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First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2023

Website olgcsurrey.ca
Office Hours:
Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Saturdays: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
12:30 PM to 4:00 PM
Sundays & Statutory Holidays - Closed

MASSES
Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
5:00 PM, 7:00 PM
Weekdays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
Saturday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
4:00 PM (Laotian; 1st Saturday)
5:30 PM (Spanish)
5:30 PM (Indo-Canadian;
4th Saturday),
7:00 PM (Anticipated)

NOVENAS
Mother of Perpetual Help Wed 7:00 PM
First Friday Novenas
Santo Niño 6:15 PM
Sacred Heart of Jesus 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays 3 PM and Sundays 4 PM and 30
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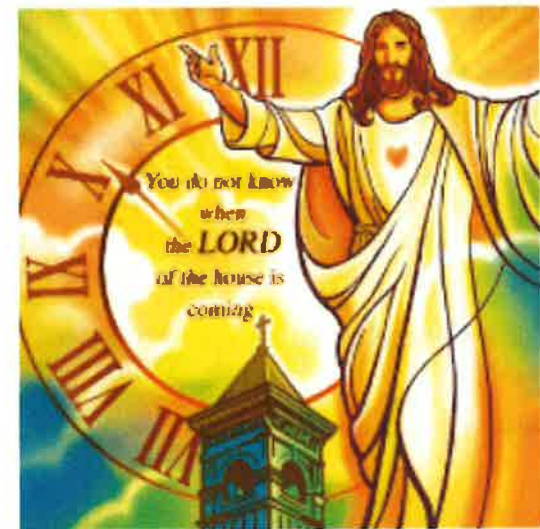
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Blessed Sacrament are inside the church on
the **First Friday, after the 9 AM and 7 PM
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PREP Tue/Thu at 6:30 PM
RCIA Wed at 7:00 PM

BAPTISMS
On the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month
at 10:00 AM. Both Parents and sponsors
are required to attend a baptism seminar a
month before the baptism, on the 3rd Friday
of the month at 7:00 PM. Call the office to
register. Child's parents should be registered
in the parish for at least six months before
they can register for the baptism class.

MARRIAGES
Six months notice. Attendance at
Marriage Preparation Course is required.
One of the parties must be a registered
parishioner.

ANointing OF THE SICK
Please set appointment with the parish
office.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading We are the clay and you, O Lord, are the
potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17,
19b; 64:2-7)

Psalm Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading God is faithful; by God you were called
to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9)

Gospel Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the
time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

WATCH!

"Watch!" This word occurs three times in today's Gospel
passage. Moreover, it is placed at significant points: the
beginning, the center, and the end. Though this is
technically a parable, it is quite short (four verses). The
threefold repetition of "watch" leaves no doubt as to what
the story is about.

We often think of Advent as time of waiting, but it is truly
a season of watchfulness, a very active form of waiting for
the coming Day of the Lord. It is that day, more than
Christmas day, that the Christian community faithfully
expects, using all of our gifts and talents for this purpose,
as Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Corinthians. When
we use these gifts in faithful watching and expectation, we
become like the servants of the parable, set to their tasks,
not waiting around idly, but engaged in the master's work
until his return. May our Advent be a time when we return
or rededicate our lives and our communities to this work –
the active and diligent faithfulness that the Lord will
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*Unafraid to Change: pursuing
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families and as a community*

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Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Schedule:

Thursday, Dec. 7 - 6:45 PM

Friday, Dec. 8 - 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 7 PM



We welcome **Alejandra Carmen Pacleb & Christof Mace Arostique Requinto**, who were baptized on Saturday, December 2, into our Catholic community.

ADVENT – To help you make the most of this Advent, you can go to FORMED.org. They have two Advent video series that can help you prepare for Christmas. One is called “Behold” and the other is “Adore”. Watch them by yourself or as a family or among a group of friends or as part of your prayer group. The videos are new and are brief – less than 10 minutes for each one. They are suitable for discussions or personal reflection.

