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ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH ACKNOWLEDGES AND RESPECTS THE LƏK'ƏNƏN (LAY-KWUNG-GEN) PEOPLES REPRESENTED BY THE SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT NATIONS, ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND AND WORSHIP, WHOSE HISTORICAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE LAND CONTINUE TO THIS DAY.

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Getting To the Heart of It

Jean Allen

Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. (First reading, Exodus.)

"As you go, proclaim the good news that the kingdom of heaven has come near." (Gospel, Matthew.)

Jesus sent out his disciples because he saw the crowds and had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. I think it is our default position to always believe we are the harassed and helpless sheep. It's true that sometimes we are harassed and helpless and we need to be shepherded with compassion but we should not lose sight of the fact that we are also a priestly kingdom and we have all been given the authority to be shepherds to one another and to the world at large.

Peter 2:9 says, *"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light."* These three bits of scripture I've quoted paint a different picture of us than a sad bunch of hapless sheep. We belong to a Royal Priesthood, full of dignity and gracious authority. Yes, we have ministerial priests who surely are good shepherds bringing us the sacraments, leadership and good council but the rest of us are priests as well, called to bless, to bring peace, compassion and healing...and to sing God's praises.

We are called to sing the praises of God, not because he's a God with an ego that constantly needs stroking but because the world is filled with toxic and false voices and when we praise God, we are sending out priestly voices of truth and hope. Conversely, whenever we talk about how bad things are and how things are getting worse, we have left our priestly vocations. If we say things are bad and getting worse, that doesn't say much about our hope and faith in God, does it?

We need to wake up to who we really are. We are not just lost sheep.

We are a Royal Priesthood.





The Week of June 19 to June 25 in our Community

Monday June 19

Parish Office Closed

6:30am Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

Tuesday June 20

6:00pm Mass + **Luisa Trejos**

Wednesday June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious, Memorial

6:30am Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. Olivia O'Brien**

6:00pm **St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - Community Room**

Thursday June 22

6:30am + **Mui Fong Kok** - Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

9:00am Mass

Friday June 23

6:30am Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

9:00am Mass + **Luisa Trejos**

Saturday June 24 The Nativity Of Saint John The Baptist
(Special Patron of French Canadians), Solemnity

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

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

5:00pm Mass **Special Int. "In Thanksgiving" for God's Love, Mercy
and Forgiveness"**

(Choir Michele and Steve)

Sunday June 25 Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass **(Choir Christian Rocks)**

6:00pm Mass + **Allan Sequeira**

(Choir Angela Faber)

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 ~ 6:30 am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Join Bishop Gary Gordon as he celebrates the Mass.

The regular livestream schedule is 7 pm on weeknights from Sacred Heart Church in Victoria and 9 am on Sundays.

Please note changes to the regular schedule can be found at:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/daily-masslivestreamed> and
<https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/about>.

Diocesan Job Posting

The Diocese of Victoria is now accepting applications for the position of **Chief Financial Officer**.

The CFO serves as the financial administrator of the Diocese and reports directly to the Bishop. This is an exceptional opportunity for an individual who wants to be part of the Diocese's senior management team and to oversee the stewardship of the organization's fiscal resources in support of the mission of the Diocese.

The job posting may be viewed at:
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>.

All applications must be received by **June 30, 2023**. We reserve the right to shorten or extend this deadline depending on interest, so please apply early to ensure your application will be considered.

HAPPY TRAILS TO JENNIFER (UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN)

The Three D's come to mind when we think of Jennifer.

DEVOTED, DEDICATED AND DILIGENT

Devoted;

As a deeply caring colleague, friend, and a long-time participant in this community, her love and care of the Lord's house, the gardens and our people is ever-present.

Dedicated;

She takes the minutes for the Parish Council, the Finance Committee, attends meetings after hours, advising and guiding our volunteers in every ministry, with her wisdom and humour. Her "Yes" means yes and her "No" means "let's find another way."

Diligent;

She sees ALL, She hears ALL and She knows ALL. She is meticulous in her oversight of all operations; financial, organizational, projects and development, using her intuition, knowledge and experience to see things through to success.

We wish you a wonderful, adventurous retirement. HAPPY TRAILS!

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.



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

Happy Father's Day!
Today we honour all the
Fathers in our lives.

Donation Options

CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION:
DONATE NOW - ST JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
(CANADAHELPS.ORG)

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FOLLOW STEPS OUTLINED ON YOUR ON-LINE BANKING SITE TO
EMAIL: SJTWPARISH@RCDVICTORIA.ORG

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.



