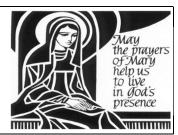
DECEMBER 4, 2022

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

Parish Feast Day, Thursday, December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Please join us for Mass to honour our Blessed Mother at 8:15am & 6:30pm.



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass timings: Saturdays 5pm Sundays 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon & 4pm

Daily Masses: Monday to Friday: 8:15am & 6:30pm

Saturdays 9am

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every

Wednesday evening at 6:15pm followed by Mass. **Confession:** Monday-Friday: 7:45am & 6:00pm. Saturdays: 9:30am & 3:45pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Almira Steeds; Louella D'Penha; Cecilio Peralta; Darlene McHale; Dominga Carrion; Jean Van Loo; Marie Connor; Maria Amato; John Galea; Annie Singh; Lucia Schad; Maria Freitas; Annie Kaps; Danuta Puc; Maria Dovale; Mary Heemskerk; Elizabeth Ellis; Kellie Marchak; Kim Denman; Arthur Jones; Gail Krueger; Anna Feld.

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

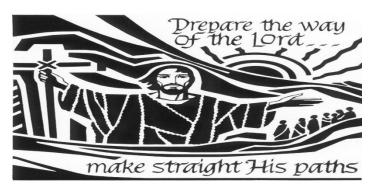
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I.C. CHRISTMAS CAROL NITE

Welcome to an Evening of Christmas Carols presented by the Choirs of Immaculate Conception Parish, on Saturday, Dec 17 in the Church at 7pm. The Sunday Mass Choirs will be bringing in the spirit of Christmas with Carols and Hymns to warm your hearts for the Christmas season! Everyone is invited, admission is FREE.

PARISH LIBRARY

Welcome to your greatest resource of Catholic materials! The Library is open after Mass! If you are a registered parishioner, you can enjoy books, movies, music and talks free! Many new items have arrived including great Children's books. http://www.icparishlibrary.com







2nd Collection: Dec 4, Youth Ministry Sunday

We are asking all parishioners to contribute to this annual collection and we thank you for all you have done to support IC Youth Ministry (especially Life Teen and Edge). 50% of the funds collected this weekend go towards archdiocesan youth ministry initiatives such as training and events and the other 50% comes directly back to our parish to help fund some of the activities and needs of the youth. Over the years, your generous contributions have helped our youth ministry leaders to bring youth from Grades 6-12 closer to Christ as well as cultivate the young church to be contributors to our parish and archdiocesan communities.

Advent Eucharistic Adoration Sunday, December 11, 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the Church – All ages welcome!

Come spend an evening with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This will be a night filled with the presence of Jesus, a reflection on Mary and praise & worship music. Join us during this mid-Advent time to pray together as a community!



CWL

Membership Drive: The annual membership drive (renewals and new members) for The Catholic Women's League of Canada (CWL) continues. We invite every woman (16 years of age and over) in this parish to join! Membership fee for one year (January-December 2023) is \$35.00 by cheque or cash. Membership forms can be found at the CWL Bulletin Board by the Sacristy. If you have any questions, please email Vhijay: obongv@hotmail.com or call: 604-953-1359

Christmas Party: Ladies of the Parish: this weekend, after all Masses will be the last time you can pay your tickets. Since this is a catered Luncheon Christmas Party, we need to

pay the caterer ahead of time. See you on Saturday, December 10, from 10:30am-1:30pm in the Gathering Area. Let us all get "festive"!

MASS OFFERINGS

Please come to the Parish Office for any mass intentions being offered.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We congratulate Fr. Abundo on his 45th year ordination of his priesthood on December 7. May the days ahead be filled with many blessings as he carries out this sacred ministry in the Holy Church.

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree in the vestibule has leaves printed with Gift Card sources on them. We kindly request you to take a leaf or more (buy a card of any denomination of your choice), mark it "Giving Tree" and drop it at the Parish office mailbox or in the Sunday collection basket, <u>latest by December 10</u>. Gift cards will be used to buy items for our Christmas hampers.

Christmas hampers: If you need a hamper or know a family that would benefit from one, please call Brigitte at 604.594.0396. This information will be kept confidential.

Gift Card: The Knights of Columbus will take orders for the 'Giving Tree Gift Card Campaign' following all weekend Masses.

OPEN HOUSE-ST. JOHN PAUL II ACADEMY

St. John Paul II Academy invites all interested parents and students to attend their Open House on Wednesday, December 7 at 6:30pm at Star of the Sea Parish Centre. The school will be accepting applications for students in Grades 8-12 for 2023-24. RSVP at skelly@sjp2academy.com.

