

OLPH

THE REDEMPТОRISTS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church

SUNDAY MASS 9:00 & 11:00AM 5:00PM SATURDAY 5:00PM
WEEKDAYS 8:00AM RECONCILIATION SATURDAY 4:00-4:45PM

Sep 29, 2024 ❖ 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLPH's HARVEST FAIR 2024

SATURDAY, OCT 5

10am - 2pm at the School

HAPPY FALL
GIVE

THANKS



❖ **The Harvest Fair Committee is looking for new to nearly new books, toys, puzzles ..and other kid-approved gifts (e.g. Lego, movie theatre tickets, gift cards, sports event tickets, etc.) Donations can be dropped off at the School Office. LAST DAY FOR DONATIONS IS OCT 1. Thank You!**

*it's love
that
builds
community*



Autumn leaves, yellow school buses and change.



From my vantage point at OLPH parish I see on a regular basis, the gradual changes in the leaves of trees on our church grounds- nothing quite so speaks of change like the sight of a new season upon us. Gradually we will put away deck and garden furniture and straighten away life at the cabin, as fall creeps in. Sweaters and coats are taken out of hiding places, almost reluctantly and we struggle to hold on to the last remnants of summer days.

Change is difficult for all of us and especially when it comes too quickly and without warning. Life itself is about constant change – a lot of which happens so gradually, it creeps in like fog across the bay on a summer’s day. At the core of our faith – the greatest of life lessons are also about change and transformation. We learn from nature that maple trees shed leaves and die and then in the awakening of a spring day we see new life return. Let nature speak to us!

What about change inside of ourselves. We find it very difficult to change something that strikes that close to home. We want to hold on to the familiar and comfortable almost like the familiarity of an old sweater, long sense worn-out but still worn! Often we see how others need to change or adapt and fail to see the one looking back in the looking glass.

Sidney Harris says the following about change:

“Our dilemma is that we hate change and love it at the same time. What we really want is for things to remain the same but get better.”

What might be said about change that removes some of the apprehension and fear? Change requires patience and perseverance, strength of character. There is a lot in the world that I cannot change - and that real change begins from the inside out! Knowing that God is with us as a constant companion on life’s journey is reassuring. God is in the boat with us for every calm and stormy sea!

Peace on a Fall Day ---Fr Leo

Latest Update



PROJECT ADVANCE 2024

Building our Parish Community

DIOCESAN GOAL: \$51,400

PARISH GOAL: \$130,000

DONATIONS RECEIVED: \$36,290 (As of Sep 28, 2024)

NUMBER OF FAMILIES WHO HAVE MADE A GIFT: 63

PARTICIPATION RATE: 11 %



DONATE NOW

⌘ Stewardship in the Eyes of God ⌘

Success in the eyes of God is not about the quantity or quality of our material goods. Instead, it’s about how we use these goods: do they move us closer to God, or are they an obstacle? God calls us to share what we have to help others. By providing support for many different ministries of the Church, Project Advance offers everyone a chance to exercise Christian stewardship.

This year, the Archdiocese of Vancouver hopes to raise \$3.1 million in support of Secondary School construction and the various archdiocesan ministries, as well as charitable organizations that service those in need and the marginalized. Our portion of the appeal is \$51,400 to help with these needs. Funds raised beyond this amount are rebated to our parish and we hope to raise \$130,000 and allocate the funds to several projects earmarked at the parish. **WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION !!**

Making a gift to Project Advance is easy. You can give online at projectadvance.ca , drop off in the Sunday collection basket, or in-person at our parish’s office. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!

NEWS & NOTICES

♦ Alpha AT OLPH - COME JOIN US FOR A JOURNEY TO EXPLORE LIFE, FAITH AND GOD

Everyone is welcome! Alpha is a 11-week course where you can explore faith and know Jesus. Come enjoy a complimentary meal with fellow faith adventurers. 11 Sessions: Oct 21, 28, Nov 4, 18, 25, Dec 2, 9, 16, Jan 6, 13, 20 To register, visit: <https://forms.gle/MN2tBji4r2L2FKR68>

♦ REGISTER NOW! CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOL



If your child is in Grades K-7 (or beyond G.7 if they have not yet Confirmed) who does not attend Catholic school, consider joining PREP for Sacramental Preparation: First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. To register, visit olphchurch.ca/join/prep/ or email prep.olph@gmail.com for more information.