Pilgrimage to Mexico

Pilgrimage to Mexico **Feb 23 to Mar 1, 2024**: 8 days, \$3,390.00 (inc. taxes & tips)
Fr. Dean Henderson, Pastor, Our Lady of the Rosary, Langford
For more information: 877-999-8868 Stan: ext. 339 or 647-463-9057,
stan@ihtours.com Liliana: ext. 324, liliana@ihtours.com

Diocesan Family Camp & Conference August 17-20, 2023



The Diocesan Family Camp & Conference camp will be held from **Aug 17-20 at Nanoose Bay Camp**, where you can choose to stay in a dorm, camp in a tent, or bring your camper. All types, ages, and sizes of families are invited to enjoy this weekend full of fellowship, faith and fun! For more information and to register, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/9th-diocesan-family-conference-august-2023-tickets-593430365197>

Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 and up are invited.
We are taking a break for the summer.
For more information, please contact
Ruth Real at:
SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com



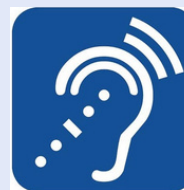
Catechism

Please visit the parish website for all the
Catechism News
www.stjosephtheworkerparish.com

Watch for bulletin announcements for
start up classes in the fall.

Children's Liturgy

We are taking a break for the summer.
Ready to sign up to help or want to
learn more?
Please email Kate at: kpettem@me.com
Thanks for considering!



Our "Assistive Listening" system has now been installed and several people have been shown how to use it. If you see a parishioner at Mass wearing headphones or earbuds, they are likely using this new system. **If, at any time, you would like to learn more about/use this new system, please contact the parish office.**

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Update from our Masithuthu Garden

Ngiyabonga Kakhulu! (Thank you everyone!)

Thank you to all those who contributed their quarters, loonies and twonies (and larger denominations) over the past 2 weeks. We have received almost \$80.00. **These funds will help us purchase an automatic irrigation timer** so that we can rest comfortably in our beds rather than visiting the Masithuthu Garden in the middle of the night every 2 or 3 days...

Final Potatoes Planted:

St. Joseph's PreSchool planted the final potatoes in the garden on Thursday - so now, all we must do is wait for the magic to happen and for the seeds to sprout. Sprouting will take place anywhere from 2-3 weeks. In the meantime, we will constantly care for the potato seeds, and ensure they are kept covered with soil and are living in a weed-free environment.



If you would like to spend an hour or two per week with us doing some weeding, we would certainly appreciate and enjoy the help and company.

For middle, high school or college/university students, providing you have volunteered at least 3 times with us, we will also provide an awesome letter of reference!

If you are curious about what we do, check us out at:

<https://sites.google.com/cisdv.bc.ca/sjvmasithuthugarden> or contact Jamie at sjvmasithuthugarden@gmail.com



During the month of **June**, all online donations on our **St. Vincent de Paul Vancouver Island** website at: ssvpvancouverisland.ca/donate are entered in the **Great Canadian Giving Challenge** contest to win \$20,000 via **Canada Helps**. Every dollar donated is an entry (\$100 = 100 entries), so the more donations we receive, the better the chances of us winning!

Important Note: It is **only** donations that are made online either through our website, or directly through **Canada Helps** in the name of **Saint Vincent de Paul of Vancouver Island** that are eligible.



Recently parishioners have received **emails from scammers** impersonating their priest, bishop, or key people in the parish.

No priest, nor parish or diocesan employee will ever ask you for a "favour" or to purchase gift cards! The scammers set up a fake email address under the impersonated person's name. The email appears to be coming from the real person, but upon further scrutiny, the scammer is using a different email account. Almost all of these emails are brief and ask for a favour to buy gift cards or send money.

All donations for legitimate parish and diocesan activities are through traditional, verifiable methods, and are made to the charitable organization, **not individuals**.

Diocese of Victoria employees and priests have an official @rcdvictoria.org email address and parish emails are well advertised and on their website. The Diocese also uses noreply@myparishcast.com for group email communication.

Before you give money to anyone or any organization, **stop** and talk to a trusted friend or relative to determine the authenticity, appropriateness, and validity of the request, or call the Diocesan Finance Office at 250-479-1331.

If you feel that you have been the victim of a financial scam, you are encouraged to make a report to the police.

Please see the BC government website for a list of common scams and some resources:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/seniors/financial-legal-matters/scams-and-fraud>



SAVE THE DATE
ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
PARISH POTLUCK DINNER
SATURDAY, JULY 1
6:00PM

From the Diocese



Diocese of Kamloops is Hiring

The Diocese of Kamloops is hiring for the positions of Financial Officer and Safe Environment and Human Resources Officer. **Applications for both positions close at 4 pm on June 29.** For more information, please visit: <https://www.rcdk.org/employment-opportunities>

2023 Clergy Appointments

Please click here [2023 Clergy Appointments](#) to read an important notice from Bishop Gary Gordon regarding 2023 Clergy Appointments. We are very excited to welcome three priests new to our Diocese: **Fr. Irek Bem, SDS**, **Fr. David John**, and **Fr. Joseph Thomas**.

Update on Synod 2021-2024

A post has been added to the Diocesan website with an update on Synod 2021-2024. It includes info about the recently released **"North American Final Document for the Continental Stage of the 2021-2024 Synod"**, as well as links to our diocesan, regional, and national reports that were created during the Diocesan Stage of the Synod. To read the post, please visit: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/synod-2021-2024-the-journey-continues>

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard will be hosting their first retreat on Vancouver Island from **August 25-27, 2023** at the **Bethlehem Centre in Nanaimo** (2371 Arbot Rd). This ministry is a safe place for people to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing.

