

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 11, 2016

The Mass Intentions for This Week

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| Sept. 12 | Monday | The Most Holy Name of Mary 9:00 am RIP: Pat Davis |
| Sept. 13 | Tuesday | St. John Chrysostom 7:00 pm RIP: Victoria Norma Noriega |
| Sept. 14 | Wed. | The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 9:00 am |
| Sept. 15 | Thursday | Our Lady of Sorrows 9:00 am RIP: Adolfo Felicola Moralda |
| Sept. 16 | Friday | Saints Cornelius and Cyprian 9:00 am |
| Sept. 17 | Saturday | St. Robert Bellarmine 9:00 am RIP: Pat Davis |
| Sept. 18 | Sunday | Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am RIP: Dennis Parkerg 10:00am INT: Our Parish |

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick of our Parish particularly: Jim O'Donnell, Helen Mair, Els Roosen, Andrew Chew, Irene Hanson Monnie, Don Rowe, Suzanne Dubeau, Vanessa Miller, Annie Hughes, Joseph Slacik, Art Samson, Teresita Drexler, Cecilia Obcena, Bill Van Eldik, Donna Hicks, Kristen Cummings, Chloe Castro, Wendy Castro, Marlene Brakel, Bob Smith, Liam Week. Carol Berry, Sarah Giely, Thomas Chlebak, Ann Lum Min, Gabriel Sanchez.



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH GROUPS

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| Abp. Carney School Rep: | Mark Pan | 604-782-9612 |
| Bible/Prayer Group: | Jocelyn Rochard | 604 469-0713 |
| Choirs | Jeff Cabralda | 604 812-3178 |
| CWL: | Valerie Lovato | 778-984-6580 |
| Knights of Columbus: | Dennis Kwan | 604-468-8205 |
| Legion of Mary: | Tessi Magsisi | 604 315-5625 |
| Lectors: | Erica Penner | 604-722-3604 |
| Pro-Life: | Terry O'Neill | 604 464-5679 |
| RCIA: | Mark Norbury | 604 695-7421 |
| SSVP: | Parish Office | 604 461-1369 |



"At the foot of the Cross, Mary, together with John, the disciple of love, witnessed the words of forgiveness spoken by Jesus. This supreme expression of mercy towards those who crucified him show us the point to which the mercy of God can reach."

-St. John Paul the Great

Prodigal son or a phenomenal father?

There are a lot of reasons why people grumble. Many times, we forget our blessings and join the grumblers. Be it to hide from our own need for mercy, or to vindicate our narrow sense of justice, we mis-focus and stare at the sin instead of marveling at a love available to all of us. Far more than a story of a prodigal son, Jesus tells the story of a loving God. God's message of love is in danger of being lost on those who choose to grumble about the sins of others, rather than focus on God's phenomenal Love. Which do you see today?

PREP REGISTRATION 2016/17



PREP begins September 20/21, 2016. The registration form is available on the parish website. Please note that there are only two afternoon sessions for

PREP this year. **There will be no Wednesday evening class.** Please complete the form (one for each child) and you may return it to the rectory during parish office hours, attention Louanne or drop it in the mail slot on the front porch of the rectory. If you require any information please contact Louanne Richards 778-712-0890 or prepkids@stjpm.com

The PREP program has been holding a Bottle & Can Drive for a few years. The fundraiser will be ongoing through the summer and parishioners are invited to participate. Please put your plastic bags behind the gate near the portable.



THANK YOU

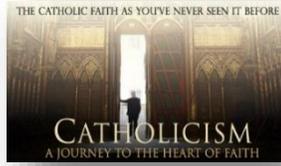
The Davis family extends their sincere appreciation to: Fr. Thomas for his kindness and support at the hospital and after; Fr. Galvon for his special homily; the altar servers; the lectors; the choir and violinist for the beautiful music; the church staff for making the church so special for Pat; to all the friends and neighbors for cards, masses and kind words, and to all who attended the funeral. A big thank you to the CWL ladies for helping with the reception.