♦ 13th ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

As a Parish family, we support the wider Catholic community in ways we can. The Archbishop's Dinner, one of the biggest fundraisers of the Archdiocese, will be held on Monday, Nov 18 at Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. Each ticket is \$195 (tax included). Fr. Leo and Fr. Alfredo would love to have your presence at our tables. If you are interested, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

♦ VOLUNTEER SIGN UP: MEAL PREPARATION FOR THE NEEDY



Our next Meal Preparation for the needy will be held in the hall kitchen on Saturday, Oct 12. If you can help, please sign up at www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4BAFAA2DA1FB6-46459533-inner#/

♦ ALTAR SERVERS MINISTRY

Training for new altar servers will be starting in mid-October. Any Catholic in Grade 3 and up who has received First Communion is welcome to join. For more information and to sign-up, please contact Kate Carr at cecarr@hotmail.ca by October 8th. Thank You!

♦ PARISH MINISTRY FAIR: OCT 5 & OCT 6 - After All Masses (In the Parish Hall)

Please stop by if you are thinking about ways to share your gifts of time and talent. Come join us in the parish hall after all weekend Masses on Oct 5 & 6 as we embrace stewardship as a way of life in our parish. Take a few moments to see the various ministry opportunities that are available at our parish. In what ways is Jesus inviting you to follow Him? What service is He asking of you? Pray about it and Come to the Fair!

❖ OTHER EVENTS

♦ NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION - Sep 30

Kairos Blanket Exercise - developed by Kairos Canada, an inter-faith Christian organization dedicated to social justice. The Blanket Exercise provides an encounter with roughly 400 years of Indigenous history from first contact to the present day. Participants will walk through events on a journey informed by personal Indigenous testimony in an immersive experience that is moving and memorable. Event will be held at St. Augustine's School Gym on Mon, Sep 30 from 1-3pm. To register or for more info, please email openhearts@staugustineschurch.ca

♦ LIFE CHAIN 2024: BEAR WITNESS TO THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE

You are invited to Life Chain on Sun, Oct 6 from 2 to 3 pm. Come to 29th & Oak, where you can pick up a sign. For more info, contact Laura (604) 228-1608. Come show your support for life by your prayerful presence along Oak St.

♦ LEARN MORE ABOUT DEVELOPMENT & PEACE at THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY RETREAT on Oct 19

You are invited to learn more about Development & Peace at the D&P Regional Assembly retreat at Carmel Hill Little Flower Monastery, Deroche BC on Oct 19 at 9am. Deadline to register is Oct 7. For information, contact Deirdre at dweb9@icloud.com

❖ National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, Sept 30 ❖

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour Survivors of residential schools and those who support them.

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, Sep 30. Mass will be at 9:00am.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - CARITAS CANADA PRESENTS

CREATE
HOPE
BUILD A BETTER
TOMORROW

Regional Assembly
OCTOBER 18-20, 2024
Carmel Hill - Little Flower Monastery in Deroche

With Speakers:
Dr. Michael Bomford, PhD, PAg, Department of Sustainable Agriculture, KPU
Justin Arseneault, Kairos BC/Yukon
Michael Dougherty, Development & Peace Yukon
Selina Hunt, Youth Programming Agent, Development & Peace, Caritas Canada

To register email pinky.devpeace@gmail.com or call 604-612-9677



MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5pm

Sunday Masses: 9am, 11am, 5pm

Daily Mass :

Mon – Fri 8am

Thurs OLPH Novena: After 8am Mass

Sat & Holidays: 9am Mass

Sat Adoration: 9:30am – 10am

Reconciliation: Sat 4pm – 4:45pm

Or by appointment: 604-224-4344

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:30am-4pm

Stat Holiday, Sat & Sun: Closed

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