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Called, Not Broken

Jean Allen

I confess, I found myself completely bereft of inspiration regarding this Gospel of Jesus calling the fishermen to leave their nets and follow him. They were called. Call is a word we use - I use - so frequently but what does it really mean for most of us? There are those we know who have definitely 'heard the call' but what do the vast majority of us really hear? What do we expect to hear? I was at Mass, praying in frustration for something pertinent to say about Jesus calling us, when a phrase dropped into my mind and heart and I felt peaceful release.

It was, "Human Whisperer."

We are all familiar with the term 'horse whisperer' but I had to research it to know what a horse whisperer actually does. A horse whisperer communicates with a horse through the horse's own body language and the most important part of that communication is building TRUST. A horse's primal instinct when it is fearful is flight but it will join with a different species when it feels protected there. The old school of thought was that a horse had to be broken and forcibly made to obey but a whisperer's high degree of understanding and patience alleviates the horse's fears and helps the horse back to a state of genuine relaxation. The horse then becomes tractable, part of the whisperer's 'tribe' and easy to lead.

Jesus is our whisperer. He was human so he knows of all our traumas and our instinct to take flight in the face of fear. His understanding and patience with us are immeasurable and it is not his intention to break us or forcibly make us obey, which is animal cruelty! His intention is to build trust with us then make us feel protected, secure and loved so we will willingly join his family...his species, or his tribe, the tribe of God, Spirit and Love.

So, if you haven't heard a loud call, listen for the Whisperer who calms you and brings you to a sense of safety and belonging.

I believe that's what the fishermen heard.



The Week of January 22 to January 28 in our Community

Monday January 22

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

10:00am **CWL Executive Meeting - Community Room**

7:30pm **K o C Executive Meeting - Church Hall**

Tuesday January 23

6:00pm **Mass + Marion Jorgenson**

7:00pm **Men of the Word Bible Study - Community Room**

Wednesday January 24 St. Francis De Sales, Bishop, Doctor, Memorial

6:30am **Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

4:45pm **Liturgy Committee Meeting - Community Room**

6:00pm **Mass**

Thursday January 25 The Conversion Of St. Paul The Apostle, Feast

6:30am **Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

9:00am **Mass + Marlene Pasula**

7:30pm **RCIA Journey of Faith - Church Hall**

Friday January 26 St. Timothy And St. Titus, Bishops, Memorial

6:30am **Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

9:00am **Mass**

followed by Adoration until 12:00 noon

Saturday January 27

6:30am **Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

10:00am **Contemplative Community - Community Room**

5:00pm **Mass + Mui Fong Kok**

6:00pm **Youth Group - School Gym**

Sunday January 28 Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am **Mass**

11:00am **K of C Pancake Breakfast - Church Hall**

11:15am **Catechism - School**

6:00pm **Mass Special Int. Tayler and Sean Cringle**

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 6:30am

Tuesday ~ 6:00pm

Wednesday ~ 6:30am & 6:00pm

Thursday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Friday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:30am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Syro-Malabar Mass Schedule for January

Weekend Masses

***Please note correction
Saturday ~ 7:00pm**

***January 13th, 20th & 27th**

Join Bishop Gary Gordon
as he celebrates
the Mass.

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed>

OUR FINAL BISHOP'S APPEAL TOTAL COMING MID-JANUARY

There will be no Appeal Report today. A final report is coming soon, once all end-of-year donations and any corrections have been updated in the system.



SACRAMENTS



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Fr. Alfie will be available for Reconciliation, in the church, 1/2 hour before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. Please call parish office 250-479-7413 to arrange.

Sacrament of Marriage: Inquiries must be made 6 months in advance. Register at the office. Marriage preparation class is compulsory.

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the **first Sunday** of each month at 11:30am. Please call parish office to register.

Baptism Preparation will be held on the **first Saturday** of each month at 10:00am. Please call parish office to register.

Catechism and Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion: email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Visits While in Hospital: We remind the faithful that privacy legislation in BC prevents the release of information regarding hospital admissions. If you or someone you love is admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your Pastor, Eucharistic or Pastoral Care Ministers - also Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, who are commissioned at the discretion of the Pastor, please let the Office staff know.

