

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 23/24, 2006

DONATIONS

Regular Envelopes..... 3,368.00
Loose..... 346.00
Total..... 3,714.00

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR INFANTS

Our next session for infant baptism preparation takes place on Wednesday October 18 and Thursday, October 19. Parents are expected to attend both sessions, which will be held in the parish office at 7:00 p.m. on both evenings.

LIFE CHAIN

The Prince George ProLife Society is once again sponsoring Life Chain, a peaceful, prayerful hour of witness in defense of those who are the most vulnerable in our society – the unborn. Life Chain will be held from 2:00pm to 3:00pm on Sunday, October 1st, along 15th Ave. between Burden St. and Central St. Please come and join us.

PRAYERS FOR THE UNBORN

Please join us today (Sunday) at 2pm, as we pray for the unborn. Sacred Heart Cathedral, at the side door.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes will begin on Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please phone Giselle at the parish office for more information.

FILIPINO MASS AND SOCIAL

The Filipino community of Prince George invites you to join us in celebrating the Memorial of San Lorenzo Ruiz, the patron saint of the Philippines on September 30, 5:00 pm at Immaculate Conception Parish. Mass will be followed by fellowship and refreshments. Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call Lorenzo at 640-0884 or email lorenzo.sia@gmail.com

MORNING PRAYER

7:00AM WEEKDAYS

MORNING MASS

7:20 AM WEEKDAYS

Sat. Sep.23.. 7:00pm	RIP Viola Gorsalitz
Sun. Sep.24.. 9:00am	For the People of Our Parish
11:00am	RIP Lorne Mohns
Mon. Sep.25.. 7:20am	INT Joe Glaab
Tue. Sep.26..7:20am	INT Sr. Margaret Quinn
Wed Sep. 27..7:20am	RIP Marie Gervais
Thu. Sep. 28..7:20am	INT Rod Anderson
Fri. Sep. 29..7:20am	RIP Lindsay and Jack Santos
Sat. Sep. 30..7:00pm	RIP Clarence Fillion
Sun Oct. 1 ..9:00am	Lay Led Liturgy
11:00am	Lay Led Liturgy

YOUTH MINISTRY

We're kicking off the 2006/2007 school year with a HUGE party! Everyone Grades 7 to 12 is invited to come and join us....Come and meet old friends and make new ones. We begin Sunday, September 24th, 7 to 9pm in the gym. SEE YOU THERE!!

YOUNG ADULTS

I am hoping to start a young adults group this year (age 19 & up) If you are interested, please join us at 9pm on Sunday, Sept. 24th to discuss it further.

YOUR YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR,
ROBERTA.

I BELONG TO GOD'S FAMILY

26th Annual Catholic Youth Retreat.

Oct. 13, 14, 15 at Christ Our Saviour Church. Facilitated by REACH YOUTH MINISTRIES FROM YAKIMA. Sponsored by The Charismatic Prayer Group of St. Mary's Parish, Christ Our Saviour Parish and the Knights of Columbus Council # 8046. For details call John Welscher 962-8663 or Aime Trotter 564-8943. To register, forms are available on the bulletin board in the church foyer, or ask our Youth Leader, Roberta.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

This fall, we will continue our RCIA sessions for anyone interested in becoming Catholic. If you know of someone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith or has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic, please give us a call! Please phone Giselle at St. Mary's.



LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME!

We are planning to restart the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11:00 Sunday Mass this October. This is a time for children aged 5 to 8 to hear the word proclaimed and discussed at a level that touches their hearts and lives. We have a small core of volunteers who are willing to help coordinate this, but we need more! It's not a hard ministry and we have resources to help you! Leaders would read the Gospel to the children, lead a brief discussion, hand out an activity for the children to work on at home... and that's it!! This is a very important ministry, for these children are the church of tomorrow. If you're interested, please phone Giselle at 564-4097.

When you fight fire with fire, you end up with nothing but ashes.

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE- 964-4475

PLEASE NOTE: Brochures for upcoming Fall/Winter programs are now available at the back of the Church. Pre-registration is important for all programs.

