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Trinity: A Burst of Joy

Jean Allen



How do you envision God? Do you see an almighty being, existing somewhere beyond the stratosphere, a God who loves us but is distant and ever ready to send lightning bolts and needs to be constantly appeased?

How about Jesus? Is he a bit more accessible, a shepherd who stands in the middle of a grassy field holding a lamb? Do you see him as loving but still eternally sad and somewhat disappointed in you?

And the Holy Spirit? Is this someone who has a nature and a personality or is just kind of a will-o'-the-wisp entity? Do you have any kind of an image at all of this wind, this flame, this...whatever he is?

Do you have an intimate relationship with any of the three? Do you sometimes feel a little guilty because it's so much easier to pray to one over the other two and that's who you constantly turn to? Are you offending the others by favoring the one? In spite of our inner images (which often have their source in art, like paintings and statues) the Trinity is first and foremost an intimate community of mutual love and giving. Like the best of friends, they are inseparable. They have been together since before time and have a great love of creating and of everything they create. They rejoice in each other and share their gifts with each other and that means they share **you** with each other. If you pray to and relate to one, you are praying to and relating to all three. And I need to emphasize: you are being shared in a community of love, joy and delight. They delight in each other; they delight in you and they want you to feel utterly welcome in their midst.

Clover leaves and circles give no indication of the vital personality of the Trinity. Are you worried about the state of the world and what it means for our future? The Trinity isn't. The Trinity knows everything is encompassed by their creative joy that spreads like yeast through the world, doing its work in spite of our best efforts to get it wrong.

If they're not worried, why are we?



The Week of May 27 to June 2 in our Community

Monday May 27

Parish Office Closed

6:30am Mass **Special Int. George & Lia N Joy & Noah N. Joy**
(Fr. Sean presiding)

Tuesday May 28

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. Joseph Diemand**

Wednesday May 29

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

4:00pm **Legion of Mary - Community Room**

6:00pm Mass

Thursday May 30

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

9:00am Mass **Special Int. For "The Souls In Purgatory"**

7:00pm **Love and Respect Marriage Retreat - Community Room**

Friday May 31 The Visitation Of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

9:00am Mass

followed by Adoration until 12:00 noon

Saturday June 1 St. Justin, Martyr, Memorial

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

10:00am **Contemplative Community - Community Room**

5:00pm Mass + **Seonaid Sanders**

6:00pm **Youth Group - School Gym**

Sunday June 2 The Solemnity Of The Most Holy Body And Blood
Of Christ (Corpus Christi)

10:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass + **Romy Cabico / + Susan Cabico**

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 6:30am

Tuesday ~ 6:00pm

Wednesday ~ 6:30am & 6:00pm

Thursday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Friday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:30am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Addition to

St. Joe's 6:30am Mass

The Mass schedule for St Joseph the Worker will grow to include a 6:30 am mass on Tuesday. That means that St. Joseph the Worker will offer this early morning mass for six days a week, Monday through to and including Saturday. **This addition will start on Tuesday June 18th.** There are new faces at every mass. Perhaps yours will be one of them. People from all over the diocese attend along with travelers. Seek and you shall find, ask and it shall be given to you, knock and the door shall be open to you. Praise the Lord.

Please Note: There will be a Mass on Monday, June 3rd. The priests will return from retreat on Friday June 7th. The 6:30am regular Mass schedule will start-up again on Saturday, June 8th.

Syro-Malabar Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 7:00pm

Sunday ~ 12:00 noon

For more information:

Fr. Shijo Ph#: 647-963-0460

St Andrews Cathedral is offering a Summer faith Course beginning 12th June to 31st July. This 8-week course consists of facilitated weekly group sessions based around the Catholic Company Series "Nunc Coepi: Now I Begin". This course is ideal for anyone seeking to deepen their spiritual life. It explores the benefits of an authentic Christian lifestyle of starting anew every day without giving up. It provides insights, helpful examples, and the opportunity to develop deeper trust and confidence in God's love and grace. The course facilitator is Bernadette O'Connor. Classes will be offered weekly on Wednesdays at 2pm in-person at the Cathedral Parish Office and at 6pm online with Zoom. Course cost is \$20. A subsidy is available however, if you need it. Please register at the Cathedral Parish Office.

