

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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The Big Picture

Jean Allen

"Oh how foolish you are..." When Jesus said this to the men on the road to Emmaus, it sounds like he was full of derision for their pain and disappointment; it sounds like he was calling them idiots. If we stopped to think about it, if he was really calling them idiots, he would be a hypocrite, considering that he preached that to call someone a fool was equivalent to murder.

There are various Greek words translated as 'fool' or 'foolish'. When Jesus cautioned us against calling someone a fool, the Greek word used is 'raca', which is absolutely an insult. The Greek word used on the road to Emmaus is 'anoētoi', which simply means acting without considering the full picture. The two disciples he was speaking to should have had a broader understanding if they had been paying attention to Jesus before he died. Jesus didn't hide the fact that all the law and the prophets were pointing to his life and death. He had told them point blank that he had to die but that he would be raised from the dead. They must have thought it was all a metaphor for something far less drastic.

But we're not 'anoētoi' foolish. Or are we? How often are we acting or reacting without having a full picture? Most of the time, I would say. We all see the little part of the picture that is impacting us and causing us hurt, disappointment, resentment or fear of the future and we forget what Christ has said to us time and time again through his Word, "Do not be afraid. Trust me. I am in control. You are loved."

All of the disciples were 'anoētoi' foolish. They simply reacted strongly to devastating circumstances in fear and dismay, which inhibited their ability to consider the whole picture. Did this make Jesus angry and impatient? Absolutely not! To the two on the Emmaus road, he simply said, "You're not seeing the whole picture. Let me show you."

We are all limited beings and we all miss the whole picture. We need to remember to pray,

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"Lord, show me what I'm missing."



The Week of April 24 to April 30 in our Community

Monday April 24
Parish Office Closed
6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding
10:00am CWL Executive Meeting - Community Room
7:30 pm K of C Executive Meeting - Church Hall

Tuesday April 25 St. Mark, Evangelist, Feast 6:00pm Mass + Fergus Gaynor Fr. Sean Flynn presiding 6:00pm Catechism Classes

Wednesday April 26 6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding 6:00pm Mass + Victoria Celis/+ Donal McDunphy

Thursday April 27
6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding
9:00am Mass "In Thanksgiving" Clarence Fernandes

Friday April 28 6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding 9:00am Mass + Pauline O'Neill

Saturday April 29 St. Catherine Of Siena, Virgin, Doctor, Memorial 9:00am **CWL Garage Sale - Church Hall** 5:00pm Mass + **Manuel de Lima (Choir Steve and Michele)**

Sunday April 30 Fourth Sunday Of Easter World Day Of Prayer For Vocations
10:00am Mass (Choir Christian Rocks)
6:00pm Mass (Choir Angela Faber)

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 ~ 6:30 am
Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)
Sunday ~ 10:00am
Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Join Bishop Gary Gordon as he celebrates the Mass.

The regular livestream schedule is 7 pm on weeknights from Sacred Heart Church in Victoria and 9 am on Sundays.

Please note the following upcoming changes to the regular schedule:

• Friday, April 28: Livestream cancelled

https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/daily masslivestreamed and https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictori aLiveOne/about.



Our "Assistive Listening" system has now been installed and several people have been shown how to use it. If you see a parishioner at Mass wearing headphones or earbuds, they are likely using this new system. If, at any time, you would like to learn more about/use this new system, please contact the parish office.

JOB POSTINGS

Administrative Assistant Position at St. Joseph the Worker Parish

3 to 4 days a week (7 hrs/day)

Training: May 31, June 1, June 2, June 7, June 8, June 9

Start date: July 4

Primary Function of the Job:

To provide administrative and secretarial services to the Pastor, other team members and the parish committees.

To assist the Pastor in the administration of the parish office, business and facility operations of the parish.

For details please contact the parish office:

250-479-7413/sjtwparish@rcdvictoria.org

Island Catholic Schools is accepting applications for the following position:

Part-time Homestay Coordinator for the International Student Program at St. Andrew's Regional High School Detailed job posting available on the CISDV website: http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php

St. Andrew's Cathedral Office Assistant

St. Andrew's Cathedral is seeking a full-time, customer-service oriented Office Assistant to

assist with the clerical duties of a busy parish office; someone friendly, with a strong work ethic, and an eye for detail.

A full job description is available on the cathedral website or by email:

saintandrewsoffice@gmail.com.

Candidates who most closely match our requirements will be contacted.

