

**ST. MONICA PARISH  
MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS**

Altar Servers ..... Jun Lastica  
Sonny Magno  
Bible Study .....Teresa Santos  
Tel Decena  
CWL ..... Cynthia Diangkinay  
Cenacle Prayer Group ..... Elizabeth Tanase  
Choir .....M McVicker (5pm)  
Neil Macoy (9am)  
Michael Goco (11am)  
Couples for Christ ..... John & Anne Ramos  
Development & Peace ..... Evelyn Victoria  
Extraordinary Ministers ..... Teresa Santos  
Michelle Irineo  
Funeral Music St. Monica ..... M McVicker  
Interfaith Alliance ..... Edward Wong  
Knights of Columbus .....Teody Parejo  
Lectors ..... Marlytel Decena  
Legion of Mary .....Elizabeth Taboada  
Pat Diamzon  
Outreach Ministry ..... Edith Perez  
P.R.E.P ..... Teresa Santos  
Parish Pastoral Council ..... Pete Capitulo  
Project Advance ..... Ed & Baby San Jose  
Religious Goods ..... Baby Santos  
Lala Revita, Linda Zamora  
R.C.I.A. .... Wilbur & Evelyn Victoria  
Sacristy ..... Lala Revita  
Ushers ..... Larry Navasca  
Robert Sullivan  
Youth for Christ ..... Adrian Boquiren  
Camille Barcita

**M E E T I N G S**

**LEGION OF MARY**

Handmaid of the Lord  
Tue: 10 am - 12 nm  
Mary Mother of the Redeemer  
Mon: 10 am - 12 nm  
Junior Legion of Mary  
Sun: 10-11 am

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. of the month after 9:30 am mass

**MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIEST**

**CENACLE PRAYER GROUP**

Thurs: 9:30 am at the Family Room

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Executive: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. of the month, 10:15 am  
General: 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. of the month, 10:15 am

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Bi-Monthly 7:30-9:00 pm

**COUPLES FOR CHRIST**

General Assembly every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 6 pm  
Teaching Night every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 6 pm

**ST. MONICA PARISH YOUTH**

**MINISTRY**

Regular Meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday  
12 nm - 4 pm

**BIBLE STUDY**

Monday & Thursday 7 pm - 9 pm

**RCIA**

Thursday 7pm-9 pm



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November 11, 2018

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

God cares for those who suffer and are vulnerable: physically, emotionally and spiritually. The greatest sign of God's care is the gift of his Son, Jesus, who removed the power of sin through the sacrifice of his own life.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

In the first reading, the widow whom Elijah encountered was able to eat for a year. Christ will bring salvation *to those who eagerly await him*, says the author of the Book of Hebrews. In today's gospel, Jesus speaks of the poor widow who gave generously.

**Today's Readings:**

1st: 1 Kings 17.10-16

Psalm: 146

2nd: Hebrews 9.24-28

Gospel: Mark 12.38-44

Remember Lord those that have died and gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially those for whom we now pray. May these and all who sleep in Christ find in your presence light, happiness and peace. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR: **Rev. Robert Wong, SJ**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Friday

**9:30 am – 1 pm / 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm**

**MASS SCHEDULES**

WEEKDAYS: **9:00 am**

SATURDAYS: **9:30 am & 5:00 pm**

SUNDAYS: **9:00 am & 11:00 am**

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

SATURDAYS: **4:30 pm – 4:55 pm**

CONFESSIONS: 10 MINUTES BEFORE DAILY

MASS OR BY REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES

**NOVENA TO**

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**

WEDNESDAYS: **7:00 pm**

MASS FOLLOWED BY NOVENA

& BENEDICTION

**BAPTISM COURSE**

EVERY 2<sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT **6 pm**

**BAPTISMS**

4th SATURDAY AFTER 9:30 am MASS

**HOUSE BLESSINGS**

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE



**PARISH UPDATES**

**All Souls Mass Intention in November** – The Archdiocese has instituted the practice of one Mass intention for one deceased member. Extra requests will be forwarded to the Chancery for distribution. Please use the special envelope provided by them.

