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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

From the Pastor's Desk

May the Divine Light that comes to us as we celebrate Holy Christmas, shine in our hearts, reawakening in us, our true sense of belonging to Jesus, restoring our missionary zeal.

As the world was awaiting the Light announced by the angels to the Shepherds, it is now our mission to announce that same redeeming Good News. Christ our Savior is now among us; let us rejoice and be glad.

My wishes to all of you, and your families, for a joyful and blessed Christmas.

*In Christ
Fr Alfredo*



*2015 Diocesan Appeal I Share, We Care
Wow! We surpassed our goal! Congratulations!!!*

Thank you once again for all of your efforts with the 2015 Appeal.

Parish Goal: \$54,000 Total Pledged: \$58,122.10 Number of Gifts 163

Ministry Liturgical Schedule...January 2nd & 3rd, 2016

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Pam Corpus	MC C. Santos, B. Newton TR V. and M. Hinojosa	MC Al. Blair, M. Edwardson J. Edwardson, TR J. Grohovac	MC M. Faber S. Faber, N. Sabado
Hospitality Ministers Coordinator-Karen Douglas	J. Green	R. Garman J. Grant	E. Oliveira
Lectors Coordinator-Linda Chatton	I. Mihalicz M. Liefhebber	B. Bella C. Mury	M. Hardy M. Gill
Ushers Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau	M. Trudeau, K. Kopeck F. Boylan, L. Van Dyk	B. Quinn, G. Rossato R. Strong, J. Ross	tbd
Presenters of the Gifts Coordinator-Ursule Betts	C. Hunt M. Wood	R. Coulter E. Coulter	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	Seeds 10:00 Mass C. Whiteley	Promise 10:00am Mass Please volunteer	Good News 10:00am Mass Please volunteer
Vacuums Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	tbd		
Hospital Ministers Coordinator-Claude Mury		J. Parks G. Erickson	

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, January 16th, 2016. Next Baptisms will take place on the weekend of January 30th/31st. 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 went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. (Luke 2:51a)
 Question for Adults: What does your family do to honor and respect its older members?
 Question for Children: Why did Jesus leave the temple? How can Jesus be an example for you?

The Peer Ministry Team at St. Andrew's Regional High School will be running a bottle drive on Saturday, January 9th, 2016 between 10:30 and 2:30pm. Funds raised will help students attend retreats such as the Peer Ministry, Lenten retreat and the Camp Homewood Diocesan Youth Retreat in February. Your support is greatly appreciated!
 Raising Consciousness with 'Laudato Si' with Bill Wilson, SJ PhD - January 12th to February 2nd, 2016 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Cost: \$75 or \$20 drop in. Location: Friends Meeting House (1831 Fern St.) Victoria. Contact 250-220-4601 earthliterations@gmail.com

Calling All Youth Grades 7-12 - Save the Date! Join us for our Annual Diocesan Retreat Camp Homewood on February 5th-7th, 2016. \$150 per participant. This includes all food, accommodation and activities. For more information contact Bonni Roset broset@telus.net or Terri Ann Wynans wynans@shaw.ca

Save The Date - Year of Mercy - "The Theme of Mercy in Scripture" presented by Les McKeown at Holy Cross Parish 4049 Gordon Head Rd, on Thursdays, February 18th to March 16th 2016 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Register: office@holycrossvictoria.org or 250-477-5321.

Do You Want to Know Jesus? - We begin another round of Faith Studies beginning with Discovery on Thursdays from February 4th, 2016 through March 10th at 7:00pm at the Cathedral Parish Office on 740 View Street. This course introduces the person of Jesus Christ and guides participants to a deeper personal relationship with him. Donations to cover the cost of the course material are welcome. Only 15 spots available, so registration is required. For questions or to register, call 250-381-2425 or email: philip.yuson@gmail.com

Mass Schedule
 Weekday Masses
 Monday ~No Mass
 Tuesday ~Funeral Mass
 1:00pm
 Wednesday ~No Mass
 Thursday ~New Year's Eve
 6:00pm
 Friday ~New Year's Day
 10:00am
 Saturday ~ 5:00pm
 Sunday ~ 10:00am
 & 6:00pm

Please refrain from wearing strong scents

Respect for Life Ministry

If you are expecting a child and are feeling confused; if you are thinking that there is no way out of this situation for you; if you want to talk to someone, call or text [250-812-0087](tel:250-812-0087) or email: respectlifem@gmail.com **Christ**



Keeping in Contact

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian companionship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you wish to register in the parish please fill out the pink registration form located outside the church office or back of church.

