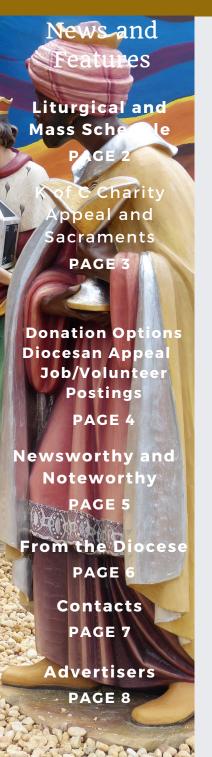


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Merry Christmas!

Dear Parishioners,

It is with certainty that we can say aloud that there is nothing in this world that can take away or prevent us from experiencing the joy of heart in the celebration of the Nativity of our Lord and Savior.

What is our evidence of this certainty?

To me, the greatest evidence of my certainty is the experience that my heart desires, happiness and joy. It is true, that our hearts ask to make any joyful moment everlasting; we want to make it eternal!

Our own desire is the evidence of the Joy of Christmas because we ask for him; we ask for His presence.

Therefore faith is to grasp, to recognize a Presence in a present moment that satisfies our hearts;

only a Divine Presence can reach our hearts in such depth of certainty and hope

that causes us to rise every time we fall.

So I invite every one to come and adore Jesus in the manger and be filled with gratitude for the gift of life, the gift of redemption in this divine child, the gift of joy, that even in the midst of these difficult times no one, nothing in this world can take away.

I wish all of you and your families a truly joyful Christmas and many blessings bestowed upon all of you.

As we begin with hope the New Year, let us entrust to our Lady in the celebration on the 1st day of the year;

'Our Lady Mother of God' pray for us.

Fr. Alfie



The Week of Dec 27 to January 2, 2022 in our Community

Monday December 27 Feast St. John, Apostle, Evangelist Parish Office Closed No Mass

Tuesday December 28 Feast The Holy Innocents, Martyrs Parish Office Closed 6:00pm Mass + Maggie Pires

Wednesday December 29 Fifth Day Within The Octave Of The Nativity - Parish Office Closed 6:00pm Mass

Thursday December 30 Sixth Day Within The Octave Of The Nativity - Parish Office Closed 9:00am Mass

Friday December 31 Seventh Day Within The Octave Of The Nativity - Parish Office Closed New Year's Eve 5:00pm Mass

Saturday January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother Of God New Year's Day World Day Of Peace 10:00am

5:00pm

Sunday January 2 The Epiphany Of The Lord 10:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass + Fred Keizer

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, Dec. 24 ~ Christmas Eve The Nativity of the Lord

5:00 pm Family Mass 7:00 pm Family Mass 9:00 pm Early Vigil Mass 12:00 pm Midnight Mass (Incense)

Saturday, Dec. 25 ~ Christmas Day
The Nativity of the Lord

10:00 am Mass

Sunday, Dec. 26 ~ Feast of the Holy Family

> 10:00 am 6:00 pm

Friday, Dec. 31 ~ New Year's Eve

5:00 pm

Saturday, Jan. 1 ~ New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

> 10:00 am 5:00 pm

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER REGULAR SUNDAY MASS LIVE-STREAMED

Click below to watch:

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

*MASS WITH THE BISHOP

Live-Streamed from the Diocese of Victoria website go to:

www.youtube.com/RCDVictoriaLiveOne

Sunday - 9:30 am Monday to Friday - 7:00 pm

*Please refer to Page 6 of bulletin for changes to Bishop's Livestream Schedule

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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. Please see above regarding Advent.

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)

*Please Note correction:

The parish office will be closed for the Christmas break from:

Monday, Dec. 27th through *Monday, Jan. 10th

Office will reopen on *Tuesday, Jan. 11th

Bulletin will resume on weekend of *Jan. 15/16th

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:

<u>DONATE NOW - ST JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH</u>
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https://www.cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php

Last Appeal Update

Total Pledged to date: \$61,580.00 FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS AND PRAYERS!

Any donations received from now on for the Appeal will mean that St. Joseph's will retain 80%.

Donations received prior to

December 31st will generate an income
tax receipt for 2021.

