

Guardian Angels Parish

June 3, 2012

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PARISH INFORMATION:

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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 on Holidays).

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

Holy Hour at 6:00 pm (except during Lent); Benediction at 6:45 pm; Holy Mass follows at 7:00 pm



Baptism -

Please contact the Parish office to register.

Marriage -

One of the parties applying for marriage must be a parishioner for at least one year. Marriage Preparation Course is a pre-requisite. Please contact the Parish Office.

Funerals-

Please contact the Parish Office

Confessions-

Every Saturday between 3:00—3:45 pm or by appointment.

New in the Parish? Have you registered yet? If you are new or have not registered yet, please fill out a Parish Registration Form available on the table in the church foyer. Drop if off in the office or in the Collection basket at Mass.

Holy Communion for the Shut-in - may be given at home upon request. Please book with the Parish Office.

P.R.E.P. (Parish Religious Education Program)

Sundays. 10 am to 11 am. (Closed during summer)

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

For adults who wish to be baptized and received in the Catholic Faith. Process begins in September

Faith Study

Catechesis by NeoCatechumenal Way Community every Wednesday and Saturday at 7:00 pm.

Parish Announcements

MASS INTENTIONS June 4 - 10

- Mon. - 7 pm:
+Abandoned Souls+
 By: Patricia McMahon
- Tues.- 8:00 am:
All Souls in Purgatory
 By: Patricia McMahon
- Wed., - 8:00 am:
+Pek-Wah Yuen & Chung-Po Tsui +
 By: Abraham Tsui
- Thursday: 8:00 am:
+Mary Ferracin +
 By: Riz & Oscar Geronimo
- Friday: 8:00 am
Int. of Joel De Guzman
 By: Erneida De Guzman
- Saturday
 9:00 am: **+Edwin Cayetano+**
 By: Remy Glorioso
- 4:00 pm:- **Int. of Gloria Desierto**
 By: Family
- Sunday:**
 9:00 am:
+Clarita Sibayan+
 By Vince Sibayan
- 11:00 am:
+Magdeline McInerney +
 By: Hal & Brenda McInerney
- 12:30 pm:
Intentions of Guardian Angels Parish

PARISH GROUPS

- Knights of Columbus
(Council # 14723)**
- Terry Brennan - Grand Knight
778-229-7228
- Legion of Mary** (Immaculate Heart of Mary)
- Marivic Escribel - 604 434-8280
- Legion of Mary** (Mother of our Savior)
- Rufina Amandiz - 604 325-9921
- Divine Mercy**
- Marivic Escribel - 604 434-8280
- Infant Jesus of Prague**
- Susan Hauck—604 278-6346

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our next Council meeting will be held on Thursday, **June 7** at 7pm in the Millennium Hall. We will be holding elections for council officers, so please be sure to attend. This meeting will be our last for the summer; we will resume again in September. - (Terry Brennan, GK)



CENTERING PRAYER—A new initiative in our parish

A four week– program on Centering Prayer begins on June 6, 2012 at 7 pm in the Rectory Basement. For info, call Tom Weaver at 604 408-2125.



A BIG 'THANK YOU'

From "LOVE WORKS CHARITY", a big 'Thank You' to all who supported our fundraising for Carla. The proceeds from the sales of rosaries was \$ 300 and we also received a total love offering of \$893. Thank you for your generosity! (Love Works Charity)

PROJECT ADVANCE 2012

What does it mean to participate in Project Advance? It means that I recognize what I have received by way of blessings in my life has come from God; it means I understand when God blesses me, He blesses others through me; it means I understand I have a responsibility to share my blessings so that the teachings of Christ may be known and experienced by all. Support, through your prayers, your work, and your gift, Project Advance 2012 – "Sharing With Joy." Please give at our parish or online at www.rcav.org to benefit both our parish and the good work of our Archdiocese. (Taken from Chancery Wednesday Update)

