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PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

Altar Servers		Delaine Weberg dweberg@saintmarysschool.ca	
Bible Study Groups	**Wednesday Bible Study**	Sandra Melville	604-792-7049
	Good News Bible Study	Lynda Gillespie	604-795-5998
	Tuesday Book Study		
Catholic Women's League (CWL)		Gisela Montague gismont@telus.net	
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CCJS Prison Ministry		Peter Li & Miriam Liem	604-819-1204
CCODP		Peter Li	604-910-5067
Cenacle/Rosary		Pauline Peacey	604-991-3364
Children's Liturgy		Breanne Holitzki	604-837-8557
Choirs	**Good News Choir**	Lynda Gillespie	604-795-5998
	New Life Choir	Myrt Armstrong	604-795-5304
	Friends in Song	Jeanine Sallos	604-824-1053
	Alleluia Choir	Renee Hamilton-Clark	604-824-6280
	Youth Choir	Alivia Weston	604-799-4001
	School Choir	Jeanine Sallos	604-824-1053
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Church Cleaning		Laura Vogel	613-898-2111
Community Outreach		Susan Kranabetter	
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Extra-Ordinary Ministers of H.C.		Pat Symes patsymes4@gmail.com	604-845-0582
Hospitality (Sunday Coffee)		Rhonda Sexsmith rsexsmit@telus.net	
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Knights of Columbus Council 3478		Peter Prost, G.K. pprost3@gmail.com	604-858-2428
	Assembly 2256	Ken Claridge	604-858-4044
Lectors		Ana Macedo Lindenhoff	604-798-1785
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Migrant Workers Ministry		Lise Tetreault lisenadeau52@gmail.com	604-795-9199
Moms Group		Mary Wagner	604-799-1283
Parish Library		Darren Ollinger	604-799-2771
Parish Outreach for the sick/homebound		Arlene Pede	604-793-5130
Parish Care Homes	**Waverley**	Joan Strueby	604-795-7527
	Heritage	Keith & Helen Lilley	604-705-2505
	Cascade		
	Valleyhaven	Jane & Sonny Dampier	604-792-0702
	Eden	Fe Balo	604-795-4388
	Bradley Centre		
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Parish Finance Council		Steve Ralphs sralphs@hotmail.com	
Parish Pastoral Council		Pastor	604-792-2764
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)		Sara Lindenhoff stmarysparishprep@gmail.com	
PEC: St. Mary's Elementary (Education Committee)		Dale Wagner pecchair@saintmarysschool.com	
Prayer Groups	**Divine Mercy Chaplet**	Nicole Poudrier	604-824-0509
	Charismatic Prayer group	Hugh Robins	604-402-0215
	Christian Meditation	Lori Lollar	604-792-2764
Preschool Committee		Sheila Giolito	604-858-3664
Pro-Life		Carol Gray	604-792-5267
Project Advance Chair		Maggie Reimer	604-751-1950
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Secular Franciscan Lay Religious Order		Nicole Poudrier	604-824-0509
Ushers		Peter Lindenhoff	604-798-4237
Webmaster / Audio / Video		Bill Casey	778-898-9304
Welcoming / Hospitality		Pat Symes patsymes4@gmail.com	604-845-0582
Young at Heart (Seniors Group) Cards: Wednesdays		Maggie Webster	604-392-5229
Young Adults Group		Brittney Grimard	604-621-7663
Youth Ministry		Alexis Vilan	604-845-9871

END-OF-LIFE EMERGENCY CELL #: 604-378-0482

Please call this number if a priest in Chilliwack is required for end-of-life emergencies outside of regular office hours.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Mass

Tues, Thu: 8 am
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5 pm (Anticipated Mass)
Sunday: 8 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

CONFESSION TIMES:
Mon - Sat 8:30 am - 8:50 am, Sat 4:00 pm-4:45 pm.
No appointment needed, please enter by the bell tower entrance.

