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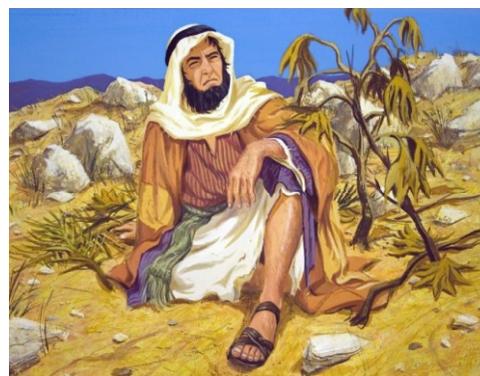
January 23rd and 24th 2021

Website: www.sjtw.ca

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

The Spirituality of Changing Your Mind

When Jesus said "Repent and believe the Good News," the Greek word translated as 'repent' was actually '*metanoieite*' (pronounced 'met-a-new-it'), the verb of '*Metanoia*', which means '*a primal change of mind, worldview and the way of processing and receiving.*' The Israelites believed in a retributive God who would come and violently restore the nation to the Israelites. A change of world-view and God-view was desperately needed because Jesus didn't come to point out individuals' sins or conquer the Romans. He came to proclaim a compassionate, forgiving and merciful Father and he wanted to call men and women who could change their minds about God.



In the story of Jonah, the Ninevites did indeed repent. They were sorry for their sins and covered themselves in sackcloth and ashes. But the one who did not practice '*metanoieite*' was Jonah himself. He hated the Ninevites so much that he tried to escape his mission to warn them of their needed repentance. When he finally proclaimed God's warning to the Ninevites and the Ninevites repented, Jonah sulked under a vine because God was merciful to them. Jonah would have been deliriously happy to see God bring down calamity on the despised nation. Yes, the Ninevites needed to repent but Jonah needed to *metanoieite*. He needed to change his entrenched world-view and God-view.

Do we still need to *metanoieite* today? Do we ever! How do you feel about the violent clashes across the border? No matter whose side you're on, do you hope the opposite side will finally get his/her/their just desserts? Is there satisfaction when someone or a group of people lose a conflict? Do you think God is, obviously, on the side you are rooting for?

We deeply need to *metanoieite*. We need to believe the Good News that God is merciful, forgiving, compassionate, non-partisan and nonviolent. He is not a wrathful retributive God; he is a lovingly restorative God. But, quite often, we don't rejoice in that or try to follow his lead by loving and praying for restoration for all instead of retribution for some.

We definitely need to *metanoieite*. Often!

Jean Allen

Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

What's Happening Around The Diocese

Mass With the Bishop Live Streamed from the Diocese of Victoria website, go to:

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

- Sunday - 10:00 am
- Monday to Friday - 7:00 pm

The **"Sunday of the Word of God"** held yearly every third Sunday of Ordinary Time, in accordance with Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Motu Proprio, Aperuit Illis* will be celebrated on **January 24, 2021**. This presents an opportunity to recognize the important role of the Word of God in our lives and in the life of the Church.

Bishop Gary Gordon has written a Pastoral Letter highlighting the importance of Sacred Scripture in our lives. Here is the link to the Diocesan website: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog/sunday-of-the-word-of-god>

2021 Collection Envelopes are available for pick up (in the Community Room), across from the office window. You can pick up anytime during parish office hours. Please do not use your old envelopes, as the number may belong to another parishioner.

NOTE ON GIVING: As you know with all Masses cancelled at least until Friday February 5th there is no Offertory at Mass. You can mail or drop off your weekly church envelope offering to the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment only. Please call parish office to arrange 250-479-7413.

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 are 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**.

SAVE THE DATE

All Brothers and Sisters: Explore Pope Francis' social Encyclical, **Fratelli Tutti**. In **"Fratelli Tutti"** Pope Francis underlines that in our common home we all live as one family, and proposes concrete actions to restore the world. **Every Thursday beginning February 18th from 7:30 - 8:30pm via a Zoom Webinar**, we will break open this transforming document which will help us envision how to live in social friendship in our parishes, our schools, our communities, our diocese and in our world. During this Lenten series, Diocesan Leaders will creatively break open "Fratelli Tutti" for all.

Register in advance for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cPElltThCp9uUIQncMDA

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

St. Joseph's Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The needs of the less fortunate are great in our local communities... Recently conference members helped a single parent and 3 children during a very challenging transition period. Without the care and support shared with this family, they would be in a dire situation.