SACRAMENTS



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: Celebrated on the **first Sunday** of each month at 11:30am. Please call parish office to register.

Baptism Preparation will be held on the **first Saturday** of each month at 10:00am. Please call parish office to register.

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, Eucharistic or Pastoral Care Ministers - also Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, who are commissioned at the discretion of the Pastor, please let the Office staff know.

For a hospital emergency call Fr. Sean Flynn at: 250-889-3761.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound: We are grateful to those who give of their time and care to bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot make it to church each week due to sickness or infirmity. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Melissa at the parish office by phone or by email: mhogg@rcdvictoria.org

The parish office regular hours of operation are:
Tuesday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm (except Statutory Holidays)

Please Note:

Fr. Alfie will be away at a Diocesan Clergy Retreat
from Monday, June 3rd through Friday, June 7th
There will be NO weekday Masses

Donation Options

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Ruth Real at:

SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com

LAST YOUTH GROUP BEFORE
SUMMER BREAK IS JUNE 15



Catechism Journey

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Catechism Program (2024/2025)

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INFORMATION ABOUT 2024/2025
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Grade/Level 5 Post Sacrament Class

For more information please contact
Chris Whiteley at:

whiteley.christopher@gmail.com or
250-886-2407

Will resume again in the fall

Our worship area is
equipped with an
Assistive Listening
system. If you
would like to use
this, please contact
the parish office.



Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Mandatory Online Learning Module Renewals for Volunteers

Attention all volunteers: It's time for the renewal of our mandatory Praesidium online learning modules. Most of you completed these modules in 2019 and the **5 year renewal period** is now approaching.

In the next few months, many of you will receive an invitation to complete these essential training modules. We kindly ask that you complete them as soon as possible upon receiving the invitation. Your prompt action is crucial in helping the parish office maintain a safe and secure environment for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued dedication to our community.

Spring Prayer Walk: Sunday May 26, 2024

To celebrate **Laudato Si Week** we will be leading another Prayer Walk in **Beacon Hill Park on Sunday May 26 at 12:30 PM**. We'll meet at the Children's Farm. Prayers and readings will be shared as we walk the paths together in this beautiful park. Hope you will join us! Remember to bring a hat, sunglasses, sunscreen and water. Questions and RSVP: Christine O'Leary: caoleary54@gmail.com or 250-858-1402.

Thank you. Christine O'Leary and Gladys Bravo, Laudato Si Animators, St. Andrew's Cathedral.

K of C Pancake Breakfast and AGM Sunday, May 26th

Come and support the Knights of Columbus and enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast, along with our AGM, in the Parish Hall, following the 10:00am Mass. Your meal includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, coffee and tea.



Ordinary Time Not So Ordinary

The ordinary in Ordinary Time does not refer to a season of dull routine but rather the listing of ordinal, or sequential, numbers. This is what is meant by the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, etc. (Interestingly, there is no First Sunday in Ordinary Time, because it is replaced by the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.) Rather than making a statement about degrees of importance, the term Ordinary Time refers to the order of Sundays in the church year that do not fall into the major liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, or Easter.

It is easy to mistakenly think the liturgical year is about sanctifying time. The truth, however, is that the liturgical year is about growing in relationship with Jesus Christ. The richness of Ordinary Time is found in the opportunity to know Christ more intimately in the everyday realities of life. The scripture proclaimed in Ordinary Time reveals the teaching and healing and mission of Christ, allowing us to better understand God who became human. We learn that Christ is about humility rather than pride, vulnerability rather than power. We learn that Christ is about including the excluded, eating with social and religious outcasts, and dismantling structures of sin and injustice. We learn that Christ is about self-giving love that is only possible through authentic relationship.

Ordinary Time is anything but monotonous. These are the days where we grow into who we are called to be by imitating the lived reality of Jesus.

