

April 19, 2026 ❖ Third Sunday of Easter



“Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures? Luke 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that’s a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

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❖ *Adult Faith Formation* ❖

Our Seventh Session will feature Catherine Kelly from the UBC Catholic Chaplaincy team as our guest speaker.

TOPIC: IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY & DISCERNMENT



Monday, April 20 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the parish hall

We kindly ask that you bring along a non-perishable food item for food bank. Thank You!

Remaining Sessions At A Glance:

May 25 - What Makes a Healthcare Institution Catholic - by Francis Maza

June 15 - Family and Faith (Transmitting Faith) - by James Borkowski

EASTER REFUGEE PROJECT

My Dear Fellow OLPH Parishioners,

I want to take the opportunity to thank you for such great generosity over our Lenten Refugee project. And I now want to update you on our progress and continued need.

To begin, last year (2025) our Lenten Refugee project raised \$42,708.08 which would have been enough to sponsor four members (out of the family of nine) to come as refugees to Canada. However, as I mentioned early this Lent, Canadian Immigration has changed the rules about who can come in and what sponsorship will mean for both the refugees and the sponsors. Briefly, all nine members of the Bhatti family have now been accepted into the pipeline, although they still have to pass the interview examination that certifies their status as refugees (which could take place any time over the next 6 to 15 months. Once they pass, timelines are given for flights to Canada and the work of the sponsors to help them settle begins.

Meanwhile, Canadian Immigration has set the amount needing to be raised that covers the first year's accommodations and groceries at \$124,219.99 (which includes 'filing fees' of \$2,100) for all nine together. Our Lenten Refugee project for this year (2026) raised (\$31,251) for a total of \$73,959.76.

Hence, we are over half way there, but we still need to raise another \$48,160.23 and to that end I am inviting another dip into the well of your generosity. I think it is appropriate to rename the project as the "Easter Refugee Fund." So, once again we are putting out envelopes and inviting your donations and your prayers, reminding ourselves that this is God's work and we are privileged to participate.

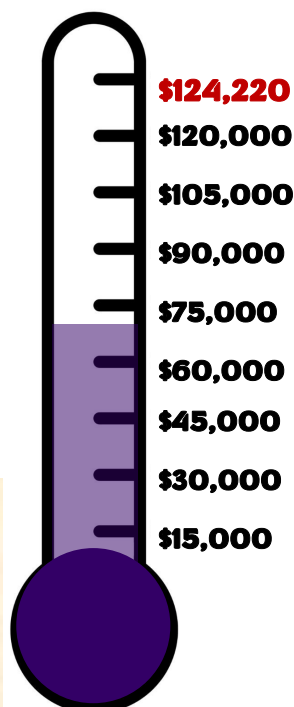
I conclude by adding a caveat, namely, that it is always possible that the family is not accepted by Canada Immigration. If that happens – and I pray that it won't – the money raised will remain in the parish to be used to support refugees or immigrants in the future.

Again, I conclude with a humble gratitude for the generosity and support you have shown. May God's blessings be with you!

~ Fr. Mark Miller

❖ Donations can be made at Mass, in person at the parish office or by E-Transfer to autodeposit.olph@rcav.org (Please be sure to leave a note - Refugee Project).

For more information please contact Fr. Mark Miller at (604)224-4344 or by email to markmillercssr@gmail.com May God bless you!



**WE ARE MORE THAN
HALF WAY THERE!**

***We are just \$48,160
from our \$124,220 Goal!***

**We are called to care for
those fleeing from
violence and persecution
in their home countries.**

**Your donations
will be put to good use,
supporting a family of 9
who are in desperate need
in finding a safe refuge.**

Thank you your support!



❖ *Adult Confirmation Classes* ❖

If you are a Baptized Catholic over the age of 16 years and have not been confirmed, please join our Adult Confirmation Classes to prepare yourself to be confirmed.

You will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2026 in your home parish.

Classes will be held over 3 Wednesdays in the Church basement from 7:00 - 8:30pm :

Wednesdays - 2026 - May 6, 13, 20

For more information or to sign up, please click the link below or scan the QR code:

www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4BAFAA2DA1FB6-62597711-adult#



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PLEASE JOIN US! The Columbus Long Term Care Society that operates Columbus Residence needs new members and people willing to serve on the Board to help advance their mission and to serve their Residents within a **CARING & COMPASSIONATE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY**. **Please JOIN &/or DONATE NOW**. For more information please email Membership@columbusresidence.ca

🎀 NEWS & NOTICES 🎀

♦ **ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP PROVIDE SUPPLIES FOR SAKURA SO SHELTER HOME?**



Thank you to everyone who consistently brings non-perishable food items for the residents of Sakura So. Your care for those in need is a true testimony of Christ's love. At this time, the shelter is in need of the following items: **FORKS & SPOONS, COFFEE, CEREAL, SUGAR, PAPER CUPS & PAPER PLATES** Collection bins are available in the Church foyer.

Thank you very much for your continued support!

♦ **ALPHA at ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH HAS BEGUN**

Alpha is now available at St. John The Apostle Church in Kerrisdale starting April 17 to June 26. It's a free, interactive program that offers a welcoming, non-judgmental space to explore life and the foundations of the Christian faith. For more information or to register, please call (604)266-8800.

♦ **MANDARIN MASS AT ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH** 周日普通话弥撒

Mandarin Mass at St. John the Apostle Church in Kerrisdale will begin on Sunday, April 19, and continue on every third Sunday of the month at 3:00pm. Confession will be available at 2:30pm. All are welcome.

♦ **ROSARY FOR PEACE WITH ARCHBISHOP SMITH** Archbishop Smith invites all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Vancouver to come together in prayer each month for peace in our world. The next rosary is on Sat, May 2 at 11am at Holy Rosary Cathedral, or tune-in at youtube.com/@holyroarycathedral/live



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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