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**Fiat, Women’s Vocation Discernment** – Archbishop Miller will give a Day of Recollection on Nov. 17, 12pm to 3:30pm, at Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist Convent, 2811 Venables Street, Vancouver. E-mail womensvocations@rcav.org for more info. Check out their poster on the notice board.

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**“Blue Mass”** – In honor of all the First Responders, the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly of the Knights invites you to join in this special Mass on Nov. 24, 9:30am.

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**Advent Day of Recollection** – Our Knights of Columbus will host this Advent Day. Fr. John Tritschler will lead the recollection of Saturday, Dec. 1, beginning with 9:30am Mass and continue until 3pm.

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**KUDOS** – Thank you who have pledged in sponsoring the **8 Icons of the Saints** – *St Francis Xavier, St Therésé of Lisieux, St Augustine of Hippo, St Kateri Tekakwitha, St Lorenzo Luis, St Josephine Bakhita, St Oscar Romero and St Mother Teresa of Calcutta.* The Sponsorship form is available at the Parish Office.

**CHRISTMAS GIFT** – “Generations,” a miniature of *the Holy Family, St. Ann and St Joachim* is available for your keeping or a gift to a beloved and family in time for Christmas. The cost is \$90.00 including taxes and shipping. A display sample is on the PA table. You may place your order there too. Thank you!

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**PROJECT ADVANCE 2018** – “Support the Faith - Continue the Legacy.” We have met our Archdiocesan commitment of \$25,000. THANK YOU for all our pledgers. We need others who have yet to make a gift to respond to the appeal. The rebates will help to recover expenses for the new sound system in the hall and the repairs of the church roof. Our parish total goal is \$75,000. Please see one of our Project Advance volunteers. God Bless YOU!

You may also make your pledge online at [www.projectadvance.ca](http://www.projectadvance.ca) anytime.

**Free lecture – Bridging Borders: Finding Hope in Syria**

By the Regional Director of Jesuit Refugee Services, Fr. Nawras Sammour, SJ, who works to accompany, serve, and advocate for the rights of refugees and other forcibly displaced persons in his hometown of Aleppo and throughout Syria. Join Father Nawras as he discusses the situation in Syria and explores why bridging borders and not building wall is crucial for our time. Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. at St. Mark’s College (UBC), 5935 Iona Drive, Vancouver.

Remembrance Day (Nov. 11) - The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12, 2018 in lieu of Remembrance Day.

**Something to think and pray about this week...**

**God’s Intimate Presence**

*Prayer is a matter of relationship. Intimacy is the basic issue, not answers to problems or resolutions “to be better.” Many of life’s problems and challenges have no answers; we can only live with and through them. Problems and challenges, however, can be faced and lived through with more peace and resilience if people know that they are not alone. A man’s wife will not return from the dead, but the pain is more bearable when he has poured out his sorrow, his anger, and his despair to God and has experienced God’s intimate presence.*

—Excerpted from **Letting God Come Close** by William A. Barry, SJ

**World Day of the Poor:**

**November 18, 2018**

In Canada, 1.9 M families struggle to make ends meet. Poverty is more than just low income: food insecurity, social exclusion, inadequate housing, lack of access to transportation and services and more. In recognition of this World Day of the Poor, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is in need of financial donations and non-perishable food items in their parishes and communities. Donate today at <https://www.imakeanonlinedonation.org/ssvp-national/> and help them to provide assistance to the less fortunate.

**Stewardship Reflection**

Both widows in today’s readings gave all they had to the work of the Lord, one using all her remaining food to feed Elijah and the other offering her two copper coins to the temple treasury. Faithful stewards give all that is asked and trust the Lord to be faithful to His promises.

**Mass Intentions**

**November 11 - 17, 2018**

- Mon, Nov 12— Amparo Batiduan (RIP)
- Tue, Nov 13— Eliza Fernandes (TG)
- Wed, Nov 14— 9am, Marcelino Revita (RIP)  
7pm, CWL
- Thu, Nov 15— Felix, Nelia, Ramon & Arsenia  
Capitulo (RIP)
- Fri, Nov 16— Gerardo Perez (RIP)
- Sat, Nov 17— 9:30am, Teodoro Santos Jr (RIP)  
5pm, Jude D’Silva (TG)