



Our Lady of Mercy Parish

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Pastor: Father Hien Nguyen
Deacon: Kenneth Fung

December 17, 2023
Third Sunday of Advent

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday:

08:30 am - 3:30 pm
(12 - 1 pm lunch break)

Our Lady of Mercy School

School Office: (604) 526-7121
Principal: Neva Grout
Email: office@ourladyofmercy.ca
website: www.ourladyofmercy.ca

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) Classes for Children in Public School

PREP classes are scheduled every
Wednesday at 6:30 pm
For inquiries:
email Marivic at olmprep@gmail.com

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you have questions about
the Catholic faith?
Are you interested in developing a deeper
relationship with Jesus Christ?
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
(RCIA) is an incredible journey of
learning, personal fulfillment and
spiritual growth. Sessions are scheduled
every Thursday, from 7:00 - 9:00 pm
For inquiries:
call/text Valder at 604-861-9774

Sunday Mass Schedule

with Rosary Prayer and Novena to Holy Spirit start 30 minutes prior to Sunday Masses

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM

First Friday of the month: 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Saturday and Public Holidays: 9:00 AM

Confession: 30 minutes prior to Masses or upon request.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every first Friday of the month:

8:45 AM to 6:15 PM with Divine Mercy Novena/Chaplet at 3:00 PM,
Benediction at 6:30 PM and Mass at 7 PM.

Daily Rosary and Novena Prayer Schedules (after morning Mass)

- * Monday : Saint Joseph Novena
- * Tuesday : Saint Anthony of Padua Perpetual Novena
- * Wednesday : Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena (+ 6 PM)
- * Thursday : Perpetual Novena to Saint Therese of Lisieux
- * Friday : Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus (6 PM)
- * Saturday : Our Lady of Mercy Novena

Perpetual Adoration Chapel & Devotional Garden

Open every day. For more information, please call the parish office.

The Sacrament of Marriage

At least **six months** notice must be given to the Pastor

The Sacrament of Baptism Parish families who wish to have a child
baptized should be registered in the parish. Please visit the Parish Office
to register. Attendance of preparation class prior to the baptism is
mandatory for parents and godparents. Class is held every last Thursday
of the month at 7 PM. Children Baptisms are scheduled on second
Sunday of every month after 11 AM Mass.

Email Fraud Warning

Our Lady of Mercy Parish has received multiple reports from parishioners and priests who have fallen victim to recent Phone SMS/text messages and Internet email phishing scam. Imposters, posing as priests and using cell phone numbers and/or email addresses that are similar to those of our priests, have been texting and emailing people asking for personal donations, gift cards, and other forms of financial assistance.

Never respond to texts and/or emails requesting Google Play cards, iTunes cards, or any other form of personal financial assistance, even if it appears to be from a priest, deacon, religious, parish staff or bishop. If you have any doubt, please contact the sender by other means to verify any requests.

For Parish Ministries and Organisations inquiries, please contact the parish office.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023**5:00 pm Evelyn Pasamba - *Thanksgiving***SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023**9:00 am Carlee Nina Vasquez - *Birthday Thanksgiving*11:00 am **OLM Parishioners****MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023**8:00 am † Ofelia Malvar - *Repose of Soul***TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023**8:00 am † Miguel Concon - *Repose of Soul***WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2023**8:00 am † Agus Hendarto - *1st Death Anniversary***THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023**8:00 am Sean S. Hendarto - *Birthday Thanksgiving***FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023**8:00 am † Jootje Marius Wantah - *Repose of Soul***SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023**9:00 am † Victor Manrique - *Repose of soul***PRAYERS FOR THE SICK***In your prayers, please remember the sick:*

Rosa Maria Santos, Sydney Shanti, Philip Rekawek, Nilcar Donato, Tomas Oca, Ngu Thi Phan, Quan, Mary and Mollen Tran, Ernesto Oloresisimo, Victoria Obleada, Laurette Lemieux, Georgette Leduc, Mila Balanay, Pamela Gardner, Lily Katherine Cregan, Virgilio Pino Jr, Alberto and Emilia Pagaduan, Patricia Vargas Casas, Christina, Van Nguyen, Gail Larson, Remedios Roa, Lorenzo Sia, Celestino Regacho, Purita Fabian, Editha de Leon, Anna Jung Wojciechowska, Romano Tjahjana, Barbara Obreska, Maria Marks, Sharon Vine.

**Holy Communion:**

Any one who is shut-in and wishes to receive the Holy Eucharist, please let us know. If you have a loved one who is sick and needs our prayers, and would like to put their name in the bulletin, kindly contact the office.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.” - 1 Thessalonians 5:16 - 18

This scripture reading sums up Stewardship. “Rejoice always” means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. “Pray constantly” means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. “Give thanks in all circumstances” means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering a little bit helps build empathy for others in similar situations and shows our dependence on God.

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MISA DE GALLO

Misa de Gallo, the devotional nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas and to honour Mother Mary, will be held at our parish from



*December 16 (Saturday) - December 24 (Sunday)
at 6 am*

Everyone is invited to participate and sponsor a Mass on any chosen date. Please contact **Rosalie at 778-707-6336** or parish office for more info.