ADVENT RETREAT FOR DIVORCED & SEPARATED CATHOLICS

Fr James Hughes is hosting an advent retreat on Sat., Dec 10 from 9am-2:30pm at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Port Coquitlam. All divorced and separated Catholics are invited to attend. Cost \$15. Register https://secure.rcav.org/advent-retreat-divorce-seperated/

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish:

Monday, December 19 - 7pm

Precious Blood Parish:

Monday, December 19 - 7pm

St. Matthew's Parish:

Tuesday, December 20 – 7:30pm

Star of the Sea Parish:

Wednesday, December 21 – 7pm

Immaculate Conception Parish, Delta:

Thursday, December 22 – 7pm

St. Bernadette Parish:

Thursday, December 22 – 7pm

PROJECT ADVANCE - CAMPAIGN UPDATE

We are pleased to announce that through the generosity of

426 IC Delta parishioners, we have to date raised \$125,335.94 towards our parish goal of \$150,000. We invite all parishioners to consider giving according to their ability and be part of the future of our parish and our Archdiocese.



All gifts received before Dec. 31 will receive a 2022 tax receipt. THANK YOU!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Wednesday, December 7 from 9am-11:15am
Ladies of the parish are invited to attend our
Christmas Social in the Gathering Area. Come
to the 8:15am Mass and then enjoy some food and drink,
camaraderie, fun and games. Please bring a small plate of
food to share.



SIMBANG GABI

Everyone is invited to attend this year's SIMBANG GABI --a Nine Day Novena Masses in preparation for Christmas -- Dec.

16-24 at 5am. The Christmas novena will also be prayed at the 6:30pm Mass. If you are interested in sponsoring one of the Masses, please call the Parish Office 604-591-2271. A sign-up sheet is also available in the Gathering Area.

SANTA'S PHOTO

Please mark your calendars! You can have your pictures taken with Santa in the Gathering Area on Sunday, December 11 after Masses. Based on first come, first serve basis.



Photos to be taken on your own cell phone / camera. Payment by donation. All proceeds will go to IC Building Fund.

Parishioners and friends of all ages are welcome.

Youth volunteers are needed to help organize with the lineup of people, sequence for photo session etc.. Please contact: Larry Beitel 236.598.3767 / lbeitel@telus.net

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Our time, talent and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?



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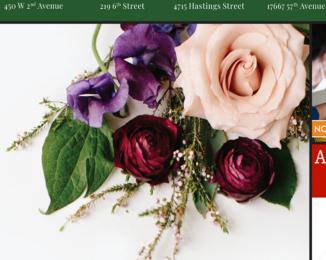
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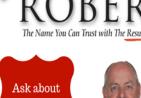
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WELCOME!

A warm welcome to all visitors and newcomers. We hope you enjoy your time with us. To visitors, we wish you safe travels and to newcomers, we invite you to join our parish family.

Pastor Reverend Amador Abundo Assistant Pastor / Hospital Chaplain Reverend Camillus Temba, ALCP/OSS Assistant Pastor Reverend John Kuriakose **Deacon** Henk Luvten

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MASSES

Sunday - 8:30am, 10:15am, 12noon, 4:00pm and Saturday - 5:00pm Monday to Friday - 8:15am and 6:30pm Saturdays & Public Holidays - 9:00am

PARISH OFFICE

Parish Administration: Nancy D'Souza Office Hours: Monday to Friday,

9:00am - 4:00pm Phone: 604-591-2271

Fax: 604-591-2335 Email: info@icdeltaparish.ca

Website: icdelta.ca

SACRAMENTS

Confessions - Before morning and evening Masses on Monday - Friday 15 minutes before all Sunday Masses Saturday at 9:30am to 10:30am, Saturday at 3:45pm - 4:30pm,

Baptisms - Sundays at 1:15pm. To prepare for baptism, parents are required to take the Baptism Course offered on the last Sunday of each month at 2:00pm. We highly recommed that you take this course well in advance of the birth of the child. Godparents are also required to attend. Contact the parish office to verify the date of the next course.

MINISTRIES AND OUTREACH

Bereavement Support 604-590-6402 C.W.L Funeral Catering 778-628-0814 Catholic Women's League 604-953-1359 Charismatic Prayer Group 604-597-8227

Couples for Christ 604-779-3171

Discover Discipleship 778-232-5953 Immaculate Conception School 604-596-6116

Knights of Columbus 604-839-6075

Legion of Mary 778-968-4244

Library 604-591-2271

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) 778-997-4672

Pro Life 604-592-5110

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A)

Stewardship Committee 604-594-0984

St. Martin's Guild 604-591-2271

Vanspec 604-596-4004

Women's Bible Study 604-261-8424

Youth Ministry 604-785-6729

Young Adult Group 604-727-7434 Information for other Ministries

can be found on our website at icdelta.ca

Marriages - Contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance of desired wedding date. An archdiocesan recognized Marriage Preparation Course is required prior to the wedding date. Please contact one of the priests before making any plans.

OTHER DEVOTIONS AND PRAYERS

Morning Prayer and Rosary - before first Mass of the day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Fridays at 5pm (1pm during school days) Followed by Benediction at 6:15pm First Friday Extended Adoration, prayer and Benediction at 8:45pm Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help -Wednesday 6:15pm followed by Mass at 6:30pm