



Archbishop Miller's Message for Project Advance 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This year highlights the accomplishments made possible by your generosity to Project Advance since its launch in 1980. Your commitment is a constant source of inspiration to me, because this archdiocesan endeavour provides the means to build a solid foundation for growth in all our parishes and ministries.

A significant portion of your funds over the decades has gone to support the construction and renovation of our regional secondary high schools and the acquisition of land for new parishes. These capital expenditures provide the necessary structures that support our mission of evangelization. Above all, our buildings serve a spiritual purpose; they are places of worship, education and community outreach.

Beyond funding our mission-based infrastructure, you have helped develop and sustain many life-giving ministries. These enable the Church to provide services that benefit Catholics and countless others in our corner of the Vineyard.

I am grateful for your sacrificial support and the impact you have had on the community through Project Advance. The need, however, continues. We still face numerous challenges in our parishes, including the seismic upgrading of many of our facilities.

Let us pray that participation in Project Advance will continue to be robust and generous in the years ahead. Thank you most sincerely for your steadfast commitment to the Lord and to his Church.

Invoking God's abundant blessings upon you and your family, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Michael Miller CSB*

✠ J. Michael Miller, CSB
Archbishop of Vancouver

Your Gift to Project Advance Supports These Areas of the Archdiocese of Vancouver

Secondary School Construction Fund \$1,650,000

New Parish Sites Fund \$650,000

Archdiocesan Ministries \$850,000

Hospital Chaplaincies \$150,000
Offer spiritual care to hospital patients

Social Justice \$150,000
Refugee settlement, migrant farm workers and anti-human trafficking

Prison Ministry \$100,000
Provides support to prisoners, former inmates and families/victims impacted by crime

Youth and Young Adult Ministry \$100,000
Provides spiritual and professional formation to those who serve youth and young adults through training and events

Evangelization Programs \$100,000
Alpha, Discover Discipleship, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, PREP

Family Life Programs \$100,000
Parenting and Marriage Enrichment, Theology of the Body

First Nations \$50,000
Supports outreach programs with Indigenous people

The Door is Open \$50,000
Downtown Eastside drop-in ministry providing food, clothing and counselling

Vanspec \$50,000
Catechetical instruction to children and adults with special needs

Special Grants \$100,000

Total Need: \$3,250,000

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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)
Children's Mass: 9am 1st
Sunday of the month Oct-June
Children's Liturgy: 11am
All Sundays except the 1st
Sunday from Sept- June
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

STAFF

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William Comerford, C.Ss.R.

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April 15, 2018

3rd Sunday of Easter

Let us Increase our Participation in Project Advance This Year

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

The launch of Project Advance in 1980 has enabled the Archdiocese of Vancouver to do tremendous work in building and developing Catholic educational and spiritual support structures for the good work of evangelization. Over the years, a large portion of the funds raised have gone toward the construction of Catholic schools and land for new parishes.

This year, the Archdiocese has increased its fundraising target from \$3 million to \$3,250,000. To hit this higher goal, individual parish targets have also been adjusted upwards. Instead of \$51,000, this year we have to raise \$52,000.

Funds raised beyond this amount are rebated to the parish to meet our own needs. Our hope, then, is to double the diocesan goal so that we may raise a total of \$104,000. These funds will go toward the parish seismic upgrade fund and infrastructure renewal.

Over the years we have had a strong core group of generous donors. However, this makes up only a small percentage of our registered parishioners. It is my sincere hope that we can increase the rate of participation so that everyone can see the value of being part of something greater than themselves.

From the perspective of good Catholic stewardship, Project Advance offers us an excellent opportunity to give in a spirit of gratitude and generosity for the gracious gifts God has given to each of us. That is exactly what the Project Advance theme is: Live gratefully, give generously.

In the coming months, we will highlight some of the good things Project Advance has accomplished for our parish and the Archdiocese of Vancouver so that you may be reminded of how much we can achieve when everyone plays an active role in the work of evangelization.