Scriptural Readings

- Monday:** June 4
 2Peter 1:1-7; Psalm 91;
 Mark 12:1-12
- Tuesday:** June 5
 2Peter 3:12-15,17-18;
 Psalm 90; Mark 12:-13-17
- Wednesday:** June 6
 2Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12; Psalm 123;
 Mark 12:18-27
- Thursday:** June 7
 2Timothy 2:8-15; Psalm 25;
 Mark 12:28-34
- Friday:** June 8
 2Timothy 3:10-17; Psalm 119;
 Mark 12:35-37
- Saturday:** June 9
 2Timothy 4:1-8; Psalm 71;
 Mark 12:38-44



Pastor's Corner

Holy Trinity Sunday

The Trinity is the family of God where God's love overflows outside the Godhead and reaches out to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God in his family, the Trinity, leads a life of perfect harmony, full integration, continual dialogue and understanding. The divine persons live in communion, mutual relationship and interdependence. Without being confused with one another, they are united by a same momentum of action and deeds. Between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit exists a strong relationship of reciprocity, equality and interaction.

Such an understanding of God has some consequences for our Christian life. If God in himself lives a life of communion, mutuality and interdependence, it means that, in order to be faithful to him, we must implement in our own lives true relationships where we can count on one another, respect each other and love each other as brothers and sisters. How can we celebrate the feast of the Trinity without asking forgiveness for our negligence of true relationships that build us as Christian community? This is why the Trinity is challenging us any time we engage ourselves in conflicts of interest that destroy our brotherhood and sisterhood.

What we 'pick up' when we do, is a sense that God is 'going out from God' to us and 'taking us back to God' with God. It is a 'go out' and 'come back' model. We ourselves can realize that we have come out from God, with God, and that we ourselves are going back to God, with God. I am talking about our creation: we come from God. I am talking about our destiny: we go back to God. We do not do this on our own. We are never absent from God, and God is never absent from us.

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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,

Walter Wilhelm, Gerald Thompson, Hassiran Hakim, Elizabeth Walton, Barry McDermott, Eddie Bilek, 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.

+ Mary Ferracin +



Passed away peacefully on Pentecost Sunday, May 27th

Funeral Service was on Friday, June 1st in the Columbus Residence Chapel on W. 69th Ave., Vancouver

University Transfer Program at Corpus Christi College

CCC is the Catholic Liberal Arts College in Vancouver, located on the campus of UBC. We offer a University Transfer Program in Arts, Humanities, Business, and Science and our students successfully transfer to universities all over the world! More information is available online at <http://corpuschristi.ca/programs/university-transfer>. New applicants for Fall 2012 are still welcome! Apply online at <http://corpuschristi.ca/apply-now>. Contact us at advising@corpuschristi.ca.

'YouthLeader' is back!

After a one-year hiatus, YouthLeader is back! Our Christian Leadership training event will be from Aug. 26 – 30 at Summit Pacific College, Abbotsford. This is a top-notch leadership training event! Many participants return to take leadership roles in their parishes, schools, and communities. YouthLeader is open to teens 14 or older - entering at least grade 10 in September. For more info visit www.oyyam.com

Catholic Forum:

'Devotion to Jesus as God and Man'

You are invited to the Catholic Forum on Tuesday, June 5 at 7:00 pm in St. Mary's Church, 5251 Joyce St., Vancouver. The guest speaker is Fr. John Horgan.

Topic: 'Devotion to Jesus as God and Man' For further information, contact Dr. Paul Ungar at 604 588-5696 or Cathy Neugebauer (email: ve7cld@shaw.ca)

Canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha - Oct. 21, 2012

Pilgrimage from Oct. 16 - 24 to Rome for the Canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha with Chaplain, Fr. John Brioux OMI. More information, call Shirley Lim - Toll Free 1-877-257-9598.

Archdiocesan Stewardship Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the Archdiocesan Stewardship Award. Nominations including a signature from the nominee's pastor should reach the Stewardship Awards Committee by July 31, 2012. Archbishop Miller will present approximately 30 awards on Sunday, Oct. 7 at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Award recipients will be lay people who have provided exceptional service in time, talent or treasure to their parish, group, association or community over an extended time or for a one-time major event or occasion.

