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Parish Choir:	Anna Hughes	
Gregorian Choir	Michelle Cuyugan	647-292-1422

YOUTH MINISTRY Shelly Coish Ext. 223

EDGE Programme: Grade 6, 7 & 8

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month

Lifeteen Programme: Highschool Students

Please join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month

OTHER APOSTOLATES

Bereavement	Please call the parish office	
Legion of Mary	Fran Baduel	Ext. 504
Rosary Apostolate	Camille Jacques-Carr	905-509-8500
St Vincent de Paul	Ben Jardine	Ext. 502

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Catholic Women's League	Marie James	905-839-8890
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Children's Play Group	Ramona Kelland	905-831-5772
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil	4:30pm
Sunday	8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am, 7:00pm

(Rosary 15 minutes before each Mass)

DAILY MASSES

Monday to Friday	7:30am
Wednesday	7:00pm
Saturday	8:30am
First Friday	7:30pm
First Saturday:	11:00am Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite (Latin)

(Mass will be offered at 10:00am on Public Holidays)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday	9:00 to 9:30am, 3:45 to 4:15pm.
Sunday:	15 minutes prior to each Holy Mass

(Any time by appointment)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday between the morning and evening Masses
First Fridays after morning Mass until 6:30pm Holy Hour

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday at 7:00pm
First Friday: Holy Hour at 6:30pm

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated at least once per month. Parents are to be registered parishioners. To register your child for baptism, pick-up a baptism package in the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No wedding date is to be set before consultation with the Priests/Deacons. At least one of the parties must be a registered parishioner.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the office.


PASTORAL CARE OF THE ILL OR HOMEBOUND

Requests for the Sacrament of the Sick, prayers or visitations, please call the parish office.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to the Catholic Church locally. Please introduce yourself to the Priests or Deacons and register in the office.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

 Mass Intentions & Parish Activities
MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 7:30am Mass: + Clayton James
TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER - PRESENTATION OF OUR LADY 7:30am Mass: + Freddy Pais
WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER- ST CECILIA, VIRGIN & MARTYR 7:30am Mass: + Joe Russo 7:00pm Multiple Mass Intentions 7:30pm St. Vincent de Paul meeting
THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER - ST CLEMENT I, POPE & MARTYR or ST COLUMBAN, ABBOT 7:30am Mass: + Antonio & Fioretina Tosti 9:00am to 12 noon Children's Play Group 7:00pm Legion of Mary meeting
FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER - ST ANDREW DUNG-LAC, PRIEST & COMPS, MARTYRS, RELIGIOUS 7:30am Mass: + Terry James
SATURDAY 25 NOVEMBER - ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN & MARTYR 8:30am Mass: Multiple Mass Intentions 4:30pm Mass: + Martin Houston Sr.
SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE <i>Christian artifacts from the Holy Land will be on sale in the parish hall after all morning Masses</i> 8:30am Mass: + Peter & Adelaide Dias 10:00am Mass: Pro Populo 11:30am Mass: + Irene Mauricette 7:00pm Mass: + Fabio & Olga D'Sa

**THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LAMP
BURNS IN MEMORY OF TERRY JAMES**

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT!

What is the best thing anyone has ever said to you? Maybe you have a particularly strong memory of some word of appreciation or praise from a person whom you really admired and loved, and whose good opinion you longed to have. Maybe it was a teacher at school who was known never to give praise that was undeserved. Maybe it was an older friend to whom you looked up when you were young, after you had done something demanding and difficult for the first time. Perhaps it was your employer after an especially difficult assignment you had been asked to do. Yet nothing that we may yet have experienced in this life can possibly measure up to the words Our Lord addresses to His good servants in today's parable of the Talents: "*Well done, good and faithful servant!*" How we should long to hear those words addressed to us by our Saviour! Sometimes Our Lord speaks about sheep, or seeds, or crops, or vines. The parable of the Talents is one of Our Lord's stories based on the world of money. We may not easily understand how it is fair that some people seem to have more "talents" than others. So Our Lord tells us a story in terms of money that makes it easier for us to grasp. The strange thing is that because of this parable the word "talent" has changed its meaning in our language. A

"talent" was originally (and still is in this Gospel parable) a huge sum of money. Nowadays, we use the word "talent" to mean a skill or ability that God has given us. We use the word, in actual fact, in exactly the way that Our Lord was using the sum of money as a metaphor: an idea from one kind of business or experience applied to a different, but parallel, one. That is, of course, exactly what Our Lord's parables always are: *Earthly stories with a heavenly meaning*. For us, a "talent" is now exactly what Our Lord intended us to understand by the image of the different sums of money entrusted to the different servants. This parable reminds us that Our Lord does not expect everyone to produce *exactly* the same return on God's gifts, because God never gives *exactly* the same gifts to any two persons. Moreover, "talents" are not just to be interpreted as gifts. No two persons are ever put in exactly the same position, or given absolutely identical lives or responsibilities. Every human being who has ever lived is unique. This fact is in itself a remarkable tribute to God's inexhaustible inventiveness. Even identical twins are still two individuals, however much they may share; and it is as *individuals* that they will be judged—just like all the rest of the human race. To have won Our Lord's approval for the fruit of our life's work is surely the greatest joy we can look forward to on leaving this life—a joy to be surpassed only by that of the everlasting sight of His glory in the company of all the saints. Hence, after these wonderful words: "*Well done, good and faithful servant!*", Our Lord will say to those who have done His will these yet more thrilling words: "*Enter into the joy of your Lord!*" You know how it is that after the Christmas festivities are over in the world at large, and January is still cold, dark and wet, advertisers love to whet our appetites for summer with scenes of hot tropical beaches and blue seas. For us, if life seems excessively difficult, and without any real purpose or hope of reward, we need to think about the words Our Lord says to the servants who have produced a good income on their talents: "*Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord!*" May God grant that on the day we leave this life, we all hear those same words addressed to ourselves!