Please kindly send your resume and cover letter to: Rita Fichtner, Office Manager, **no later than April 22nd.**

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.



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 on:

Monday April 23

and Tuesday, April 24

and will return on Wednesday, April 25

Donation Options



CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION: <u>DONATE NOW - ST JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH</u> (<u>CANADAHELPS.ORG</u>)

(IMMEDIATE ELECTRONIC TAX RECEIPT ISSUED BY CANADA HELPS)

E TRANSFERS:

FOLLOW STEPS OUTLINED ON YOUR ON-LINE BANKING SITE TO EMAIL: SJTWPARISH@RCDVICTORIA.ORG

CREDIT CARDS:

<u>Payment_Authorization_Form_for_Credit_Card_Donations.pdf</u> (<u>parishpal.com</u>)

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT:

https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/PAD Agreement.pdf

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.

Upcoming Sanctioned Collections

Pope's Pastoral Works (Peter's Pence) May 21, 2023

Diocesan Family Camp & Conference August 17-20, 2023

Registration opens for all families of the Diocese of Victoria on April 8. Early Bird Registration Price: before May 15! From May 15, registration will open for all families, including those beyond our Diocese. For more information and to register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/9th-diocesan-family-conference-august-2023-tickets-593430365197

Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 and up are invited.

We meet after Saturday Mass
in the School Gym.

For more information, please contact
Ruth Real at:

SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com



Catechism

Please visit the parish website for all the Catechsim News

If you have questions, please email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Confirmation and
First Holy Communion
will be celebrated this year on:
Sunday May 21st at 1:00 pm

Children's Liturgy

We welcome all children Ages 4 (Preschool) to Ages 9 (Gr 4) to join us for this kid-centered approach to hearing what God is saying to us through the readings. We also are asking children from Grade 5 and 6 to join us as helpers with the smaller children.

Is your child enjoying Children's Liturgy ("Sunday School")? Why not consider joining us? Ready to sign up or want to learn more? Please email Kate at: kpettem@me.com Thanks for considering!

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

40 CANS FOR 40 DAYS "THANK YOU"

Let your light shine before men so they may see your good works and give glory to our Father"

Today, thanks to **YOU** and an unprecedented final week that brought in over 2,200 pounds of food, the final total weighed in at **3,703 lbs**.

Truly this light has driven back the darkness of despair in many lives this day.

A heartfelt thanks from the Knights, the food bank and especially the recipients!

ST. JOE'S CWL SPRING GARAGE SALE!!! Saturday, April 29th 9 AM to 2 PM

There will be food and coffee. Please come to and browse, or sell the stuff you've been trying to get rid of. We look forward to seeing you and your friends.

Buy or sell stuff at St. Joe's great big **CWL garage sale**.

Tables are only \$25

TABLES SOLD AFTER MASS, or contact Gerry at: **stjoegaragesale@outlook.com**

St. Joseph the Worker Feast Day Parish Potluck Monday, May 1st

COME OUT AND CELEBRATE OUR FEAST DAY!
When: following 6 pm Mass
Where: Church Hall
Sign-Up sheets are at the back of the church.
Bring your yourselves along with your
favourite dish to share



The annual **March for Life** in Victoria will be held on **Thursday, May 11**

The event will begin with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Gary Gordon, at noon, at St. Andrew's Cathedral.

The Bishop hopes that many people will be able to participate in this marvelous opportunity to make a difference.

For more information, please visit http://www.m4lvictoria.ca

Encounter with the Dene- Guided by the Holy Spirit

Please consider joining Mary-Anne Neal for an interactive presentation about her spiritual encounter with the Indigenous people in the remote Sahtu region of the Northwest Territories. Listening to the whispers of the Holy Spirit, Mary-Anne followed the call to theses communities in 1971 and returned to the Arctic from 2015 - 2020. The arc of her fifty-year journey with the Dene is testimony to the beauty of God's plan for each of us. The presentation will be held **after 6:00 Mass on Wednesday, May 31**, in the basement of St. Joseph the Worker Parish on Burnside and Mackenzie. You can also learn about Mary-Anne's adventure in her best-selling spiritual memoir, *Under the Midnight Sun: Journey with the Sahtu Dene.*

Mother's Day Shoe Box Program

The YMCA-YWCA assisted by K of C St. Joseph the Worker

Council 13356 is spearheading a Mother's Day Shoe Box program in which young single mothers off the streets or out of abusive relationships, looking for a fresh start, are gifted a shoe box full of pampering items (about \$50 worth), such as chocolate, bath bombs, essential oils, etc.

