



# Our Lady of Mercy Parish

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Pastor: Father Hien Nguyen  
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**November 5, 2023**  
*Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## 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  
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website: [www.ourladyofmercy.ca](http://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](mailto: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
- \* Thursday : Perpetual Novena to Saint Therese of Lisieux
- \* Friday : Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus (6 P.M.)
- \* 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, NOVEMBER 4, 2023**  
 5:00 pm † Eusebio Solares Buena - *repose of soul*  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023**  
 9:00 am † Leonardo Sr. & Jr. Prades - *repose of souls*  
 11:00 am **OLM Parishioners**  
 2:00 pm Indonesian Mass  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**  
 8:00 am Teresita Ortiz - *special intention*  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023**  
 8:00 am † Herminio Calalang - *Death Anniversary*  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023**  
 8:00 am † Lawrence Chua - *repose of soul*  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023**  
 8:00 am Bambi Concon & family - *special intention*  
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023**  
 8:00 am † Salvador Manrique - *repose of soul*  
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023**  
 9:00 am † Maria Alfonso Bonifacio - *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**

*“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.” -Matthew 23:12*

The world celebrates people in the spotlight and those who have the most of everything. We think celebrity, money and possessions is the key to happiness. Yet, our world is filled with more loneliness, anxiety and depression than ever before. The key to a happy life is relationship. Relationship with God and each other. Trust is the foundation of any good relationship and humility is the seed of trust.

**PROJECT ADVANCE 2023**



Our parish goal this year is  
**\$ 100,000**

Thank you to the **172 families** who have made a gift to this year’s Project Advance. Our parish has currently raised **\$ 52,129.40** with **18.6%** of our families participating.

**SECOND COLLECTION: PETER’S PENCE**

This weekend’s second collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. Tax-deductible donations can be made in person at the parish or online at [rcav.org/second-collection](http://rcav.org/second-collection).

**ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED BISHOPS, CLERGY AND CONSECRATED MEN AND WOMEN**

The annual Mass for deceased bishops, clergy and consecrated men and women will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on **Wednesday, November 8 at 12:10 pm**. All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry.

**IGNITE: CULTIVATING UNITED PRAYER ACROSS CANADA**

Ignite is a two-part event focused on cultivating a culture of prayer in our churches, with an afternoon seminar and an evening public prayer and worship night. The seminar begins on **Friday, November 17, at 2 p.m.**, followed by prayer ministry and a complimentary catered dinner. It is intended for ministry leaders of all sorts and all levels, whether on staff at a church or not. **Registration deadline for the afternoon portion is on Friday, November 10.**

The evening portion is for everyone, including leaders, laypeople, and youth. Come together for an evening of public prayer and worship to seek God’s face and pray for unity and spiritual awakening (6:30–9:00 p.m., with doors opening at 6 p.m.). Prayers will be led by local leaders, event organizers, and guests. There will be worship led by David Ruis and time for small group prayer. Register for free at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION 2023**

In accordance with the recommendation of Canon 536, every parish in the Archdiocese of Vancouver must have a Parish Pastoral Council. *It is the purpose of the Parish Pastoral Council to work with the pastor, who in virtue of his office has the pastoral care of the parish (c.536), in fostering its pastoral life and activity.* As an instrument of ecclesial communion, this Council serves the orderly collaboration of the faithful in offering advice to the pastor. For this reason, I would like to have 6 more new members in addition to the existing 6 PPC members. Of these six new members, three will be elected and the other three will be appointed by the pastor.

I encourage you to discern for this ministry and if you are interested, please pick up the application package available at the back of the Church. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me via the parish or email [hnguyen@rcav.org](mailto:hnguyen@rcav.org)

**NATIVITY CHOCOLATE ADVENT CALENDAR SALE**

A great way to countdown the days till Christmas! The Christmas Catholic Advent Calendar features 24 flaps that open to reveal a small picture and bible verse that tell the Christmas story. These advent calendars are \$10 a box and parent volunteers will be selling them outside of the church after Masses on Saturdays and Sundays, starting this weekend.

**VIRTUAL WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

If you desire to restore communication and rekindle romance, this weekend experience is for you— right from the comfort of your own home! The online experience is presented by a team of three couples and a priest who will help you to:

- Learn tools to make your relationship a priority
- Communicate from the heart and grow in intimacy
- Renew your commitment to each other and value the precious gift of your marriage

All married couples welcome! Cost is \$130. On the weekend of **November 24-26. Registration deadline: Friday, November 17.** Learn more and register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

**LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY**

LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY is accepting applications from prospective Grade Eight candidates for the 2024-2025 school year. All students wishing to apply must sit the ENTRANCE EXAM on **Saturday, December 2, 2023.** For more information and online application, please visit our website ([www.lfabc.org](http://www.lfabc.org)) or contact Kathi Wilson, Registrar at [wilsonk@lfabc.org](mailto:wilsonk@lfabc.org) or **604-738-9016 ext. 114.**

**WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE?**

*"An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints."*

*"An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin." Indulgences may be applied to the living or the dead.*

*(Canon 992-993)*

During **Nov. 1-8 and throughout November**, one can gain the indulgence and their application to the souls in purgatory by meeting these conditions:

**A plenary indulgence:**

granted under the usual conditions: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff

Some means of Gaining Plenary Indulgence:

- \* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for at least 30 minutes
- \* Scripture reading for at least 30 minutes
- \* Way of the Cross recited
- \* Rosary prayed in a church or with a family group or religious community.

**A partial indulgence:**

granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

Some means of Gaining a Partial Indulgence:

- \* Praying the Magnificat
- \* Praying the Acts of Faith, Hope, and Love, and the Creed
- \* Making the sign of the cross
- \* Visit to the blessed sacrament
- \* Visit to a cemetery

**ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPE**

Remembrance Envelope is now available at the foyer of the church. During the month of November, the listed names of your departed loved ones will be remembered during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please write their names clearly, use one envelope for each Mass you wish to request and put the envelope into the collection basket during weekend Masses or into the box provided in front of the altar. The Mass intentions and stipends will be distributed to different priests to fulfill this obligations.

**DATE NIGHT**

All married couples, including mentor and mentee couples under the Witness to Love Program, are invited to join us for a joy-filled dinner of celebration and encouragement. It's a time set aside to:

- Have intentional marriage-strengthening conversations
- Learn and laugh with other couples with the same values.
- Hit pause and make space for your relationship, allowing the grace of God to shed wisdom and light to see each other in a new way

Cost is \$30/couple. On **Thursday, December 7, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Parish** in Surrey. Registration deadline: Thursday, November 30. Register at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events).

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