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

The Presentation of Our Lady although not recorded in Scripture, has a long history in the Church's devotion, especially in the East. It commemorates the welcoming of the infant Virgin Mary into God's Temple in Jerusalem as part of her preparation for becoming the living "Temple of the Lord" in the Incarnation of the Son of God as her own Son, Jesus.

St Cecilia (2nd or 3rd century) is one of the most famous of the early Roman martyrs, yet most of what is recorded about her is legend. She certainly belonged to the noble family of the Caecilii who lived in a mansion in the part of ancient Rome which lies "over the Tiber" (Trastevere). As was frequently the case in the early Church, her large house became a recognized Mass centre for the Christians, and Cecilia herself was undoubtedly martyred. Her remains were for years located in the catacombs of St. Callisto, but they were eventually removed to beneath the High Altar of the basilica built over her home in Trastevere, where they can still be venerated. She is the much-loved patron saint of musicians and her name is in the list of female martyr-saints in the Roman Canon of the Mass.

St Clement (1st c.) He was one of the early successors to St Peter, and probably knew him and St Paul. He wrote an important Epistle to the Church at Corinth, which is very early evidence of the Pope's role as arbiter of disputes in the universal Church. He is thought to have been arrested and forced to work in the marble quarries but due to his success in gaining converts there, he was sentenced to death and so martyred by being lashed to an anchor, which is why there are so many marine dedications to him.

St Columban (c. 540-615) A monk from Ireland, he founded abbeys in England, France, and Italy under the strict rule prevalent in Ireland. He suffered greatly for his work, coming into conflict with civil and religious authorities, mainly due to his denouncements of immorality and lax bishops but he exerted a lasting influence on Western civilization.

St Andrew Dung-Lac & Comps: We commemorate Fr Andrew, a native Vietnamese priest horribly tortured before his beheading in 1839, and another 117 Catholics martyred in Vietnam in 16th-19th centuries. 96 were Vietnamese and 21 foreign missionaries. They included bishops, priests and lay people, many of whom suffered horrible deaths.

St Catherine of Alexandria (4th c.) She was a highly intelligent woman who was responsible for the conversion of several pagan philosophers. She was martyred on a spiked wheel at Alexandria in Egypt (the original *Catherine Wheel*) and according to legend, angels brought her body to be laid in a monastery named after her, at Mt Sinai.

**St Michael's Choir School Concert
November 24, 2017 – 7:00pm**

This performance will take place here at St. Isaac Jogues Parish. Tickets for this exciting event are available from the church office (cash or cheque payable to *St. Isaac Jogues Special Events*) or purchase online www.stisaacjogues.eventbrite.com See our parish website under *Special Events* for further details. **Don't miss out on this wonderful musical opportunity!**



**BINGO- Saturday November 25th
following the 4:30pm Mass**

Come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship hosted by the Knights of Columbus! Feast on a tasty pasta dinner followed by 10 regular games of Bingo. Children are welcome for dinner, however, due to ACGO regulations, anyone under 18 years of age cannot play. We offer supervised children's activities during Bingo.



Campaign Life Christmas Cakes 2017 – will be available next weekend, **November 25/26**. Traditional cakes made by the Benedictine monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey in Quebec. Each cake is slowly baked and aged to perfection. Choice fruits soaked in wine, pecans, creamery butter and quality ingredients are carefully blended using a traditional recipe, creating the

perfect Christmas cake. There are a limited number of gift baskets of caramel chocolates and Okaramel Caramel Spread, also prepared by the Abbey's monks. They're an absolute must! First come first served. Shop early!

Catholic Women's League Luncheon

The St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Women's League monthly luncheon takes place on **Wednesday, November 29th** beginning with rosary or Mass at **11:30am**. Please send an email to CWL.luncheon@gmail.com (or call [905-831-3353](tel:905-831-3353)) to confirm your attendance and indicate if you need a ride. This helps us to ensure sufficient table settings and food! Lunch will be served at 12 noon, bingo and social time at 1:00pm. Cost \$3.00 per person (please pay at the door).

**Novena in honour of Our Lady and the
Impending Solemnity of her Immaculate
Conception on December 8.**

The novena will be recited in the Chapel at the following times:
Wednesday, November 29 - 8:00pm after Perpetual Help Mass
Thursday, November 30 - 7:00pm
Friday, December 1 - 8:00pm, after First Friday Benediction
Saturday, December 2 - 1:00pm
Sunday, December 3 - 1:00pm
Monday, December 4 - 7:00pm
Tuesday, December 5 - 7:00pm
Wednesday, December 6 - 8:00pm after Perpetual Help Mass
Thursday, December 7 - 7:00pm

On **Sunday, December 3rd at 3:00pm** our Youth Choir will present "*Lessons and Carols*". Come and join us for beautiful music! Tickets are \$5.00 each or three for \$10.00 and are now on sale in the foyer and from the church office. Proceeds from this concert will go to the **church** organ renovation.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Sunday, December 10, 2017
St. Isaac Jogues Parish Hall - Complimentary
Doors open 12:30pm
Light lunch, drinks, snacks



Children are invited to participate in games and entertainment with a visit from Santa. Bring an unwrapped toy for children in need or a non-perishable food item (optional).



Day of Confession: Wednesday 13

December: 9:00 - 10:00am, 1:00 - 2:00pm, and 6:00 - 7:00pm
Regular Penance Schedule:

Saturday 9:00 to 9:30am, 3:45 to 4:15pm.

Sunday: 15 minutes prior to each Holy Mass. (Any time by appointment)

Smile of the Day:

What do you get if you cross dinosaurs and pigs?
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