

**FEBRUARY 26, 2017**

**8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*“Consider the lilies of the field.”*

**LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE**

Ash Wednesday, March 1:

8:15am, 11:00am & 7:00pm

Weekdays during Lent: Monday - Friday

8:30am & 7:00pm

Friday evening:

6:00pm - Benediction

6:30pm - Stations of the Cross

Saturday Morning Mass:

9:00am

**Stewardship Reflection**

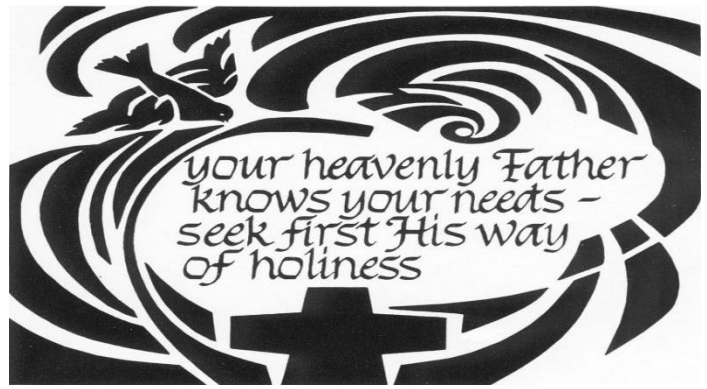
*“You cannot serve God and wealth.”* When we put our trust only in the at-risk things of this world, like our bank accounts, or investments, we are extremely vulnerable to worry. Money can master us if we neglect to remember that God’s care for us is beyond any worldly financial limits. In today’s Gospel Jesus places before us a bit of a dilemma. God should be at the centre of our lives, yet we still need money, so how do we deal with this dilemma? The answer is to have our faith and our finances working together, by seeking first God’s Kingdom, putting God first in how we share, save and spend our wealth, and then trusting God. Living this way frees us from worrying. Trusting in God’s providence is also one way we strengthen our relationship with Him – *“all these things will be given to you as well”*. (Matthew 6:3).

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Lorraine Cameron; Creg Rosales; Gail Krueger; Janet Forsey; Ruel Capili; Loreto Ciaccia; Jerry Schaab; Ryan Lehwald; Helen Kutty; Kellie Marchak; Ian Wilson; Maria Amato; John Pollard; Darlene Erskine; Leo Verstraete; Bearl Hall; Jean Van Loo; Edna Cachero; Tom Luxford; Marie Connor; Dominga Carrion; William Tam; Gloria Peralta; Edward Chan; Ernesto Hidalgo; William O’Brien; Alex Cameron; Romeo Samson; Lorna Keras; Sujay Nazareth; Almira Steeds; Joanne McLeod; Vivian Teeporten; Andrew Graham & Mark Stockbrocks.

*If you have a relative who is sick in the hospital or at home, please let the rectory know so that we can arrange for a visit.*

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2016 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING AREA**



**Tonight, Sun., Feb. 26, 7pm: “Dirt-Head”** Lent starts on Wed., Mar. 1! What better way to prepare than with us! This Life Night will put you in the right frame of mind for Lent.

**Next Sun., Mar. 5, 7pm: “Give”** This final night in the Presence Series is about the Sacraments at the service of communion. We will be discussing how our vocations can enrich community life.

**Keep up to date and find out about upcoming events** on Instagram, SnapChat, Twitter and Facebook! (iclifeteen) For more information about Youth Ministry and Life Teen, please contact Faye  
p: 604.785.6729 or e: icyouthmin@gmail.com



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

General meeting for Knights of Columbus is on Thursday March 2 at 7:30pm in the Gathering Area.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
MAINTENANCE PERSON**

This is a fulltime position which includes “hands on” knowledge of repair and maintenance in and around the parish buildings and grounds; some mechanical aptitude and general knowledge of plumbing/electrical; a healthy person unafraid of heights and climbing ladders. Some janitorial and landscaping work is required together with the setup/take down for parish groups. **The successful applicant will report directly to the Pastor.**

Applications to Rev. Father A. Abundo, Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta.

Acceptance of applications close on February 28, 2017.

**PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND**

Fr. David Franco, FSSP, Assistant Pastor of Holy Family Parish in Vancouver invites you to join him on a Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from November 26 to December 9, 2017. For information regarding itinerary, inclusions and pricing, please check the website [www.oc-travel.com](http://www.oc-travel.com) or e-mail Susan Kotnik of Orbis Catholicus Travel in Surrey, BC at [susankotnik@gmail.com](mailto:susankotnik@gmail.com) or ph: 604.465.6911.