Job Postings

MOUNT ST. MARY
SPIRITUAL CARE AND
VOLUNTEER SERVICES LEADER

Mount St. Mary Hospital in Victoria is looking for a Spiritual Care and Volunteer Services Leader.
The person in this role will plan, deliver and evaluate spiritual care services, and develop, coordinate and maintain volunteer programs to support the needs of residents.
For more information, including a full job description, please visit:

HTTPS://MOUNTSTMARY.CA/OPP
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Applications can be sent by email to: hr@mountstmary.ca or faxed to 250-480-3106

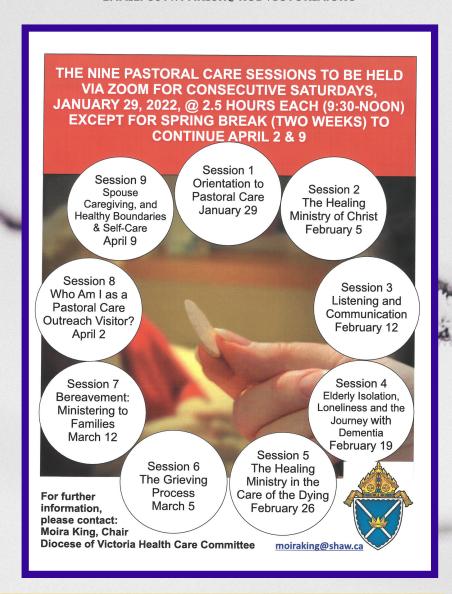
WANTED: LIVESTREAM TECHNICIANS

to volunteer and help with:
St. Joseph the Worker
Saturday, 5:00pm Mass.
If interested please send email
to: sjtwmedia@icloud.com

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

PASTORAL CARE SESSIONS VIA ZOOM

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH PARISH BY JAN 24 2022 EMAIL: SJTWPARISH@RCDVICTORIA.ORG



CHRISTMAS 2021 AT ANAWIM HOUSE

Anawim House has been providing caring acceptance and support to those that come through the house door for 30 years (1991- 2021).

We are asking for your help with donations of new warm clothing, underwear and socks. A decorated box for your donations is at the entrance to your Church. If you are not attending Church yet and would like to donate you can contact Anawim House at: info@anawimhouse.com. Financial donations can be made through: https://www.canadahelps.org or by mail to: Anawim House, 973 Caledonia Ave. Victoria, B.C. V8T 1E7.

Memo Revised Directives and General and Liturgical Directives update December 7, 2021

Please click on link below to read a memo from Bishop Gary Gordon regarding new directives for maximum capacity and mask wearing during worship services:

Memo_revised_directives_Dec_7_2021

Please click on link below to read the corresponding updated General and Liturgical Directives:

General_and_Liturgical_Directives_-_Dec_7_X

2022 Donation Envelopes

Donation envelopes for 2022 are now ready for pickup in the Community Room (across from the office window). All the boxes are arranged in alphabetical order, according to family last name.

If you are unable to locate your box, please contact the parish office and we will provide you with one.

Knights Of Columbus CHRISTMAS TREE CHIPPING

The Knights will be providing their tree chipping service again this year for a donation:

When:

Saturday, January 1st 11:00 am to 3:00 pm Saturday, January 8th 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: School and Church Parking Lot

From the Diocese

Bishop Gary's 2021 Christmas Message

Please find Bishop Gary Gordon's 2021 Christmas Message posted on the Diocesan website at:

https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/bishop-gary-gordons-2021-christmas-message

Communion, Participation and Mission: A Synodal Journey

https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/communionparticipation-and-mission-a-synodal-journey



Pastoral Ministry Appointments

Please click on link below to read Memo pertaining to Pastoral Ministry Appointments.

https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/Appointment_Memo_December_2021._docx.pdf

Please note the following changes to the Bishop's Livestream Masses for remainder of December

Friday, Dec. 24: Livestream at 5 pm from Port McNeill

Saturday, **Dec. 25**: Livestream at 11 am from St. Andrew's Cathedral **Friday**, **Dec. 31**: Livestream at 5 pm from St. Andrew's Cathedral **Saturday**, **Jan. 1**: Livestream at 10 am from St. Andrew's Cathedral

CCCB Palliative Care Toolkit

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

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Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

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Ralph Scheurle

Responsible Ministry Coordinator Ann Glas email: annglas@hotmail.com

Altar Server Training/Coordinator Angela Grohovac

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Charlie Allen (778)433-5772 email: charlieballen@gmail.com **Contemplative Comunity**

(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

Children's Liturgy of the Word tbd

Baptism

Children's Religious Education Angela Grohovac, Beth Geras & Lily Blair email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Eucharistic Ministry Contact Jenny Di Castri email: jdicastri@gmail.com

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry tbd

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St. Joseph's Elementary School Pre School - Gr. 7 Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info

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(Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 5:00pm to 7:00pm

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A message from



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- Blessed Frederic Ozanam.

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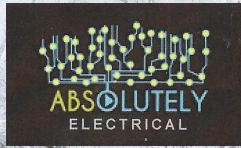
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