

# Guardian Angels Parish

March 13, 2011

## PARISH INFORMATION:

**Pastor:**  
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**Office hours:**  
8:30 am – 4:00 pm  
(Mon. & Tues.; Thurs. & Friday)

**Church Open:**  
Mon. Tues, Thurs., and Friday  
8 am to 4 pm(except onHolidays).

**Church Closed:**  
Wednesday & Saturday after Mass

## Liturgical Celebrations

**Sunday Mass:**  
Saturday 4:00 pm (Anticipated)  
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am; 12:30 pm

**Weekday Mass Times:**

Monday	7:00 pm
Tuesday – Friday	8:00 am
Saturday	9:00 am
First Friday	7:00 pm

## Devotions / Prayers :

Morning Prayers:  
Tuesday-Friday 7:40 am  
Sat. & Sunday 8:30 am  
Mother of Perpetual Help:  
Wednesdays 7:00 pm  
Infant Jesus of Prague:  
Mondays 6:30 pm  
Divine Mercy Chaplet:  
Sundays 1:30 pm

**First Fridays:**  
All Day Adoration after morning  
Mass; Benediction at 6:40 pm; Mass  
follows at 7:00 pm (except during  
Lent)

## 1st Sunday of Lent

### The Temptation of Jesus



**“Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. “**

Matthew 4:1



Mass Intentions

March 14 - 20

**Mon. : + Phyllis Weaver +**  
By: Tom Weaver

**Tues.: + Peter Tan +**  
By: Family

**Wed. : + Edward John Stephenson +**  
By: Family

**Thurs: All Souls in Purgatory**  
By: Connie Perez-Tuells

**Friday: Int. of Ana Mendoza's Family**

**Saturday:**  
**9 am: Int. of Alice Weller**  
By: Julie & Jim Cain

**4 pm:+ Derek Hickton +**  
By: Enrique Teodoro

**Sunday:**  
**9:00 am: +Edward John Stephenson+**  
By: Family

**11:00 am: +Pura Noriega+**  
By: Noriega Family

**12:30: Int. of Guardian Angels Parish**

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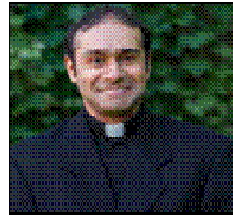
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**Here in our Parish... (Annual Spring Bazaar- please see page 4)**

**Save the date !**  
**Sunday, May 1, 2011**  
 Divine Mercy Sunday  
 and the  
**Beatification of John Paul II**  
 Eucharistic Celebration at  
 2:30 p.m. at the  
 Holy Rosary Cathedral  
 followed by a reception in  
 Rosary Hall.  
 More details soon.

**PARISLENTEN RETREAT -**



**FR. ELTON FERNANDES, SJ**  
 Retreat Master

Fr. Fernandes is currently a faculty at St. Mark's College's (Vancouver) Continuing Education. He joined the Jesuits in 1999. His Discipline is Ignatian Spirituality. He is currently providing spiritual direction, facilitating retreats, and giving the Spiritual Exercises in the Archdiocese.

**April 13, 14, & 15**  
 (Wed-Fri) 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Theme of the Retreat: DISCOVERING GOD'S VOICE - Discover Intimacy with Christ Amidst the Challenges of Daily Life**



**PARISH LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE**

Monday, April 18 - 6:00 pm  
 There will be 3 priests available to hear Confessions including Fr. Rudy. The schedule for the other parishes in the West Deanery will be posted on the bulletin board shortly.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS- PRAYERS every Friday at 6:30 pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 pm.**

**NO FLOWERS DURING LENT-**  
 Everyone is reminded that during the season of Lent, we do not put flowers inside the Church. Let us put our money for flowers to other works of charity like ALMSGIVING - during Lent or donate it to our Local Poor Program; or you may save that money until we solicit contributions for our Easter flowers.

**TO THOSE WHO NEED TO CHANGE INFORMATION-** it is important that you either e-mail or call the office or use the form available on the table in the foyer. **PLEASE DO NOT SIMPLY WRITE ON YOUR SUNDAY ENVELOPES.**

**Scriptural Readings**

**This Week**

- Mon, March 14- Ferial  
 Leviticus 19:1-2,11-18; Psalm 19;  
 Matthew 25:31-46
- Tues March 15 - Ferial  
 Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 34;  
 Matthew 6:7-15
- Wed, March 16 - Ferial  
 Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 51;  
 Luke 11:29-32
- Thurs, March 17 - Ferial  
 Esther 14:1,3-5,12-14; Psalm 138;  
 Matthew 7:7-12
- Fri, March 18 -- Ferial  
 Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalm 130;  
 Matthew 5:20-26
- Sat., March 19- St. Joseph  
 2Samuel 7:4-5,12-14,16; Psalm 89;  
 Rom. 4:13,16-18,22; Matt.1:16,18-21,24