ADORATION - Fridays

Adoration on Fridays begins after the morning Mass. 11:30am: Chaplet of Divine Mercy; **6:45pm: Benediction; 7pm: Mass.**

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: One family at a time. Call the office to book. Celebrated at 11:00am on Saturdays. Registration is required and all paperwork must be completed prior to the confirmed baptism date.

Marriage: Six months' notice is required. Please phone the parish office.

Funerals: Please phone the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a family member are needing anointing at home or at a care home and you wish to have a priest visit, please phone the parish office.

"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" John 20:19

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. We are made for relationships– with God and each other. When you see yourself as a beloved son or daughter of God, you tend to see others the same way, too– just as God, Our Father, sees us. *Copyright © 2023 Archdiocese of St. Louis*

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	April 17	9:00 am	Donald Gillis RIP
Tue	April 18	8:00 am	Maria Reiprich RIP
Wed	April 19	9:00 am	Sean and Val McGee
Thu	April 20	8:00 am	Terry Gauthier RIP
Fri	April 21	9:00 am	John Lejeune RIP
Sat	April 22	9:00 am	Ernesto Macedo RIP
Sat	April 22	5:00 pm	Annie Koppel RIP
Sun	April 23	8:00 am	Deceased Members of the Delviken Family RIP
Sun	April 23	9:30 am	Parishioners
Sun	April 23	11:30 am	Fr. Wilfred

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Josie Treffers
Archie Gendron
Yvonne Hamel
Bozena Sujka
Mona Bradwell
Jackie Sprangers-Jones
Caroline Shankar
Diane Newcombe
Anthony Jongedijk
Caroline Weis
Felix De Guzman
Terry Wallden
Angie Price
Ursula Day
Tom DiCarlo
Gerry and Sharon Williams
Blake and Dorothy Baxter
Joseph Rollheiser
Yvon Lauzon
Jim Kinney
James Strueby
Rita Korbeld

ADORATION EACH FRIDAY: From 10am - 7pm we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6:45pm: Benediction; 7pm: Mass. Sign-up sheet at the church entrance, or contact Miriam: adorationheart3@gmail.com / 604-819-1204.

MIGRANT MINISTRY MASS - Sunday, April 30th at 6:30pm. Confession at 6:00pm. Transportation is available.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - *WORK OF VOCATIONS, SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH.* This collection supports seminarians studying to become priests for the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING - ***RESCHEDULED TO: WEDNESDAY, MAY 10,*** *1:00 pm in the Annex.*

THE CALIX SOCIEITY - Facing addictions through the Catholic faith and a 12 Step program: 604-845-7094. calixsociety.org/

TREE SPONSORING PROJECT

Last Summer, after a careful study, the need came to remove 6 of the old trees from around the playground and to trim others (which were both a hazard and risk factor for the students and the neighboring structures). Then in the fall, our parish planted 29 trees around our church property, as shown on the chart. We spent a total of **$16,905** (cost includes removal of 6 trees & trimming of 2 trees - $ 6,720, grinding of stumps, etc. - $1,942.50 and the planting of 29 trees - $ 8,242.50).

We're **inviting our parishioners to sponsor a tree** in **memory** of a deceased family member or others; or **in thanksgiving** for the living. Please refer to the map in the annex. Trees numbered 1 to 6 are sponsored already; trees numbered 7 to 13 = **$ 700** each; and trees numbered 14 to 29 = **$ 500** each (some are sponsored already). A **name tag,** in memory of or in thanksgiving, will always be displayed at the tree.

To **reserve a tree** please call the **parish office** (604-792-2764) with the tree number of your choice. Trees will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

- Fr. Wilfred

NATIVITY THANK YOU

Dear Parishioners who contributed to the Nativity scene displayed during Advent and Christmas,

I was humbled to see how much time and energy was put into this endeavor. You answered the call to serve with a joyful heart which is both commendable and greatly appreciated. We are blessed to be a part of such a special parish. This was evident, and the congregation was profoundly impacted by the beauty and expertise in which the figures portrayed the diverse cultures of our community. The scene met its purpose in that it reflected the connection that exists between all of us and God. Your effort brought an overwhelming feeling of family and home. Many shared a spiritual reconnection to their faith which is in great part thanks to your generosity. Your act of devotion evangelized and prepared hearts to go forward and spread the word of God.

