

PENTECOST SUNDAY – JUNE 12TH, 2011



Jesus gives the Holy Spirit so that disciples can take up his own mission: “AS the Father has sent me, so I send you” (gospel). That mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all the world (see first reading). It is the Spirit who transforms us into who we need to be to fulfill Jesus’ mission: the one Body of Christ created from diverse members and blessed with different gifts (see second reading).

The gift of the Spirit unleashes a twofold energy: the Spirit draws us *into* Christ and sends us *out* to proclaim Christ to the world. Jesus *breathes* on the disciples and ushers in a new creation, enabling the disciples to take up Jesus’ work. Clearly, the gift of the Spirit is for the sake of Jesus’ mission: “so I send you....Receive the Holy Spirit.” Moreover, Pentecost is not simply a one-time event that takes place on Easter evening (in John’s Gospel). Pentecost—the coming of the Spirit—happens each time we do the works of God and manifest the Spirit for the benefit of all.

Sometimes the presence of the Spirit is expected only in terms of extraordinary manifestations, for example, “rush of a violent wind,” “tongues as of fire,” “divided tongues” (first reading). The Spirit is also manifested in simple daily experiences, for example, “varieties of services,” (second reading) and “peace” and “forgiveness” (gospel).

We consider it an incredible mystery that God’s Son took human flesh at the Incarnation, ministered here on earth, and then died and rose for our salvation. Another great mystery is that God chooses to make us real participants in God’s plan of salvation and sharers in God’s divine life. Through the indwelling of the Spirit we are able to carry on Jesus’ saving mission, for the Spirit re-creates us in Jesus’ image and empowers us. Pentecost reminds us that the mission is ours, personally. The Spirit is breathed into each of us and, hence, each of us ought to take up the mission of Jesus.

2011 PROJECT ADVANCE APPEAL — PRAISE THE LORD!

We responded generously to the Archdiocese’s assessment of \$35,900. We have received **161** pledges/gifts for \$69,885. We are about 70% from our total goal of \$100,000. *Thank you!* Others may put your gifts in the Sunday collections or send them to the parish office.

SIX MONTHS BULLETIN AD At the back of our bulletin, we have ONE space for your advertisement beginning in September. Please contact the parish office for more information.

SENIOR’S STRAWBERRY TEA Please mark Tuesday, June 14th, in your calendars. We will be having the Senior’s Strawberry Tea at 2:00 pm. All seniors are welcome! Food, prizes and entertainment.

CWL MEETING The ladies of the CWL would like to invite all the ladies of the parish to their meeting on Saturday, June 18th, after the 9:00 am Mass.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST The Knights of Columbus invite you to their Pancake Breakfast next Sunday, after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. It will be their last Pancake Breakfast until the fall. Come and treat Dad to breakfast!

PRO LIFE COLLECTION A special collection will be taken next weekend, June 19th, to help pro-life organizations in our Archdiocese. The proceeds support your local Pro-Life/Right to Life groups, birthright and Crisis Pregnancy Centres, etc. **Please make the cheques payable to Vancouver Right to Life Society.** If you want a receipt, please put your name and address on the envelope as all moneys will be sent directly to Vancouver Right to Life.

GENTLE REMINDER Please turn off your cell phones or put it in the silent mode during Mass and allow the Lord to speak to you in the Word of God and in our prayers to God.

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Monday	June 13	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Han Tae Sun
Tuesday	June 14	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the special intention of Bettina Sy-Solemnidad.
Wednesday	June 15	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the souls of Nicolas & Maria Fedyk
Thursday	June 16	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the special intention of Daniel Tomas Jo.
Friday	June 17	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the special intention of Clara Ariola.
Saturday	June 18	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Philip Tay <u>5:00 p.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of John Benetti.
Sunday	June 19	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the special intentions of All Holy Name Parishioners. <u>11:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Dario Cardona.

EASTERN CANADA PILGRIMAGE Join Fr. Robert Wong on a 10 day tour to see the Shrines in Eastern Canada (Martyrs’ Shrine, Cap de la Madeleine, St. Anne de Beaupre, St. Joseph’s Oratory-St. Brother Andre, St. Margaret d’Youville), on September 16th to 25th. Please contact the parish office or Priscilla of Sampaguita Travel at (604) 874-9533, ext 105, for more details by June 15th.

Have a safe and joyful summer!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEPARATION, DIVORCE AND ANNULMENT SEMINAR

A presentation by Roy MacIntyre, M.A., counselor at Catholic Family Services, and followed by questions and answers. This event will be held at the Immaculate Conception Parish, 8842—119th Street, Delta, on June 18 at 10:00 am to noon. Cost \$10. All are welcome. For info and registration, call 604-443-3220.

