

# St. Joseph the Worker Parish 753 Burnside Road West

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# Fifth Sunday of Lent

From the Pastor's Desk

The Judgement Trap

We often wonder what exactly it was that Jesus wrote on the ground that caused those with stones in hand to leave the scene of judgement one by one. Why don't we get to know that? Because it's none of our business. Whatever he wrote was only for the individuals that were there and if we knew what Jesus wrote, we would



immediately feel a certain smug satisfaction that those hypocrites were caught in their own sins. We would then be on our own self-constructed judgement seat, and no better than the scribes and Pharisees.

Judgement not only condemns the one being judged; it condemns the one doing the judging. Those scribes and Pharisees left the scene in shame, not in healing or freedom. They called on the Law to back them up so they trapped themselves in the cold judgement of that Law. If they had stayed there, put down their stones and stood in their own vulnerability and guilt the way they made the woman do so, Jesus would have done the same for them as he did for the woman: release them from the imprisonment of judgement. As it was, only the woman experienced freedom from captivity. She was 'like those who dream. Then her mouth was filled with laughter and her tongue with shouts of joy'. (Today's psalm)

Do you want to have your mouth filled with laughter and shouts of joy? Stop judging.

Jean Allen

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Lenten Mission in the Year of Mercy

Beginning with Mass at 6:30pm on Monday and Tuesday

Monday, March 14th at 7:00pm - "Seeking and Finding Mercy in Everyday Life Events through the Gospel" with Phil Jennings

Tuesday, March 15th at 7:00pm - "God's Mercy through the Firmament" with John Blakeslee, Astronomer

Wednesday, March 16th - Parish Reconciliation Service at 7:00pm

Ministry Liturgical ScheduleMarch 19th & 20th, 2016			
	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Pam Corpus	MC J. Palahicky (T) A. Lebedynsky-Fraser	MC C. McCreesh H. Rempel	MC E. Pryma N. Pryma
Hospitality Ministers Coordinator-Karen Douglas	P. Stevens R. Stevens	R. Garman J. Parks	K. Pitac and Family
Lectors Coordinator-Linda Chatton	S. Palahicky L. Chatton	J. Di Castri S. Di Castri	J. Zwicker S. Fitzmaurice
Ushers Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau		J. Ross, G. Rossato R. Strong, S. Leckie	tbd
Presenters of the Gifts Coordinator-Ursule Betts	M. Trudeau K. Kopeck	Sisters of St. Ann	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	Seeds 10:00 Mass C. Whitely	Promise 10:00am Mass tbd	Good News 10:00am Mass tbd
Vacuumers Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	S. Nolan E. Oliveira		
Hospital Ministers Coordinator-Claude Mury		M. Watkins V. Gustafson	Mass Schedule
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 Saturday, April 16th, 2016. Next Baptisms will take place on Easter Sunday, March 27th. 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.			Weekday Masses Monday ~No Mass Tuesday ~9:30am Wednesday ~ 9:30am Thursday ~ 9:30am Friday ~9:30am Saturday ~ 5:00pm Sunday ~ 10:00am & 6:00pm
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: Jesus straightened up and said, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." (John 8:7)			Stations of the Cross Schedule for Lent Fridays at 7:00pm Mar 18 Choirs
Question for Adults: Have you ever been too willing to "cast the first stone" when you disapproved of someone's behavior? How can you resist these feelings? Question for Children: When have you criticized or made fun of someone? What could help you act differently? Share Lent Pilgrimage - Today is Solidarity Sunday! Thank you for your generosity Every gift goes far to help our sisters and brothers around the world. We end our Share Len pilgrimage with the words of our Holy Father Pope Francis in this Jubilee Year of Mercy "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Thank you for helping to create a hopeful future!			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.
Refugee Sponsorship Retreat - When: Saturday March 19th from 9:00am - 2:00 pm. Who: anyone who wants to pray for refugees coming to Canada. Where: St. Joseph's friary 1076 Joan Crescent. Lunch - pot luck style; bring walking gear. We will begin with Mass. Cost: donation to sponsor refugees. Contact: friardan47@gmail.com April 2nd - 3rd, 2016 Vocations Road Trip Port Alberni - Are you a young adult with a desire to make a compassionate difference in the world? Are you eager to live your life to its fullest? Consider coming on a Vocations Road Trip which will include great fellowship, prayer, visits with committed priests, religious, and lay faithful as witnesses to Christ's call to vocational holiness. For more info contact Fr. Dean Henderson <u>catholic@uvic.ca</u> Vocation Live-In April 8th - 10th - for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life, at the Seminary of Christ the King, Mission, BC. For more info call 604- 826-8715. Bishop's Gala - April 30th, 2016 at Our Lady of Fatima Church Hall 4635 Elk Lake Drive, Doors open at 6:00pm. In support of West Coast Missions; Silent and Live Auctions Entertainment by Maureen Washington. Tickets \$100 each available at www.bishopsgala.eventbrite.ca or by phone: 250-479-1331.			

## Newsworthy and Noteworthy



Friday, April 1st at 7:00pm: 'Rocking Good Fun-Raiser' Dinner and Dance at St. Joe's Parish Hall to raise money for our Masithuthukisane Project, as well as for St. Joseph's Parish!! Dinner by our very own 'Chef Alfredo' with 60's/70's live music to

follow. 150 tickets available @ a cost of \$25.00 per person with kids under 6 free. Tickets are on sale after each Mass and run through to April 1st or when all 150 tickets are sold!!