- Fr. Wilfred

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT THE 9:30AM MASS - April 16, May 7, May 28, and June 18, 2023.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEWS

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE - Dear St. Mary's Parish Families, we invite you to consider enrolling your child, or children, in our parish school. Visit: saintmarysschool.ca

ST. MARY'S PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2023-24 - Preschool applications are available at the school office or on the school website. For more information please contact Mrs. Chiappetta: **jchiappetta@saintmarysschool.ca.**

ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SPRING PLANT SALE - Choose from a curated collection of 4-inch Bloomin' Easy shrubs, locally grown in the Fraser Valley to beautify your garden and help St. Mary's Elementary *plant* for the future! Plants are $10 each for 4-inch floral shrubs. Order by Thursday, April 27, pick up at the school the week of May 10. To order contact the school or use the form in the digital bulletin.

GOLF TOURNAMENT - Registration is now open for our 3rd Annual St. Mary's Fundraising Golf Tournament! This year, we're Teeing Up *fore* Tech on Saturday, May 27 at Cheam Mountain Golf Course, with all proceeds from the tournament going towards enhancing the school's tech equipment and resources. Not a great golfer? No problem! The goal of this tournament is to have FUN while raising funds for St. Mary's School. To register yourself, or your team, go to www.saintmarysschool.ca/golf.

ST, JOHN BREBEUF HIGH SCHOOL is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Please visit our website at stjohnbrebeuf.ca to apply, or come by the school to pick up an application form. To book a tour of the school, please call the office at 604-855-0571 or email office@stjohnbrebeuf.ca. SJB--Discover Your Gifts.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE INFORMATION SESSION - **April 30th after the 11:30am Mass**, in the Annex. Trinity Tours will present information about their upcoming pilgrimage to the Holy Land, September 3 - 12, 2023. Join Fr. Brian and other travelers on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, walking in the land where Christ walked. Visit: trinitytours.ca.

MARCH FOR LIFE - Thursday, May 11, 2023, Victoria BC. Two buses are available. Bus leaves from St. Mary's at 6:00am. Cost is $10 round trip. Please sign the sheet at the church entrance. For more information call Carol Gray at 604-792-5267.

2023 PRO-LIFE SCHOLARSHIP - Apply for a $1000 Scholarship. Available to high school grads AND first-year university students. **Apply by May 12, 2023.** For more information call 604-795-3091 or visit chilliwackprolife.com.

COFFEE AFTER 9:30 AM MASS - Sunday, April 23, hosted by the CWL.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST - SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023. Breakfast by donation, proceeds to support St. Mary's School.

RELIGIOUS ARTILCES AND SOUVENIRS will be available for sale after Masses, Saturday **April 15th** (Anticipated Mass) and Sunday **April 16th.** Accepted: cash or cheque.

The Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent have received permission from the Archdiocese to visit parishes and sell religious articles and souvenirs made from the workshops of the Convent, in order to support the vulnerable people whom they care for.

St. Elisabeth Convent in Minsk, Belarus, is a Christian community that supports a large psychiatric hospital, takes care of an orphanage for children with mental and physical disabilities, and runs a rehabilitation centre and a shelter for the homeless.

CWL BURSARY of $1,000.00 to a son/daughter of a League member who is attending SJB, for first-year studies at a post-secondary institution. Apply by Apr.30/2023. For more information please contact Lovelett Knight: 604-791-7783.

CWL - HEALING - As Catholic Women's League members, we help to heal injustice through advocacy, illness through prayer, hate with love and loneliness with care. You cannot stay away from the healing process if you are a Catholic woman. Join us today! For more information on our council or the Vancouver Diocesan convention May 4,5, and 6, 2023 see our bulletin board in the Annex hallway. For more information please contact Gisela at 604-792-6572.
Our next general meeting will be Saturday, April 22, 2023, in the Annex after the 9am Mass. New members are always welcome! The next Birthday Luncheon will be at the Curling Club 9th End Cafe on April 27, 2023, at noon. A joyous Easter season to all from St. Mary's CWL Council.

