



St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Diocese of Victoria

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

*“Jesus of Nazareth...
is so intrinsically king that the title ‘King’ has actually become his name.
By calling ourselves Christians, we label ourselves as followers of the king...”
Pope Benedict XVI*

The Altar Stone

The altar stone of St. Joseph the Worker Parish was brought to Victoria in the late 1950's by Archbishop O'Sullivan of Kingston, Ontario. The authentication of the relics of St. Redemptus and St. Modestina (Italian) or Modesta (Latin), by the Archbishop, is attached to the underside of the stone.



Relics in the Church have always received particular veneration and attention because the bodies of the Blesseds and of the Saints, destined for the resurrection, have been, on earth, the living temple of the Holy Spirit and the instrument of their holiness, recognized by the Apostolic See through beatification and canonization.

The earliest stone altars were the tombs of martyrs, over which Mass was sometimes offered, either on a stone slab enclosing the tomb or on a structure placed above it. When the first custom-built Christian basilicas were built, the altar of the church was placed directly above the tomb of a martyr, as in the case of St. Peter's Basilica. The First class relics of at least two saints, at least one of which had to be a martyr, were inserted in a cavity in the altar, which was then sealed, a practice that was meant to recall the use of martyrs' tombs as places of Eucharistic celebration.

As the Church expanded, missionaries began erecting altars in parts of the world away from the tombs of any Vatican-recognized saints and thus the mobile altar stone was created. At a certain point the growth of the Church couldn't keep up with the number of saints so they started to take portions of the saint's bodies to the new churches. From that time on small relics were placed in altar stones.

To have a relic of a certain saint is a great treasure. It was the idea of associating the sacrifice of that saint with the sacrifice of Christ. The altar stone represents an expression of our belief that the Church on Earth is in communion with the Church in Heaven whenever we offer the sacrifice of the Eucharist.

Patti O'Brien

Serve One Another - Let's Keep It Climbing!

We have now pledged **over \$40,000** towards **our goal of \$54,000**. **THANK YOU** to all those who have contributed so far! **Donations** received prior to December 31st will generate an income tax receipt for 2018.



Our goal: \$54,000

Total pledged to date: \$40,213.13

Number of Gifts: 130

Ministry Liturgical Schedule December 1st and 2nd, 2018

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Jeanine Woodman	MC B. Newton M. Hinojosa	MC J. Cerna A. Cerna, M. Zidek	MC J. Westhaver J. Palahicky
Hospitality Ministers Coordinator-Karen Douglas	E. Tobin	PL Ross J. Ross	B. McCloskey K. McCloskey
Lectors Coordinator-Linda Chatton	M. Kelland E. O'Donnell	L. Hawkes M. McDonald	M. Hardy S. Hryhoryshen
Ushers ** recruit Presenters of Gifts Coordinator- looking for one	M. Trudeau, B. Randall F. Boylan, W. Burgess **	B. Quinn **, R. Strong J. Ross, L. Bartle	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	Seeds 10:00am Mass Carmelle	Promise 10:00am Mass Tiffany	Good News 10:00am Mass Wendy and Rae
Vacuomers Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	Ruth Neuman		
Music Ministry	Jen and Shawn	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing and A Prayer
Hospital Ministers Coordinator-Denise Kyfiuk		P. Chang-Kue 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 which will be held on **January 19th, 2019**. Typically, 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 and Youth Group: Contact Parish Office for 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.

From today's Gospel: To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1:5b-6)

Adults: In what ways is Jesus the ruler of your life?

Children: How can you show that you honour Jesus as the king of your life?

St. Patrick's School Primary Choir is singing with the Tenors - When: **November 26th and 27th @ 7:00pm**; Where: Glad Tidings Church 1800 Quadra Street, Tickets: \$10 at eventbrite.ca, Ivy's Bookstore, Christian Book Store.

St. Rose of Lima presents our Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale on Saturday, **December 1st**, from 9:00am to 2:00pm at 2191 Townsend Rd, Sooke. Join us for seasonal baking, pies, crafts, refreshments, and raffle. Free Admission.

Ukrainian Christmas Food Fair on Saturday, **Dec. 8th** from 11 am to 2 pm at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic hall, 1110 Caledonia Ave (corner of Cook St & Caledonia Ave). Featuring sale of Baba's best perogies, cabbage rolls, borscht, sauerkraut, Ukrainian breads & pastries, preserves, kobassa rings, AND hot Ukrainian lunch. Free admission, wheelchair accessible. To pre-order for pick up before Friday, Dec. 7 call 250-384-2255.

St. Andrew's Cathedral choir presents "As Prophets Foretold" Advent Carols and Readings, Friday, **December 7th** at 7:30pm. A free will offering will be taken at the door for the 9-10 Club serving meals to those in need.

Voices in Motion Concert (inter-generational choir for people with memory loss, their caregivers and students from St. Andrew's High) on Sunday, **December 9th** from 2:30-4pm at St. Aidan's United Church (3703 St. Aidan's St). Tickets \$10.

St. Andrew's Regional High School Advent Carol Service on **December 19th** at 7:00pm in the SARHS gym. Let's support our Catholic High School event!