2023 ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Each Service will begin at 7:00 PM

Mon, Dec 18 Saint Michael's, Burnaby

Mon, Dec 18 Our Lady of Fatima, Coquitlam

Tue, Dec 19 Saint Peter's, New West

Tue, Dec 19 Saint Mary's, Vancouver

Wed, Dec 20 Saint Francis de Sales, Burnaby

Thu, Dec 21 **OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH****2023 CHRISTMAS & 2024 NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULES****4th Sunday of Advent**

Sat, Dec 23 5:00 PM Sunday Anticipatory Mass

Sun, Dec 24 9:00 AM Sunday Mass

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Sun, Dec 24 5:00 PM Children's Mass (Christmas Pageant)

10:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass

Mon, Dec 25 9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass

11:00 AM Christmas Day Mass

2:00 PM Christmas Day Mass (Indonesian)

Solemnity of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sat, Dec 30 5:00 PM Sunday Anticipatory Mass

Sun, Dec 31 9:00 AM Sunday Mass

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Sun, Dec 31 5:00 PM New Year's Eve Mass

Mon, Jan 1 9:00 AM New Year's Day Mass

11:00 AM New Year's Day Mass

ARCHBISHOP MILLER'S MESSAGE FOR ADVENT

Archbishop Miller's Advent Message can be found at rcav.org/announcements/17028

PPC APPLICATION AND ELECTION**Candidates:**

Cecilia Saguindan
Theresa De Ocampo
Lito Aurellado

Cecilia Saguindan is a parishioner of OLM since 2016. She and her husband are very active in the Church. She has coordinated special liturgical events and involved in different ministries: Couples for Christ, Marriage Mentoring, Prison, Lectors, etc. Cecilia is motivated to find ways to encourage the young people to live their faith. She will be happy to serve the parish in her capacity and share the experience she has gained.

Lito Aurellado is a parishioner of OLM for over twenty years. Currently, Lito and his wife serve the parish through RCIA, Lector, Witness to Love, and Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Lito has a passion to reach out to new Catholics by way of evangelizing. He wishes to share his experience of living the faith through service in the parish especially now through the PPC team.

Theresa De Ocampo is a parishioner of OLM since 2007. She enjoys coming to Church and volunteers at the parish's office. Theresa was an employee for the RCAF family in the area of administrative assistance. Recently, Theresa took courses out of St. Mark College to deepen her knowledge of the faith. Theresa is eager to share and contribute her faith and gifts for the good of OLM.

Fr. Hien and the election committee would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have discerned for these positions: the non-applicants and the applicants. We have reviewed the applicants and they are all qualified with our expectation and requirement listed in the application. Since we are needing three elected members for the PPC and only three applicants, these candidates are elected by acclamation.

Congratulation to the newly elected members!

PROJECT ADVANCE 2023

Our parish goal this year is

\$ 100,000

Thank you to the **207 families** who have made a gift to this year's Project Advance. Our parish has currently raised **\$ 66,577.65** with **22.4%** of our families participating.



CWL Membership Drive 2023-2024 VOICE

If you only knew... the Catholic Women's League has a 'voice' to create change! Backed by thousands of Canadian Catholic women - it meets with government and influences laws, stands up for social justice and speaks up for those who do not have a voice. Is there a cause or issue you would like to see brought to the attention of government? Your voice matters – we can help!

For more information, contact **Suzette** via email swillems2022@gmail.com

FORMED.ORG

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3. Enter our parish zip code. **V3N2S1**
4. Enter your name and email address. You're in!

FORMED LENTEN RETREAT PLANNING WORKSHOP

This is an opportunity to learn how to easily hold a retreat using your parish's Lenten FORMED resources. Facilitated by RCAF Lay Formation Coordinators, Louisa Gietz and Jane Waldock, learn about easy methods of planning, inviting, and deciding on content!

Choose from the following dates:

- **Wednesday, January 3, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**
- **Thursday, January 4, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

All ministry leaders are welcome! The workshop is held online via Zoom. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events. Register before Tuesday, January 2, 5:00 p.m.

BE A VENDOR AT THE 2024 CATHOLIC EDUCATORS CONFERENCE

Be a part of something truly special and grand. Register as a vendor at our 2024 Catholic Educators' Conference. Your presence at our conference will be a highlight, and we can't wait to have you on board. This year's conference is on **Thursday, February 24, 2024** at the Vancouver Trade &

Convention Centre. Register online at cisva.regfox.com/cec2024.

WEEKEND GETAWAY MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

We are excited to partner with Family Life Canada to offer weekend getaways to married couples in the Archdiocese of Vancouver!

The Weekend Getaway is a marriage conference uniquely designed to enrich your relationship. For most couples, it's a chance to reconnect, re-establish the foundation, and rekindle romance. For others, it's a fresh start. For some, it will be the weekend that saves a marriage. Wherever you're at in your relationship, this retreat is a weekend to remember.

The atmosphere is relaxed, warm and fun! You'll hear from real couples doing real life together... God's way. You'll be given time to process what you're learning. And together, build a joyful marriage that lasts a lifetime.

The next getaway is on the weekend of **February 16-18, 2024 at the Fairmont Empress in Victoria, BC**. The fee is usually \$299. **Use promo code RCAVIC to register for \$199**. Accommodations at the Fairmont Empress Victoria for conference participants should be booked separately. Special room rate starts at **\$209/night before January 26**; rates may vary thereafter. The registration deadline is Wednesday, February 14, 2024. For more information call **Joyce 604-683-0281 ext. 223** or beholdvancouver.org/events

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