If you did not receive a Project Advance letter in the mail, please pick up a brochure at the Church entrance. Archbishop Miller's message and the list of projects Project Advance is supporting are on the back page. Let us pray for the success of this year's Appeal.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Babu Mathew, C.Ss.R

PRAYER FOR PROJECT ADVANCE 2018

O God, the Father of every gift, all that we are and have comes from your hand. In Jesus Christ, your Son, you have given us the greatest of all gifts. Fill our hearts with his love, so that we may be parish communities of faithful, caring people. Grant us the grace to be good stewards who in the name and spirit of Jesus, share our gifts of time, talent and treasure for the building up of your Kingdom in our Archdiocese and throughout the world. May we see Project Advance as our way to live gratefully and give generously for your honour and glory. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord. – Psalm 4

NEWS & NOTICES

Parenting Survival Series: Natascha Lawrence, OLPH School Counsellor will be giving a series of talks on dealing with the challenges of single parenting. Over three evenings you will get tips and tricks on the most common struggles – routine, regulation and communication. Talks will be on Wednesday evenings May and June at OLPH Parish Hall. Look out for more details in the coming weeks.

Food Bank: This week we will be requesting cash donations for the Greater Vancouver Food Bank. Due to its size, scale and unique position in the local food system, the Food Bank has significantly greater buying power than can be achieved at the grocery store and can purchase as much as \$3 worth of food for every \$1 donated, maximizing the impact of donor contributions.

CWL Meeting: There will be a general meeting of the Catholic Women’s League Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 7 PM. All members are encouraged to attend.

Sunday Coffee Helpers: Dear friends, helpers are needed to help make and serve coffee after the Sunday 9am Mass. Extending hospitality is a wonderful way to serve in our parish community. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer.

Tax Receipts: Tax receipts are available for pickup in the parish office on weekdays.

Book Keeper Wanted for OLPH School: Our Lady of Perpetual School (OLPH) is seeking applicants for the position of School Bookkeeper. The successful candidate will become a collaborative member of this dynamic community which provides an excellent Catholic education for students from Preschool to Grade 7. A detailed job description is available upon request. Please send resume and supporting documentation to: office@olphbc.ca

Men's Discernment Night: Do you have questions about discerning God’s call for your life? Vocations in Progress for single men, aged 17 and up, is an opportunity to meet priests, ask questions, and learn about their life and spirituality. The informal event will include prayer, dinner, and discussion at St. Patrick's, Vancouver, 7 - 10 pm Wednesday April 25.

St Mary's 70th Anniversary: St. Mary's School (Chilliwack) cordially invites former students, staff, priests and families to attend our 70th Anniversary Celebration on May 19th and 20th, 2018. Contact Pat Symes @ 604-792-7715 or email: psymes@stmarysschoolchwk.com for more information

EnCourage: EnCourage, a spiritual support group for people with same-sex attraction will meet on Sunday April 15 from 2:30-4:30 at St. Helen's Parish, Burnaby. For more info. please contact encourage@rcav.org

Celebrate your Milestone Anniversary: This Mother’s Day, Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, will be honouring couples celebrating their: 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th & 60th+ years of marriage. Register your anniversary with us today at rcav.org/marriage-anniversary Mass will be on Sunday, May 13 at 2 p.m. at St. Matthew Parish, Surrey. Reception to follow in the parish gym with exhibitors present in Jubilee Hall. All are welcome.

Archdiocesan Holy Hour for Vocations: Join Fr. Rodney Nootebos, Director of Vocations and Seminarians, along with other members of the faithful throughout the archdiocese, in a monthly Holy Hour of prayer, intensely focused on asking the "Lord of the Harvest to send forth labourers into the harvest." The next one is Thursday, April 19 at St. Anthony of Padua, Vancouver, from 7 - 8 p.m.

MARCH COLLECTIONS: THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

	MARCH
Sunday Offerings	\$33,231.95
Collection for the Needy	\$1,787.00
Share Lent	\$4,877.00
Initial Offering	\$55.00
Catholic Press	\$20.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	\$2,813.00
St Joseph's Society	\$240.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...” – LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

Stewardship Office, Archdiocese of St. Louis

CALENDAR



OLPH Parish Is Host Site For 2018 New Evangelization Summit

“Our hearts need to be set on fire with a love for Christ and a desire to make Him known...”

On April 27th and 28th, join thousands of Catholics as the New Evangelization Summit is live in Ottawa, ON and webcast to cities across North America. Speakers who are leaders in the New Evangelization will provide inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how Catholics can effectively touch the hearts of other with the message of the Gospel. All Catholics – pastors, missionaries, lay ministers, and the lay faithful – will benefit from this powerful opportunity to be further equipped in the fundamental mission of the Church.

The annual NES will be streamed to 38 host-sites. The broadcasting of the event will provide a way for Catholics from around North America to participate in the Summit. Thus approximately 5000 like-minded Catholics from across the continent will be united in one goal – to be formed as evangelists and be part of a network of Catholic evangelists.