NET FUNDRAISING - My name is Jeremy Luistro and I am a NET Ireland Missionary spreading the gospel of Jesus to young people in Ireland! If you want to receive updates on the mission I'm doing in Ireland, contact me through jeremy-luistro@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS - On Sunday, May 14, Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB will honour couples celebrating Milestone Marriage Anniversaries: five-year increments from 5 to 60 years, and every year beyond 60 years. St. Francis Xavier Church, 1:30pm. Register: family.rcav.org/mam.

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS - Spring Gala fundraiser April 21, 6:00pm at the Italian Cultural Centre, Vancouver. You can purchase tickets from Fr. Giovanni: gschiesari@rcav.org.

FIFTH ORDINANDI DINNER - You are cordially invited to the Fifth Ordinandi Dinner featuring Deacon Patrick Le and Deacon Medard Kamanzi. Join Archbishop Miller and members of the Catholic faithful on Wednesday, June 21 at the Italian Cultural Centre in Vancouver. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Seating is limited. Tickets are available for purchase at https://secure.rcav.org/ordinandi-dinner-2023/.

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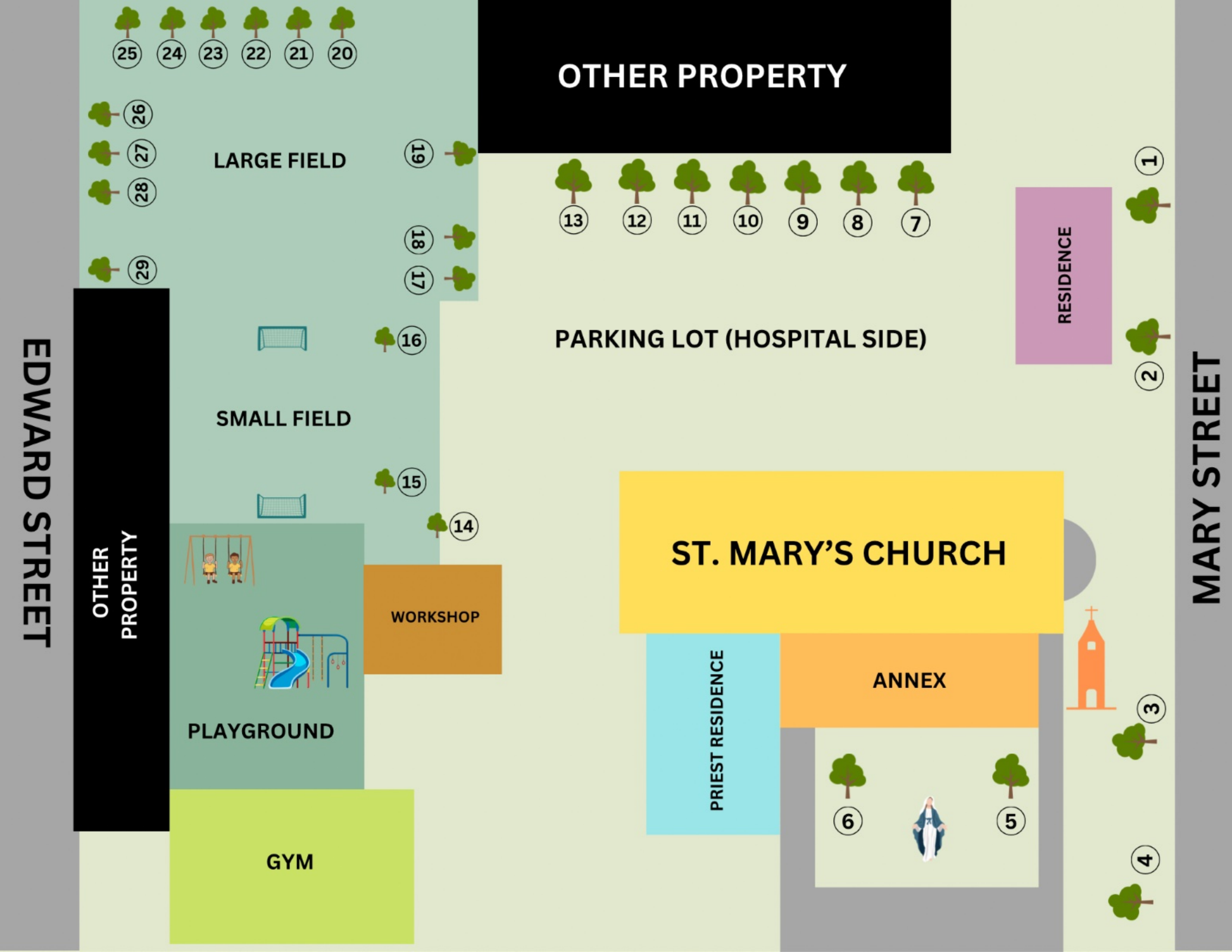
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass 4 pm: Confessions 5 pm: Mass
2 *Palm Sunday* 8 am: Mass 9.30 am: Mass 11.30 am: Mass	**3** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass	**4** 8am: Mass 8:30-8:50 confessions *11am school confessions* 6 pm: PREP - Confessions 7 pm: RCIA	**5** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9 am Mass *11am school confessions* *1 pm school confessions*	**6** *HOLY THURSDAY* 7pm: Mass of The Last Supper *Adoration at the Altar of Repose till 9.30 pm*	**7** *GOOD FRIDAY* (Day of *Fast & Abstinence*) *10 am: Stations of the Cross* *Divine Mercy Novena (Day 1)* *10 am: Confessions* *2 pm: Good Friday Procession* 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion	**8** *HOLY SATURDAY* *10am: Divine Mercy Novena (Day 2)* *10 am: Confessions* *10:45 am: RCIA Rites* *4 pm: Confessions* 9 pm: Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Vigil)
