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June 25th and 26th, 2016

Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Travellers, Not Settlers

Jesus was on his way home. He was headed in the direction of Jerusalem but Jerusalem was not his ultimate home. Neither was the temple nor any other place in Israel. He was on his way Home.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus is telling us that all of us are on our way Home and that this is a journey on which it's easy to get waylaid by the idea that the goal is to get settled, put down roots, define the necessary tasks and maintain our many possessions. But we aren't called to comfortably hunker down in one spot. We are called to be on a pilgrimage. The world has a way of burdening us with false ideas of what our essential destinations should be and that can cause us to forget who we really are and where we are really going. It can fog the understanding that this world is not our real home. We are supposed to be travellers – not settlers. We are pilgrims. We are aliens and exiles (1st Peter 2:11) or strangers in a strange land. We do not belong.

C.S. Lewis wrote, "If I find in myself desires which nothing in this world can satisfy, the only logical explanation is that I was made for another world."

It is unsettling to feel unsettled. We don't like it and we feel guilty about feeling that way. In those moments we need to remember that even the Son of Man had nowhere to lay his head. He had no place he could say, "This is mine. This is where I hang my cloak and this is where I make myself at home." We need to pay attention to the reality that feeling unsettled is actually homesickness and we need to accept that the reason we feel so unsettled is because we've lost the sense of journeying onward. What we don't need is to find a comfy spot to settle or to spend energy maintaining our territories or to waste time shooting fire at the ones who refuse to accommodate us or acknowledge the validity of our destination. We need to keep moving, keep focused, keep close to the Lord and keep our faces pointed homeward.

If you don't feel alien to this world, you may have forgotten where you are going.

Jean Allen (Adapted from Manna Gathering)

Ministry Liturgical Schedule...July 2nd & 3rd, 2016

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday10:00am	Sunday 6:00pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Pam Corpus	MC B. Newton B. Woodman, J. Palahicky	MC C. McCreesh C. Mykyte, H. Rempel	MC A. MacRae tbd
Hospitality Ministers Coordinator-Karen Douglas	K. Douglas	M. Goley J. Percy	M. Hardy
Lectors Coordinator-Linda Chatton	E. O'Donnell M. Kelland	L. Hawkes I. Mykyte	S. Fitzmaurice J. Zwicker
Ushers Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau	M. Trudeau, F. Boylan L. VanDyk, B. Randall	B. Quinn, M. Fox J. Moreau, G. Erickson	tbd
Presenters of the Gifts Coordinator-Ursule Betts	M. Trudeau K. Kopeck	M. Neal and M. Neal	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	**Seeds 10:00 Mass See you in September**	**Promise 10:00am Mass See you in September**	**Good News 10:00am Mass See you in September**
Vacuumers Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	C. Weber B. Weber		
Hospital Ministers Coordinator- Denise Kyfiuk		S. Flaherty C. MacDonald	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:15-4:45 pm or by appointment.

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

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Parish Office at 250-479-7413 to register for the next Baptism Preparation Class to be held on (date to be determined). Next Baptisms will take place on July 30th/31st. All Baptisms are held during all masses of the last weekend of each month.

Catechism and Children's Liturgy, Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion: Contact the Parish Office at 250-479-7413 for more information.

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 are admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your pastor or Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office or VGH/RJ hospital emergency pager 250-889-3761 and ask for Fr. Ian Stuart to make this request.

From today's Gospel: Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:61-62)

Question for Adults: When have you faltered or looked back during your journey of faith?

Question for Children: What can you do to be a stronger follower of Jesus this week?

St. Andrew's Regional High School has the following positions available: Two Part-time Certified Educational Assistants School Counsellor/Academic Advisor position available. Application forms and details are posted on http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php

EWTN Needs Media Missionaries! - Has EWTN Global Catholic Network impacted your life? Would you like to tell others about Christ and His Church with EWTN? If so, become an EWTN Media Missionary right where you are and make your parish, community, family, and friends aware of EWTN as the best source for Catholic television, radio, online and print resources. To learn more, go to: www.ewtnmissionaries.com or call 205-795-5771.

