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Epiphany Of The Lord

Called To Be Magi

The Magi have a message for us.

Before Jesus was even weeks old, God reached out to the Gentiles, the outsiders who were marginalized, sneered at and snubbed by the Jewish people. Why did God not immediately reach out to the Jewish leaders, the priests, the scribes and the good, faithful and upstanding followers of the Jewish religion?



Maybe it was because they thought they knew all the scripture and prophecies so well that they had basically closed up shop. They weren't hungry or open to more or open to anything different than what their heads were already crammed with. The only action left to them was to build defensive walls against the threat of anything, even an infant, that could possibly be an offense to a God they perceived as angry with them and capable of great violence. They had their walls of definitions and boxes of laws; a new light was not a possible option. They were looking and waiting for the old light, the shechinah light, the sign that God's presence had finally returned to rest within the Temple.

God will not forcibly breach walls of defense when those within think they already know what's what. He will simply flow around those walls and move to those who hunger for his epiphany of light in a cold, dark world. Like the Magi, we need to be able to recognize God's pinpoints of living light in the dark universe and be willing to strike out across a wilderness terrain. We need to be fully aware that the light can be a star, a child, a dream, a long arduous journey, a diligent search, an overwhelming joy or a flight back into the wilderness.

The light is rarely what we expect.

Jean Allen (Adapted from Manna Gathering)

Ministry Liturgical Schedule January 12th and 13th, 2019

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers	MC B. Newton	MC J. Grohovac	MC J. Westhaver
Coordinator-Jeanine Woodman	B. Woodman	A. Anderson, A. Araujo	J. Palahicky
Hospitality Ministers	U. Betts	J. DiCastri	B. McCloskey
Coordinator-Karen Douglas	J. Betts	M. Goley	K. McCloskey
Lectors	E. O'Donnell	M. King	C. Graham
Coordinator-Linda Chatton	P. O'Brien	L. Hawkes	G. Palahicky
Ushers ** recruit Presenters of Gifts	J. Aquino **, M. Sanders	R. Strong **, A. Vandekerkhove	tbd
	D. Stevens, M. White	J. Vukovic, G. Erickson	
Children's Liturgy	Seeds 10:00am Mass	Promise 10:00am Mass	Good News 10:00am Mass
Coordinator-Martin Poulin	tbd	tbd	Tom and Girls
Vacuumers Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	F. Fernandes J. Fernandes		
Music Ministry	Steve and Michelle	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing and A Prayer
Hospital Ministers		D. Kyfiuk	
Coordinator-Denise Kyfiuk		A. Kyfiuk	
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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.

From today's Gospel:Then Herod sent the magi to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." (Matthew 2:8)

Adults: When have you been jealous or fearful of another person? When are such feelings harmful?

Children: When have you been jealous because something good happened to another person instead of you? What is the problem with feeling that way?

New event coming to Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Langford! Join us for our first annual "Men's Supper" on Saturday, **January 26th**, 2019. Doors open at 6:00pm and dinner at 6:30pm. The evening will consist of dinner, drinks (Your favorite beer!). Guest Speakers Fr. Dean Henderson and Danny Brock, prizes! and car show! Call or email Tyson Babcock for tickets (\$20 each, dinner included) or more information, 250-818-1503 or tyson.babcock@gmail.com.

Coldest Night of the Year: Again this year, Our Place Society is reaching out to communities of faith to form teams and walk on the Coldest Night of the Year, **February 23rd**, **2019**. Teams can sign up at <u>www.cnoy.org/victoriapandora</u> and walk in support of the homeless community of Victoria. All money raised will go to programs at Our Place Society to reduce the impact of homelessness on vulnerable people in Victoria.