**Pastor's Corner**

**First Sunday of Lent**

*Ours is a vibrant culture, always in pursuit of happiness. Death is an obscenity, hidden by cascades of flowers and relegated to remote burial lawns on the edge of town. Sin is denied, camouflaged, psycho-analyzed, and repressed - not confessed. We don't really sin. We make mistakes of judgment. If a popular politician lies, he or she is only being human.*

*Lent is a time to look at such temptations, sin and the consequences. Originally Lent was the season when those about to be baptized repented of their sins and sought to know the Lord Jesus more intimately. Then it became a season for the baptized to do the same. We are challenged to die to sin so that we may rise again to the new life in Christ. Since the Church begins the season with a reflection on the origins of sin among us, the main themes in today's readings are temptation, sin, guilt and forgiveness. We are told of the temptations offered to our Lord, submission to which would have destroyed his mission.*

*Today's readings give us the notion that testing comes to us by an agency apart from and in opposition to God. But the truth is that, while testing comes from the outside, temptation comes from within ourselves. However, the good news is that, though we are tempted and often succumb, God's grace provides the way of salvation for us. The ultimate temptations in life are NOT those that push us to do things we aren't supposed to do, but to be persons we weren't made to be.*

**The temptations.** *The graphic descriptions of the temptations of Jesus given in Matthew and Luke are sometimes interpreted as the dramatic presentation of a single temptation Jesus experienced throughout his public life. The devil was trying to entice Jesus away from his mission, instead becoming a political messiah of power and fame according to the Jewish expectation and using his divine power, to avoid suffering and death. In this account, we are given a glimpse of the inner struggle of Jesus as he faced the question of how to accomplish his ministry. Matthew presents Jesus as conquering the tempter and beginning his preaching in Galilee.*

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## Archdiocesan News / Events



### Let Us Pray for the Sick

*Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. We pray for the sick and infirm priests, our brothers and sisters,*

Hassiran Hakim, Li Ming Yao, Mao Mao Chen, Elizabeth Walton, Barry McDermott, Dick Herring, Eddie Bilek, Margaret Stepler, Lucille Johnston, Ralph Milburn, Marjorie McLaughlin, Milta Rapalo, Ida Brown, Sonja Lawrence, Colleen Mason, Jara Asterova, Ollie Korinetz, Zenaida Nicolas, Doreen Millburn, Helena Glavot, Zeenith Garay, Florence Nichols, Joanne Borrys

and all the sick / shut-ins of our Parish whom we may not know by name.

*May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who heal those who believe. Amen.*

#### Waste and Plenty

Here is an opportunity to explore the social, political, and environmental challenges we face in the 21st century. This year's theme is "Waste and Plenty". St. Mark's College and Corpus Christi College, 5935 Iona Drive on Mar. 16, 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, will celebrate Mass at 12:10 p.m. Call 604.822.6862 or [dlvangi@corpuschristi.ca](mailto:dlvangi@corpuschristi.ca)

#### Information Meetings on Permanent Diaconate

Archbishop J. Michael Miller and Monsignor Gregory Smith will be conducting information meetings on Permanent Diaconate - Mar. 15 - 7:30 p.m. at St. Helen's Parish, 3860 Triumph St., Burnaby and on Apr. 2 – 2 p.m. at St. Andrew Kim Parish, 10222 – 161st St., Surrey.

#### Go Ahead, Ask

**Smart Ask: Round Two** - Everything you always wanted to know about Catholicism and were afraid to ask. You just might be surprised at the answer! Mar. 15, starts at 6 p.m. with pizza dinner at St. Mark's College, 5935 Iona Drive. Contact: [stmarks.campusministry@gmail.com](mailto:stmarks.campusministry@gmail.com) or 604.822.4463

#### Retreat for Catechists at Westminster Abbey

The Office of Religious Education sponsors an annual retreat for catechists pursuing an archdiocesan catechetical certificate in RCIA and PREP. Held March 25 - 27 at Westminster Abbey in Mission, the *Jesus the Teacher Retreat for Catechists* will be led by Fr. James Hughes, assisted by Kyle Neilson of the O.R.E. Cost: \$150. Call 604-683-0281 or visit [www.rcav.org/ore](http://www.rcav.org/ore) for registration information.

#### Take a course with the Archbishop!

St. Mark's College is offering a one-day course with Archbishop J. Michael Miller, "A New Mission for a New Millenium." Apr. 9 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Mark's College, 5935 Iona Drive, Vancouver. To register: [continuinged@stmarkscollege.ca](mailto:continuinged@stmarkscollege.ca); 604.822.4463.

#### 'Come and Rest Awhile'

A retreat by Madonna House for all in need of spiritual renewal and rekindling, will be held on Mar. 26 – 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre, 3690 - 152nd Street, Surrey. Retreat consist of conferences, Mass, Confession and Stations of the Cross. Cost is \$35 per person includes coffee break and lunch. Call the Respect Life Office at 604-443-3220 by March 21.