And so continuing to fill up the food cart in the back of the church or socially distant on-line donations to St Vincent de Paul, your contributions are truly appreciated. Thank you so much for your generosity! Please email stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com with questions. To donate on-line please visit <https://www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca>

Mass Schedule

All Masses are suspended until further notice

By pre-registration only up to 50 people per Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 7:00pm

Wednesday ~ 7:00pm

Friday ~ 7:00pm

Saturday ~ 7:00pm

Sunday ~ 7:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am

Sunday ~ 11:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am

Sunday ~ 11:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



The final instalment of Fr. Alfie's table for 2020 is the delicious dessert, Crème Caramel...

"smooth, and silky..."

Nice bookends, beginning with Tiramisu, and ending the year with Crème Caramel, which is available on our parish website at: www.sjtw.ca

Newsorthy and Noteworthy

Please be advised that all Masses attended in person at the church will remain suspended until February 5, 2021, due to the latest announcement issued on January 7th, by Dr. Bonnie Henry and the Ministry of Health. The parish office remains open during regular hours of operation (Tues - Fri 8:30am to 3:30pm). Masks are required before entering the premises.

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life

Jesus is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know Him as we should? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life*, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what He means for us today. Parishioners of St. Joseph The Worker and Sacred Heart are invited to gather remotely on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm, starting on February 16. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a group discussion. For more information or to register, email Deacon Michael at mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

Island Catholic Schools

is accepting applications for the following positions:

- On-call Educational Assistants for all schools (Victoria, Duncan, Port Alberni)
- On-call Teachers for all schools (Victoria, Duncan, Port Alberni)

Application forms and details are posted at:

<http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>

Invitation for New Bulletin Advertisers

There are several spaces available. The bulletin is emailed to each of our families weekly, as well as up on our parish website. We are not able to print paper copies at this time, however, will return to print, once the pandemic is over. Please contact parish office for further information.

Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal Ticket Sales

Due to COVID-19 the **Charity Appeal Program for this year has moved to an on-line platform**. Funds raised under this program are donated to a variety of Knights of Columbus charitable causes at the provincial and local Victoria levels. **Please click on <https://kofcdraw.net/c13356>** to purchase your ticket on-line. You can also visit our parish website under the Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal page to purchase your ticket. Thank you for your support. Any questions, please contact Gary (garys235@outlook.com)

This Week in our Community

Monday January 25 Feast The Conversion Of St. Paul The Apostle
Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Tuesday January 26 Memorial St. Timothy And St. Titus, Bishops

Mass celebrated privately

Wednesday January 27

Mass celebrated privately

Thursday January 28 Memorial St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest,

Doctor

Mass celebrated privately

Friday January 29

Mass celebrated privately

Saturday January 30

6:00pm Live Stream Mass

Sunday January 31 Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass celebrated privately

Mass Intentions

January 29 - Special Int. Nerine Sequeira

January 30 - + Elsa Marcelino

Although Masses are not open to the public, we are still taking intentions for the living and deceased. Fr. Alfie is celebrating Mass privately on Wednesday and Friday mornings, so even if you don't hear your loved one's name said out loud, know that your mass intention is being said.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Live-Stream Masses

Saturday 6:00pm Mass live-streamed every week

[Please click here for the link to the live-streamed Masses on our website](#)

How To Donate On-Line

Online and remote options are available for those who can contribute:

Canada Helps online donation platform:

Click on the following link:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47256>

(immediate electronic tax receipt issued by Canada Helps)

E transfers:

Go to your on-line banking site and follow the steps outlined by your bank. Direct funds to:

developmentoffice@rcdvictoria.org

In the memo/description box include your name, address and name "SJTW" as the parish you would like the funds donated to.

Credit Cards:

Click on attached form and complete:

[PAD for Credit Card Donations](#)

Pre-authorized Debit:

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[PAD Agreement](#)

May God bless you and your families.

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St. Joseph's School
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Knights of Columbus
St. Vincent de Paul

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Proclaimer Training Coordinator
Liturgy Committee Chair
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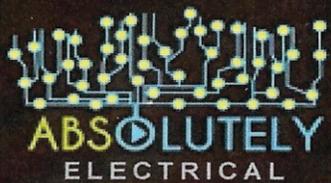
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