



## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

### MASSSES & 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 1<sup>st</sup>  
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

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## Feast of the Queenship of Mary – August 22

By Gretchen Filz

The Queenship of Mary is very closely associated with the dogma of her Assumption into heaven. Catholic Tradition holds that once Mary, the Mother of God was assumed into heaven at the end of her earthly life, she was then crowned as Queen of both Heaven and Earth to reign alongside her Son, the King. This is why the two events in Mary's life are side by side in the Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

Pope John Paul II, in his apostolic letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* writes of this Glorious Mystery of her Coronation:

*"Christ was raised in glory to the right hand of the Father, while Mary herself would be raised to that same glory in the Assumption, enjoying beforehand, by a unique privilege, the destiny reserved for all the just at the resurrection of the dead. Crowned in glory – as she appears in the last glorious mystery – Mary shines forth as Queen of the Angels and Saints, the anticipation and the supreme realization of the eschatological state of the Church."*

Here we see that after the end of Mary's earthly life she was exalted even above the angels in heaven, having a unique privilege and place as the Mother of Jesus Christ, who is both fully God and fully man.

Mary's glory in heaven is a picture or foreshadowing for all Christians of the similar heavenly glory meant for those who share in her Son's passion, death, and resurrection. She received first, and in the most perfect way, that which is destined for all of us.

The doctrine of the Queenship of Mary is based in part on a vision given to St. John the Apostle (the disciple given to the care of Mary after Our Lord's death) that he writes about in the Book of Revelation 12:1-5. That text reads,

*"And a great sign appeared in heaven: A woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars: And being with child, she cried travailing in birth, and was in pain to be delivered. And there was seen another sign in heaven: and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads, and ten horns: and on his head seven diadems: And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to be delivered; that, when she should be delivered, he might devour her son. And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with an iron rod: and her son was taken up to God, and to his throne."*



The woman in this passage is Mary, and the child is her Son, Jesus Christ. Mary is wearing a crown of twelve stars, which is representative of the twelve tribes of Israel (her ancestry) – in Israel's history, it was the mother of the king who reigned as queen) and the twelve Apostles (the foundation of the Church, who regarded her as Mother). This biblical evidence, combined with other biblical evidence of Mary's special place in God's plan of salvation (Mary as the Ark of the Covenant, Mary as the new Eve, Mary as the Mother of the Church) is foundational to the understanding of her coronation as Queen of Heaven and Earth in Church Tradition.

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20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Redemptorist Pilgrimage



As part of our 150th Jubilee Icon of Love celebrations, the Redemptorists have organized a pilgrimage to visit the actual icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and places where St Alphonsus and St Gerard Majella lived. Cost not confirmed yet.

### EXCERPT: DAY 8 HIGHLIGHTS

Today after breakfast we visit the Vatican Museum, including the incredible Raphael Rooms and Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel on a private guided tour along with the new live show. After lunch we will have a city tour which includes the Roman Forum, the Coliseum. We continue with the rest of the city tour and enjoy visiting some of the other major sites including the Trevi Fountain, the Spanish Steps or Piazza Navona. In the evening we will attend the live show 'MICHELANGELO AND THE SECRETS OF THE SISTINE CHAPEL' with music written by Sting. Dinner at Hotel.

### 12-DAY ITINERARY

**Day 01:** May 02 2019 - Canada to Rome / Naples

**Day 02:** May 03 - Arrive in Rome – Marianella – Naples

**Day 03:** May 04 - Pompeii – Amalfi Coast

**Day 04:** May 05 - Excursion to Scala

**Day 05:** May 06 - Sites of St. Alphonsus and St. Gerard Majella

**Day 06:** May 07 - Amalfi – Montecassino – Rome

**Day 7:** May 08 - Papal Audience – Holy Doors of Rome – Relics of Jerusalem

**Day 8:** May 09 - Rome (Vatican)

**Day 9:** May 10 - Assisi – Sites of St. Francis and St. Clare

**Day 10:** May 11 - Pisa – Padua

**Day 11:** May 12 – Venice – St. Mark's Square Murano Glass Factory

**Day 12:** May 13 – Goodbye Italy

## NEWS & NOTICES

**Weekly Collection:** Sunday Mass Offering Aug 11 & 12: \$6,104.15. Collection for the needy \$1,246.35. Thank you for your faith-filled generosity.

