

# St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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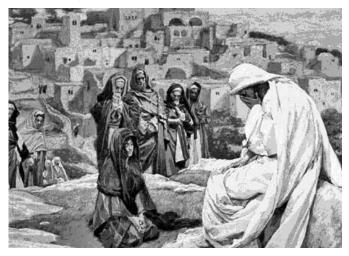
April 1st and 2nd, 2017

## Fifth Sunday Of Lent

## Friendship and Faith

Today's Gospel is heartbreaking. Jesus arrives at the home of Lazarus where Mary, Martha and all their friends are grieving for Lazarus but Jesus is not welcomed into their circle to share their grief; instead, he is rebuked. If he had come sooner, he is told, Lazarus would not have died. It's all his fault. Mary and Martha do express a level of faith about his Lordship but it is faith that is dependent on an outcome they find acceptable.

Jesus arrived knowing that he would raise Lazarus back to life, so his disturbed spirit and his weeping were not products of the kind of grief Mary and Martha were experiencing. Perhaps his grief was in knowing that he had not been welcomed as a close friend but was treated as someone who had failed to be the kind of Lord they thought he should be. There he was on his



way to his own agony and death in Jerusalem and his good friends, for whom he would soon be crucified, were holding back from simply being grateful for his loving presence. His loneliness must have been acute.

How often do we rebuke God for situations and outcomes that seem devastating to us? How often is our faith based on our own perceptions of what is acceptable and how things should be? "If you really love me, why are you making me deal with this situation or this result? I trusted you. I believed in you. Why didn't you act sooner? Why did you let this happen?" Then we hold him at arm's length. We expect him to be Lord but we won't allow him to be our friend who shares our grief and deeply understands our fear and loneliness.

As we journey these last days with Jesus towards the Cross, may we all open ourselves to the one who is not only the Lord of Resurrected Life but is also the friend of the desolate, the one who humbly forgives our rebukes and short-sighted perceptions – and brings forth new life where it is not expected.

Jean Allen (Adapted from Manna Gathering)

> St. Joseph's Catholic School and St. Joseph the Worker Parish 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday, **April 23rd**, 2017 Olympic View Golf Club.

Registration at 3:15pm/Shotgun at approximately 4:00pm

This fundraiser benefits students with items such as library books, recreational programs and athletic equipment. It also supports St. Joseph the Worker Parish Masithuthukisane Organic Farming Project to feed a community in need in South Africa.

For more info contact Carlo Silverio: sjs1golf@gmail.com

### Ministry Liturgical Schedule April 8th and 9th, 2017

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers	MC T. Lanuza	MC R. Hudson	MC E. Pryma
Coordinator-Pam Corpus	A. Lebedynsky-Fraser	A. Hudson, C. Mykyte	N. Pryma, J. Westhaver
<b>Hospitality Ministers</b>	C. Hunt	P. Ross	M. Hardy
Coordinator-Karen Douglas	M. Wood	J. Ross	
<b>Lectors</b> Coordinator-Linda Chatton	W. Kyle L. Chatton Narrator: B. Bella Speaker: M. Kelland	M. Gwyn Narrator: P. O'Brien R. Mykyte Speaker: I Mykyte	B. Douglas K. Douglas Narrator: S. Fitzmaurice Speaker: S. Hryhoryshe
Ushers	M. Trudeau, K. Kopeck	B. Quinn, J. Ross	tbd
Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau		R. Strong, G. Erickson	
Presenters of the Gifts	J. Green	D. Kowbel	tbd
Coordinator-Ursule Betts	M. White	N. Kowbel	
Children's Liturgy	Seeds 10:00 Mass	Promise 10:00am Mass	Good News 10:00am Mass
Coordinator-Martin Poulin	M. Poulin	T. Evans	T. Aerts and Family
Vacuumers	R. Scheurle		
Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle			
Music Ministry	Steve and Michelle	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing & A Prayer
Hospital Ministers		S. DiCastri	Mass Cabadala
Coordinator-Denise Kyfiuk		J. DiCastri	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 tbd. Next Baptisms will take place on Easter Sunday 12:00 **noon Mass.** 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.

