The Second Sunday of Advent

Prepare!

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS Monday Dec. 8 The Immaculate Conception of the

9:00 am RIP: Shelley Bergen

Tuesday Dec. 9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

6:30 pm INT: Thanksgiving to Mother Mary

Wed. **Dec. 10 Advent Weekday**

8:00 am INT: Jess V. Tecson

Thursday Dec. 11 St. Damasus I

8:00 am INT: Carmine Murano

Friday **Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe** 9:00 am INT: Sr. Alfreda Grasso

Saturday Dec. 13 St. Lucy

9:00 am INT: Rose Gielty

The complete Mass time schedule is listed on the front page.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick of our Parish particularly: Maria Socorro Salgado, Don Rowe, Irene Munro, Joseph Slacik, Andrew Chew, Bill Van Eldik, Teresita Drexler, Suzanne Dubeau, Irene Hanson Monnie, Matt Essman, Carol Berry, Cecilia Obcena, Art Samson, Ed Chang, Thomas Chlebak, Sarah Gielty, Wendy Castro, Chloe Castro and Liam Weeks.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH GROUPS			
Altar Servers:	Parish Office	604 461-1369	
Abp. Carney School Rep:	Mark Pan	604 460-6009	
Bible/Prayer Group:	Jocelyn Rochard	604 469-0713	
Choirs: Youth/10 am:	Jeff Cabralda	604 812-3178	
Saturday Evening:	Norbert Haunerland	604 461-1369	
Sunday 12 noon:	Ed Robles	604 838-3628	
CWL:	Louanne Richards	778-712-0890	
Fundraising Committee:	Erica Penner	604-722-3604	
Knights of Columbus:	Mark Pan	604-782-9612	
Lectors:	Erica Penner	604-722-3604	
Legion Of Mary:	Tessi Magsisi	604 315-5625	
Pro-Life:	Terry O'Neill	604 464-5679	
RCIA /SSVP & Youth Group	Parish Office	604 461-1369	

LOST AND FOUND

A gold ring was found after November 30th weekend Masses. Please call the parish office if it is yours.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS



Avery Isabella Saini, daughter of Nancy and Lucky Saini was baptized December 6th, 2014. Welcome to our parish family. The gift of baptism makes us sharers of God's inner life and co-heirs of God's promise of His eternal Kingdom

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

For information regarding PREP please contact Mrs. Louanne Richards prepkids@stjpm.com

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For children ages 4 - 8 every Sundayat the 10am Mass A precious guest is coming—now is the time to prepare! It is a season for cleaning, houses and hearts, readying ourselves for the coming Messiah. Blow away the dust of apathy, scrub off the grime of selfish pursuits, shine the bright light of God's

Spirit in every corner, purging the sin and stain away. Make the chambers a welcoming place of warmth and hope, charity and love, forgiveness and unity. Prepare for your King—He is coming soon. Maranatha!

December 7, 2014

"We proclaim the coming of Christ—not just a first coming but another as well that will be far more glorious than the first. The first took place under the sign of patient suffering: the second will see Christ wearing the crown of God's kingdom."

St Cyril of Jerusalem

2015 CHURCH ENVELOPES BOXES

2015 envelope sets have been issued in alphabetically, for that reason your envelope number will have changed. If we missed you, please fill in an envelope request card provided in the vestibule and drop it in the collection or at the office. A set will be ready for you in the vestibule the following weekend.

- * Pre-Authorized Payment Plan participates have been issued envelopes for the special collections.
- * If you would like to start using the Pre-Authorized Payment Plan for your weekly contribution please download one from the parish website: http://stjpm.com/parish/donate/ or call the parish office.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA - DEC 14!!

Come and have pancake breakfast with Santa and have your picture taken as well at Ye Merry Old Portable! The annual Knights Pancake Breakfast with Santa will be a treat for all kids, who will eat for free! That's right, just bring your kids for a free

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breakfast* and have them take a picture with Santa too! See you Sunday, after the 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses!