If you're not on FORMED.org already, just follow these easy steps. (Remember, it's free!)

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

1. Go to formed.org
2. Click on **signup**
3. Select your parish by entering name, city and/or postal code
4. Enter your name and email address
5. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

MOVIE DAY – “1531: A STORY THAT IS NOT FINISHED YET” Please join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for a movie day at the Mary Help of Christian Hall on **Wednesday, Dec. 6, from 9:45AM to 11 AM**. Life is a miracle, God is a mystery, and nothing is coincidence. This movie, entitled **1531**, is a love story from Mexico to the world, which was written in an Aztec sacred stone and in Saint John's Apocalypse centuries before it happened. It present thte 1531 appearances of Our Lady of Guadalupe and how that story is not finished yet. **Light lunch is provided. All are welcome.**

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, **8842 119 Street Delta. Sunday, December 10, 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM**. Variety of handicrafts, baked goodies, jewelry, Christmas gift items, and more! Available on site – pictures with Santa and his elves! By donation.

2024 CATHOLIC EDUCATORS' CONFERENCE - Thursday, **February 15, 2024** at the **Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre** Be a part of something truly special and grand. **Register as a vendor at the 2024 Catholic Educators' Conference.** Email cercregistration@cisva.bc.ca for conference inquiries.

PRISON MINISTRY – Our parish office is collecting 2024 Calendars and Christmas cards for the prison ministry. **Please bring these before January 2024.**

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 3 – First Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 am Thanksgiving: Marilynne Espinosa
- 9:30 am Thanksgiving: Raelynn Von Allmen
- 11:15 am **Parishioners**
- 5:00 pm Thanksgiving: Vicente Soliven
- 7:00 pm +Adelaida Guinto

Monday, December 4

- 7:30 am All Saints Day
- Thanksgiving: Joseph Khanh & Paul Nguyen Vu
- +Raymundo Fortaleza Sr.
- +Bogumila Czulinski
- 9:00 am Thanksgiving: Frances Wong

Tuesday, December 5

- 7:30 am +Enrique Garcia Jr.
- Thanksgiving: Joseph Khanh & Paul Nguyen Vu
- +Rafael Vallinan
- +Alfredo Padua
- 9:00 am

Wednesday, December 6

- 7:30 am Thanksgiving: Falayi Family
- +Bogumila Czulinski
- 9:00 am +Adriano Bertumen
- 7:00 pm Thanksgiving: Divina Gerona

Thursday, December 7

- 7:30 am Souls In Purgatory
- +Cynthia Apacible
- 9:00 am +Emiliano Santos
- For all Souls

Friday, December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:30 am +Maria Rebecca Robles
- Thanksgiving: Joji & Basil Bermejo
- 9:00 am Thanksgiving: Yvette & Manolete De Leon for their 40th Wedding Anniversary
- 7:00 pm Thanksgiving: Constantino & Erlinda Delleva

Saturday, December 9

- 7:30 am Thanksgiving: Maria Concepcion Garcia
- +Claudia Neri
- 9:00 am +Rogelio Fortaleza
- 7:00 pm +Francisco & Paz De Jesus

OLGC ENGLISH CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING is on every Thursday, from 7PM to 9 PM at the Mary Help of Christians Hall. Everyone is welcome.

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ADORATION CHAPEL – The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every day from 6AM to 11 PM in our parish's Adoration Chapel. If you are interested in offering one hour of your time with the Lord, please contact **Fe Forteza** at **604-805-3909** to register.

HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SHOOTING CHRISTMAS CAMP For boys and girls in Grades 4-7 at the St. Matthew's Elementary Gymnasium, 16065 88 Ave. Surrey. Please email Matthew LeChasseur at hcbboysbasketball@gmail.com to confirm your child's spot in the camp. It is limited space and first come, first served. Download and fill out a registration form at www.hcbboysbasketball.com and bring cheque/cash and completed registration form on the first day of camp. Cost: \$100.00 includes daily Gatorade and prizes.

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Prayers for the Sick



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