Friday, April 8th at 7:00pm: Singersongwriter Michael Mitchell's 'Canada Is For Kids' Show – a family concert to benefit the Masithuthukisane organic farming project to help feed the poor in Mariannhill, South Africa, and St. Joseph's School Parent Auxiliary Group, directly supporting students with library books, athletic equipment, recreation programs, field trips

and more. This concert celebrates Canada through songs and stories, and will feature a guest appearance by St. Joseph's Grade 3 student singers. It is a family-friendly concert for all ages! Location: The new Oak Bay High School's Dave Dunnett Theatre. No reserved seating. Prices: Adults - \$20.00, Youth (18 and under) \$10.00. Please purchase tickets after weekend Masses, and at both parish and school offices or go online to www.sjtw.ca homepage and click on Michael Mitchell's "Canada Is For Kids" show tickets link. "Michael Mitchell is on a one-man mission to instill patriotism in Canadian children." - Times Colonist (Victoria)."You can't come away from a [Michael Mitchell] show without a patriotic flush and the tune to 'Farewell Nova Scotia' stuck in your tonsils - not a bad condition in these times." - Ottawa Citizen. Contact the parish office: 250.479-7413 or sitwoffice@shaw.ca

Chrism Mass- On Thursday, March 17th at 7:00 pm -Bishop Gary Gordon will be the principal celebrant at a Mass that is celebrated annually at the Cathedral. At this liturgy, we gather around the Bishop for the blessing and consecration of the oils that will be used in all our parishes in the coming year. All are invited to attend!

#### Up Coming Events & Start Dates

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Mar 14	7:00pm Parish Mission - Speaker Phil Jennings
Mar 15	7:00pm Parish Mission - Speaker John Blakeslee
Mar 16	7:00pm Parish Reconciliation
Mar 21	6:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
Mar 24	7:00pm Holy Thursday
Mar 25	3:00pm Good Friday
Mar 26	9:00pm Holy Saturday Vigil
Mar 27	Easter Sunday
	6:00am Mass
	10:am Mass
	12:00 Noon Mass
Apr 1	7:00pm -Dinner & Dance Fundraiser for
	Masithuthukisane Project and St. Joseph's Parish
Apr 8	7:00pm Canada Is for Kids Concert - Oak Bay High
Apr 9	9:00am DHCC Pastoral Care Outreach Training
	Session 3 - St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Apr 12	7:00pm Social Eco Justice Committee Meeting
Apr 14	6:30pm Parish Council Meeting
Apr 16	9:30am Family Retreat Year II Sacramental Prep
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# This Week in our Community

Monda<u>y March 14</u> Parish Office Closed No Mass 1:00pm CWL General Meeting - Community Room 7:00pm Parish Mission - Speaker Phil Jennings - Church Tuesday March 15 9:30am Mass 7:00pm Parish Mission - Speaker John Blakeslee - Church <u>Wednesday March 16</u> 9:30am Mass 12:00 noon Senior's Lunch Bunch - Church Hall 2:00pm The Divine Will Study Group - Prayer Room 7:00pm Centering Prayer Workshop - Rectory 7:00pm Parish Reconciliation - Church 7:00pm RCIA - Community Room Thursday March 17 9:30am Mass 7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - check your email 7:00pm The Theme of Mercy in Scripture - Holy Cross Friday March 18 9:30am Mass 10:00am Adoration followed by Benediction - Come and adore and listen 7:00pm Stations of the Cross - Choirs Saturday March 19 Solemnity Saint Joseph, Husband of The Blessed Virgin Mary Patron of the Universal Church, Principal Patron of Canada 10:00am Centering Prayer Workshop - Rectory 5:00pm Mass + Gordon and Mary Nottingham 6:00pm Jesus Youth Ministry Sunday March 20 Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord 10:00am Mass No Catechism 11:15am Sunday Coffee 6:00pm Mass + Mary Zwicker

> Save The Date on your Calendars Diocesan Family Conference August 12th - 14th, 2016

The keynote speaker will be Fr. Clair Watrin. Mark your calendars for an unforgettable weekend at the beautiful ocean side of Nanoose Bay. For more information contact Reine and Ian Mykyte at <u>reine and ian@hotmail.com</u>, or call 250-884-7100.



## Contacts in the Parish

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli Pastor Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday Administrative Assistant/Secretary Ralph Scheurle (250) 727-6010 Custodian Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator Mike O'Rielly (250) 477-8950 Altar Server Training/Coordinator Pam Corpus email: pamcorpus@gmail.com Kara Kirkpatrick email: kara.kirkpatrick@rocketmail.com Baptism Could You Ever Come Back Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 to the Catholic Church? **Centering Prayer** Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 (1st & 3rd Saturdays and 2nd & 4th Wednesdays) Children's Liturgy of the Word Martin Poulin (250) 744-3288 email: kmpoulin@telus.net Children's Religious Education Jeanine Woodman 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 George Philip and Reeja Paul (250) 208-7974 Jesus Youth - Grades 8 to 12 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 St. Vincent de Paul Robert Strong (250) 590-6352 email: rstrong@telus.net - 3rd Monday of month Rick Wysiecki (250) 478-7955 Building and Maintenance Committee Coffee/Hospitality Committee Barbara Strong (250) 590-6352 email: barbara127@hotmail.com **Finance Committee** Mike Fox (250) 391-0160 Lector Schedule Coordinator Linda Chatton email: lindachatton@hotmail.com Lector Training Coordinator Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca Liturgy Committee Shannon Hryhoryshen (778) 433-4365 Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca Social and Ecological Justice Committee Lorraine Parsons (250) 472-6499 Parish Pastoral Council Wendy Payne (Chair), Cecilia Saunders, Jeanine Woodman, Ted Corpus, Robert Grant, George Philip, Joanne DiCastri, Sister Marina Smith SSA, Benedict Chow

