwl@gmail.com. Our horticulturalist is also available to answer your gardening questions. welcome, join us!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 16-20, 2018, 9am-12pm at Precious Blood Parish. Register by June 15. Forms are available on the Parish website pparish.ca or e-mail preciousbloodvbs@gmail.com for more information.



Read the Bible in One Year
Follow the suggested readings daily for 365 days to read the complete Catholic Bible.

Week 12	
SUN	Numbers 20-21, Psalm 79, Acts 15:1-21
MON	Numbers 22-23, Psalm 80, Acts 15:22-41
TUE	Numbers 24-25, Psalm 81, Acts 16:1-16
WED	Numbers 26-27, Psalm 82, Acts 16:17-40
THU	Numbers 28-29, Psalm 83, Acts 17:1-15
FRI	Numbers 30-31, Psalm.84, Acts 17:16-34
SAT	Numbers 32-33, Psalm 85, Acts 18



HOLY HOUR

On Friday, April 27 from 2—3 PM Pls. try to spend some time with our Risen Lord at Adoration. The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended. Jesus waits for us in the Holy Eucharist.

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart... Could you not watch one hour with me?"
Mt.6:21, 26:40



Please pray for our First Communion PREP students who will be celebrating the Sacrament on Sunday, April 29

PARISH ACTIVITIES and AROUND THE AREA



PROJECT ADVANCE 2018 Pledges will be accepted after all Masses this weekend and the weekend of April 28/29. Please participate and help us reach our goal to raise funds for our Vestibule expansion project and in support of Holy Cross High School. **LIVE GRATEFULLY; GIVE GENEROUSLY!**



PARISH PRAYER GROUP We are starting a group for Praise and Worship on May 8, Tues, 7PM in the Columbus Room. Everyone welcome. Please let us know you are coming by calling the Parish Office.



MEN'S FAITH STUDY for men 16 yrs. old and up looking to become better followers of Jesus. Saturdays, at 8.00-9.00 am in the Parish Centre. No cost, except for sacrificing sleep. Contact darrenxfriesen@gmail.com for more information.



WALKING WITH PURPOSE Catholic Bible study program for women Weekly group sessions starting fall 2018. For more info, contact Lucia at luciaborkowski@gmail.com or Rocio at roccio.lopez.ch@gmail.com.



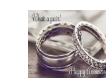
CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM FOR COUPLES. We are inviting couples who would like to renew and strengthen their Christian faith. *11 week program every Friday, from April 13 to June 22* at 7pm Precious Blood Parish, in the Columbus room. Child minding available and light refreshments served. Contact Dennis & Grace Zulueta 604.835.6590/604.812.4729 or Jason & Rency Soliven 604.780.8494.



HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS & CONSECRATED LIFE Join Fr. Rodney Nootebos along with others in the archdiocese, in a monthly Holy Hour of prayer on Sat, Apr.28 @ Canadian Martyrs Parish, Richmond from 8-9PM.



MEN'S DISCERNMENT NIGHT Vocations in Progress for single men, 17 & up is an opportunity to meet priests, ask questions, & learn about their life & spirituality. The informal event on Wed, Apr 25@7-10PM at St. Patrick's Vancouver will include prayer, dinner and discussion.



MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS. On May 13, at 12 PM, St Matthew Parish, Surrey. Archbishop J. Miller will offer mass for couples celebrating their milestone anniversaries 5,10,15,20,25,30,35, 40,45,50,55,60 + years of marriage. please register at rcav.org/marriage-anniversary by April 24.

NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT. This event will be webcast LIVE FROM OTTAWA on Apr 27-28, 2018 and will be streamed to Star of the Sea school gym. Ticket price is \$40, lunch included. To register inforpaishemail:parish@starofthesea.ca or visit the website www.newevangelization.ca.

CHRISTIAN CULTURE AND SPORTS CAMP 2018. One week adventure for kids ages 7-15. July 9-13, 2018, from 9-4pm St. Catherines School, Langley. Registration closes June 17. E-mail: Christianculturecamp@gmail.com

JOB OPPORTUNITY Cloverdale Catholic School is looking for a bookkeeper! Working in a school office can be demanding, distracting and completely delightful! If interested, please send your resume to the Principal, Mr Jason Borkowski, at jborkowski@cisva.bc.ca

CATHOLIC SERVICES

Couples for Christ/Migrant Workers Ministry: Cesar/Beth Alejandria-778-389-163 msg 778-574-4390	Vocations Office: 604-443-3254/ vocations@rcav.org Domestic Abuse Help Line: 604-640-7549
Catholic Cemeteries: 604-531-2141	Pro-Life/Crisis Pregnancy: 1-877-889-6626
Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Helpline: 1-855-675-8749 / www.epcc.ca Retrouvaille (for troubled marriages): retrouvaillevanancouver.com	NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES Billings Method: David /Keely Wray- 604-574-2256 Creighton Method: fertilitycarevancouver.ca
Courage (apostolate for individuals with same sex attraction): courage@rcav.org	Encourage (apostolate for family & friends of loved ones with same sex attraction): encourage@rcav.org