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Fifth Sunday Of Lent

Reflecting on You

If some people came up to me today and said, "We wish to see Jesus," it would not be difficult for me to point them in the right direction. I would show them...you.

Yes, you.

Jesus spoke of followers who hate their lives and find life. 'Sna' is the Aramaic word for hate and of all its meanings, the one that fits best with what Jesus is saying is, "setting to one's side" and I can list endless ways you have set aside your life and have fallen to the ground and died in order to follow Jesus.

Few people see the holiness of what they do and go through on a daily basis. Perhaps it's a misconception of what holiness means. Holiness means, "Set aside for God – consecrated to God." (Sna'd for God?) Holiness, as it pertains to us, doesn't mean perfect. Think of a chipped and blemished clay cup. If a priest takes that cup, blesses it and sets it aside to hold the blood of Christ at the Eucharist, that cup becomes holy – intended for a special purpose. It is its special purpose that makes it holy, not its state of perfection. Most people's lives don't reflect the romantic idea of a holy life, a term that brings to mind saints praying and contemplating in lonely cells. Yes, Religious give up much to answer the call to their vocation - but so do you.

A mother working through a round of sickness in her children while being sick herself. A busy student refusing to miss Mass and offering time to volunteer in spite of deadlines and looming exams. A family supporter who has worked at a job for years and would love to retire but still needs to bring in money. A retiree working for the church or volunteering to help those less able. These are all grains of wheat falling to the ground and dying. These are people setting aside their own comforts and desires in order to serve.

I have seen Jesus. You are true grains of wheat and God is so grateful.

Jean Allen



Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

What's Happening Around The Diocese

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

Pastoral Ministry Appointment – Church of the Ascension

As we continue to remember Fr. Michael Favero, Pastor of the Church of the Ascension, in our prayers as he undergoes treatment for multiple myeloma, we remain mindful of the pastoral needs of the People of God. Given that Fr. Favero has been away from the parish for cancer treatments for several weeks, Bishop Gary has, in consultation with the Priest Personnel Committee, made the following pastoral ministry appointment: **Effective March 15, 2021: Fr. Thomas Chinnappa**, on loan from the Diocese of Mysore in India, **appointed Administrator – Pro Tem** of the Church of the Ascension in Parksville.

Diocesan Pastoral Training Outreach training will be offered through nine online Sessions:

The Pastoral Care Outreach Training series **will be launched via Zoom** starting **April 17, 2021** and will be offered over **nine consecutive Saturdays** (9:30 to noon) concluding on **June 12th**. Participants will require a phone number and an email address and they should register through their local parish. Participants will require a computer, smartphone, or tablet with a strong internet connection, with access to speakers, a microphone and a camera. If you are fluent with the Zoom platform, using visuals, breakout rooms and can troubleshoot minor issues we need your volunteer support with one or more of the new nine Diocesan Pastoral Care sessions. For inquiries or to volunteer to assist with one or more sessions, please contact: moiraking@shaw.ca

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment only. 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

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**.

40 Days for Life Vigil

Throughout Lent, we are once again congregating in small numbers (2-5), while keeping our distance as prescribed.

Location: Hospital Way, across from the parking lot at the main entrance of Victoria General Hospital. We pray peacefully for the lives of the unborn child and his/her mother who may be contemplating abortion. Please join us in prayer and witness for the most vulnerable member of society. Log on to: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/Victoria> and sign up for a time which is most convenient for you or call Glenda at: 250-661-2613.

Year Amoris Laetitia Family

On March 19, 2021 the Church will celebrate five years since the publication of the apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*. On the same day, Pope Francis will launch the Year “**Amoris Laetitia Family**”, which will conclude on June 26, 2022.

The Year “Amoris Laetitia Family” is an initiative of **Pope Francis**, which aims to reach every family around the world through several spiritual, pastoral and cultural proposals that can be implemented within Parishes, Dioceses, universities, ecclesial movements and family associations.

The goal is to offer the church an opportunity for reflection and an in-depth appreciation of the apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, in order to concretely experience its richness.

The pandemic experience has highlighted the central role of the family as the domestic Church and the importance of community ties between families. Such ties make the Church an authentic “**family of families**” (AL 87). The family deserves a year of celebrations, so that it can be placed at the centre of commitment and care from every pastoral and ecclesial reality.



