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March 11th and 12th, 2017

Second Sunday Of Lent

Transfiguration

Today's Gospel tells of Jesus taking Peter, James and John up a mountain where he was transfigured before them. Similarly, Jesus invites each of us into a deep relationship of love with him so that he may change and transfigure our lives and hearts. Let's accept this invitation each day so we may lead more Christ-like lives of love and service.

The first reading tells of God's promise to Abraham to make of his descendants a great nation. In the second reading, Paul reminds Timothy that he must be willing to bear hardship for the sake of the Gospel. Today's Gospel recalls Peter, James and John witnessing the transfiguration of Jesus.



God is extravagant in the way he deals with us. He heaps his blessings upon us, and continues to call us near to him even when we have gone astray. God's extravagance toward us should fill our hearts with gratitude and move us to treat others in the same way. Mindful of this, may we strive to treat all we encounter with kindness and compassion. *Daily Universal Prayer and Commentary January-March 2017*

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Mission

Mass at 6:30pm with Mission talks starting at 7:00pm

March 28 - "The Encounter"

- How real and true is Our Encounter with Christ in our daily circumstances?

March 29 - "The Following"

- How do we follow Jesus within the problems and drama of our daily lives?

March 30 - Reconciliation Service - 7:00pm

Presenter: Dr. Christophe Potworowski, former Kennedy-Smith Chair in Catholic Studies from McGill University and former president of Newman Theological College in Edmonton. He is the author of *Contemplation and Incarnation: The Theology of M. - D. Chenu* as well as numerous articles.

Ministry Liturgical Schedule..March 18th and 19th, 2017

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Pam Corpus	MC T. Lanuza, B. Woodman A. Lebedynsky-Fraser	MC C. McCreesh G. McCreesh, Helene Remple	MC E. Pryma N. Pryma, N. Sabado
Hospitality Ministers Coordinator-Karen Douglas	U. Betts J. Betts	R. Garman J. Parks	M. Hardy
Lectors Coordinator-Linda Chatton	B. Bella M. Kelland	M. Gwyn A. Grohovac	S. Hryhoryshen S. Fitzmaurice
Ushers Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau	M. Trudeau, J. Green F. Boylan, L. van Dyk	B. Quinn, J. Ross R. Strong, S. Leckie	tbd
Presenters of the Gifts Coordinator-Ursule Betts	A. Mihalicz I. Mihalicz	Sisters of St. Ann	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	Seeds 10:00 Mass C. Whiteley	Promise 10:00am Mass W. and R. Weber	Good News 10:00am Mass M. Poulin
Vacuums Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	M. Grenier		
Music Ministry	Steve and Michelle	Jen and Shawn	Couples for Christ
Hospital Ministers Coordinator-Denise Kyfiuk		A. Colak N. Colak	

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, **March 18th, 2017**. Next Baptisms will take place on **April 29th/30th**. 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: Six days later, Jesus took with him, Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. (Matthew 17:1-2)

Question for Adults: How has your faith in Jesus transformed you?

Question for Children: How has the example of Jesus helped you become a better person and Christian?

Supporting women is a priority for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada
For this year's Share Lent campaign, we invite you to listen to the voices of women who are working to build the world of tomorrow – Women at the heart of change. Our first testimonial is from Marta and Silvia, two women from Paraguay who are members of an Indigenous women's farming association supported by Development and Peace – Caritas Canada. "I wish that there was land for everyone, that women were free [and] that they had the freedom to organize and defend their rights," Silvia tells us.

Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent. For Roman Catholics throughout the world, the Stations of the Cross are synonymous with Lent, Holy Week and, especially, Good Friday. This devotion commemorates 14 key events on the day of Christ's crucifixion. Various ministries will be leading. Please see schedule in bulletin.

Chrism Mass - Bishop Gary Gordon will be the principal celebrant at a Mass on Thursday, **April 6th** at 7:00pm that is celebrated annually. 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. May our presence at the Chrism Mass be a sign of our support and gratitude for their ministry—and a reminder that baptism calls all of us to lives of service. All are invited to attend. A collection will be taken during Mass and a reception will follow.

Save The Date: St. Joseph's Catholic School and St. Joseph the Worker Parish Golf Tournament on Sunday, **April 23rd**, 2017 at Olympic View Golf Club. Time: tbd. For more info contact Carlo Silverio: sis1golf@gmail.com

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~**School 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



March 17 - CWL

March 24 - Social Eco Justice

March 31 - Youth Group

April 7 - K of C

Mystics: in the Catholic Tradition

Presenter: Les McKeown

Holy Cross Parish

4049 Gordon Head Road

7:00pm to 9:00pm

Tuesdays, April 18, 25

May 2, 9 and 16, 2017

Contact:

office@holycrossvictoria.org

Newsorthy and Noteworthy

40 Cans For Lent Food Drive for single parent families, low income seniors and the homeless, continues throughout Lent. Volunteers will pass out specially marked bags after each mass for the next 5 weeks. 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. Please help us reach our goal.