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille is an affordable program that provides couples with the tools to rekindle romance and repair ALL kinds of marriage problems. Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples avoid separation and regain a joyful relationship. You do not need to be Catholic to attend. For confidential information or to register for the Lower Mainland program commencing the weekend of October 14 - 16, 2016, call [604-530-6710](tel:604-530-6710), email vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org or visit www.retrouvaillevancover.com.

CATHOLIC FILM SERIES coming to St. Joseph's

BISHOP ROBERT E. BARRON, acclaimed author, speaker and theologian comes to St. Joseph's Parish in Port Moody in a stimulating and compelling Catholicism Series Video entitled: **CATHOLICISM** Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith. In the first of ten episodes called "Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man", we journey with Bishop Barron to the mysterious and sacred sites of the Holy Land, as he illuminates our Catholic Faith's conviction that Jesus of Nazareth is the promised Messiah and the revelation of God become man in Christ. Please mark your calendar for this stimulating and compelling 50-minute video by one of the Church's best messengers: a series of ten episodes beginning at 7.00 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 21**, in the Portable. Kindly sign the attendance sheet at the vestibule of the church.



N.B. There will be refreshments served at the end of the program. For further information kindly call Alice Arce: 604 937 3802 or the Parish office: 604 461 1369

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that the shepherd rejoices when he finds one lost sheep. The story tells us that nothing and no one is insignificant to God who is compassionate and loving to all. **Thanksgiving is just around the corner and our food cupboards are in need of replenishing. Suggestions for food items are: small jars Peanut Butter, Pasta Sauce, can Vegetables, Crackers, Cookies, and 1 Litre tetra boxes of Juice or any other non-perishable food item you wish to donate will be appreciated.** Next monthly meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2016, at 7:00 pm in the upstairs room.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The program begins **September 20, 2016** and takes place every **Tuesday at 7:40 pm**. Primarily RCIA is for those seeking to become Catholic, or those seeking full communion with the Catholic Church. Also, it is for the adult Catholics who are not yet confirmed. In general, the Church asks that those seeking the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony be confirmed first. The invitation is also extended to all who would like to deepen their understanding of the Faith; who would like to refresh their knowledge of the Church. For more information please call the parish office.

RCIA Ministry: helpers needed

RCIA is an evangelical arm of the parish, teaching adults about the Catholic faith. We need helpers to run this ministry. We are looking for parishioners who would be willing to welcome people to meetings and play the DVDs, also people to lead the prayer or lead in a hymn, or to be sponsors. For more details please contact Mark Norbury on 604 695 7421.

There will be a planning meeting for all existing and new helpers on Tuesday 13th September at 7:30 pm in the upper classroom.

'PARENTING THE ANXIOUS CHILD'

This workshop for parents will help better understand how anxiety works and will provide them with a number of tools and strategies to help them help their child overcome their fears. Date: Sept. 21 from 7 to 9 pm
Cost: \$15 per person or \$20 per couple. Location: 7450 12th Ave, New West. (St. Thomas More)
To register or for more info. please contact us at Denis Boyd & Associates, info@denisboyd.com or 604-931-7211

ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 11th

1:30 - 4:30 pm

In the rectory yard, 140 Moody Street

Don't miss out!

It's a great chance to join fellow



parishioners for an afternoon of food, fun & fellowship. Everyone is invited to this Potluck event. Please indicate you are coming on the sign-up sheets in the vestibule.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE



Join us for the 2016 Vancouver Catholic Charismatic Conference with guest speakers Bishop Sam Jacobs and Dr. Margaret Schlientz on Friday, **Sept. 23**, from 7-9:30 pm and Saturday, **Sept. 24**, from 9-7 pm (closing Mass at 5 pm). This conference will be held at Broadway Church, Vancouver. Cost: \$25. Tickets are available from our parish office.

2016 - PROJECT ADVANCE

Our parish financial goal for this year is \$100,000. Remember that funds received over our Archdiocesan goal (of \$27,000.) will be returned to us and used for our future parish centre and new church. Your participation counts and all gifts matter! Drop your pledge – envelope in the collection basket or give online it's easy, by visiting www.projectadvance.ca and designating St. Joseph's Port Moody as the recipient. While online, you can also view this year's video and read more on Project Advance.

Live gratefully, give generously.