Author: John T. Kyler

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HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The St. Andrew's International Student Program is in need of additional host families for September 2024 for female students for the full school year. If you would be willing to support a young person on their international high school journey/experience, please consider welcoming one of our international students into your family. Host families receive \$1,275 per month to cover costs. Please contact Nina Timm **ASAP** at : homestay@cisdv.bc.ca / Tel: 403-771-2519

From the Diocese



Bursaries/Awards

The Jawl Bundon LLP Bursary (\$2500): for a **grade 12 Catholic student** who has been accepted to a post-secondary institution. Preference will be given to Indigenous students, and to students who live outside of Greater Victoria and Nanaimo.

The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary (\$1000): for a **lay woman who is accepted or enrolled in a program or course for ministry in the Church**, such as religious education, social justice, liturgy, social action, care of the sick, etc.

The Char Deslippe Memorial Award (\$500): for a **teacher working in Catholic Island Schools or a parish catechist** serving in children, youth or adult ministry. **The deadline is July 15, 2024** for these Bursaries/Awards.

Diocesan Permanent Pastoral Synod (DPPS) One Year Mark

The celebration of Pentecost marked one year since Bishop Gary announced the formation of the Diocesan Permanent Pastoral Synod (DPPS). Much preparation and planning has been happening in the past 12 months, and the work of the DPPS will be beginning soon. To learn more, please visit: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/the-diocesan-permanent-pastoral-synod-on-the-way-together>

“Called to Freedom” Retreat

A weekend retreat “Called to Freedom” will be held from **May 31 – June 2 at Bethlehem Centre** in Nanaimo. All are invited to explore spiritual freedom through the lens of the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola. For more information and to register, please visit: <https://bethlehemcentre.com/program/2166/called-to-freedom-ignatian-weekend-retreat/>

Job Posting

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria and Island Catholic Schools are **seeking a part-time fundraising coordinator** for the period of **June 3, 2024 to June 30, 2025**. We are looking for a dynamic individual with donor relationship experience, and excellent organizational, administrative and communication skills. The job posting may be viewed at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>

Canadian Christian Meditation National Conference Retreat

The Canadian Christian Meditation National Conference Retreat will be held at the University of British Columbia from **July 5-7, 2024**. The theme this year is **“From Anxiety to Peace”**, and the retreat will be led by Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB, a monk of the Benedictine Congregation of Monte Oliveto Maggiore. Both in-person and remote participation options are available. For more information and to register, please visit: <https://www.wccm-canada.ca/>. **The deadline to register for in-person participation is May 30.**

Diocesan Family Camp Looking For Volunteers

The planning committee for the 10th Annual Family Life Conference and Camp is looking for volunteers to assist with the camp. If interested in volunteering, please email: familycamp@rcdvictoria.org for more information.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

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

Usher Coordinator

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Development and Peace

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St. Vincent de Paul

Legion of Mary

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

Deacon Michael Watkins email: mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

Melissa Hogg/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

Office hours 8:30am - 3:30pm Tuesday-Friday

Ralph Scheurle email: rbscheurle@shaw.ca

Rosanna O'Higgins email: rosanna.ohiggins@gmail.com

Angela Grohovac

Call parish office (250) 479-7413

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

(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

tbd

Christine Armstrong email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Jenny Di Castri email: jdicastri@gmail.com

Gerri Erickson (250) 216-5558 email: gerri@shaw.ca

Contact Parish Office (250) 479-7413

Sister Marina Smith SSA email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Chris & Carmelle Whiteley (250) 886-2987 email: carmelle.whiteley@gmail.com

Ruth Real email: SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com

Pre School - Gr. 7 Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info

President: Maureen Ingram email: maureena.ingram@gmail.com

Michael O'Rielly email: mfjeorielly@gmail.com

Stephanie Peters (250) 514-7853 email: stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com

Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Lisa Slegg email: lisaslegg@gmail.com

Meetings every Wednesday following 6:00pm Mass

looking for a coordinator

Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com

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Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca

Esmee Rothschild email: rothjones@pacificcoast.net

Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Brian Fox (Chair), Mylinh Trinh, George Flint, Karen Wysiecki, Nancy Zacharias,

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Pentecost 2024

My Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On the Feast of Pentecost, we hear the familiar story of the Holy Spirit coming to the Apostles, appearing as “*divided tongues, as of fire*” (Acts 2:3). The image of the Holy Spirit as fire is a familiar one, with a rich and beautiful tradition in our Church.

