# June 17th, 2018 Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

The final lines of the award-winning film biography of Mahatma Gandhi have always been a source of encouragement for me. As his ashes are being scattered over the water, we hear Gandhi's voice: "Whenever I despair, I remember that the way of truth and love has always won. There may be tyrants and murderers, and for a time, they may seem invincible, but in the end, they always fail. Think of it: always."

I don't know whether the movie gives us an accurate quote from Gandhi or not, but they certainly build on Jesus' words in today's *Gospel*. There, he is giving us two parables about the Kingdom, both from the natural world. One tells how a seed, once planted by the farmer, sprouts and grows without our doing anything, and yields a harvest. The other is the familiar description of the mustard seed, which though the smallest of seeds, becomes the largest of plants.

The power of the Kingdom is what Gandhi is describing in the film's closing words: "...the way of truth and love has always won." Although he was a Hindu, Gandhi knew and respected Christ's teaching. And like the great Indian leader, when we are tempted to despair at the oppression or violence in our world—whether on the global level or in our personal lives—we must remember that the Kingdom's truth will prevail, and the love of God has overcome all, in Jesus Christ.

Fr. Greg Friedman, O.F.M.

### Thank you!

Thank you to those who took part in our Annual Work bee last week. Although we didn't have a large turnout, those who did come, achieved a lot. Much appreciated.



#### **Immaculate Conception School**

Immaculate Conception School is currently accepting *registrations* for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year. There is availability in *Kindergarten* and *Grades 4-7*. For more information, please call the office at 250-964-4362.

### School Playground

Our playground is now complete! Thank you so much to all of our volunteers and a big thank you to IDL, who have done an amazing job!

#### **Job Opportunities**

Immaculate Conception School is looking for **1.0 LD Primary Teacher**. Apply at: <a href="http://cispg.ca/cispg/careers/">http://cispg.ca/cispg/careers/</a>

Submit your application and supporting documents to:

Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Chris Dugdale <u>cdugdale@cispg.ca</u>

Immaculate Conception School is looking for a **0.5 FTE Music Teacher position** beginning September 1st, 2018. Apply at: <a href="http://cispg.ca/cispg/careers/">http://cispg.ca/cispg/careers/</a>

Submit your application and supporting documents to:

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Immaculate Conception School is currently looking for an experienced **Educational Assistant**. If you are interested, please drop off your resume at the school office.

# St. Vincent de Paul Soup/Sandwich Preparation

**Tuesday** at **9:40 am** preparing sandwich and soup ingredients and **Wednesday** at **9:40 am** making soup and sandwiches in the Church hall.

#### **Bake Sale**

One of our young people, *Lauryn Marchand*, has been accepted by NET Ministries, Ireland and will be leaving in August for a year. We would like to financially help her as she has to raise funds for this. We will host a bake sale on Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> after the morning Masses. Thank you for your generous support.

#### **Handicap Parking**

Please leave the Handicap Parking stalls free for those who need them. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

#### Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In addition to other services, St Vincent de Paul serves sandwiches at its Drop-in Centre, 1220 evening Second Ave, each during Volunteers are urgently needed from week. 6:30 pm to approximately 8:30 pm to make and sandwiches and to afterwards. There are openings on a number of evenings so we can certainly meet your availability. Further information about St. Vincent's is available at our website. www.ssvdppq.com

## An Evening of Prayer & Celebration Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> 7

pm at St. Mary's Parish

Our newly ordained priest Fr. Ken Anderson and Fr. Peter Nygren, the Rector of the Benedictine High school Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC along with several seminarians will be hosting an evening of Taize prayer with the beautiful accompaniment of harp, violin, cello, and the Exposition, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The evening will begin at 7pm with some information about the Seminary and will conclude with a time of fellowship and refreshments after prayer at 8:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.



The world needs an invasion of love and this depends on each one of us. Chiara Lubich

# Rose Prince Pilgrimage July 6th-8th Lejac, B.C.

To volunteer or for further details contact **Fr. Vincent James** 

Box 580 Fraser Lake BC V0J 1S0 Phone: 250-699-6593 Or Visit

http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/ecwmv-event/rose-prince-pilgrimage/

#### **Vocation Live-In**

On the weekend of July 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the Seminary of Christ the King, Mission, BC. For more information call 604-826-8715.

Vocations Awareness Committee

Fax: 604-826-8725 Seminary of Christ the King

PO Box 3310 Mission BC, V2V 4J5

Website: http://www.sck.ca/

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