For information please contact Nicola at: rachelsvineyardvancouverisland@gmail.com

Save the Date August 26, 2023

All are invited to a celebration on **August 26, 2023 at 3:00 pm at St. Mary's Church in Ladysmith** to mark the **100 year anniversary** of the arrival of the Sisters of Charity of Halifax in Ladysmith. Over the next five decades, 59 Sisters of Charity served in our Diocese. **For more information**, please call the parish organizers at 250-245-4928 or 250-245-4473.

Bursaries and Awards

Applications are now being accepted for bursaries and awards offered by the Diocese of Victoria to outstanding students and educators. The **deadline for applications is July 15th**. More information and application forms are available at the following links:

- **The Jawl Bundon LLP Bursary** (\$2500): for a grade 12 Catholic student who has been accepted to a post-secondary institution. Preference will be given to Indigenous students, and to students who live outside of Greater Victoria and Nanaimo.
- **The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary** (\$1000): for a lay woman who is accepted or enrolled in a program or course for ministry in the Church, such as religious education, social justice, liturgy, social action, care of the sick, etc.
- **The Char Deslippe Memorial Award** (\$500): for a teacher working in Island Catholic Schools or a parish catechist serving in children, youth or adult ministry.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper

Custodian

Responsible Ministry Coordinator

Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

Eucharistic Ministry Contact

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

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

Deacon Michael Watkins email: mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

Melissa Hogg/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

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

Ralph Scheurle

Ann Glas email: annglas@hotmail.com

Angela Grohovac

Call parish office (250) 479-7413

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

(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

Kate Pettem email: kpettem@me.com

Angela Grohovac email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Jenny Di Castri email: jdicastri@gmail.com

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

President: Gerry Heywood (250) 479-6281

Michael O'Rielly email: mfjeorielly@gmail.com

Stephanie Peters (250) 514-7853 email: stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com

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

looking for a coordinator

Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com

Bernadette D'Souza email: aberniedsouza@gmail.com

Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca

Esmee Rothschild email: rothjones@pacificcoast.net

Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Brian Fox (Chair), Mylinh Trinh, George Flint, Karen Wysiecki, Nancy Zacharias,

Gerry Heywood

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We need your help! A local family needs some furniture items. If you have any extra at home, kindly donate:

Pots and pans, sofa hid-a-bed, living room chair, a TV stand, end tables, and a coffee table.

Please reach out to Conference President Stephanie Peters - stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com or 250-514-7853.

**And of course, thank you
for your continued generosity!**

- Donate non-perishables to the food cart at the back of the church.
- Cash & cheques using BLUE ENVELOPES, inside donation envelope box.
- Through our SVDP website:
<https://www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca>



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Serving is a **WIN** for everyone involved.

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To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, call 1-800-968-3146

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Bishop, click here or call 1-866-892-3737

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Summer Series

KNOWING YOU, KNOWING GOD!

BELOVED WOMAN, JOIN US FOR A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY



Temperaments Workshop Monday, June 12th In-Person

- Discover your unique strengths and motivation styles that God gave YOU so they can be aimed towards your greatest fulfillment.



Unique Call to Sanctity Workshop Wednesday, June 14th On-Line (ZOOM)

- Gain clarity on their unique vocation and purpose
- Begin discerning practical ways that you can direct your yes and no toward activities and pursuits that align with God's grace already active in your life



The Redemption of Our Emotions Workshop Monday, June 19th In-Person

- Learn where emotions come from and how to make them subject to our reason and will.
- Discover how emotions can become fuel for pursuing goals and growing in virtue.



The Reason Cycle Workshop Wednesday, June 21st In-Person

- Ever feel stuck in discernment? By learning the meta-skill of cleaning your own mind through self-reflection, repentance, and meditative prayer, you will grow in clarity, grit, and resiliency.

These workshops are part of the curriculum of **Metanoia Catholic** <https://metanoiacatholic.com/> and possible for you to experience thanks to the partnership between **Lidia Moodie** (Religious Education Coordinator at Sacred Heart Church) and your facilitator, **Mayra Cordero** (Youth Discipleship Coordinator at Our Lady of the Rosary).



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WHAT TIME?

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The Bible In A Year



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)

THE NINE FREE PASTORAL CARE SESSIONS TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM FOR CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023 @ 2.5 HOURS EACH (9:30-NOON) EXCEPT FOR THANKSGIVING (OCTOBER 7) TO CONCLUDE NOVEMBER 25, 2023

Session 9
Spouse
Caregiving, and
Healthy Boundaries
& Self-Care
November 25

Session 1
Basics of
Pastoral Care
September 23

Session 2
The Healing
Ministry of Christ
September 30

Session 8
Who Am I as a
Pastoral Care
Outreach Visitor?
November 18

Session 3
Listening and
Communication
October 14

Session 7
Grief and
Bereavement:
Ministering to
Families
Nov 11

Session 4
Elderly Isolation,
Loneliness and the
Journey with
Dementia
October 21

Session 6
The Grieving
Process
November 4

Session 5
Palliative Care
and the Healing
Ministry for the
Dying
October 28

**For further
information,
please contact:
Moira King, Chair
Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee**

moiraking@shaw.ca