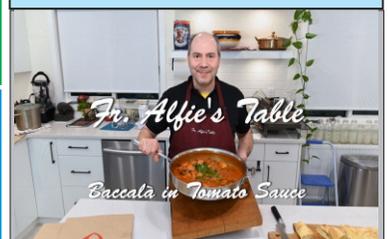
Stations of the Cross

Through ZOOM
12 pm (noon) every Friday
from February 19th,
until March 26th, 2021

To join the Stations of the Cross through Zoom, please click:

<https://zoom.us/j/94810539177>

The Meeting ID is:
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Still in the season of Lent, Fr. Alfie's shares his recipe for salted cod, or Baccalà, in tomato sauce in this episode of Fr. Alfie's Table.

<https://youtu.be/YNon9JqcL74>

Newsorthy and Noteworthy

The parish office remains open during regular hours of operation (with the exception of stat holidays). Masks are required before entering the premises. The church will remain open for private prayer during regular office hours, with existing COVID-19 safeguards in place.

2021 Collection Envelopes and **2020 Tax Receipts** are available for pick up (in the Community Room), across from the office window. You can pick up anytime during parish office hours.



COME VISIT THE
CHURCH LIBRARY

St. Joseph's has a huge library that is available to all parishioners. As long as the building is open, the library is open!

Come and visit the selection.

Office Hours are 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Tuesday through Friday

Easter Flower Envelopes are available in the Community Room. If you would like to contribute and remember a loved one, please pick one up, fill out who it is "In Memory of" and drop in collection basket. Don't forget your name, address and envelope number. You can also contribute online by e-transfer or Canada Helps. See "How to Donate On-Line" on this page.

Catholic Health Association of BC CHABC's \$500 Bursary for Graduating Students

This year, the Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC) will award a bursary valued at \$500 to a graduating student who is enrolled in a Catholic secondary school, a member of a BC or Yukon parish and enrolled in a public secondary school, or who is home-schooled. Students are asked to submit a 500 word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of Spirituality in Health Care. Please ensure that you read the essay guidelines as many past applicants have missed this nuance and failed to capture the true meaning of spiritual care. **Submissions must be received on or before April 2, 2021.** For essay and submission guidelines, please visit: <https://www.chabc.bc.ca/bursary/>.

MISSION POSSIBLE:

THE KNIGHTS GREAT FOOD DRIVE-BY STARTS THIS WEEKEND

WHERE: St. Joseph the Worker Parish Church Parking Lot

WHEN: Saturday, March 20th & Sunday March 21st

Saturday, March 27th & Sunday March 28th

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

In appreciation K of C will give you a pancake breakfast voucher for their 1st planned breakfast once restrictions are lifted. Will be announced in bulletin.

Monetary donations & cheques accepted. (Make cheques payable to St. Joseph's Conference of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul). For receipt, supply name and address. Shut-in or can't make it? Call Gerry Poitras at (250) 812-7611 to arrange pick up of donation.

Questions? Call Robert Strong (Co-ordinator)
(250) 881-8612 or (778) 350-0676

Upcoming Dates for Sanctioned Collections

Development & Peace (Share Lent) March 21, 2021

<https://www.devp.org/en/donate/sharelent>

Church in the Holy Land (Good Friday) April 2, 2021

<https://commissariat.ca/supporting-us>

This Week in our Community

Monday March 22

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Tuesday March 23

Mass celebrated privately

Wednesday March 24

Mass celebrated privately

Thursday March 25 Solemnity The Annunciation Of The Lord

Mass celebrated privately

Friday March 26

Mass celebrated privately

Saturday March 27

6:00pm Live Stream Mass

Sunday March 28 Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord

World Day Of Youth

Mass celebrated privately

Mass Intentions

March 24 - + Mary Zwicker

March 26 - Special Int. Xavier Orango

March 27 - + David and Hiliaria Temblor/+ Joseph Phan

Although Masses are not open to the public, we are still taking intentions for the living and deceased. Fr. Alfie is celebrating Mass privately on Wednesday and Friday, so even if you don't hear your loved one's name said out loud, know that your mass intention is being said.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Live-Stream Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Mass live-streamed every week

[Please click here for the link to the live-streamed Masses 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/dn/47256>

(immediate electronic tax receipt issued by Canada Helps)

E transfers:

- 1) Go to your on-line banking site
- 2) Select Transfer/Pay bills
- 3) Select e-transfer (or electronic transfer)
- 4) Follow the steps outlined by your bank
- 5) Send funds to sjtwp@rcdvictoria.org
No password is needed
- 6) Any special instructions may be added to notes/memo

Credit Cards:

Click on attached form and complete:

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Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

**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

Development and Peace

Eucharistic Ministry Contact

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation(RCIA)

Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

St. Joseph's 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 Chair

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

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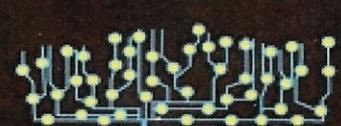
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