COUNSELING CALL 964-4475 TO REGISTER

Counseling services at the Renewal Centre for couples and individuals offered by Brian Bulgin.

PSALMS FOR THE JOURNEY

Tuesdays, Oct.10: Ps.5 & Ps.22. Nov.7. Ps. 145 & Ps.116.
10am to 12pm. Fee \$5 per session or by donation. Facilitator:
Donna Dolan RSCJ

EVENINGS FOR WOMEN-WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY

Come once or come often

The 2nd Tuesday of each month. 7 to 9pm

Oct.10, Nov.14, Dec.12.

Fee: \$5 per evening or by donation.

Facilitator: Jean Marie Lehtinen OP.

THE ARTIST'S WAY

A 9 part series for creative people in all walks of life: writers, painters, actors, gardeners, musicians, homemakers, executives. 7:00 to 8:00pm.

Wed. Oct.4,11,18, Nov.8,15,22,29, Dec.6,13. Facilitator:

Tarianne DeYonker,OP. Fee \$30 for series. **Text required, purchased separately.**

EVERYDAY SIMPLICITY

Join this reflective group guided by Everyday Simplicity: A practical guide to Spiritual Growth, by RJ Wicks.

Thur, Oct.5,12,26 Nov.9,16,23. Mornings 10 to 11:30am OR
Evenings 7:30 to 9pm. Facilitator: Donna Dolan RSCJ. Fee \$5
per session or by donation. **Text required, purchased separately.**

SINGLE AGAIN

The next session of the **Single Again** program for men and women who are separated, divorced or widowed will take place on **Thursday, October 12th** at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral in the Lower Church. Sessions include lecture, small group sharing and refreshments in a caring atmosphere. Brochures are available in each parish. Facilitated by Sr. Tarianne DeYonker, OP, RMFT

CATHOLIC COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE

Sr. Tarianne deYonker, OP, a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist and Social Worker, can be contacted at 964-4424 Monday through Friday, 8:30-4:30 for an appointment. One need not be Catholic to receive these services. Care will be taken to make the service affordable. Sessions take place at the Diocesan Centre Counselling Office

Dear Lord: I pray for wisdom, to understand my husband: love, to forgive him: and patience for his moods. because, Lord, if I pray for strength I'll just beat him to death.

PARISH WEBSITE

If you've been reading **The Grrapevine** newsletter, you know that we have developed a website for the parish. Check it out!!! www.geocities.com/saintmaryspg

GRRRAPEVINE NEWSLETTER

Be sure to pick up a copy of this golden coloured newsletter for highlights and news tidbits. Not everything of importance is in the regular bulletin!! And no, it isn't the children's bulletin! The bulletins for the children are 3 feet off the ground. **The Grrapevine** is at adult height!

WORKSHOP FOR LAY LED LITURGIES

We are offering a workshop for those who minister at Lay Led Liturgies. The workshop is on **Monday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. It will be facilitated by Susan Campbell. Everyone involved in ministering at a Lay Led Liturgy is invited to attend: lectors, musicians, extraordinary ministers of communion and lay presiders.

WORKSHOP FOR LECTORS & COMMENTATORS

All lectors and commentators asked to attend a workshop on **Monday, October 16 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. Those who are interested in becoming lectors are also required to attend. We need to review some practical aspects of our ministry, both for new and for veteran lectors and commentators.

WORKSHOP FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

All Extraordinary Ministers of Communion are encouraged to attend a workshop on **Thursday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. It is extremely important that all EMCs (new and old!) attend so that we are all on the same page.

WORKSHOP FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CATECHISTS

All Religious Education teachers are invited to attend a workshop with Sr. Mary-Ann Bates on **Sunday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m.** We will meet in the Parish Office building (1088 Gillett Street—the little grey house next to the carport).

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

We have revised our baptism preparation programme for older children. Parents who wish to have their older child baptized (age 5 to 12) are asked to register their child in the Religious Education programme. During the year they will have special sessions that will prepare them for baptism. Children in Grade 2 and up will also receive preparation for Confirmation and First Communion. Please phone Giselle at the parish office for more information.