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ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH ACKNOWLEDGES AND RESPECTS THE LƏ́K'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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## Warning: Cliffs Ahead

BY JEAN ALLEN

Missing from last week's reflection was the important opening paragraph. In it I wrote that Jesus did *not* read the part from Isaiah that said "and the day of vengeance of our God". The Jews at that time were unhealthily focused on 'righteous vengeance' (an eye for an eye) and on defending God's Holy Name. Even though Jesus tried to focus their hearts on a forgiving and healing God rather than a vengeful one, he knew the outcome of his gracious words. He knew the outcome in his hometown and he knew the outcome of his entire ministry.

How do you change minds and hearts that have lived for eons based on the premise that God is vengeful? Jesus came to do that but I think he knew it wouldn't happen overnight in the mighty and earthshaking events of his death and resurrection. The truth is, he is still patiently waiting for most people to catch up with him. He's waiting for people to read his teachings and receive the epiphany that his recorded words are gracious, life giving, radical and absolutely critical to our spiritual walk. They are not secondary to the Sacrament of the Eucharist. If we receive the Body and Blood of our Lord but are not paying a lot of attention to his Word, especially to his commandment that we love one another as he has loved us, then we are basically throwing our Lord off a cliff. Conversely, if we try to follow his teachings without his sacramental grace, we will find it an onerous chore. The two go hand in hand. And right along beside them stands love for Christ's presence in his people.

Are you trying hard to follow Christ's teachings? Do you often fail and feel guilty? Fear not. This is the time to remember that when Jesus finished reading from Isaiah, the people were "*amazed at his gracious words*". They were words of hope not words of condemnation and vengeance.

Graciousness is his nature – and should be part of ours.



## The Week of Jan 31 to Feb 6 in our Community

**Monday January 31 Memorial St. John Bosco, Priest  
No Mass**

**Tuesday February 1  
6:00pm Mass + John Patrick Gillese**

**Wednesday February 2 Feast The Presentation Of The Lord  
World Day for Consecrated Life  
6:00pm Mass + Charles Bruce Hodgins**

**Thursday February 3  
9:00am Mass**

**Friday February 4  
9:00am Mass Special Int. The Kincaid Family  
10:00am - 12:00 noon Adoration**

**Saturday February 5 Memorial St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr  
5:00pm Mass Special Int.  
6:00pm Youth Group in School Gym**

**Sunday February 6 Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time  
8:45am Catechism - Church Hall and Community Room  
10:00am Mass  
6:00pm Mass + Recuerdo Cuizon**

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TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**

# Mass Schedule

**Weekday Masses  
Tuesday ~ 6:00pm  
Wednesday ~ 6:00pm  
Thursday ~ 9:00am  
Friday ~ 9:00am**

**Weekend Masses  
Saturday ~ 5:00pm  
Sunday ~ 10:00am  
Sunday ~ 6:00pm**

**CLICK BELOW TO WATCH  
ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER LIVE-STREAMED  
SUNDAY MASS**

**Saint Joseph the Worker -  
Victoria, B.C. - YouTube**

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## Mass With the Bishop

**LIVE-STREAMED FROM THE  
DIOCESE OF VICTORIA WEBSITE  
SUNDAY - 9:30 AM  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 7:00 PM  
CLICK BELOW TO WATCH**

**<https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne>**

**Please note the following changes to the  
Bishop's schedule in January:**

**Friday, Jan 28: Livestream at 7 pm from  
Port Hardy  
Sunday, Jan 30: Livestream at 9 am from  
Port McNeill**

**Join Bishop Gary as he celebrates  
A Special Mass  
in honour of the dedicated work of  
those in  
Health Care**

**Friday, February 11, 2022  
7:00pm  
St. Andrew's Cathedral**

**Everyone is invited to attend, either in  
person or via livestream at the above link.**

OUR DEAR FRIEND, FR. JIM BEKKEMA  
WAS CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME  
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 20TH.

FR. JIM, WE WILL MISS YOUR MINISTRY,  
FRIENDSHIP, LOVE OF MUSIC, AND  
ESPECIALLY YOUR QUIRKY STORIES.



