

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 2018

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Clinging to the Source of Life

God calls us daily into an intimate union with him. Today's readings remind us of this and that our souls thirst for God and his love. He is the only source of eternal life and apart from him we will never be satisfied.

In this Easter season we rejoice in the Lord's resurrection and we continue to reflect on his unending and everlasting love for us. Today, we are called to go deeper in our relationship with Jesus and surrender our lives to him so we can be who we were created to be. As the branch needs to be attached to the vine, we grow in faith and love for others, God will prune us so we can produce more fruit. The more time we spend with Jesus, the more we will learn to love others and ourselves as he does. We will be faithful to his commandments and abide in him.

Today, let's open our hearts to Jesus and receive his love, especially during Communion. Let's take today's readings home and meditate on them—especially the Gospel. It's a great passage to use for a *Lectio Divina* with family or friends.

Sarah Escobar, Ottawa, ON

Parish Schedule		
Apr. 30 Mon	9:00 AM <i>Int: Low Hwee Kian †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 1:00 PM SENIORS SOCIALS
May 01 Tues	9:00 AM <i>Int: Connie Kaufmann 80th Birthday</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 7:00 PM CWL Plant Nite
May 02 Wed	9:00 AM <i>Int: Lucia & Giovanni Fronteddu †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 9:30 AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena 9:45 AM LEGION OF MARY Meeting 10 AM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6:30 PM PREP
May 03 Thurs	9:00 AM <i>Int: Catalina Salazar</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 10:00AM Walking with Purpose 10:30 AM Mass @ Zion Park Manor
May 04 Fri	9:00 AM SCHOOL MASS <i>Int: Gemillano & Sandra Cara †</i> 6:30 PM Benediction Mass <i>Int: Amy Lee †</i>	8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 10:00 AM Moms & Tots 2PM-6:30PM 1st Friday Adoration 7PM CFC Christian Life Program
May 05 Sat	9:00 AM <i>Int: The Tap Family</i> 4:30 PM <i>Int: Liceria, Adoration, Mercedes, Josepina & Alaida Uyehara</i>	8-9 AM Men's Faith Study Gathering 8:45 AM Morning Prayer/Confession 9:30 AM Confession 10AM Baptism Preparation Class 2:00 PM Youth Core Meeting
May 06 Sun	9:00 AM <i>Int: PB Parishioners</i> 11:00 AM <i>Int: Ruby Jane G. Romero †</i>	8:30-8:55 AM Confession 10:30-10:55 AM Confession 8AM-5PM BLOOD DONOR CLINIC 3:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group

Stewardship Reflection

5th Sunday of Easter

Jesus promises that we can do anything if we stay in constant communion with him. Stewardship is an expression of our intimate relationship with Christ. It is our faith in action. Stewardship makes our discipleship complete and fruitful. Desiring to be good stewards of the Gospel message we have received inspires us to boldly profess the name of Jesus. We can hardly contain our joy at receiving this life changing gift. This is what motivates us to be agents of evangelization—to be stewards of the gift of faith. Take courage in your efforts to evangelize. It is through our fearless stewardship of the Good News that others may come to know Jesus. Moreover, the Father is glorified; and our discipleship is fruitful.

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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) Many blessings to our PREP 1st Communion students. Thank you to the Confirmation parents that gave generously of their time to serve, decorate and clean up the celebration. Thank you to Anabella, Altar servers, Phillip & Deanna (our photographers) Please register for next year. Forms are available in the vestibule, parish office and at PREP. Regular classes end on May 16 with our Crowning of Mary followed by FUN FAMILY SOCIAL for all PREP families at the Parish centre. Confirmation classes until May 30. See you Wednesday. Karla



PB Youth is always looking for volunteers to serve Youth Masses every 2nd & 4th Sat, Sep—Jun. We need ushers, readers, musicians and singers to enhance everyone's experience of the Liturgy. Please email pb youth@telus.net for more info or to volunteer. Visit www.pb youth.ca to find out more about other activities of our Parish Youth Ministry. Also, mark your calendars: **May 19– Life in Christ Retreat for youth in Grades 9 & older..**



Preschool registrations for 3 yr. old 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 Pancake Breakfast in May will be on the 13th for Mother's Day. Come bring mom and grandma for a Mexican style breakfast. Try some Huevos Rancheros with fried beans and the usual pancakes, eggs, ham and sausages. **Feliz día de la madre!**

K OF C GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER Proceeds of this fundraiser go towards our Organ Replacement Fund. We are at \$24,311.00 \$6,483 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 pbparish.ca or e-mail preciousbloodvbs@gmail.com for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Parish Office is looking for volunteer help to fold bulletins on Friday mornings and help with collection counting on Monday mornings. Please call Rosana at the parish office if interested to help.



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

Week 12	
SUN	Numbers 34-35, Psalm 86, Acts 19:1-20
MON	Numbers 36, Psalm 87, Acts 19:21-40
TUE	Deuteronomy 1-2, Psalm 88, Acts 20:1-16
WED	Deut. 3-4:24, Ps. 89:1-18, Acts 20:17-38
THU	Deut. 4:25-5:33, Ps. 89:19-53, Acts 21:1-16
FRI	Deuteronomy. 6-7, Ps. 90, Acts 21:17-36
SAT	Deuteronomy 8-9, Ps. 91, Acts 21:37-22:16



1st FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

On Friday, May 4 from 2-6:30 PM followed by Mass. Pls. try to spend some time in Adoration. The sign up sheet will be in the vestibule. The Blessed Sacrament cannot remain unattended. Our goal is to have at least 2 committed people for each hour. Please call the office if you can't make your committed time. **"If I can give you advice, I beg you to get closer to the Eucharist...We must pray to Jesus to give us that tenderness of the Eucharist"**
St. Teresa of Calcutta

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

will be held after Masses on **May 26/27**. Consider running as a member of this Committee. There are 3 positions (2 elected & 1 appointed) for the PEC, and 1 elected position for the Regional Education Committee (REC) Deadline for nomination forms are available in the vestibule and Parish Office is May 16. Please submit completed forms to the Parish Office.

PARISH ACTIVITIES and AROUND THE AREA



PROJECT ADVANCE 2018 Thank you to all those who participated and donated after last week's Masses. We collected \$6,550 in pledges with 17 families participating. 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.



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

SECOND COLLECTION ON MAY 5/6 is for the Pope's Pastoral Works. Proceeds of this collection contribute to the financial aid offered by the Holy Father to people stricken by natural disasters.



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL (CHILLIWACK) cordially invites former students, staff and families to attend their 70th Anniversary Celebration May 19 & 20. Email Pat Symes psymes@stmarysschoolchwk.com or call 604-792-7715.

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

ST. JOHN PAUL II ACADEMY is having a Community Fund Raising Social on Fri., Jun 1 @ 6 pm at Morgan Creek Golf Course. Tickets can only be purchased online: www.sjp2academy.com/social/. Questions or wish to volunteer? Contact: Cathy (cathy@protinimport.com) / Holly (holly.king@yahoo.com)

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): retrouvaillevancouver.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