



# St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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**Christ The King**

## State of the Nations

The Gospel for today says, "All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another..." The word 'people' in older translations was more correctly translated as 'them'. The Greek word there is *autous*, which means 'them'. It would seem to be a small matter as to which word is used but it has had a major impact on how we view this passage. The 'them' in this passage is referring back to the nations gathered before God, not to individual people.



Matthew wrote his gospel for the Jews and his main purpose was to show how Jesus was indeed the promised Messiah or King. The Jews never thought in terms of individual salvation but in terms of corporate or national salvation and Matthew is saying that all nations are under Christ's kingship, not just the nation of Israel.

*Nations* will be judged for how the powerless, the poor and the marginalized are treated by the prevailing systems that are in place and it's not hard to find nations where the wants of the elite are attended to while the marginalized are left to their suffering. What Jesus is saying is simple. Nations that tend to the least will flourish while nations that neglect the least will engender more and more fire within their own systemic violence. In those instances, the fire never ends and the violence never ceases. It's sheer hell that goes on forever.

Christ is the King who came to show what true kingship is like. In his kingdom the poor, the sick, the prisoners, and the refugees are his beloved people, extensions of himself and the recipients of his loving mercy. He administers an economy of grace and healing, not of wealth, power and might. He is a king who makes no sense to leaders who pander to the rich and powerful. To open borders to refugees or to designate valuable resources to people who have nothing and are helpless is totally unthinkable to them.

Lord, let your unthinkable kingdom come. Let your unthinkable will be done. Amen!

Jean Allen

## Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE DIOCESE

It is fitting that our Blog "Church of Many Faces" features Saanich Peninsula Parish, which is comprised of two churches, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (whose Memorial we celebrate today), and Our Lady of the Assumption. <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog/saanich-peninsula-parish-a-pilgrim-church>

**Mass With the Bishop Live Streamed** from the Diocese of Victoria website, go to: <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne>

- Sunday - 10:00 am
- Monday to Friday - 7:00 pm

**WOW!!! We have surpassed our goal during these challenging times! You have done it!!!**  
**Congratulations to all who have donated to**  
**2020 Horizon of Hope Diocesan Appeal**  
**Total pledged to date: \$60,968.42**  
**Number of gifts: 101**  
**% of Goal pledged: 112.90%**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** ½ hr before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with Fr. Alfredo. Please call parish office to arrange 250-479-7413.

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

**Sacrament of Baptism:** At this time Baptisms are being held privately. Please call parish office to arrange 250-479-7413.

**Catechism and Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion:** email [ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com](mailto: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 are admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your pastor or Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office. For **emergency calls only** call 250-889-3761 and ask for **Fr. Sean Flynn**.

### Into the Deep: De-Mystifying Palliative Care

Palliative care helps people with serious illness to live as well as they can for as long as they can. But most people feel that palliative care is only something that is offered once there is "nothing more to be done" for their disease and means that death is close at hand. This presentation will provide knowledge of what palliative care is, its benefits, and how it can be accessed. The session will be offered by the Archdiocese of Vancouver on **Friday, Nov. 27 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm via Zoom** Register online for free at <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/de-mythifying-palliative-care>

As you know, Pope Francis published his third Encyclical letter, *Fratelli Tutti (Brothers and Sisters All)* on Sunday, October 4, 2020. Drawing inspiration from St. Francis of Assisi, and written during the unexpected eruption of COVID-19, the Encyclical aims to promote a universal aspiration toward fraternity and social friendship as this global health emergency has demonstrated that "no one can face life in isolation". We are invited to truly "dream, then, as a single human family" in which we are "brothers and sisters all" (Par 8). If you would like to reserve a copy of the Pope's New Encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti', please call or email the parish office. Cost is \$20.

Revised 2020 Sanctioned Collections  
Nov 29/20 Catholic Missions in Canada  
<https://cmic.info/how-to-help/give/>

### Mass Schedule

at St. Joseph the Worker  
By pre-registration only  
up to 50 people per Mass  
We are accepting names on  
a waiting list

#### Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 7:00pm

Wednesday ~ 7:00pm

Friday ~ 9:00am

Friday ~ 7:00pm

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am

Sunday ~ 11:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Don't miss the latest  
edition of Fr. Alfie's Table,  
featuring  
the Bolognese Sauce.