Support the Artists at Our Place and Choices by donating Art Supplies - Do you have any new or gently used art supplies, especially wood carving tools, sitting unused in a closet? If so, please drop off at Reception at Our Place 919 Pandora Ave.

Vocation Awareness Retreat - July 9th and 10th at Our Lady of the Rosary, Langford; for the young Catholics in our Diocese to learn about and consider a religious vocation and call to priesthood. For more info, email Fr. Dean Henderson catholic@uvic.ca

Parishioners are invited to join Perlita for the Feast Of St. Clare to the Monastery of the Poor Clare in Duncan, B.C. on August 13th, 2016. This is a first come first serve basis. Only 47 seats available. For more information or to reserve your seat please call 250-294-3175 or 250-598-1247, e-mail pamaranperlita@gmail.com

Save The Date - St. Vincent de Paul Centennial Retreat - Join us in a prayerful celebration of 100 years of service on Vancouver Island Saturday, September 10th - Sunday, September 11th, 2016 - Bethlehem Retreat Centre, Nanaimo, BC. Cost $150 (Early Bird, $130 until June 30th). For more info and registration 250-727-0007.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses
Monday ~No Mass
Tuesday ~9:30am
School Grad Mass - 10:30am
Wednesday ~ 9:30am
Thursday ~ 9:30am
Friday ~No Mass
Saturday ~ 5:00pm
Sunday ~ 10:00am & 6:00pm

May 2016
Income - $25,198.77
(including PAD donations)
Expenses - $18,368.07

PAD
St. Joseph the Worker Parish has Pre-Authorized Debit facilities if you are looking for a convenient method of donating. Credit card donations are also accepted. Please call parish office 250-479-7413

A few Advertising Spots are available on back of church bulletin. This pays for the bulletin and is an effective way to reach Community members in advertising your business. Contact parish office 250-479-7413.

Keeping in Contact
We extend our hands and hearts in Christian companionship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you wish to register in the parish please fill out the pink registration form located outside the church office or back of church.

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Please Note:
Parish Office will be closed on
Friday, July 1st
There will be no bulletin in July

Registration for "Our Catechism Journey"
(Sacramental Prep and Catechism)
will be held in September 2016
Please watch for further Bulletin Announcements in August

Celebrate the Year of Mercy, and perform a corporal work of mercy in peace! Our students have planted the joint School and Parish Masithuthukisane Garden. Now it's our turn to spend time tending to the garden by performing such tasks as light weeding, minor harvesting, and "waving to the locals" who constantly walk by. Bring your sunhat, water bottle and sunscreen. Most required tools are provided. Best yet - *no experience* is required. Contact Jamie Zwicker at 250-391-1280, jzwicker@cisdv.bc.ca, or sign up for a slot on our Masithuthukisane Garden Calendar, located at the doors of the church, the parish office, or at the school office.

Knights of Columbus Bishop Demers Assembly In Victoria invites you to its 2016 Canada Day Multicultural Festival on Saturday, July 2nd at St. Andrew's High School Gymnasium. Tickets $20. Contact your K of C Council officers or phone 778-265-0013 for tickets. Doors open at 6:00pm; no tickets at door; 50% of profits will go to aid the K of C Christian Relief Fund for victims of persecution and genocide in the Middle East.

Ordination to the Order of Deacon - Mr. Michael Tinh Tran, a seminarian for the Diocese of Victoria, will be ordained to the Order of Deacon on Friday, July 8th at 6:30pm at Christ the King Parish in Courtenay. A reception in the parish hall will follow and all are welcome. Please remember Michael in your prayers.