Advent Parish Mission Sponsored by the Cathedral and Our Lady of the Rosary - Fr. Wade Menezes (Father of Mercy) will preach an Advent Mission from **Monday Dec. 03 to Thursday, Dec. 06th**. Theme: Work out your Salvation. Cathedral talks at 10:40 each day. Our Lady of the Rosary talks will begin at 7 pm. For more information, call the Cathedral parish at 250-388-5571.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ No Mass

Tuesday ~ 9:30am

Wednesday ~ 9:30am

School Mass

Thursday ~ 9:30am

Friday ~ 9:30am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Anawim House welcomes your financial donations and also Christmas gifts of new clothing for the poor to be placed in the Christmas box at the entrance of the church during the Advent Season.

Christmas Trees will be available at Anawim House during the Advent Season. Thank you for being partners with us in caring for God's precious poor, the "anawim".

For Rent

St. Joseph the Worker
Parish Hall
\$75.00/per hour or
\$500.00/event
Contact the Parish Office
@ 250-479-7413 or
sjtwoffice@shaw.ca
for more information

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

The Victoria Monthly Community Rosary will take place on Friday, **November 30th** from 7:00pm - 8:30pm, at St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

You and your friends are invited to attend the 2018 Angel Event on Thursday, **December 6th**, from 12:00 noon to 2:00pm at The Delta Marriott Hotel in The Lure in the Songhees. Gathering and Lunch. Individual bills. Welcome and Presentation by Sr. Joyce, Harris, Sister of St. Ann. Bring your one, new or slightly used, practical gift, **UNWRAPPED**, in a Christmas bag. It will bring joy to a woman who has found herself in a challenging place and who is seeking a better life. RSVP for staffing purposes please. Phone JoAnne DiCastrì at 250-658-3492 or email joannedicastro@gmail.com

The Latin American Catholic Community of Victoria invites you to celebrate The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, **December 16th** at Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Gary Gordon, at 12:30pm, followed by procession and banquet in the Parish Hall. Traditional lunch: \$10/per person, Hot dog and Fries: \$5. For tickets contact Claudia Garcia cigro112@gmail.com

THANK YOU Tania, for the pristine, beautiful ovens! The lunch bunch seniors for "over the moon" with joy when they walked into the kitchen to warm up food.

Jenny Daniels Memorial Christmas Concert For Themba lethu Children's Shelter



With the Arbutus Singers
under the Direction of Jack Boomer
Join us at St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Wednesday, December 5th at 7:30pm
Admission By Donation

Proceeds go to Themba lethu Children's Shelter in Anerley South Africa

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Nov 26/27	7:00pm St. Patrick's School Primary Choir singing with the Tenors - Glad Tidings Church
Nov 30	7:00pm Victoria Community Rosary
Dec 1/2	Birthingright Fudge being sold after all Masses
Dec 5	7:30pm Themba lethu Jenny Daniels' Memorial Christmas Concert with the Arbutus Singers
Dec 6	12:00 noon Angel Event - Delta Marriott Hotel
Dec 3-6	Advent Mission Sponsored by the Cathedral and Our Lady of the Rosary - see bulletin article
Dec 7	7:30pm As Prophets Foretold Advent Carols and Readings - St. Andrew's Cathedral
Dec 9	2:30pm Voices in Motion Concert - Songs of Light with St. Andrew's High School students - St. Aidan's United Church
Dec 13	7:00pm St. Joseph the Worker Reconciliation
Dec 16	12:30pm The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Mass followed by procession and banquet - Our Lady of Fatima Parish
Dec 19	7:00pm Advent Carol Service - St. Andrew's Regional High School Gym

This Week in our Community

Monday November 26

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

10:00am CWL Executive Meeting - Community Room

7:30pm K of C Executive Meeting - Church Hall

Tuesday November 27

9:30am Mass + Rich Startup

7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday November 28

9:30am School Mass + Albert Gibbs

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

Thursday November 29

9:30am Mass

7:00pm Manna Gathering - Community Room

Friday November 30 Feast St. Andrew, Apostle

9:30am Mass

Adoration from 10:00am to noon - Come and adore and listen - Church

7:00pm Rosary for Family and Friends - Church

Saturday December 1

5:00pm Mass + Trudy Card

6:00pm Birthingright Fudge being sold - Church Foyer

6:00pm Youth Group - School Gym

Sunday December 2 First Sunday Of Advent

8:45am Catechism Classes

10:00am Mass

11:15am Birthingright Fudge being sold - Church Foyer

11:15am Sunday Coffee

6:00pm Mass Special Int. John and Janet Cartesenga

7:00pm Birthingright Fudge being sold - Church Foyer

Looking for stocking stuffers or something sweet for the Holiday Table?

Birthingright will be selling home-made **FUDGE** after all weekend Masses at St. Joseph the Worker Parish on **December 1st/2nd.**

Schedule of Advent Penitential Services

December 6th	Holy Cross
December 11th	Sacred Heart
December 12th	St. Patricks
December 13	St. Joseph the Worker
December 18th	Our Lady of the Rosary
All services start at 7:00pm	

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Youth Group



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An Invitation to all Youth Grades 6 and up after Saturday Mass in the School Gym Games, Singing, Fun, Prayer as an Education in the Faith.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper
Custodian

Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator

Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Development and Peace

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

St. Joseph's School

Catholic Women's League(CWL)

Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent de Paul

Building and Maintenance Committee

Coffee/Hospitality Committee

Finance Committee Chair

Lector Schedule Coordinator

Lector Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday

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