[Bolognese Sauce](#)

## Newsworthy and Noteworthy

The parish office has received several inquiries about the Christmas Mass schedule. Planning is taking place to accommodate all parishioners and keep everyone safe. Thank you for your patience during these challenging times. More information to follow in next week's bulletin.

### To All Pre-registered Mass Attendees

Please arrive at Mass 10 minutes before start time, so that parishioners on the Extra Wait List have the opportunity to be invited in, when seats are available (less than 50). It is difficult to monitor the number of attendees when pre-registered parishioners arrive late.

### 2020 - 2021 Sunday Missals

**We still have missals available for the new liturgical year!**

Drop by the parish office during office hours

to pick one up.

Cost \$5.00

**GRATITUDE IN CHALLENGING TIMES** - The 9-10 Club soup kitchen sends our heartfelt thanks to the generous parishioners of the Diocese of Victoria: first to St. Andrew's Cathedral, who 37 years ago this month gave us a home; then to all the parishioners of Greater Victoria, who have helped in your own way. You have given us your time – as volunteers, your wisdom, your monetary support, and most recently your home baked goods for our pandemic takeout meals. We cannot overstate our gratitude to you!

Because of the pandemic, we can no longer invite our diners inside to eat and now provide a take-out service. We look forward to the day when we may welcome back into our home those who depend on us for sustenance. In the meantime, though **twice as costly**, with your continued financial support, our takeout service will carry on providing hearty meals until that joyous day!

If you are able to, please donate either online through Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org>

### Birthright Fudge

Birthright is taking Orders for their delicious Chocolate Fudge this November. A bit of sweet in this challenging year! The packets make great stocking stuffers or holiday gifts. Arrangements have been made for pre-paid orders to be delivered to the parish office for collection in December. **Parish office hours are Tuesday – Friday 8:30AM – 3:30 PM.** Please see the poster on our parish website at [www.sjtw.ca](http://www.sjtw.ca) for more details, or call Peggy at 250.478.5372. Your purchase supports the pro-life pregnancy support work of Birthright Victoria.

### Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal Ticket Sales

Due to COVID-19 the Charity Appeal Program for this year has moved to an on-line platform. Funds raised under this program are donated to a variety of K of C charitable causes at the provincial and local Victoria levels. **Please click on <https://kofcdraw.net/c13356>** to purchase your ticket on-line. You can also visit our parish website under the Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal page to purchase your ticket. Thank you for your support. Any questions, please contact Gary ([garys235@outlook.com](mailto:garys235@outlook.com))

## This Week in our Community

### Monday November 23

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

**Tuesday November 24 Memorial St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest And Companions, Martyrs**

No Mass

### Wednesday November 25

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Thursday November 26

No Mass

### Friday November 27

9:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

+ Francesco Rainaldi

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Saturday November 28

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

+ Ed Hogan

### Sunday November 29 First Sunday Of Advent

9:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

11:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

**St. Joseph the Worker Parish  
Has Gone Live-Streamed!**

**Saturday 6:00pm Mass will be live-streamed  
every week**

**[Please click here for the link to the  
live-streamed Mass on our website](#)**

### How To Donate On-Line

Online and remote options are available for those who can contribute:

**Canada Helps online donation platform:**

Click on the following link:

**<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/129950804R0024-st-josephs-parish/>**

(immediate electronic tax receipt issued by Canada Helps)

**E transfers:**

Go to your on-line banking site and follow the steps outlined by your bank. Direct funds to:

**[developmentoffice@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:developmentoffice@rcdvictoria.org)**

In the memo/description box include your name, address and name "St. Joseph the Worker Parish" as the parish you would like the funds donated to.

**Credit Cards:**

Click on attached form and complete:

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We are very grateful that you are part of our Catholic parish family. May God bless you and your families.

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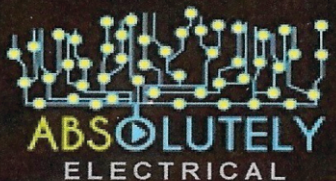
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