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## CWL NEWS

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**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** CWL invites all parishioners to join the **Interdenominational World Day of Prayer** service at St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church, 11601-82nd Ave., Delta on Friday, March 3 at 1pm. The service this year has been prepared by the women of the Philippines.

### Please mark your calendar:

**OVER 18** - A documentary about PORN on Thursday, March 2 at our Parish Hall. Door opens at 6:30pm. Screening starts at 7:00pm sponsored by CWL in co-operation with Immaculate Conception School and RCAF Ministries.

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## HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL SPRING BREAK CAMP

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### Basketball:

Who: Boys in Gr. 4-7

When: Monday March 13- Friday March 17 at 9am-12pm

Email : Matthew LeChasseur at

hcboysbasketball@gmail.com

Cost: \$125.00

### Football:

Who: Boys in Gr. 4-7

When: Monday March 13- Friday March 17 at 1pm-4pm

Equipment: Shorts, t-shirts, running shoes (cleats are optional).

email: Conrad Deugau at [holycrosscrusader@gmail.com](mailto:holycrosscrusader@gmail.com)

Cost: \$90.00

Please register by March 3, 2017. Space is limited, first come first serve basis. If your son wishes to participate in both basketball and football camps, the cost will be \$200. Please download and fill out a registration form at [www.holycross.bc.ca](http://www.holycross.bc.ca) or [www.hcboysbasketball.com](http://www.hcboysbasketball.com) and bring the cheque and form on the first day of the camp. Please make cheques payable to Holy Cross High School.

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## OLD BLESSED PALMS

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Kindly drop-off the palm branches blessed last year in the box provided at the church vestibule before March 1.

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## THREE EVENINGS WITH THE HEALING HEART OF JESUS

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Renown Theologian & Clinical Psychologist Dr. Margaret Schlientz will talk about fear, resentment and wounds from loss of love, afflicts increasing numbers in our society. These issues will be addressed at The Healing Heart of Jesus from Sunday March 5 to Tuesday March 7 at 7pm at St. Luke's Parish in Maple Ridge. For more information visit [stlukesparish.wordpress.com](http://stlukesparish.wordpress.com), ph: 604.465.5383 or the event organizer, Mr. Vernon Robertson at 604.460.0114.

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## SYRIAN REFUGEES FUNDRAISER

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Our magnificent **QUILT RAFFLE** continues today. We are raising funds to sponsor a family of 10 Syrian refugees. We have 5 quilts, made & donated by 3 parishioners.

**Tickets: 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10** Come & see! They are on display in the Gathering Area.

Draw: Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> March after Mass at 9am.

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## MARCH FOR LIFE

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March for Life is held in Victoria on Thursday, May 11. Please call Mike at 604.592.5110 if you wish to join in for the march. Travel details to come once we know how many are participating.

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## VOLUNTEER TRAINING BY DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES

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Helpline Volunteer Training by Domestic Abuse Services – Our Lady of Good Counsel Society

*You can make a difference in the lives of victims of abuse.* Join us for our spring training.

Fridays: March 31, April 7 & 21 from 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm and Saturdays, April 1, 9, & 22 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Vancouver. Call 604.585.6688 to register or for more information.

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## SCHEDULE OF WAY OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

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Way of the Cross during Lent is held on Friday at 6:30pm.

- March 3 - Serra Club/ Knights of Columbus
- March 10 - Women Bible Study
- March 17 - Couples for Christ/ Legion of Mary
- March 24 - Stewardship/Migrant workers/CWL
- March 31 - St. Martin's Guild/PREP/Spiritual Life
- April 7 - IC Charismatic Prayer Group/Miracle Hour Group

Note: Other groups not in the list are welcome to join any Fridays in LENT.

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## ESTATE & MEMORIAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

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We are encouraging parishioners to attend the presentation by the Archdiocese of Vancouver Catholic Cemeteries on Tuesday, March 21 from 6pm-9pm in the Gathering Area. Learn about the beauty and dignity of the funeral rite and how to formulate Pre-Need arrangements. Receive free guides and practical advice. These workshops will present facts and information. No investment services or insurance will be promoted or sold. For more information, please contact Catholic Cemeteries by email or call 604.531.2141. You can also register online at [www.rccav.org/events](http://www.rccav.org/events).