9 *Easter Sunday* 8 am: Mass 9.30 am: Mass *10.30 am: Divine Mercy Novena (Day 3)* 11.30 am: Mass	**10** *Easter Octave* 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass: *Divine Mercy Novena (Day 4)*	**11** *Easter Octave* 8 am: Mass*: Divine Mercy Novena (Day 5)* 8:30-8:50 confessions 6 pm: PREP 7 pm: RCIA	**12** *Easter Octave* 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass: *Divine Mercy Novena (Day 6)*	**13** *Easter Octave* 8am: Mass: *Divine Mercy Novena (Day 7)* 8:30-8:50 confessions	**14** *Easter Octave* 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass - *Divine Mercy Novena (Day 8)* ADORATION DAY *10 am – 7 pm:* 6.45 pm: Benediction 7 pm: Mass	**15** *Easter Octave* 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass*: Divine Mercy Novena (Day 9)* 4 pm: Confessions 5 pm: Mass
16 *Divine Mercy Sunday* *(CWL Sunday)* 8 am: Mass 9.30 am: Mass 11.30 am: Mass	**17** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass	**18** 8am: Mass 8:30-8:50 confessions 6 pm: PREP 7 pm: RCIA	**19** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass *Confirmation Interviews*	**20** 8am: Mass 8:30-8:50 confessions	**21** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass ADORATION DAY *10 am – 7 pm:* 6.45 pm: Benediction 7 pm: Mass	**22** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass 4 pm: Confessions 5 pm: Mass
23/30 *3rd & 4th Sunday* 8 am: Mass 9.30 am: Mass 11.30 am: Mass 6.30 pm: Spanish Mass	**24** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass	**25** 8am: Mass 8:30-8:50 confessions 6 pm: PREP 7 pm: RCIA	**26** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass 1 pm: PPC Meeting	**27** 8am: Mass 8:30-8:50 confessions	**28** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass ADORATION DAY *10 am – 7 pm:* *11 am: Mass at Eden Care Home* 6.45 pm: Benediction 7 pm: Mass	**29** 8:30-8:50 confessions 9am: Mass 4 pm: Confessions 5 pm: Mass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April 21, 2023, 6:00 pm
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3075 Slocan Street
Price: $120^{00} per person