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Office will re-open on Tuesday, January 5th, 2016
Next Bulletin will be printed on
weekend of January 9th and 10th

2016 Collection Envelopes are ready for pickup at the back of the church. Any parishioner who did not receive a box of envelopes and would like one, please contact the parish office (including those donating through PAD and Credit Card). Please discard all 2015 envelopes after December 31st. We Need Your Help with Children's Liturgy! We are looking for two more teachers for January, one each for the Promise and Good News groups. The age range of these children is 5 - 8 yrs. old. Please contact the office 250-479-7413 if you are interested.

Extra Ordinary Eucharist Ministers needed at the Gorge Road Hospital to visit and serve communion every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Arrival time of 10:00am. Please contact parish office 250-479-7413.

St. Joseph Grade 7 Christmas Bottle Drive in conjunction with The Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Chipping - on Saturday, January 2nd and January 9th, 2016 from 10:00am to 2:00pm in the St. Joseph's parking lot. What to bring: any beverage containers that have a recycling surcharge (ie.: beer bottles/cans, alcohol bottles {plastic/glass}, wine bottles/bag in a box, pop bottles/cans, juice boxes/cartons; water bottles). Please rinse your containers out. Please no milk or milk type containers as we cannot recycle these.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for 1st and 3rd Friday Home Visits. This ministry provides a social and spiritual connection to individuals who are homebound and would benefit from a visit from fellow parishioners. Reasons for visits range from providing spiritual support to a friendly visit. Volunteers travel in two's, so you will always be with another volunteer. Please call office 250-479-7413 if you are interested.

A Special Thank You to Carmelle Whiteley for organizing and bringing the Children's Nativity Play to the Family Mass on Christmas Eve and to all the parents and Children's Liturgy leaders who helped the children prepare. Thank you children for participating so enthusiastically. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful faith community.

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Dec 31	New Year's Eve Mass 6:00pm
Jan 1	New Year's Day Mass 10:00am
Jan 2 & 9	10:00am St. Joe's Bottle Drive and K of C Tree Chipping - St. Joe's Parking Lot
Jan 11	7:00pm Beloved - Marriage Enrichment Program 2nd part/6 sessions
Jan 11	7:00pm CWL General Meeting
Jan 11	7:30pm K of C General Meeting
Jan 12	7:00pm Social Eco Justice Committee Meeting
Jan 18	6:30pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
Jan 24	11:15am K of C Pancake Breakfast

This Week in our Community

Monday December 28 Feast The Holy Innocents,
Martyrs

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Tuesday December 29 Fifth Day Within The Octave
Of The Nativity

Parish Office Closed

1:00pm Funeral Mass for Reid Kyfiuk

Wednesday December 30 Sixth Day Within The
Octave Of The Nativity

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Thursday December 31 Seventh Day Within The
Octave Of The Nativity

Parish Office Closed

6:00pm New Year's Eve Mass

Friday January 1 The Solemnity Of Mary, The Holy
Mother Of God Within The Octave Of The Nativity -
Holy Day Of Obligation

Parish Office Closed

10:00am New Year's Day Mass

Saturday January 2 Memorial St. Basil The Great
And St. Gregory Nazianzen Bishops, Doctors

10:00am Centering Prayer - Rectory

5:00pm Mass + Gerry Kahle

Sunday January 3 Epiphany Of The Lord

10:00am Mass

No Catechism Classes

11:15am Sunday Coffee

6:00pm Mass Special Int. John George

Our Prayers Are With You

As a St. Joseph Family, we offer our condolences to Andy and Denise Kyfiuk and Family, with the assurance that our hearts and minds are close to them. When asked what you can do for the family, Dad's wish is for us to: *"Please read about the Year of Mercy, look up the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and pray it forever for Reid. I want this to go viral and see Reid made a saint for bringing intelligent worship back into society. This is our prayer."*

(<http://www.catholicity.com/prayer/divinemeracy.html>).

Save The Date on your calendars for the Diocesan Family Conference August 12th - 14th, 2016 - The keynote speaker will be Fr. Clair Watrin, who is excited to speak to families on the mission given to them and will inspire parents, grandparents, youth and children to "like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior" 1 Peter 1:16

Save the date for an unforgettable weekend at the beautiful ocean side of Nanoose Bay.

Registrations will be open early in the New Year.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor
 Administrative Assistant/Secretary
 Custodian
 Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator
 Altar Server Training/Coordinator
 Baptism
 Could You Ever Come Back
 to the Catholic Church?
 Centering Prayer
 Children's Liturgy of the Word
 Children's Religious Education
 Development and Peace
 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 Project
 Social and Ecological Justice Committee
 Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli
 Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday
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