I cordially greet you, dear parishioners.
As you all know, we are starting a ministry at St Ann’s Parish. It is the richness of our charism, the experience of our Religious Congregation and Bishop Scalabrini’s vision that we eagerly want to share as we journey together as a Parish community.

Allow me to take advantage of St Ann’s Feast Day to write to you. St Anne & St Joachim are the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A tradition that began in the Second century gives these names to the parents of the BVM. Joachim means “God grants”, while Ann means “grace”. So virtue and grace mingle powerfully in this couple’s life. Through their intercession many graces may be granted to us! Happy feast day to you all!

Paraphrasing St Augustine’s statement (A Bishop I am for you; a Christian I am with you), I also want to introduce myself to you as a Pastor (shepherd) and a server. Let us help each other reach holiness and together let us be a reflection of God’s love and mercy.

We have a heart for migrants, so does St Ann’s by hosting Spanish & Korean Masses, by participating in the Refugee Program, by promoting varied activities with our Seasonal Farm Workers, by having open arms for all God’s children. Please help us in serving the “stranger” and in making them feel at home, so that God may always be seen and welcomed in them.

Fr Eduardo Quintero, CS Pastor

Volunteers are needed by the Knights of Columbus to help with prep work, cooking, washing dishes etc. on the Food Bus during this year’s Agrifair. Please fill in your name and phone # on the SIGN UP SHEET found on the table in the Church Foyer.

Tutors needed for our Syrian family. Can you spare one to two hours a week to help this family learn English? Call Anna at 604-852-6198 or 778-240-3226 for more information.

Mass Intentions for July 30th – Aug 5th

Monday
8:00 am Irene Walls, int.

Tuesday
7:00 pm Kurt Schinke, rip.

Wednesday
8:00 am Ethel Marling, rip.

Thursday
8:00 am Joyce Scott, int.

Friday
8:00 am Dec. mem. Turra/Sartor Fam.
7:00 pm John & Isabel Massey, rip.

Saturday
9:00 am Karen Hamilton, int.
5:00 pm Neville Layne, rip.

Sunday
8:00 am Intentions for the Parish
10:00 am Carl & Marilyn Gomes & Fam.
noon Mary Sosnowski, rip.

This week at St. Ann’s

St. Ann’s Feast Day Picnic: Today, July 29th @ 3:00 p.m. Come and join our Parish Community for an afternoon of fun, food and a movie.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING: Thursday, August 2nd, 7:00 p.m. in St. Joachim room.

One Body in Christ Prayer Meeting: Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in St. Monica’s Lounge.

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, August 3rd after morning Mass, ending with Prayers for Vocations at 6:30 p.m., Benediction at 6:45 p.m. and then Mass at 7:00 p.m. Please come and spend some quiet time with our Lord in prayer and thanksgiving.

CWL Sisters: if you are interested in writing your story of immigrating to Canada, you still have time. Please drop them off at the Parish Office by August 1st.

Feast Days & Readings

JULY 30 – AUG 5

Monday

Tuesday-St. Ignatius of Loyola
Jeremiah 14:17-22; Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday-St. Alphonsus Liguori
Jeremiah 15:10,16-21; Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday
Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-52

Friday
Jeremiah 26:1-9; Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday-St. Jean-Marie Vianney
Jeremiah 26:11-16; Matthew 14:1-12

Sunday-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Exodus 16:2-4,12-15,31a++; Ephesians 4:17,20-24; John 6:24-35

Urgently needed: FANS of all sizes for Migrant Farm Worker cabins. Clean and in good working order, please. Drop off at church or contact Mary Phillips at 604 996 5854 (cell) or 604 852 3437 (home).

It is back! St. Ann’s Christmas Market November 2nd & 3rd. There will be a “Pie Sale” as part of this year’s market. We are looking for donations of fruit for the pies so if you have any extra fruit (esp. blueberries) please clean and freeze. The Pie Making Bee will be in mid to late October. Volunteers are needed now to help with planning. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Prep Info:

- Photos are at the office for pick up, if your child received Communion or Confirmation
- Volunteer teachers are needed to help in the classes for the next school year. Contact Jennifer via email.
- Summer office hours in effect, please email any questions or concerns to prep@stannsabbotsford.ca
- Registration is open. Forms can be found at the office or online
- Classes begin in Sept, date TBA

New Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedules are ready for pick up in the Sacristy.
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