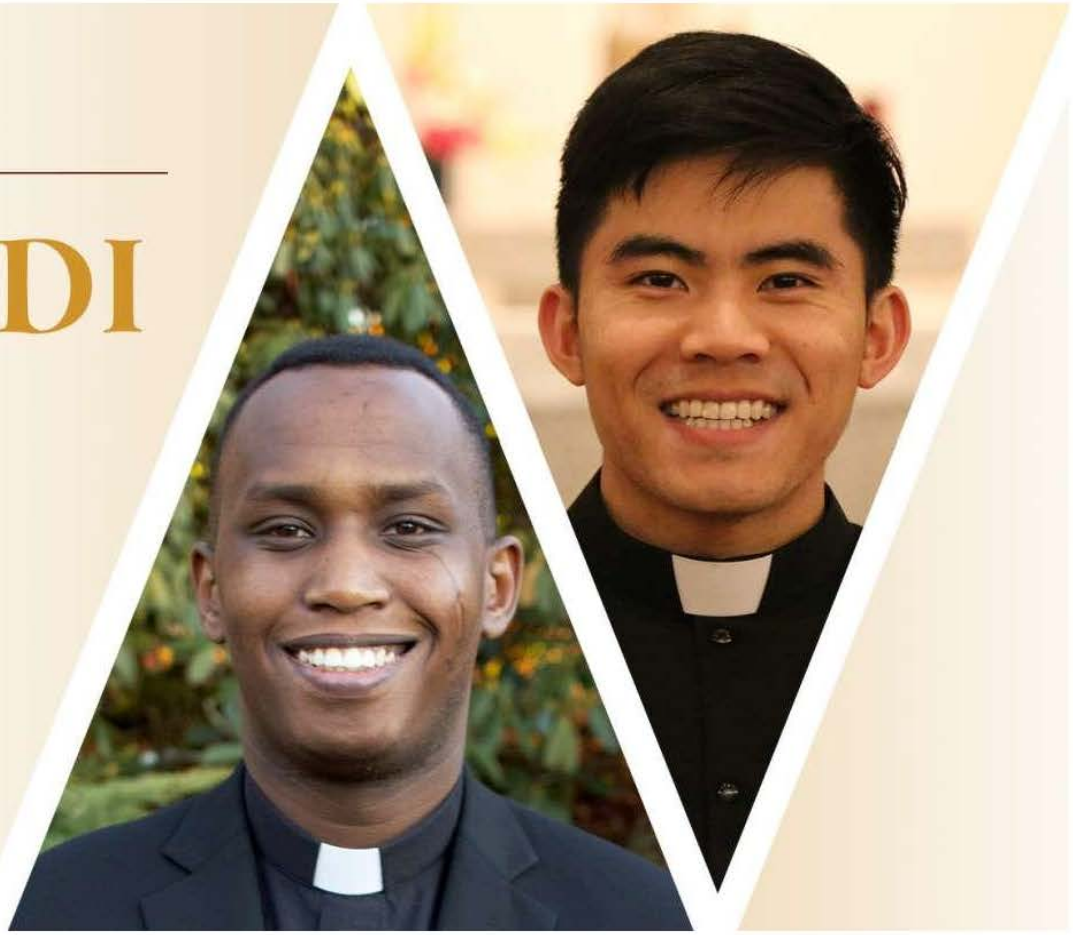
For tickets please call
604-709-8509 or email
rmsvancouver@gmail.com or
karen_allaye_chan@hotmail.com

JUNE 21, 2023

ORDINANDI DINNER

featuring Deacon Patrick Le and Deacon Medard Kamanzi

ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTRE
Doors open at 5 p.m. Limited seating.
Register on **https://bit.ly/3F6n1f3**



Your Spirit Remembers

..... a healing journey series

Trauma can not be repressed or forgotten. If trauma is not dealt with directly your body will remind you, creating chronic pain or a condition known as Post-traumatic stress disorder. Trauma recovery is hard to do alone, the best path to recovery is to address the conditions together. Please join our healing journey- YOUR SPIRIT REMEMBERS.