#### Seeking Christ

A short program that introduces the Catholic faith to non-Catholics, new Catholics, and returning ones. It covers three topics – Who is Jesus? Why God? What's God's plan for me? This program aims to help parishioners reach out to others who may be seeking God. The program will be held at St. John the Apostle Parish, 5457 Trafalgar Street, Kerrisdale on Mar. 31, Apr. 7 and 14 – 7:30 to 9 p.m. Cost \$5, register by Mar. 25 to receive a booklet. For more info: Anthony Lo, e-mail [anthonylo@telus.net](mailto:anthonylo@telus.net); 604-209-1001.

#### Gospel Foolishness – Loving God passionately—

Hear from Fr. David Linder, how St. Joseph shows us to live out the vocation of Gospel Foolishness. Sat., March 19 9:30am – 3:30pm St. John the Apostle church hall 5457 Trafalgar St. (at W.39<sup>th</sup> Ave) Lunch will be served. Cost is by donation. Call 604-267-1757 or email [madonna02@shaw.ca](mailto:madonna02@shaw.ca)

#### Stewardship Reflection

##### 1st Sunday of Lent - March 13

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions, pride, power? So much in our consumer society tempts us. The beauty of stewardship, as a way of life, is that it enables the Christian steward to resist the temptations of excessive consumerism and materialism. Not that these in and of themselves are bad. They are bad only when they get in the way of our discipleship. Stewardship enables us to discern between needs and wants and thus brings a measure of balance to our lives. This Lenten season let us pray that we may live responsibly and possess sensibly.

Stewardship Office,  
The Archdiocese of Winnipeg,  
[www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca)



# Spring BAZAAR

## ANNUAL SPRING BAZAAR AND RAFFLE- May 14 & 15

We are soliciting donations of collectables, decors, bed /bath, house wares & small appliances in good working condition, saleable fashions jewelleries, handbags, shoes and other accessories to sell at our annual bazaar fundraiser. Please deliver your donations to the Rectory Basement between 10:00 am to 2:00 pm PROCEEDS from this event will go to our Fund for the Local Poor. As in the past years, we look forward to your support and cooperation for this annual event. Pls. contact Cecile at 604 683-0143 for more details.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

To all parishioners: Please don't forget to donate your used stamps or change to the Knights of Columbus box found in the Church vestibule. All proceeds are fully donated to Vocations programs in the Archdiocese.

Interested in becoming a Knight and serving your Parish and community? Please contact Sean Hinton, Grand Knight, at 604-374-0172 for more information.

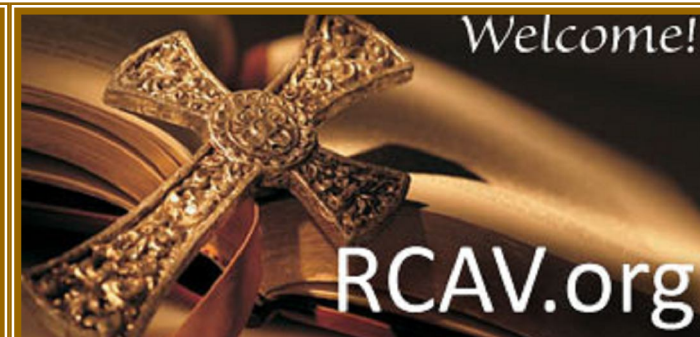
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*The first temptation could not have been better timed. Jesus had been fasting for forty days. He was entitled to eat. Even Israel in the Old Testament was miraculously fed with manna. Why not the Son of God? "Turn these stones into loaves of bread. Use your power to satisfy your physical need. You are entitled to food after a forty-day fast." The temptation was that Jesus use his miraculous powers to provide for himself. This first temptation of Jesus was not merely the urge to satisfy his hunger by some miraculous deed. It also had implications as to how Jesus would respond to the physical needs of others, especially their need for food. Matthew tells us, for example, that Jesus miraculously fed a multitude of people (14:13-21 and 15:32-39). Jesus would be seen as the messiah who provided for their pressing needs.*

*The very seat of religious life, namely, the sacred precincts of the Temple itself became the scene of the second temptation. The devil was suggesting that, on the basis of Scripture, Jesus must believe in and insist on divine protection: if he were the Son of God he had the right to expect safety and protection from his heavenly Father. Here Jesus is pressured either to identify Himself as God's Son and Messiah, or to discredit His mission by apparently either denying His trust in God, the truth of Scripture or His own right to speak in God's Name. An additional temptation for Jesus was to use his miraculous powers to amaze people and thereby attract followers.*

*In the third temptation, the devil wanted Jesus to enter the world of political power to establish his kingdom of God instead of choosing the path that might lead to suffering, humiliation and death. It was a temptation to do the right thing using the wrong means. Jesus was being tempted to win the world by worshipping the devil. Why not compromise a bit? Why not strike a deal with the evil powers. Spirit-filled, sanctified, spiritually vibrant Christians are still subject to the same temptation. We need companionship, acceptance, the approval of others, love and appreciation. We are tempted to fulfill these legitimate needs using the wrong means.*

God bless you,  
Fr. Rudy



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