



OLPH REDEMPTORISTS

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MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday: 5pm
(Anticipated Mass)
Sunday: 9am, 11am & 5pm
Monday – Wednesday 8am
Thursday Mass/Novena:
8am & 7pm
Friday, Saturday, Holidays: 9am
(Fridays in July & August: 8am)
Reconciliation
Saturday: 4-4:45pm
Adoration
Saturday 9:30-10am
Library Hours
Sunday: 10-10:45am, 4:30-5pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9am-4pm

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Pope Francis Creates New Path to Sainthood

Pope Francis has introduced a new pathway to Catholic sainthood, recognizing those who sacrifice their lives for others. The new category, introduced in an official letter from the pope on Tuesday, is "one of the most significant changes in centuries to the Roman Catholic Church's saint-making procedures," Reuters reports.

Before the change, there were three categories that provided a path to sainthood: being killed for the faith (martyrdom), living a life heroically of Christian virtues and having a strong reputation for religious devotion. The process of becoming a saint begins after an individual's death.

According to the Vatican's official news service, the new category has five main criteria:

1. The individual must freely and voluntarily offer their life in the face of "a certain and soon-to-come death"
2. There must be a "close relation" between "the offering of one's life and the premature death of the one who offers it."
3. The person must show Christian virtues, at least to an ordinary extent, before and after offering their life.
4. They must have a "reputation for holiness" at least after their death.
5. They must have performed a miracle. This is a major difference from the "martyrdom" category, which does not require a miracle.

Archbishop Marcello Bartolucci, secretary of the Vatican Congregation for Saints' Causes, said that this is intended "to promote heroic Christian testimony, (that has been) up to now without a specific process, precisely because it did not completely fit within the case of martyrdom or heroic virtues," The current categories are insufficient "for interpreting all possible cases," Bartolucci added. The pope's letter announcing the new category is called *Maiorem hac dilectionem*, which is taken from this passage in the Gospel of John: "Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

According to The Associated Press, "examples of people who might fall into that category include those who take the place of someone condemned to death or expectant mothers with fatal diseases who suspend treatment so their babies can be born."

Reuters/AP News

The seed that fell on good soil produced a hundredfold. - Psalm 65

NEWS & NOTICES

Project Advance: Our Project Advance Appeal for this year has been launched. Please check your mail for a pledge form. There are also brochures at the church which you can use to make your donations. Our target for this year's appeal is \$102,000. After we have met the diocesan target of \$51,000, remaining funds will go toward the church's seismic upgrade. You can also make donations at www.rcav.org.

PREP Teachers & Teaching Assistants Needed: Would you like to share your talents by helping out as a teacher or teaching assistant? PREP is for children Grades 1-7 who do not go to Catholic school but need to be educated in the Faith. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Towers at 604-440-8809 or email prep@olphbc.ca.

Church Annulment Workshop: Join us on Friday, July 21, from 7-9 p.m. for a workshop on Church annulment. Monsignor Bernard Rossi will discuss the purpose of church annulments, the filing process, documents and fees required and other related issues. Hosted by St. Mary's Migrant Ministry, this workshop will be held at St. Mary's school seminar room, 5239 Joyce St, Vancouver. To register, please email Lenn Castro at stmarysmigrant@gmail.com or call Chit Arma at 604-684-7498 ext. 166 or email resochita.arma@issbc.org.

Mass of Remembrance: Join us for our monthly Mass of Remembrance as we pray for family members who have passed away this month. Mass is Sunday, July 30, at both 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. in our Evangelist Chapel, at Gardens of Gethsemani, Surrey. For more info, please contact Terry Whiteley at twhiteley@rcav.org.

Archdiocesan Volunteer Opportunities: The Archdiocese of Vancouver is accepting applications for volunteer opportunities in the following areas: Administrative Support, Program Support, and Events Support. For more info, see rcav.org/employment/

Archdiocese of Vancouver Employment Opportunities:

Digital Designer (Full Time)

The Communications Office is looking for a Digital Designer to join the Archdiocese's Digital team and to support the B.C. Catholic Newspaper.

Office Administrative Assistant, CISVA (Full Time)

The Superintendent's Office, Catholic Independent Schools Vancouver Archdiocese, is seeking a full-time Office Administrative Assistant to work in a dynamic faith-based office.

Teaching Positions

Various Teaching Positions available on the CISVA employment page.

Employment opportunities at Catholic Independent Schools of Vancouver (CISVA)

Catholic Independent Schools of Vancouver Archdiocese is seeking individuals interested in working in the CISVA as Educational Assistants and as Teachers. Please visit our website at www.cisva.bc.ca for further information on how to apply and to view available teaching positions.

Applications for Permanent Diaconate: Deacons are official teachers and preachers of the Gospel, and they may preside at baptisms, marriages, funerals, and other forms of community prayers. They also share in the pastoral responsibilities of outreach, such as visiting the sick, the homebound, those imprisoned and in need. They cannot celebrate Mass, hear confessions, or anoint the sick. "By its very nature, the ministry of permanent deacons will help all of us -priests, consecrated women and men, and lay faithful - to live our baptismal call. An introductory seminar will be held soon. Sessions run Sat Sept 23, Oct 28 and Nov 19. Register at www.stmarkscollege.ca/programs/ of building up the Body of Christ. Men interested in this ordained ministry, along with their wives, are invited to attend.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based program of Christian formation for children ages 3 through 12. The Level I course is the foundation for all three levels of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and aims to prepare the adults to work, to listen and to learn with children. Sign up for Level 1 – Part 1 Training today! Join us August 14-18, from 8:30am – 5:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary, ECE Centre, 789 Alderson Ave, Coquitlam. To register visit rcav.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd-training/

Stewardship Reflection

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - MATTHEW 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities that you have no time for God? Stewardship is a lifestyle to be lived every day. It effects all the decisions we make. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week.

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