LIKE YOURSELF/LIKE YOUR LIFE SEMINAR

Presented by Rose Marie DePaoli, Counsellor of Catholic Family Services, followed by questions and answers. Wednesday, June 22 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Parish, 5251 Joyce St., Vancouver. Please contact Catholic Family Services for info or to register: 604-443-3220. All are welcome.

THE CENACLE Invites you to join them for a 6 Day Retreat at Rivendell, Bowen Island on June 27 to July 3. *We are the Temple of the Living God.* Sr. Faith Hansen joins Sr. Monica in a contemplative setting, exploring this truth. For more info, call 604-266-1611 or email vancouver.cenacle@shaw.ca

FAITH FORMATION AT ST. MARK'S COLLEGE

Registration is now open for the Summer Continuing Education and Graduate courses July 4—15. Take one day course, five days of formation or a graduate course in Old Testament, the Gospel of John, RCIA, the New Evangelization and more. Register by person: phone 604-822-6862; or email: registrar@stmarkscollege.ca Course details are available on the board in the north vestibule

OUR YES TO GOD The Focolare Movement invites you to the Mariapolis 2011. Many events are scheduled. It will be held from July 14 to July 17 at Trinity Western University, Langley. For more info, call 604-468-2871 or email: ffvancouver@shaw.ca All are welcome!

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER The next Encounter date is July 16 & 17. Register at www.ceewest.com or call 604-451-3300.

SACRED MUSIC Inspired by Gregorian Chant Soprano Catherine Laub and Cathedral organist Denis Bedard, performing works by Langlais, Bedard, Cornet and Grigny, at the Holy Rosary Cathedral, Richards & Dunsmuir on July 22 at 8:00 pm. Info at 604-682-6774.

Western Canada Chinese Catholic Living Camp

The 15th annual WCCCLC is on Sept. 2-5, (Labour Day Weekend) at Camp Charis, Chilliwack. It is open to young people ages 17-35. This year's theme is *Tune in to God, Relay His Love* For registration info please visit www.wccclc.net or wccclc.info@gmail.com or check out their poster on the notice board in the north vestibule

Revised Mass Text Coming

Catholics throughout the English-speaking world begin using a new translation of the *Roman Missal* Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011, the first Sunday of Advent. This affects some of the ritual prayers and responses we say at Mass. For the latest news and other information, visit www.rcav.org and subscribe to the Friday Report at www.rcav.org/Fridayreport

Scripture Readings

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11; Ps. 104; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

June 13, Mon., **St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor**
2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Ps. 98; Matthew 5:38-42

June 14, Tues., 2 Cor. 8:1-9; Ps. 146; Matthew 5:43-48

June 15, Wed., 2 Cor. 9:6-11; Ps. 112; Matt. 6:1-6, 16-18

June 16, Thurs., 2 Cor. 11:1-11; Ps. 111; Matt. 6:7-15

June 17, Fri., 2 Cor. 11:18, 21b-30; Ps. 34; Matt. 6:19-23

June 18, Sat., 2 Cor. 12:1-10; Ps. 34; Matthew 6:24-34



STEWARDSHIP: A Disciple's Response

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit among the believers of the early Church. Saint Paul reminds us of the special power the Holy Spirit has bestowed upon us and how that power gives us the potential to live extraordinary lives of faith. Good stewards recognize this power and use their gifts, through God's channel of grace, to transform their lives and the lives of others, and thus hasten God's Kingdom. Good stewards know that it is through the Holy Spirit that they can proclaim: "Jesus is Lord."

Pentecost also invites us to share our gifts with others especially hospitality. Here are five things you can do to extend our hospitality to newcomers and visitors to our parish.

1. Cultivate the virtue of hospitality at Mass.

Many Mass attendees tend to gather into little cliques and ignore those who are not members of their particular clique. They are not really inhospitable, just heedless of the need for hospitality. Make hospitality a new habit when you come to Mass.

2. Come early, leave late.

Instead of rushing to Mass on time, and then rushing out at its conclusion, make time to come a little early and linger just a bit later. Make room in your busy life to greet and spend time with others at Mass.

3. Go in peace to greet someone!

Seek out someone you've not met before. Smile, introduce yourself, and take a few moments to welcome them to your parish home, God's house.

4. Welcome everyone.

Not only do visitors need your warm welcome, regular Mass attendees also need a friendly greeting. Develop a good handshake and be enthusiastic about your parish. You are greeting others in the name of Christ.

5. Help newcomers connect.

While you are getting to know visitors, introduce them to other parishioners as the opportunity presents itself. Feel free to invite visitors to sit next to you.