**Project Advance Report:** On August 10 pledges were at \$57,744 with participation from 100 donors. We have now exceeded our archdiocesan goal of \$52,000. All funds raised now will be rebated to the parish. Our total goal is \$104,000 which will go toward the Parish infrastructure renewal. Please make a prayerful contribution to Project Advance this year. Thank you for your support!

**OLPH Altar Guild Request:** A new volunteer is needed to handle laundering of 'small linens' for the months of March and September. 'Small linens' refers to the napkins used by Eucharistic ministers of the Cup. Currently, we have six small linens volunteers. Each does two months per year. As of the end of September, we will have a gap. Anyone interested would commit for a year (two months) to see how it goes. Contact Bridget Bird: text or phone 604-341-9180 email: [bridget.bird@telus.net](mailto:bridget.bird@telus.net).

**RCIA Volunteers & Sponsors:** The task of bringing others into the faith is a joyful one. If you can help journey with this year's RCIA group starting late September, your help would be much appreciated. We meet on Sunday mornings from 9am-10:30am. You do not have to be an expert in the teachings of the Catholic faith, just a faithful disciple who is willing to share your faith experience in friendship with others.

**RCIA Begins September 23:** If you are interested in the Catholic faith or have been away from the Church for some time and would like to come back, join us on Sunday mornings for The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). It is a beautiful journey of spiritual discovery culminating in Easter celebrations on April 21 next year. If you are already in the faith and know of people who have not discovered Jesus, have missed receiving First Communion and Confirmation, or simply fallen out of the practice of the Faith, extend a personal invitation to them to join us on this spiritual journey. Starting Sunday Sept 23, 9am-10:30am. Application forms available in the church foyer and parish office.

**Searching in the Spirit:** This is a fun and faith-filled experience of Christian community that deepens newly confirmed young persons' understanding of the special gifts that the Spirit has given them. The week-long program includes community and social activities, prayer experiences, Mass, reconciliation, and camp activities which include swimming, kayaking, archery, low ropes, and canoeing. Young people are also accompanied by adults from their parish or school who will act as mentors and guides during the program. Aug. 27-31, Camp Jubilee, North Vancouver. Program cost: \$400. For more info or to register visit <http://rcav.org/summer-training>

**Summer Institute:** The 3 Ls – A way of life for every ministry: Self-awareness is an important part of everyday life. It can help one gain a better understanding of oneself and live a better and more fulfilling life. This course will help you learn how beneficial becoming more self-aware can be. Through this course you will gain new perspectives and become more spiritually equipped for service to yourself, your family, and your community. This course is on Aug. 25 at Notre Dame Secondary; Vancouver, from 10am-4pm. Cost is \$40 per person and includes lunch. For information and registration: <http://rcav.org/oc-summer/>

**The Men's Retreat:** Join us for the upcoming Archdiocesan Men's Retreat, Sept. 28-30 at Rockridge Canyon in Princeton, BC. The theme this year is "A Man After God's Own Heart." We will follow the story of King David and rediscover the fulfillment that comes from directing our entire lives toward God. With powerful presentations, time for prayer, sacraments, fellowship, adventure, rest, and the rugged beauty of Rockridge Canyon, this retreat offers something for everyone. This is The Men's Retreat you do not want to miss! Registration is open. More info: [www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat](http://www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat).

**Good Shepherd Annual Conference:** Reclaim wonder and awe! See the Faith from the eyes of a child, experience amazement and learn the art of listening to God with children. There are many joys that CGS methodology offers to children and most importantly to adults. Come and see! For the first time ever, the Archdiocese of Vancouver is proud to sponsor the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada's Annual Conference from October 19-21, at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel. Cost: \$100/day or \$150 for both conference days. Silent auction and raffle draw available. Register today for this unique conference and experience CGS for yourself: [rcav.org/cgs-annual-conference/](http://rcav.org/cgs-annual-conference/)



## Stewardship Reflection

*"Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise..." EPHESIANS 5:15*

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we come from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that He wants us to help Him build His kingdom of earth.

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