Series Include:
somatic therapy
land based therapeutics
Spiritual Healing
Coping Skills
Intergenerational trauma
and More.....

Start Day: Mon. Feb. 6/23
(every Monday)
Where: Elders Log Building
Time: 6pm-8pm

Everyone is WELCOME
Dinner Provided

Supported by Sts'ailes Letse'mot Team
Please contact Vicki 604-798-8818 or Jamie Meska 604-615-5677
for more information

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

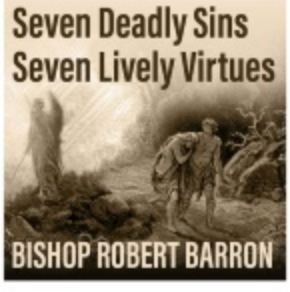
Week of April 16, 2023

God's School of Trust | Divine Mercy | Episode 1

The sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve, has distorted the way we see God. But God hasn't given up on us. In fact, he has tirelessly worked to heal our distorted image of him through his "School of Trust," beginning with his Chosen People in the Old Testament.

St. Bernadette of Lourdes

"St. Bernadette of Lourdes" is a beautiful and faithful retelling of the familiar story of one of the world's most beloved saints. Humorous, moving, and reverent, this unique, award-winning, independent film has been seen by millions worldwide and has sold tens of thousands of copies since its release in 2009.



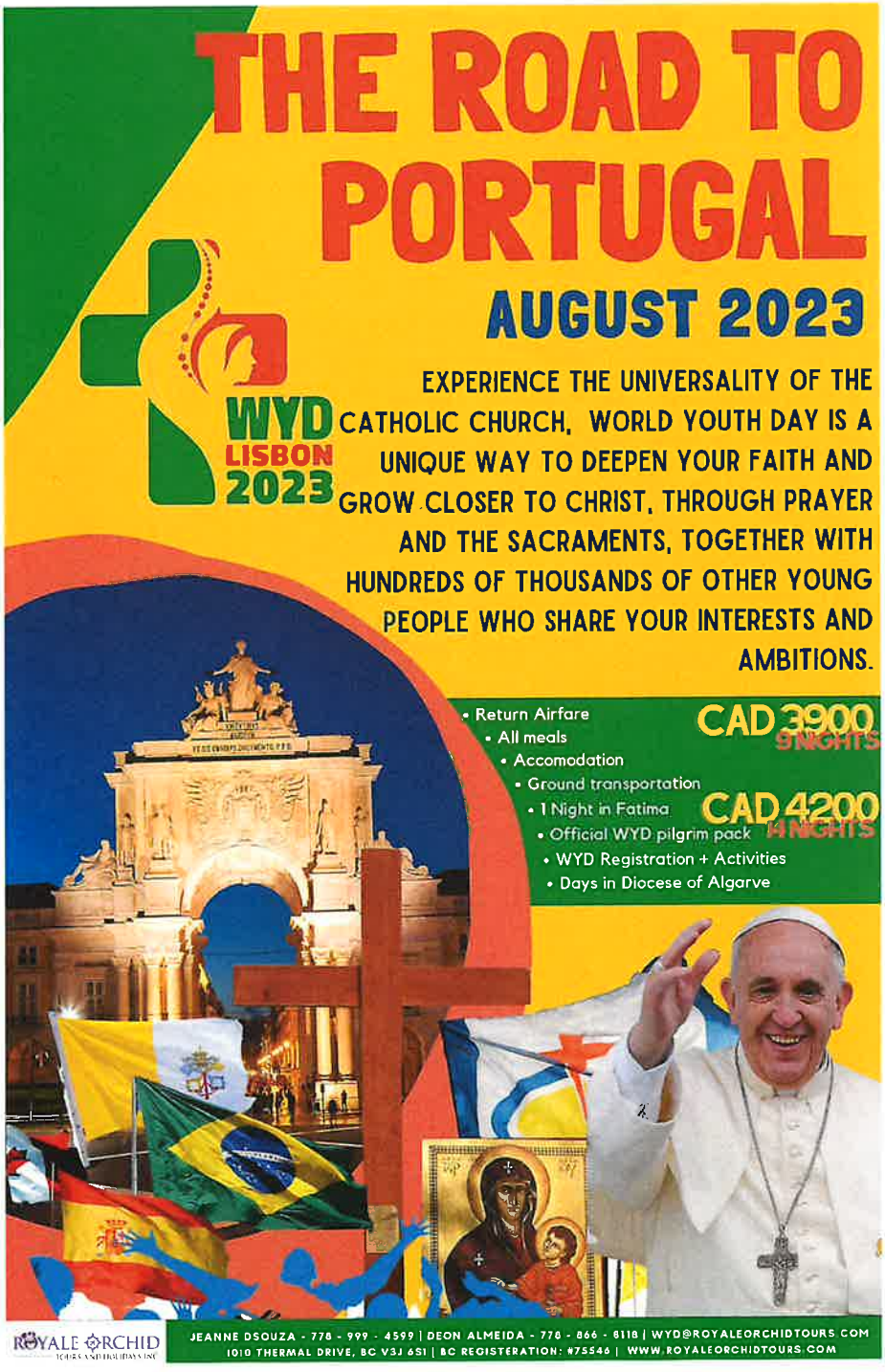
Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues by Bishop Robert Barron