* Free Breakfast applies for children under age of 12 only. Must be accompanied by an adult.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH



St. Patrick's Parish in Maple Ridge invites you to attend a Concert of Sacred Music, Handel's MESSIAH. Presented by Handel Choir & Orchestra Johan Louwersheimer - Conductor on Friday, **December 19** at 7:30 pm. Tickets \$20 (\$15 seniors /students) available from St. Joseph's parish office and at the door. Child-minding available by donation, proceeds to WYD youth. RSVP child's info to St. Pat's office 604-463-7148.

There are very few venues that provide such solemn performances. After he wrote the "Hallelujah" chorus, Handel said: "I did think I did see all Heaven before me, and the great God Himself." Come and experience this memorable event.

LIVING WORD PRAYER GROUP

Advent blessing before meals.

"Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, And let these gifts to us be blessed."



As we invite Jesus into our home during Advent, we remember not only his birth in Bethlehem long ago, but also his coming in glory at the end of time. So we look back and we look ahead, but we do our looking right now. Jesus, through the presence of the Holy Spirit in our hearts, comes to us right now as we pray together, gathered in his name. May Advent bring us closer together as a family, and may God open our hearts as we await the Holy One.

Join us for refreshments

Thursday Dec.11th 7:30 - 9:00pm, last meeting for 2014.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In today's gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what advent is all about; for we are called to help

prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. By your generosity together we are helping the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 8, 2015

Reminder: All food items for the Christmas Hampers are to be returned no later than Sunday, December 14th. Please place your items in the vestibule of the church.



Thank you for your continued generosity.

THE CATHOLIC FORUM



The Catholic Forum invites you to explore The Family in the Church Today. Guest speaker: Archbishop J. Michael Miller CSB on Tuesday Dec. 16 at 7pm at St. Mary's Church, 5251 Joyce St. Vancouver. Website: www.dominicanlaity.ca/forum

Project Advance Appeal - Live gratefully, give generously.

God calls us to share what we have to help others.

How much we share is a sign of our love; when we



love much, we share much. To date, our parish has received gifts totaling **§42,530**. Funds received by December 26th will be eligible for a 2014 tax receipt. You can go online to give at www.rcav.org/giving and designate your parish as the recipient. To find out how your gift to Project Advance makes a difference watch the Project Advance Video at www.rcav.org/giving.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve

6pm, 9pm & 12 Midnight.

Christmas Day:

10:00 am & 12 Noon Chinese (Cantonese) 2:00 pm



DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

Advent Bake Sale: After Masses on Sunday, December 7th
TUESDAY Mass time changes on Dec. 9, 16 & 23rd **6:30pm**Parish Breakfast with Santa: Sun. Dec. 14, 8:30 & 10am Masses
St. Joseph's Penitential Service: Thursday, Dec. 18 at 7 pm
St. Joseph's Christmas Concert: Sunday, Dec. 21st 6:30pm
Church Cleaning ~ Help needed Dec

POINSETTIA SALE



The 'WYD Group' is selling beautiful Poinsettia's

Order forms are available in the vestibule. Prices are very reasonable: 6" \$8.50 8" \$16. 10" \$30.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Thursday, Dec. 18 - St. Joseph's

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the most unique and beautiful aspects of Catholicism. Jesus Christ, in His abundant love and mercy, established the Sacrament of Confession, so that we as sinners can obtain forgiveness for our sins and reconcile with God and the Church. The sacrament "washes us clean," and renews us in Christ.

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained'" (John 20:21-23)

Advent Penitential Services all begin at 7 pm			
Tuesday	Dec. 9	St. Clare of Assisi, Coquitlam	
i i i		St. Patrick's, Maple Ridge	
Thursday	Dec. 11	St. Peter's, New Westminster	
Friday	Dec. 12	Sts. Cyril & Methodius, New Westminster	
Sunday	Dec. 14	Our Lady of Assumption, Port Coquitlam	
Tuesday	Dec. 16	St. Luke's, Maple Ridge	
		Our Lady of Mercy, Burnaby	
Wednesday Dec. 17		All Saints, Coquitlam Our Lady of Lourdes, Coquitlam	
Thursday Dec 18		St. Joseph's, Port Moody	
Sunday	Dec. 21	St. Michael's Burnaby	
Monday	Dec. 22	St. Francis de Sales, Burnaby	
Tuesday	Dec 23	Our Lady of Fatima, Coquitlam	