For a hospital emergency call Fr. Sean Flynn at: 250-889-3761.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound: We are grateful to those who give of their time and care to bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot make it to church each week due to sickness or infirmity. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Melissa at the parish office by phone or by email: mhogg@rcdvictoria.org

The parish office regular hours of operation are:
Tuesday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm (except Statutory Holidays)

Please Note:
Next Sanctioned Collection
Sunday, March 17, 2024

Donation Options



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CREDIT CARDS:
Payment Authorization Form for Credit Card Donations.pdf
(parishpal.com)

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT:
https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/PAD_Agreement.pdf

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.

Annual Diocesan Camp Homewood Youth Retreat: "SEEK HIM"

Quadra Island, February 2 to 4, 2024

\$195 per participant (\$215 after January 15)
All youth from Grades 7 to 12 are invited to attend.



Face2Face Ministries present **SEEK HIM**
challenging youth to holiness by living and proclaiming the
fullness of the Catholic Church.

Each student, chaperone and youth leader must complete
and email the registration forms and documents by
January 15, 2024.

Contact parish office for registration form and payment
options.

For more information, please contact:
broset@telus.net or stpatricks-cr@shaw.ca.

Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 - 12
are invited
to join us on Saturday evenings
following
For more information, please contact
Ruth Real at:
SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com



Catechism Journey

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Catechism Program (2023/2024)

Sunday Morning

Grade's 1 to 4
11:15am - 12:00 Noon (following the 10
am Mass)
St. Joseph's Elementary School
757 Burnside Rd. W

For more information please contact:
OurCatechismJourney@gmail.com

Grade/Level 5 Post Sacrament Class

Saturdays at 6:00pm

For more information or to register please
contact Chris Whiteley at:
whiteley.christopher@gmail.com or
250-886-2407

Our worship area is
equipped with an
Assistive Listening
system. If you
would like to use
this, please contact
the parish office.



Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Horizons of Hope: a Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care

When it comes to a loved one nearing death, what are our Catholic options?

If this question calls to you, please join us as we explore the four module of **Horizons of Hope**: a toolkit for Catholic parishes on palliative care.

Our faith in God as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is challenged by an increasingly common world-view of death and dying. Horizons of Hope helps us as parishioners, caregivers and loved ones facing the end of life, by teaching us about palliative care. Through four modules, we explore the dying process, including discernment and decision making at the end of life; accompaniment along the journey to the end of life; and the need for compassionate communities to walk with us as we near the end of life.

Please join Peter Dunwoody and Dr. Katherina Tarnai-Lokhorst as they facilitate discussions on the themes of

Horizons of Hope
at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, in the choir area,
on Sunday afternoons at 1-3pm.

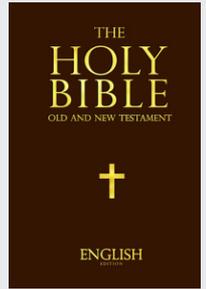
The schedule is as follows:
Module 1, Feb 4, 2024
Module 2, Feb 11
Module 3, Feb 18
Module 4, Feb 25

To register, please sign up on the sheets available in the church foyer.

Filipino Mass
February 4, 2024
7:00 PM
St. Andrew's Cathedral
Principal Celebrant
Fr. Dino Villadiego

Men of the Word

The Knights continue to sponsor a monthly Bible study called Men of the Word. It is held in the Community room at **7:00 pm on the 4th Tuesday** of the month. We meet for 1 hour and discuss the lesson plan for that month. The next session is on **Tuesday, January 23rd**. We invite all men of the parish to join us.



Diocesan Bursary of the Catholic Women's League "In Memory of Freda Smith"

\$750 Bursary awarded annually to a Catholic student graduating from a secondary school or a home schooling program within the Diocese of Victoria who plans on pursuing further education at a post secondary institution.