Seniors Lunch Bunch - Join us in the church hall on Wednesday, **March 15th** at 12:00 noon. Everyone welcome! To sign up contact Allan Sequeira at 250-479-2333.

A Centering Prayer Retreat of Sacred Silence at St. Joseph the Worker Parish - Only this I want to know Christ Jesus my Lord. This all-day Retreat, organized by the Contemplative Community of St. Joseph the Worker, is an inward journey to encounter the Risen Lord hidden in our inmost self. Date: Saturday, **March 18th**. Registration: starts at 9:00am. Retreat from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Mass follows at 5:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited so please sign up today, stating any special dietary needs. To register: Email Patti O'Brien pattiob@shaw.ca or email Charlie Allen charlieballen@gmail.com or call St. Joseph the Worker Parish office at 250-479-7413.

Diocesan Pastoral Care Outreach

DO YOU CARE for family members, visit the sick to those who are in the hospital, extended care residencies, 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!

March 18: St. Patrick's (Victoria) Pastoral Care Outreach
Session 2: Listening and Communication and Mental Health, 9am–3pm. Please bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea will be provided. Contact St. Patrick's Parish office to register: (250) 592-7391 or email: stpat190@telus.net
Session 3 - (April 29) and Session 4 - (May 20) at St. Joseph the Worker Parish - more details to follow.

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Mar 18 9:00am Pastoral Care Outreach Session 2: Listening and Communication and Mental Health St. Patrick's
Mar 18 9:00am Centering Prayer Retreat of Sacred Silence St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Mar 28 7:00pm Parish Mission - starts with Mass at 6:30pm
Mar 29 7:00pm Parish Mission - starts with Mass at 6:30pm
Mar 30 7:00pm Parish Reconciliation
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
May 6 6:00pm Bishop's Gala - Lady of Fatima Parish Hall

This Week in our Community

Monday March 13

Parish Office Closed

School Mass

2:00pm Divine Will Prayer Meeting - Prayer Room

7:00pm CWL General Meeting - Community Room

7:30pm K of C General Meeting - Church Hall

Tuesday March 14

9:30am Mass Special Int. In Honour of St. Mary, Mother of God

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

7:00pm Social Eco Justice Committee Meeting - Community Room

Wednesday March 15

9:30am Mass + John and Winnie King

12:00 noon Seniors Lunch Bunch

7:00pm RCIA - Community Room

Thursday March 16

9:30am Mass + For the Souls in Purgatory

6:15pm Masithuthukisane Meeting - Community Room

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

Friday March 17

9:30am Mass + Scott Vander Heyden

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

7:00pm Stations of the Cross - CWL

Saturday March 18

9:00am Contemplative Prayer Community Silent Retreat - Church Hall

9:00am Baptism Prep Class - Community Room

5:00pm Mass + Amparo and Rodrigo

6:00pm Youth Ministry - School Gym

Sunday March 19 Third Sunday Of Lent

10:00am Mass

11:15am Sunday Coffee

No Catechism/Sacramental Prep Classes (Spring Break)

6:00pm Mass

The Bishop's Gala Committee is pleased to announce that **tickets for the 2017 Bishop's Gala will go on sale on March 15, 2017**. The 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 sit-down dinner. There will be Silent and Live Auctions, and an abundance of fun and fellowship!

The purpose of the Gala is to raise funds to further the work of our RVM Sisters on the West Coast. The success of last year's Gala provided to enough funds to the Diocese to secure temporary accommodation in Port Alberni and purchase a vehicle; further funds are needed for a residence in Ahousaht and to help us continue to support this important pastoral mission. Our Gala will celebrate our progress over the past year, and reaffirm our commitment to this journey with our Nuu-chah-nulth sisters and brothers. Imagine what can happen when we work together to carry the Good News of hope, mercy and love!

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 will be available starting March 15, 2017, through EventBrite (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-bishops-gala-tickets-32330852450>), or by phoning the Pastoral Centre at (250) 479-1331. The number of tickets is limited, and they are available on a first-come, first-served basis ... don't delay!

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Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

Development and Peace

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation(RCIA)

Jesus Youth - Grades 8 to 12

St. Joseph's School

Catholic Women's League(CWL)

Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent de Paul

Building and Maintenance Committee

Coffee/Hospitality Committee

Finance Committee

Lector Schedule Coordinator

Lector Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tues-Fri

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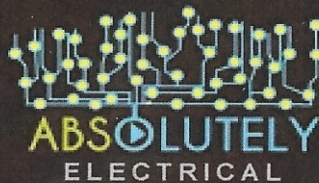
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