### A Note from Fr. Sean

Fr. Sean Flynn, the diocese's hospital chaplain, has also been appointed Pastoral Administrator of St. Rose of Lima in Sooke, (commencing Feb 1st). He will continue to offer a 6:30 am mass every morning, excluding Tuesday and Sunday, at St. Joseph the Worker parish.

All are welcome.

**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:** 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 is 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.**





The parish office is open during regular hours of operation Tuesday through Friday - 8:30am to 3:30pm (with the exception of stat holidays)

We now require face coverings for all people born in 2016 or earlier (ages 5 yrs and up) for all activities in church buildings in the Diocese of Victoria, including worship services.

Bishop Gary Gordon

## Donation Options

**CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION:  
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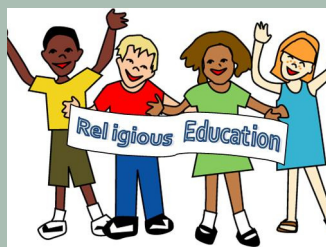
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**Payment Authorization Form for Credit Card Donations.pdf  
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**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.**



**Catechism Classes start up this weekend on:  
Sunday, January 30th at 8:45am  
in Church Hall and Community Room**

**Youth Group starts up on:  
Saturday, February 5th at 6:00pm  
in School Gym**

## 2022 Donation Envelopes

Donation envelopes for 2022 are ready for pickup in the Church foyer. If you are unable to locate your box, please contact the parish office and we will provide you with one.



**Important:**

**Please do not use the previous year's envelopes.**

Many numbers have been re-assigned.

**Please recycle your old envelopes** to avoid confusion in the office.

Thank you for your help.

## Job Postings

**P/T Custodian**

**St. Joseph Elementary School**

**St. Joseph Elementary is looking for a part-time Custodian.** If you know of anyone who may be interested, please share this with them. The hours are flexible, but the job starts after 3 pm. Please apply through the following link:

**[https://www.cisdv.bc.ca/media/user/docs/Job\\_Postings/2021-2022/2021-09-08\\_SPV\\_Caretaker\\_Job\\_Posting\(1\).pdf](https://www.cisdv.bc.ca/media/user/docs/Job_Postings/2021-2022/2021-09-08_SPV_Caretaker_Job_Posting(1).pdf)**

**Diocese of Victoria  
Director of Development**

**The Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria and Island Catholic Schools** are seeking a full-time Director of Development.

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**<https://www.cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>**

# Newsworthy and Noteworthy

## Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal

For only \$3 you could WIN \$135,000 cash prizes  
including a \$60,000 grand prize.

**DON'T MISS OUT ON THE MAIN DRAW JANUARY 29TH**

Funds raised under this program are donated to a variety of KofC charitable causes at the provincial and local Victoria levels. Please support our local K of C Council. To purchase your tickets on-line click here:

<http://kofcdraw.net/c13356>

## Looking for Accomodation

I, Christina Kulandasamy and Amanda my daughter from Malaysia arrived in Victoria on 5th January 2022. Amanda is a student in Uvic and stays in a homestay. I am looking for a family home where I can rent a room for one month (5 February to 5 March 2022). I am working for the Catholic Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur for the past 31 years.

You may contact me @ 236 4647038 for any further information.

# Cyrille's Talk

*Building a Culture of Compassion  
in the Catholic High School  
(and every other high school on the planet)*

**Danny Brock and  
Cyrille Santos**



**Danny Brock** has taught religion and directed retreats in Catholic high schools in the USA and Canada for over thirty years. He is the author of *Teaching Teens Religion* (2009), *Catholicity Ain't What It Used to Be* (2014), and the editor of *I Met God Today* (2017).



**Cyrille Santos** was born in Manila, Philippines, and raised in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. She has attended Catholic schools from K-12, and is currently pursuing a degree at the University of Victoria to become a high school teacher.

Jesus exhorted his disciples to love one another as he loved them and to be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. But overcrowded schedules, looming deadlines, and competing demands can set a frenetic pace in the Catholic high school. Our students join the fray, trying to keep up. They proffer a cooperative demeanor for teachers, while inside they are falling apart from stress and anxiety. A culture of compassion can seem more a heavenly ideal than an earthly reality. It's time for a reset.

Building a culture of compassion takes more than words in a mission statement or promotional brochure. It is hard work. But this is what students long for, and when they receive it they realize that the school really does care about them.