Friday April 27: 7pm – 9:30pm
Saturday April 28: 9am – 4:30pm.
OLPH Parish Hall
TICKET: \$40
INCLUDES LUNCH AND SNACKS

TO BUY YOUR TICKET, PLEASE GO ONLINE TO WWW.NEWEVANGELIZATION.CA



SPEAKER LINE-UP FOR NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT

Michael Dopp graduated from Wilfrid Laurier University with Bachelor degrees in Business Administration (BBA) and Philosophy (BA), St. Augustine’s at the University of Toronto with a Bachelor in Theology (STB) and Master of Divinity (MDiv), and Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Michigan with a Licentiate in Sacred Theology (STL) with a concentration on the new evangelization. He has been involved in a variety of ministries dedicated to evangelization and mission projects in Europe, Africa, and North America. In 2016 Michael co-founded uevangelize.org, a new online membership forum dedicated to the New Evangelization.

Sr. Ann Shields, S.G.L., is an internationally noted conference and retreat speaker and author of numerous books on Catholic spirituality including Deeper Conversion, To Be Like Jesus and More of the Holy Spirit. She hosts the popular daily radio program Food for the Journey. She is a member of The Servants of God’s Love, a charismatic religious community established in the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan and is a member of the Diocesan Pastoral Council. Sr. Ann was awarded the Benemerenti Medal by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for service to the Church and is a recipient of the Aggiornamento Award given by the Catholic Library Association in recognition of outstanding contribution for the renewal of parish and community life.

Curtis Martin is the Founder of the Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS). He holds a Master’s degree in Theology and is the author of the best-selling book Made for More. In 2011, Curtis was appointed to serve as a Consulter to the Pontifical Council of the New Evangelization.

George Weigel, Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center, is a Catholic theologian and one of America’s leading public intellectuals. He holds EPPC’s William E. Simon Chair in Catholic Studies. From June 1996, as a Senior Fellow, Mr. Weigel prepared a major study of the life, thought, and action of Pope John Paul II. Witness to Hope: The Biography of Pope John Paul II was published to international acclaim in the fall of 1999 and has since been translated into twelve languages. Mr. Weigel is the author/editor of some twenty other books. His essays, op-ed columns, and reviews appear regularly in major opinion journals and newspapers. He is the recipient of eighteen honorary doctorates in fields including divinity, philosophy, law, and social science.

Christy Dupuis: While attending University, Christy Dupuis had a powerful encounter with Jesus and fell in love with her Catholic faith. After completing a B.A. in English she went on to serve as a lay missionary with Catholic Christian Outreach. She served as a Team Leader, District Director and worked in a number of roles supporting leadership development for the movement. While serving as a missionary Christy began speaking at conferences and retreats and leading workshops on a variety of topics. Her passion for evangelization and communicating the Gospel continues to drive her service to the church.

Archbishop Terrence Prendergast: A native of Montreal, Archbishop Terrence Prendergast entered the Jesuit novitiate in 1961 and was ordained a priest in 1972. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Fordham University, Master of Divinity and Doctor of Theology degrees from Toronto School of Theology and a Licentiate in Theology from Regis College. Archbishop Prendergast received episcopal ordination in Toronto on 1995 was appointed Archbishop of Halifax three years later. He is the Canadian member of Vox Clara, an advisory commission to the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments on the English translation of Sacramental texts. In the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, he has served on its Permanent Council.

Patrick Madrid hosts the popular “Patrick Madrid Show” which is produced and distributed nationally by Immaculate Heart Radio. He has authored or edited 25 books including: Why Be Catholic, How to do Apologetics, Pope Fiction, Search and Rescue, and Surprised by Truth. His book sales have exceeded 1 million copies. He has served as an adjunct Professor of theology at Franciscan University of Steubenville and as a research fellow at the St. Paul Center for Biblical Studies. He is currently an adjunct professor of apologetics in Holy Apostles College and Seminary's theology department.

Fr. Mark Goring is a member of the Companions of the Cross, a new order of priests based in Ottawa, Ontario. He grew up in the town of Pembroke, in the Ottawa valley. He joined the Companions of the Cross when he was 18 and was ordained to the priesthood in 2002, at the age of 26. Fr Mark served for four years at St Mary's Parish in Ottawa. He also served as director of admissions for the Companions of the Cross and served as Chaplain to the Catholic students at York University in Toronto. He is currently the Director of the Catholic Charismatic Center in Houston, Texas. Fr. Mark is also part of the Food for Life Television Ministry.