4th Annual Diocesan Family Conference August 12th - 14th 2016 - Pray, Play and Create precious memories, renew friendships, make new friends and relax in a beautiful west coast setting on the shores of Nanoose Bay. Tent, RV or Indoor Dormitory rooms available. Keynote Speaker Sister John Mary Sullivan FSE of the Office of Life, Marriage and Family of the Archdiocese of Vancouver. To register go to rcdvictoria.org For more information email: reine_and_ian@hotmail.com

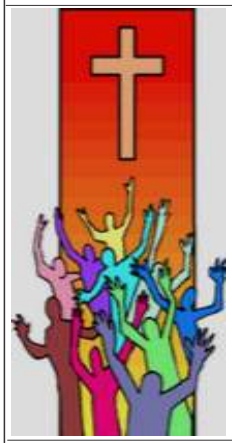
The Western Canadian Association of Catholic Youth Ministry (WCACYM) will be offering a summer seminar in Youth Ministry. Three courses will be offered the week of August 15th-21st, 2016 in Saskatoon. Bursaries are available. For more information, contact the Diocesan Youth Office at 250-479-1331 or email Kelly Bourke at kbourke@rcdvictoria.org

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

July 2	6:00pm K of C Demers Assembly Victoria Canada Day Multicultural Festival
July 8	6:30 pm Ordination of Michael Tinh Tran Christ the King Parish Courtenay BC
July 9/10	Vocation Awareness Retreat - Our Lady Of the Rosary
Aug 12-14	Diocesan Family Conference - Nanoose Bay
Aug 13	Feast of St. Clare - Duncan BC
Aug 15-21	Western Canadian Assoc of Catholic Youth Summer Seminar - Saskatoon

This Week in our Community

Monday June 27
Parish Office Closed
No Mass
7:30pm K of C Executive Meeting - Community Room
Tuesday June 28 Memorial St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr
9:30am Mass Special Intention Allan and Selma
10:30am St. Joseph School Grad Mass
1:00pm Funeral Service Jeanette Wilkinson - Church
7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church
Wednesday June 29 Solemnity Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
9:30am Mass + Vincenzo DeCicco
Thursday June 30
9:30am Mass Special Int. Marisa Sequeira
7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - check your email
Friday July 1
Parish Office Closed
No Mass
No Adoration
Saturday July 2
10:00am Centering Prayer - Rectory
1:00pm Wedding Mark Smith and Melissa Perry
5:00pm Mass Special Int. "Thanksgiving"
6:00pm Jesus Youth Ministry
Sunday July 3 Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
10:00am Mass
11:15am Sunday Coffee
6:00pm Mass + Rodrigo and Amparo



Blessing to all the kids in our Youth Group for a safe and joyful summer. The Youth Group will resume in September. For the following year, please register at the office. Watch for bulletin announcement in August.

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BURSARY

The Diocese of Victoria is pleased to announce the *Jawl & Bundon $2,500 Bursary* for a graduating Grade 12 Catholic student in the Diocese of Victoria, who has been accepted to a post-secondary institution. The deadline for applications is July 15, 2016. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website at www.rcdvictoria.org/bursaries.php or call (250) 479-1331.

See bulletin board for more details.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor	Fr. Alfredo Monacelli
Administrative Assistant/Secretary	Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday
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Altar Server Training/Coordinator	Pam Corpus email: pamcorpus@gmail.com
Baptism	Kara Kirkpatrick email: kara.kirkpatrick@rocketmail.com
Centering Prayer	Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 (1st & 3rd Saturdays at 10:00am)
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Martin Poulin (250) 744-3288 email: kmpoulin@telus.net
Children's Religious Education	Beth Geras & Sarah Madelung email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com Sunday 11:15 am
Development and Peace	Sister Marina Smith SSA email: sandandseaandsky@gmail.com
Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)	Fred and Doreen Keizer (250) 380-0158
Jesus Youth - Grades 8 to 12	George Philip and Reeja Paul (250) 208-7974
St. Joseph's School	Pre School-Grade 7. Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info.
Catholic Women's League(CWL)	President: Gerry Heywood (250) 479-6281 email: aliendreg@shaw.ca
Knights of Columbus	Mike Koessler email: kofc13356@outlook.com
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Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project	Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca
Social and Ecological Justice Committee	Lorraine Parsons (250) 472-6499
Parish Pastoral Council	Ted Corpus (Chair), Robert Grant, George Philip, Joanne DiCastri, Sister Marina Smith SSA, Benedict Chow, Marven Kelland, Brian Fox and Carmelle Whiteley

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