

MASSES & SERVICES

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

Mon – Fri Masses: 8am Thurs OLPH Novena: Following 8am Mass Sat & Holidays: 9am Mass Sat Adoration: 9:30am – 10am

Reconciliation Sat 4pm – 4:45pm Or by Appointment: Call 604-224-4344

OFFICE HOURS Monday-Thursday 9:30am-4pm Friday 9:30am – 1:30pm

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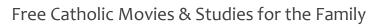
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### Dear Parishioners,

September 4, 2022

I'm happy to announce that for the next 12 months, our parish has a subscription to formed.org. This subscription has already been activated so you are welcome to sign up for it anytime. Formed.org is the brainchild of the Augustine Institute. It's like Catholic Netflix with over 4000 titles ranging from Catholic movies, daily reflections, animated films for children, faith studies, audio books and podcasts, all available at your fingertips. Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor, this amazing online hub of Catholic entertainment, study and evangelization is available to all parishioners and the school for one year at no charge.

Scrolling through the selections, I saw a wide range of movies on the saints. The animated programs for children also look great. There are also resources there which our school teachers and ministry leaders can use for Catechism and sacramental preparation. For families with teenagers, I highly recommend *The Search* series which presents the proposition of a loving Creator in thought-provoking and captivating ways. You can also use this to begin a discussion with friends you might want to interest in the Faith.

To sign up go to <u>signup.formed.org/</u> and join the parish account. To make sure you have the correct Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, use our parish zip code V6R3V9. Once you've signed up on your web browser, you can download the Formed app on your favourite devices and sign in to the account easily. As mentioned, the subscription is for a year unless another generous donor comes along so I hope you make the most of it. It is a great way for the whole family to enjoy high quality Catholic entertainment and go deeper into the Faith.

This Labour Day, let us pray for just wages for all, as well as support for those struggling to make ends meet.

23<sup>rd</sup>Sunday in

**Ordinary Time** 

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We can hardly guess what is on earth, and what is at hand we find with labour; but who has traced out what is in the heavens? Who has learned your counsel, unless you have given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high.

Wisdom 9:13-17

Yours in Christ, Fr Babu Mathew, CSsR



Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. - Psalm 90

# **NEWS & NOTICES**

#### Are You Thinking Of Becoming Catholic

If you would like to become Catholic, wish to find out more about the Catholic faith or if you've missed out on the preparation for Eucharist and Confirmation, please join us for RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) starting late September. The group will gather on Sundays from 9am -10:30am from Sept 18. <u>Click here to sign-up and download the registration form</u>.

#### **Ministry Volunteer Sign-Up**

This is a good time to think about which OLPH parish ministry you would like to be part of in the Fall. <u>Click</u> <u>here to sign up</u>. In the Comments section, note down the ministry you would like to serve. If you are not sure, please write when you are available to volunteer and we can offer some suggestions.

### PREP Sign-up for Children in Public Schools

If you have children in public elementary school, please register them for PREP for catechesis and preparation to receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation at our parish. Please see the <u>OLPH website</u> for more information on how to register. Classes are 6:30-7:30pm Tuesdays from Sept 13.

#### Meal Prep Program Leaders and Helpers Needed

Join our team of Meal Prep volunteers who get together on the 2nd Saturday of each month to prepare a variety of mouth-watering dishes for the youth of Inner Hope Society. We are especially in need of leaders at this time. Spots are available for the September sign-up. You can sign up as often as you would like for whichever date(s) suit your schedule. Please use this link to sign up.

#### Coffee Signup For Sept - October

We have spots available for anyone who wishes to help with coffee in September & October. Please <u>sign up</u> <u>here</u> if you are available to help in the next two months.

#### HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Fr Babu in an 18-day Holy Land pilgrimage covering Egypt, Israel and Jordan. Highlights are 3N Cairo, 2N Taba, 3N Bethlehem, 2N Nazareth, 2N Amman with Petra Tour. Price includes international flights, all meals, (breakfast, lunch and dinner) sightseeing and PCR tests + taxes. Dates: 11 - 29 October 2022. Price: CA\$4300/Dubai add-on for \$1400. This tour covers your PCR / Rapid Antigen test to return to Canada or the USA. Contact Brian Andrade 778-999-4599 or Deon Almeida 778-866-8118 of Royale Orchid Tours. Or email royaleorchidtours@gmail.com

#### 2022 Donation Envelopes for Pick-up

Donation envelopes for 2022 are available for pick-up at the parish office from Mon-Thurs 9:30am – 4pm.

# **ARCHDIOCESAN & OTHER EVENTS**

### Upper Room Conference 2022

We're back... in-person! Upper Room is a conference that inspires Catholics to live joyfully on mission and equips them to share their faith in their homes and communities. This year's Upper Room will help us to grow in confidence in God our loving Father and to reflect on the amazing gifts He has given to us through Jesus. After two years of online and hybrid conferences, we are back in person at an exciting downtown location! Oct. 21 - 22 at Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre. Learn more and register at <u>upperroomvancouver.com</u>

# An Interfaith Dialogue: Repentance & Responsibility

Join us for a community dinner and an exploration of the book of Jonah with Fr. Nicholas Meisl and Rabbi Jonathan Infeld. Doors open at 6:15 pm. Program starts at 7 pm. Tuesday, Sept. 13 at St. Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church, Vancouver. Learn more and register at <u>beholdvancouver.org/events</u>



# STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

### "Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33

To most of us, the above message would sound like an unrealistic demand Jesus is making of us. How can we possibly renounce all our possessions? We need them to live. What Jesus is really saying is that we must renounce the belief that it's all ours. Everything we have really belongs to God. Our resources have been entrusted to us not just for our use but also for the needs of others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to them, it becomes easier to share these gifts. Then we truly become His disciples.

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