The Board of Directors of the CHABC is pleased to announce that in 2019 one bursary in the amount of \$500 will be granted to a graduating student who is enrolled in a Catholic secondary school, or is a member of a BC/Yukon parish and enrolled in a public secondary school, or is home-schooled. For application requirements, please visit https://www.chabc.bc.ca/blog/ or download <u>https://www.chabc.bc.ca/2019-chabc-</u> bursary-offered/. Please note the closing date for applications: **MARCH 22, 2019.**

St Andrew's Regional High School - Green Team recycling depot will be held on Wednesday, January 9th from 7:45 am to 9:30 am in an effort to recycle the waste that is created during the Christmas season. Recycling bins will be set up at the top of the hill, next to Sacred Heart Parish centre to accept, hard and soft plastics, milk cartons, metals, foil and foil lined wrappers, styrofoam, electronics, and paper. A \$5.00 minimum donation will be charged which goes towards keeping the school's recycling composting program running

Weekday Masses

Mass Schedule

Monday ~ No Mass Tuesday ~ 9:30am Wednesday ~ 9:30am Thursday ~ 9:30am Friday ~ 9:30am Saturday ~ 5:00pm Sunday ~ 10:00am Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Christmas Collection

Envelopes: \$4675.00 Loose: \$2780.55

> New Year's Collection

Envelopes: \$1485.00 Loose: \$480.40

For Rent

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

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

St. Joseph the Worker "An Encounter With" Mona Houle - Come and hear Mona talk on Wednesday, **January 16th** at 7:00pm - about her journey with Multiple Sclerosis: Strength through Weaknesses.

February, 9 Fun-filled, community building, family Valentine Dinner and Barn Dance held at St. Joseph School Gym. Doors open at 6:00 – 10:30. DJ, line dancing lessons on site and a kids' activities' area. Cash bar. Access to live and raffle auctions and 50/50. Licence #112462. Event and raffle tickets on sale at all masses in the coming weekends. \$20 each; children age 4 -12 (\$8.00); under 4 (free). No boots? No hat? No problem! All proceeds to benefit the SJTW Masithuthukisane (2015 – 2020) organic farming project to help feed the poor in South Africa and St. Joseph's School Parent Advisory Group (PAG) for student needs. For more information, contact the parish office 250.479.7413 or <u>sjtwoffice@shaw.ca</u>

Save the date for a Liturgy Matters Workshop on Saturday, February 23rd at Ascension Parish in Parksville and a Credible Christian Course starting January 23rd for 6 evenings at the Pastoral Center. More information and registration on the Diocesan Website. https://www.rcdvictoria.org/orgpalahicky@rcdvictoria.org

ST. NICHOLAS UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH hosts the popular annual UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT performed by the Luna Ensemble, Sunday, January 13 @ 4.00 pm, 1110 Caledonia Ave., admission by donation. Wheelchair assessible.

National Association of Catholic Nurses – Canada (NACN- Canada) was formed in 2018 to support Catholic Nurses and other health professionals who experience moral distress in practice related to changes in Canadian healthcare. We joined CICIAMS, an international group of Catholic nurses with a voice at the United Nations. Our goal is to align our professional practice with our faith through prayer, education, service and participation in public discourse. Request our m e m b e r s h i p a p p l i c a t i o n f o r m a t nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com and mail it with your annual fee to: NACN-Canada, PO Box 19525 Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto, ON M4W 3T9. More about us at nacncanada.weebly.com.

RETROUVAILLE VANCOUVER SPRING PROGRAM Repair your marriage, rediscover romance and gain the tools you need for healthy, loving communication! Retrouvaille is a Catholic peer ministry which offers a three-phase program for married couples with difficulties of all kinds. For information or to register for the weekend of April 5 - 7, 2019, call Marc and Candice at 604-530-6710 and leave a message or email us at v a n c o u v e r b c @ r e t r o u v a i l l e . o r g .