Between the covers of *Cyrille's Talk* the reader will taste and see what a culture of compassion is like and discover what it takes to make it happen. Order through your nearest bookstore, or online through:  
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# From the Diocese

## Communion, Participation and Mission: A Synodal Journey

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/communion-participation-and-mission-a-synodal-journey>



### Message from the Chancery: Update January 20, 2022

Please see the latest update to the General and Liturgical Directives for churches during Covid-19, to be followed by all parishes in the Diocese of Victoria. Changes from the previous Directives are in bold and italics, and are also explained in the attached Memo from Bishop Gary Gordon. They are found by clicking:

[https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/Memo\\_non-worship\\_gatherings\\_Jan\\_20\\_2022.pdf](https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/Memo_non-worship_gatherings_Jan_20_2022.pdf)

[https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/General\\_and\\_Liturgical\\_Directives\\_-\\_Jan\\_20\\_2022\\_update%282%29.pdf](https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/General_and_Liturgical_Directives_-_Jan_20_2022_update%282%29.pdf)

#### In Summary:

- The requirements for worship services remain the same
- Gatherings such as catechism, parish meetings, or receptions immediately following regular liturgical services may be held according to the requirements for worship services. However, we strongly recommend they are held virtually whenever possible
- Wedding receptions, funeral receptions and gatherings for the purpose of acknowledging or celebrating a significant event (eg, baptism receptions) are not permitted in church buildings at this time
- Non-worship gatherings in church buildings are now permitted as long as all regulations of the latest "Gatherings and Events" and "Face Coverings" Orders of the Provincial Health Officer are followed
- Essential gatherings such as drug and alcohol support group meetings, or the distribution of food or other supplies to people in need, may happen in church buildings without any restrictions

### A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care

Further to Bishop Gary's memo on November 4th, the CCCB's new Palliative Care Toolkit is now available online:

<https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/suffering-and-end-of-life/horizons-of-hope-a-toolkit-for-catholic-parishes-on-palliative-care/>

This link gives everyone full access to the entire toolkit containing all of the high-quality and easy-to-use instructional materials. All of the content, including video files, social media images, and promotional posters, can be downloaded and used freely at no cost.



# 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

## 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

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A message from



*In my life I want to become better and do a little good.*

*- Blessed Frederic Ozanam.*

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- Through the online portal *Canada Helps*.
- Through our SVPD website- <https://www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca>.
- Please reach out directly to our Conference President Stephanie Peters [stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com](mailto:stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com) or 250-514-7853 with questions about becoming a member.

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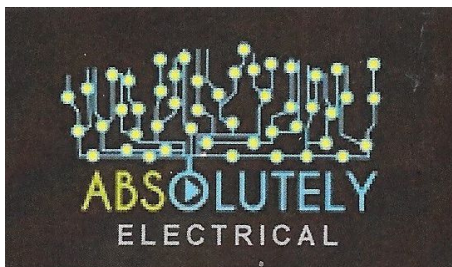
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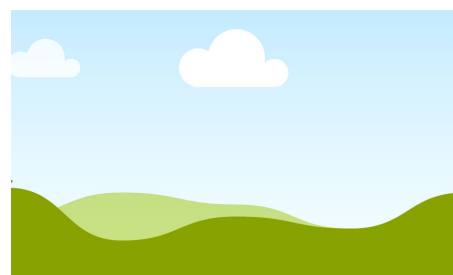
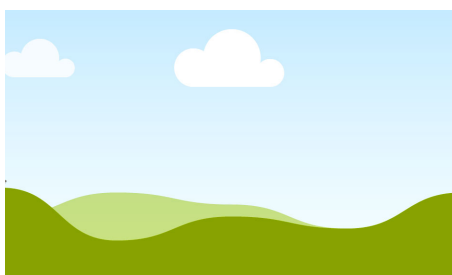
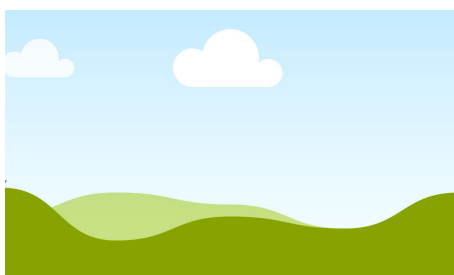
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