This year, as we see the news reports of wildfires and evacuations starting already, and face the reality of another long, hot, and dangerous summer, I find my thoughts turning to another rich and traditional image God’s Holy Spirit: that of water. In the third century after Jesus’ birth, Saint Cyril of Jerusalem wrote this reflection on the living water of the Holy Spirit:

The water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of living water, welling up into eternal life. This is a new kind of water, a living leaping water, welling up for those who are worthy. But why did Christ call the grace of the Spirit water? Because all things are dependent on water; plants and animals have their origin in water. Water comes down from heaven as rain, and although it is always in the same in itself, it produces many different effects, one the palm tree, another in the vine, and so on through the whole of creation. It does not come down now as one thing, now as another, but while remaining essentially the same, it adapts itself to the needs of every creature that receives it.

In the same way the Holy Spirit, whose nature is always the same, simple and indivisible, apportions grace to each person as he wills. Like a dry tree which puts forth shoots when watered, the soul bears the fruit of holiness when repentance has made it worthy of receiving the Holy Spirit. Although the Spirit never changes, the effect of his action, by the will of God in the name of Christ, are both many and marvelous.

This Pentecost, I invite you to join me in praying that God will rain down his Holy Spirit upon us. May it quench our fevered anxieties; bring new life to hearts made dry and barren by fear and indifference; and refresh and sustain us in the difficult and necessary work of renewing our relationship with God, with humanity, and with all creation. Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

In Communion,

Most Reverend Gary Gordon
Bishop of Victoria

St Joseph the Worker Conference Annual Report for 2023 Saint Vincent de Paul, Vancouver Island

In 2023 our conference continued to serve our adopted families and those in need in the community. Here are some highlights of 2023 activities and outreach:

- Donated over \$17 000 to the Social Concern foods program
- Sponsored the toiletry and sundry table at St Andrew's soup kitchen, purchasing a wide variety of essential items to support the homeless.
- Met and gave out numerous emergency food gift cards to families and individuals in need
- Assisted with the KOC 40 Cans for 40 Days food drive
- Held a parish food drive for World Day of the Poor in November and collected 330kg of food for the Social Concern pantry
- Assisted in the delivery of monthly food to a shut-in.
- Held a coffee house for seniors at St Andrew's manor
- Worked alongside the parish youth group to assist over 25 families in Rosalie's Village with Christmas presents

Along with our numerous 'adopted families', we assisted others in the community with numerous emergency needs like food, rental support, utilities, advocacy, and furniture.

Twining initiatives:

Our conference sponsors two twinning initiatives abroad. In the last year we concluded our financial support to St. Joseph's Conference in Kerala, India and now have two in Colombia. In total \$4 000 was sent to these conferences which allowed them to consistently provide food aid, help with housing, medical aid, and assistance for education. Holy Spirit Conference in Cucuta, Colombia continue their work in the poor areas of Cucuta, in particular Villa de la Paz with food, clothing, medicine and aiding people to help themselves through entrepreneur initiatives. Lastly, Immaculate Conference in Amalfi, Colombia have 20 monthly markets for those in need, subsidize transport to medical exams and to get medication, oversee 25 homes in the city for low income families with a focus on giving children from rural areas a chance to finish their education in the city. They also have a Vincentian spirituality program.

In closing, thank you to all St Joseph the Worker parishioners; your generosity is the reason we can continue our mission of charity. Along with continuing to support our charity work, please consider joining us! The more hands the better.

We feel truly blessed that we can continue the mission of Saint Vincent de Paul by finding and assisting those in need.

Blessings,

Stephanie Peters

President, St Joseph Conference,

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Vancouver Island



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