



### **MASSES & SERVICES**

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5pm Sunday Masses: 9am, 11am, 5pm

Mon - Wed Masses: 8am Thurs Mass & OLPH Novena: 8am

Fri, Sat & Holidays: 9am Mass Fri in July & August: 8am Mass

Reconciliation By Appointment: Call the Pastor 604-2244344

**OFFICE HOURS** Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

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# Welcome the New Members of the Elect in Our Midst

### Dear Parishioners.

This past Sunday, members of the RCIA group took a big step forward in their journey of discovery of the love of God. They solemnly declared in the Rite of Election that they are ready to be initiated into the faith of the Church. They are no longer catechumens, rather they are members of the Elect, so called because they have responded to God's invitation to enter fully into the life of the Church through Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. Congratulations to all them! As well as thanks to our dedicated RCIA team and sponsors who are accompanying them in their discovery.

Because of the pandemic, the Rite of Election which is normally celebrated at Holy Rosary Cathedral with Archbishop Miller, was hosted individually by parishes. A highlight of the Cathedral ceremony has always been the signing of the Book of the Elect which each catechumen does as part of the ceremony. Not to worry, the names of the Elect will be sent to the Archdiocese of Vancouver to be officially entered into the Book of the Elect.

They are: Chloe Jiaxin He, Marilyn Lau, Fannie Huang, Alice Shiyuan He, Bill Cheng-Tsang Lin, Chi Huang, Jung Min Oh, Stephanie Sun Young Kang, Selina Ling Li, Christina Yang Wang, Olivia Hung, Nina Yang Yang, Jack Shih Chang Liang, Rachel Cheung, Rocky Lei Wang and Fiona Yuen. Receiving Confirmation and the Eucharist are Louise Kim and Robert Kroondyk.

I ask that you pray for the Elect, that their spirits may be strengthened and renewed in the coming weeks so that they may be fully prepared to share in the joys of Easter.

In the past few weeks, I mentioned several spiritual resources for Lent as listed below. I would like to add one more. We are planning a three-part Lenten Retreat which will be given by Brother John Gale, a member of our Pastoral Council. The theme is Lent: A Season of Invitation. A Zoom link for the talks will be available next week. I hope to see you all over Zoom to join Brother Gale in this retreat.

### Lent Program & Spiritual Resources

- Stations of the Cross: 7pm Friday over Zoom Click here to join
- You are also welcome to pray the Stations of the Cross on the Church grounds. Download the Stations of the Cross booklet here.
- Meditations on the Cross: A reflection from the writings of St Alphonsus featuring the crosses in our choir loft. Set aside a few minutes each day in Lent to meditate on the passion of our Lord.
- Lenten Faith Study, No Greater Love: A faith study with a choice of two days. Friday Feb 19, 11am - 12pm or Sunday Feb 21, 2pm - 3pm. Click here to sign up.

With you in Christ, Fr. Babu Mathew, CSsR 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

### **NEWS & NOTICES** WEEKDAY MASS ZOOM LINK

Monday – Friday 8am https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/886810 50215?pwd=ODN6NUgwUFRsYmp sV3IGOEpaclpLdz09 Meeting ID: 886 8105 0215 Passcode: 966564

SAT 5PM/SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAMING LINK

https://www.youtube.com/channel /UCLWUJI97tg3ZUFgrYrXXFUQ/live

LINK FOR SUNDAY OFFERING https://olphchurch.ca/onlinegiving/

### **COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

Please attend a livestreamed Mass at home. The following ways to receive Communion will remain for as long as restrictions to inperson gatherings at Mass are in effect. Please attend a livestreamed Mass before you receive Communion.

### WALK-THROUGH COMMUNION

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 9am Receive Communion at the tabernacle in the church on weekdays. Ash Wednesday: Ashes and Communion at 8:30am & 7:30pm

## **DRIVE-THROUGH COMMUNION**

Saturday: 6pm - 6:30pm Sunday: 10am - 10:30am / 12pm -12:30pm

Drive up or walk to the Communion station on Crown Street at the front of the Church to receive the Eucharist after attending a live-streamed Mass at home. Stay in your car, roll down your window and extend your arm to receive Communion then move on. To keep traffic moving, please avoid making a left turn onto West 10th Ave.

### SUNDAY ENVELOPES PICK-UP

Sunday Offering envelopes are available for pick-up at the Parish Office during office hours Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4pm.