For more information, and to apply, please visit:
<https://cwldov.org/bursaries>
Application deadline: March 31st

RADIANCE FOUNDATION CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE
Quality Children's Books with messages of Truth and Faith for Ages 2 to 10.
(The Radiance Foundation is a Faith-based, educational, life-affirming nonprofit organization.)
on sale after all Masses weekend of Jan 27th/28th
Only Cash or Cheque

Coldest Night of the Year Walkathon

February 24 and the Coldest Night of the Year walkathon is just around the corner.

Coldest Night of the Year supports our neighbours experiencing poverty and homelessness. Share warmth and care with your community by creating a team, fundraising, promoting and walking with us.

Register [here](#) for the downtown walk and [here](#) for the Westshore walk.

For those with questions about the walk or registration, we have a digital information session on: **Wednesday, January 24, at noon**.

Please email Rachel at rachelh@ourplacesociety.com to receive the Zoom link.

From the Diocese



Week of Christian Unity - January 18 to January 25 2024

To mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, all are invited to an ecumenical service at **Christ Church Cathedral in Victoria** (930 Burdett Ave) on **Sunday, January 21 at 4:00 pm**. Bishop Anna Greenwood-Lee of the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets will preside, and Bishop Gary will preach. A reception will follow the service.

The CCCB has posted an article on their website, inviting pastors to encourage the faithful to find out more about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and to participate in an appropriate activity during the Week. The article may be viewed at: <https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2024/>

Job Posting UVic/Camosun College Chaplain

The Diocese of Victoria is still accepting applications for the position of UVic / Camosun College Chaplain. We seek a Chaplain who is committed to helping students grow and flourish within the Catholic faith tradition while living and learning in a secular campus environment. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>.

New IPL Course

Registration is now open for a new Indigenous Pastoral and Lay Leader Ministry Education course: "*Contemporary Effects of Colonization II: Social Justice*". No prerequisites are required for this online course, which will run on Tuesdays in the new year from **January 9 to March 5, 2024 from 2:15 - 3:30 pm PST**. The cost is \$200. For more information and to register, please visit: <https://rcdos.ca/ministries-services/indigenous-ministry-2/indigenous-ministry-education/>.

Pastoral Care Outreach Training Series - Online

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this winter. Nine sessions will be held **via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on January 20 and running until March 23, 2024** (with no session on March 9 for Spring Break). Participants who attend all sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion. Bishop Gary Gordon feels "it is important to have parishioners trained at the ready to be the hands and face of Christ to others". Please register through your local parish **by January 12th**. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

Diocesan Health Care Committee New "Care of the Dying" Webpage

The Diocesan Health Care Committee is pleased to share a new "**Care of the Dying**" webpage: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/care-of-the-dying>. The page includes a short video intro to CCCB's "Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care" and a link to download the toolkit, as well as many other valuable resources and links.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper

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Responsible Ministry Coordinator

Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

Eucharistic Ministry Contact

Usher Coordinator

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Development and Peace

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

St. Joseph's Elementary School

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent de Paul

Legion of Mary

Coffee/Hospitality Committee

Finance Committee Chair

Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator

Proclaimer Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

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Melissa Hogg/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

Office hours 8:30am - 3:30pm Tuesday-Friday

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Angela Grohovac

Call parish office (250) 479-7413

Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 email: charlieballen@gmail.com

(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

tbd

Christine Armstrong email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

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Gerri Erickson (250) 216-5558 email: gerri@shaw.ca

Contact Parish Office (250) 479-7413

Sister Marina Smith SSA email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Chris & Carmelle Whiteley (250) 886-2987 email: carmelle.whiteley@gmail.com

Ruth Real email: SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com

Pre School - Gr. 7 Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info

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Michael O'Rielly email: mfjeorielly@gmail.com

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Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Lisa Slegg email: lisaslegg@gmail.com

Meetings every Wednesday following 6:00pm Mass

looking for a coordinator

Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com

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Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca

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Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

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Gerry Heywood



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THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR

CHRISTIAN UNITY

You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour
as yourself (luke 10:27)

January 21, 2024 at 4pm
Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria

A wide-angle photograph of the interior of Christ Church Cathedral in Victoria. The view is from the back of the nave, looking down the central aisle towards the altar. The cathedral features high, vaulted ceilings with Gothic-style pointed arches. Large, grey stone columns line the sides of the nave. The floor is made of dark wood. In the distance, a large, multi-colored stained glass window is visible above the altar. The altar itself is covered with a pink and white patterned cloth. A wooden pulpit is on the left side of the aisle. The lighting is warm, coming from hanging lanterns and wall sconces.