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 said to Martha, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25-26)

**Question for Adults:** How does belief in the final resurrection from the dead affect your family's daily life?

**Question for Children:** What do you hope for after your life on earth is ended?

Solidarity Sunday - Did you know that in 1992, Rigoberta Menchu, a friend of Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, received the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of her work defending the rights of Indigenous peoples? To learn more about this inspiring woman, visit devp.org/insp-women#rigoberta

Save The Date - Women's Breakfast on Saturday, May 6th at the Horseshoe Club, Time: 8:00am Cost: \$12. Guest Speaker: Bernadette MacIsaac, Topic: "To Find God In All Things - A Prayer Journey". To register: click on the following link. http://bit.do/Womens-

Victoria March for Life & Pro-Life Dinner - Join thousands from throughout BC on Thursday, May 11th, for the 10th Annual Victoria March for Life: Canada is 150 Years Old and Human Rights Still Matter. The event starts with 12 pm Masses at St. Patrick's Church and St. Andrew's Cathedral, followed by the March at 1:45pm from Centennial Square to the BC Legislature for the Rally for Life which starts at 2:15pm. The day ends with the Pro-Life Dinner at St. Leopold's Church. Doors open at 5:30pm; tickets are \$25: www.ncln.ca/events/victoriadinner; 1-877-618-4275 ext 3; anastasia.pearse@ncln.ca

**Reboot!** Live! is the fun, inspiring and practical experience for all (ages 12 and up), of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! It's time to start living the Life you were made for. Join us on Wednesday, May 17th, at St. Patrick's Church. Tickets \$26. For more information or to purchase your ticket www.reallifecatholic.com/REBOOT or call 250-592-7391.

#### Mass 7cusaais

**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

Stations of the Cross Schedule for Lent Fridays at 7:00pm

April 7 - K of C



#### Save The Date

Victoria Diocesan Youth Conference 2017

#### More Than A Feeling

May 26 - 28, 2017 Victoria BC

#### Register Now!

Open to all Youth Grades 8-12 @VICDYC FACEBOOK.COM/VICDYC TEAMDYC@GMAIL.COM

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5th Annual Diocesan Family Conference on the shores of beautiful

Nanoose Bay. August 24-27th

reine and ian@hotmail.com for more info

## **Newsworthy and Noteworthy**

We welcome donations for Easter flowers. If you would like to contribute to our Easter flowers and remember a loved one, please pick up an envelope at the back of the church. Make sure you put your envelope number or name on it!

**40 Cans For Lent Food Drive** continues throughout Lent. PARISH GOAL "A Ton of Food". The Knights and St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will collect, sort and deliver donations directly to the St. Vincent de Paul food bank. Monetary donations will be accepted and groceries bought with them.

**Missing Envelopes St. Vincent de Paul** - Please be advised April 2017 St. Vincent "blue" collection envelopes were inadvertently left out. **REPLACEMENT ENVELOPES** are available beside **OFFICE** window and in church **FOYER** beside ministry mail boxes. In addition volunteers will pass out envelopes after Mass April 23rd for April 30th collection.

**Chrism Mass** - Bishop Gary Gordon will be the principal celebrant at a Mass on Thursday, **April 6th** at 7:00pm that is celebrated annually. All are invited to attend. A collection will be taken during Mass and a reception will follow.

Mystics: in the Catholic Tradition - Presenter Les McKeown at Holy Cross Parish from 7:00pm to 9:00pm on Tuesdays, April 18, 25, May 2, 9 and 16. To register contact office@holycrossvictoria.org

Save the Date! GREAT Big Little Garage Sale Saturday, May 13th sponsored by CWL, at St. Joseph the Worker Church Hall from 10:00am to 1:30pm. CWL will sign you up for an 8 foot table and 2 chairs for \$25 CASH before and after all Masses, starting April 1st or until all tables are sold. Buy a table and turn your surplus items in \$\$\$. Hurry as tables are limited.

**Rev. Michael Tran**, a Seminarian at St. Peter's Seminary, has petitioned to be ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Victoria. Bishop Gary Gordon, has agreed to ordain him on, Saturday, **June 10th**, 2017, Please continue to pray for Michael as he prepares for his Ordination.

The Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation is offering 30 bursaries valued at \$500 each to post-secondary Catholic students. Students must be enrolling in the second or subsequent year of higher learning in BC. The deadline for applications is June 30th. General information and Terms of Reference are available from Gary Skabeikis gskabeikis@shaw.ca

#### Up Coming Events & Start Dates

- Apr 6 7:00pm Chrism Mass St. Andrew's Cathedral
- Apr 13 7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass
- Apr 14 3:00pm Good Friday Service
- Apr 15 8:00pm Holy Saturday Vigil Mass
- Apr 16 Easter Sunday Masses:
  - 6:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 noon
- Apr 18 7:00pm Mystics: in the Catholic Tradition Holy Cross Parish
- Apr 22 9:30am Mass Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel
- Apr 22 9:00am Sacramental Prep Year 2 Family Retreat
- Apr 23 St. Joseph's Catholic School and St. Joseph the Worker Parish Golf Tournament - Olympic View
- Apr 29 9:00am Pastoral Care Outreach Session 3: The Grieving Process and Ministering to Families - St. Joseph the Worker Parish
- May 1 7:00pm Mass Feast of St. Joseph
- May 6 6:00pm Bishop's Gala Lady of Fatima Parish Hall
- May 7 2:00pm Sacramental Prep Year 2 Confirmation
- May 13 10:00am CWL BIG Little Garage Sale

## This Week in our Community

#### Monday April 3

**Parish Office Closed** 

#### **No Mass**

2:00pm Divine Will Prayer Meeting - Prayer Room

#### **Tuesday April 4**

9:30am Mass + The Dadachanji Family

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

#### Wednesday April 5

9:30am Mass + Sarah Beckett

7:00pm Liturgy Committee Meeting - Rectory Mtg Room 7:00pm RCIA - Community Room

#### Thursday April 6

9:30am Mass + The Abella Family

7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - check your email

#### Friday April 7

9:30am Mass Special Int. Jolene Sequeira

10:00am Adoration followed by Benediction - Come and adore and listen - Church

7:00pm Stations of the Cross - K of C

#### **Saturday April 8**

5:00pm Mass + Neil Remillard

6:00pm Youth Ministry - School Gym

## <u>Sunday April 9 Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord</u>

10:00am Mass

11:15am Sunday Coffee

Catechism/Sacramental Prep Classes

6:00pm Mass Special Int. Jenny Sequeira

#### **Lenten Community Prayer**

Journey to Holy Week

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES/REFLECTIONS/MOMENT OF SILENCE Tuesday **April 4th** 7-8:00pm Friary Chapel

Everyone Welcome! Contact Carl 778-440-0331

#### **Diocesan Pastoral Care Outreach**

**DO YOU CARE** for family members, visit the sick to those who are in the hospital, extended care residences, or who are homebound? **DO YOU WANT** to understand more about pastoral care outreach, caregiving, your own ministry, or your own faith? A series of **PASTORAL CARE OUTREACH** sessions are offered to provide you with some practical insights into these areas. It's also an opportunity for professional development. These workshops are available for everyone!

Saturday, April 29: St. Joseph the Worker Parish Pastoral Care Outreach Session 3: The Grieving Process and Ministering to

Families, 9am— 3pm. Please bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea will be provided. Contact St. Joseph's Parish office to register: (250) 479-7413 or email: sitwoffice@shaw.ca

Session 4 - (May 20) at St. Joseph the Worker Parish - more details to follow.

**The Bishop's Gala** will take place on Saturday, **May 6**, **2017**, at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall in Victoria. Doors open at 6 PM with a champagne reception, followed by a sitdown dinner. There will be Silent and Live Auctions, and an abundance of fun and fellowship!

Tickets are \$100 per person; tables of 8 and 10 are available. Tax receipts will be issued in the amount of \$25 per person. Tickets are **NOW ON SALE** and available through:

EventBrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-bishops-gala-tickets-32330852450 or by phoning the Pastoral Centre at (250) 479-1331.

#### Contacts in the Parish

**Pastor** 

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper Custodian

**Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator** Altar Server Training/Coordinator

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**Contemplative Community** Children's Liturgy of the Word **Children's Religious Education** 

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Jesus Youth - Grades 8 to 12

St. Joseph's School

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**Lector Schedule Coordinator** 

**Lector Training Coordinator** 

**Liturgy Committee** 

Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project **Social and Ecological Justice Committee** 

**Parish Pastoral Council** 

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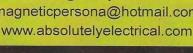
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