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Jan 12	Contemplative Community 10:00 - 11:00 am
Jan 12	11:30 am - Funeral Mass for Blair Cafferky
Jan 16	7:00 pm "An Encounter With" Mona Houle -
	St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Jan 18-25	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Jan 23	Credible Christian Course - Pastoral Centre
Jan 26	Contemplative Community 10:00 - 11:00 am
Feb 4-10	Island Catholic Schools Week
Feb 9	Valentine Dinner and Barn Dance - St. Joseph
	Elementary School Gym
Feb 11	World Day of the Sick

This Week in our Community

Monday January 7 Memorial St. Andre Bessette, Religious **Parish Office Closed Tuesday January 8** 9:30am Mass +Stella Bateman 7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - Church Wednesday January 9 9:30am Mass + Robert McIntyre 7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church Thursday January 10 9:30am Mass 7:00pm Manna Gathering Discussion Group - starts up again - Community Room Friday January 11 9:30am Mass +Bert Beitel Adoration from 10:00am to noon - Come and adore and listen - Church Saturday January 12 Memorial St. Marguerite **Bourgeoys**, Virgin 10:00am Contemplative Community - Community Room 11:30am Funeral of Blair Cafferky 5:00pm Mass +Barry Quaedvlieg 6:00pm Youth Group starts up again - School Gym Sunday January 13 Feast Baptism Of The Lord 8:45am Catechism Classes 10:00am Mass 11:15am Sunday Coffee - Community Room

Donating Your 'Treasure'

Just a reminder that St. Joseph the Worker offers the following options for your financial contributions to our parish:

- pre-numbered collection envelopes
- pre-authorized debit (automatically out of your bank account on a monthly basis)

• credit card (VISA and M/C) transactions (automatically billed to your credit card on a monthly basis)

For more information or to initiate any of these options please contact the parish office.

Pastoral Care Sessions Continued

(9:00 am - 3:00 pm) at St. Peter's Parish Saturday, **January 19**, 2019 Session 3: *The Grieving Process and Ministering to Families* Saturday, **February 23**, 2019, Session 4: *Who "Am I as a Pastoral Care Visitor?* Bring a bag lunch. To register, call the parish office 250-753-3570 or email <u>stpetersnanaimo@shaw.ca</u>

"Friendship the experience of an Encounter".



Youth Group Happy New Year

We're Back!

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor Fr. Alfredo Monacelli Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday Custodian Ralph Scheurle (250) 727-6010 **Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator** Ann Glas email: annglas@hotmail.com Altar Server Training/Coordinator Jeanine Woodman email: jwoodman326@gmail.com Baptism Kara Kirkpatrick email: <u>kara.kirkpatrick@rocketmail.com</u> **Contemplative Community** Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 email: <u>charlieballen@gmail.com</u> (2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10 am) Children's Liturgy of the Word Martin Poulin (250) 744-3288 email: kmpoulin@telus.net **Children's Religious Education** Reine Mykyte, Beth Geras and Lily Blair email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry Denise Kyfiuk email: <u>dakyf1@gmail.com</u> Sister Marina Smith SSA email: sandandseaandsky@gmail.com **Development and Peace Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)** Fred and Doreen Keizer (250) 380-0158 Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12 Claudia and Oscar Hinojosa email: cigr0112@gmail.com St. Joseph's School Pre School-Grade 7. Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info. Catholic Women's League(CWL) President: Barbara Strong (250) 881-8612 email: barbara.victoria127@gmail.com **Knights of Columbus** Gerry Poitras (250-) 812-7611 email: kofc13356@outlook.com St. Vincent de Paul Robert Strong (778) 350-0676 email: rstrong@telus.net (3rd Tuesday of month) **Building and Maintenance Committee** Ralph Scheurle (250) 727-6010 email: rbscheurle@shaw.ca **Coffee/Hospitality Committee** Barbara Strong (250) 881-8612 email: barbara.victoria127@gmail.com **Finance Committee Chair** Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com Lector Schedule Coordinator Linda Chatton email: lindachatton@hotmail.com Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca **Lector Training Coordinator** Liturgy Committee Shannon Hryhoryshen (778) 433-4365 Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca Social and Ecological Justice Committee Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com **Parish Pastoral Council** Mylinh Trinh, Claudia Garcia, Brian Fox, Carmelle Whiteley, George Flint, Ian Mykyte