Bishop Anna Greenwood-Lee
The Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets

Bishop Gary Gordon
The Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria



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*Together, we are called to discover that death is a part of life
and that there can be life in the dying process.*

Care of the Dying

Horizons of Hope: a toolkit for Catholic parishes on palliative care

For more information, see <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/care-of-the-dying>

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[www.rcdvictoria.org/
care-of-the-dying](https://www.rcdvictoria.org/care-of-the-dying) or
scan this QR code:



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for youth in Grades 7 - 12

Quadra Island – February 2-4, 2024



\$195.00 per participant (\$215.00 after January 15)
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St. Patrick's, (stpatricks-CR@shaw.ca) 250 287 3498

CWL and Knights of Columbus, St. Patrick's, Campbell River and the Catholic Foundation of Vancouver Island.

Filipino Mass

February 4, 2024
7:00 PM
St. Andrew's Cathedral

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT
Fr. Dino Villadiego
RECTOR

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A LEAP OF FAITH “
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THE FINEST BREAD



Pastoral Care Training

Nine free online sessions

Saturdays from 9:30 am - noon

January 20 - March 23 2024 (no session March 9)

Session 9
**Spouse
Caregiving, Healthy
Boundaries, and
Self-Care**
Mar 23

Session 1
**Basics of
Pastoral Care**
Jan 20

Session 2
**The Healing
Ministry of Christ**
Jan 27

Session 8
**Ministry of
God's Presence
and Compassion**
Mar 16

Session 3
**Active Listening
and
Communication**
Feb 3

Session 7
**Bereavement:
Ministering to
Families**
Mar 2

Session 4
**Elderly Isolation,
Loneliness, and
the Journey with
Dementia**
Feb 10

Session 6
**The Grieving
Process**
Feb 24

Session 5
**Palliative Care
and the Healing
Ministry for the
Dying**
Feb 17

For further
information,
please contact:
Moira King, Chair

Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee: moiraking@shaw.ca



PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE



St Philip Anglican Church

North along Foul Bay Ave. Right on Neil St for two blocks, to church on the left.

5:45pm for **6pm - 3rd Fridays – Jan, Feb, March, 2024**

January 19th February 16th March 15th

Let us enter together into the mystery of God's presence.

Community Services

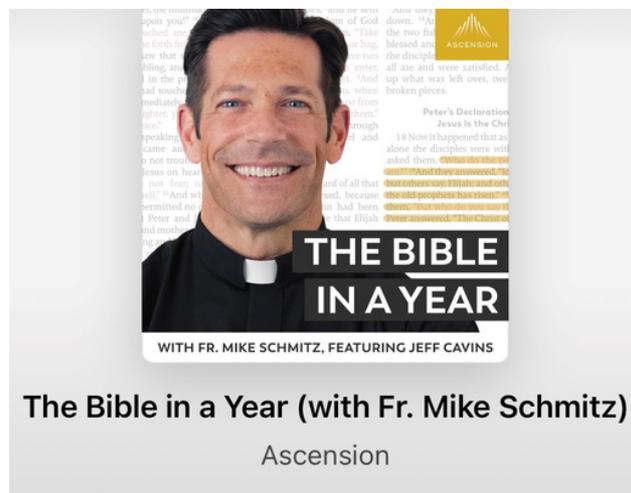
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The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)
Ascension

You are invited to join us in listening to “The Catechism in a Year” podcast. This 365 day podcast will explain all the teachings of the Catholic Church, in a prayerful, engaging, and approachable way with Fr. Mike Schmitz.

Check it out!

The Catechism in a Year – Ascension (ascensionpress.com)