Remembrance Mass Service for Infant & Child Loss hosted by St. Matthew's

Parents and family members who wish to honour the lives of all children gone-too-soon, including toddlers and infants, babies lost during or after birth and who have died during pregnancy, couples who are struggling with infertility and those trying to conceive, parents who are expecting and those on a waiting list to adopt, as well as parents who lovingly chose to give up and/or welcome children through adoption and fostering will be remembered on this day. St. Matthew's Parish, 16079 - 88 Ave., Surrey on Saturday, June 30 – Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by "Teddy Bear" Tea. RSVP: Ann – annamsing@yahoo.com.

Catholic After Hours with James Borkowski

"Assuming the Fetal Position, New ideas for Promoting Life" by James Borkowski, Executive Director of Signal Hill. June 10 - 6:30 p.m. to 8:30pm. 210 Carrall street, Gastown. \$5 per person. More info at Catholic After Hours Facebook page.

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

June 3, 2012

Stewardship Reflection

*Stewardship and the Holy Trinity: **God the Father** – The single source of who we are and all that we possess, all of which He entrusts to us as caretakers – not owners; **God the Son** – The supreme teacher and example of stewardship. Jesus shows us the true way to live as stewards; **God the Spirit** – Dwelling within us through our baptism, the Holy Spirit inspires us to use our talents well by living and acting according to God's plan.*

Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg, www.archwinnipeg.ca

Employment Opportunities

- Part-time Cook, Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre
- General Staff, Rosemary Heights Retreat Centre

More information at: www.rcav.org

Pastor's Corner continued...

God, "Speak to Me"

The man whispered, "God, speak to me." And a meadowlark sang. But the man did not hear. So the man yelled, "God, speak to me!" Thunder rolled across the sky. But the man did not listen. The man looked around and said, "God, let me see you." A star shone brightly. But he noticed it not. And the man shouted, "God, show me a miracle." And a life was born. But the man was unaware. So, the man cried out in despair, "Touch me, God, and let me know that you are here!" Whereupon God reached down and touched the man. But the man brushed the butterfly away and walked on.

Don't miss out on a blessing because it isn't packaged the way you expect.

We have learnt from Jesus that God is not 'Wholly Other' but 'Wholly Near to us'. We are meant to experience this nearness and intimate presence of God – it is available to us, and we don't become the persons we were created to be, without it. This experience of the Nearness of God is itself a Gift: there is no logical necessity for it – we don't have to have it to survive, but we do have to have it to be all that we can be as persons. God gives it to us as a free Gift, but he does give it, and we can know it if we tune in to it.

We say that The Word of God and the Spirit of God are commissioned into us by the Father to lead us home. That means that they are sent to us, to do something. They are sent by God the Father, and they make God the Father present to us. They are present to us as sent on this mission by the Father.

Their mission is, together, to bring us home to the Father. We get 'home' when we become as like to Jesus, the Father's only Son, as possible. When we become really like Jesus, we are said to 'conform to' him as our Model. We are meant to 'conform to', that is, 'become as like as possible to' Jesus through the active energy of the Spirit of God.

We believe in God, the Father, we believe in the Incarnate Word (Jesus) and we believe in the Spirit that holds them together in love. The key mystery is not a static Trinity in heaven, but a dynamic Trinity in us now. The three divine persons are with us, in us, moving us.

We are meant to flourish as humans in this universe, and we do it better when we are aware of what the divine persons are doing in it. That is what makes us really happy. 'Happiness' is the key to ethics: not pleasantness, not tranquility, but a share in the Joy of the three divine persons and in what they do creatively in the universe with us!

The whole Christian approach is communitarian in every sense of the word and worship. We are not meant to be alone. We are a universe of persons called from and we go into the universe of the divine

God bless you,

Fr. Rudy

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