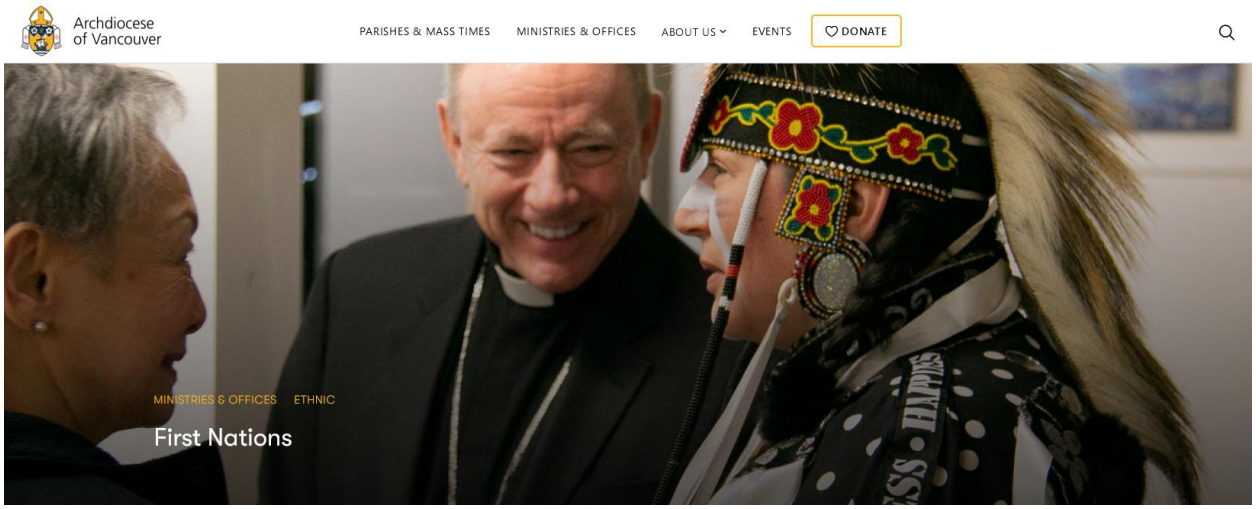
Join noted professor of theology and author Bishop Robert Barron in this revealing presentation as he sheds light on the seven deadly sins—those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our relationship with God and others—and the antidote to them, the seven lively virtues!

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

World Youth Day 2023

If any parish youth are interested in attending World Youth Day in Lisbon Portugal, August 2023, please email or phone the parish office. God bless!





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