Brother Gerry Poitras will accept donations of filled shoe boxes **OR** funds from parishioners towards increasing the number of boxes we can provide. Donation cheques made out to "K of C Council 13356" and marked "Shoe Boxes" can be dropped off at the parish office, in an envelope marked "K of C Shoe Boxes". All donations must be made by **May 1, 2023**. Filled shoe boxes will be picked up by Brother Gerry. **Call 250-812-7611 with any questions**.

St. Andrew's Regional High School Presents

OLIVER

Thursday, May 4th - Friday, May 5th - Saturday, May 6th

All Evening Shows: 7:30 pm

Tickets:

Saturday Matinee:

Adults \$18/Students \$12 Spectrum Community School

Assist Choreographer: Sarah Katz Music Director: Phillip O'Reilly Director & Choreographer: Natalie Lambert Book, Music, & Lyrics by: Lionel Bart

From the Diocese



"Our Common Home"

As the world celebrates **Earth Day on April 22**, you are invited to explore "Our Common Home", a website and booklet jointly developed by the Holy See and the Stockholm Environment Institute. This guide was created to help Catholic communities respond to Pope Francis' calls to develop a more sustainable future. The website can be viewed at https://www.sei.org/publications/ourcommonhome/

Job Posting - Position of UVic/Camosun College Chaplain

The Diocese of Victoria is now accepting applications for the position of UVic / Camosun College Chaplain. We seek a Chaplain who is committed to helping students grow and flourish within the Catholic faith tradition while living and learning in a secular campus environment. The job posting may be viewed at https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment, and all applications must be received by May 19, 2023.

Pastoral Toolkit for National Family & Life Week 2023 (May 7 - 14)

National Family & Life Week, May 7 - 14, 2023, is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life.

To support parishes and communities in promoting and celebrating this week, the CCCB has prepared a Pastoral Toolkit. It includes daily prayer intentions and activities for families and parishes, pastoral suggestions for a family and life Mass, a catechesis, a daily social media campaign based on related saints, and other resources.

For more information and a link to the toolkit, please visit https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/family-and-life-week/.

Seeds of Reconciliation - One-Day Overview

All people in the Diocese of Victoria are invited to attend Seeds of Reconciliation, a one-day overview of the Returning to Spirit (https://www.returningtospirit.org/) intensive program. It explores the concepts of what reconciliation is by discovering what it is not. The tools and resources that are presented provide individuals with valuable insights into themselves, while also giving them the essence of the Returning to Spirit workshop process. It can also serve as a refresher for those who have taken the complete workshop long ago. There are two sessions in April to choose from:

- Friday, April 21, 2023 at Holy Cross Parish in Victoria
- Saturday, April 22, 2023 at Queen of Angels School in Duncan

Each workshop runs from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. For more information or to register, please visit **https://www.returningtospirit.org/workshopcalendar**, email info@returningtospirit.org, or call 204-889-4579 or 1-855-244-3963. We hope you will be able to participate in this powerful and potentially lifetransforming experience!

This information has also been posted at https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

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

Custodian

Responsible Ministry Coordinator Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word **Children's Religious Education Eucharistic Ministry Contact**

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Development and Peace

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12 St. Joseph's Elementary School **Catholic Women's League (CWL)**

Knights of Columbus St. Vincent de Paul

Coffee/Hospitality Committee

Finance Committee Chair Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator Proclaimer Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Social and Ecological Justice Commitee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Deacon Michael Watkins email: mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

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

Ralph Scheurle

Ann Glas email: annglas@hotmail.com

Angela Grohovac

Call parish office (250) 479-7413

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

(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

Keefer Pollard email: kpollard@cisdv.bc.ca

Angela Grohovac email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Jenny Di Castri email: jdicastri@gmail.com 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: Gerry Heywood (250) 479-6281 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

looking for a coordinator

Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com Bernadette D'Souza email: aberniedsouza@gmail.com

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,

Gerry Heywood





Be like the Widow who donated her two copper coins... Mark 12: 41-44

- Help those in need; Continue your generosity throughout the year.
- Donate non-perishables to the food cart at the back of the church.
- Cash & cheques using BLUE ENVELOPES, inside donation envelope box.
- Monthly St. Vinny's hat donations after Mass.
- Through our SVDP website

https://www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca

Interested in becoming a conference member?

Please reach out to President Stephanie Peters! stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com or 250-514-7853



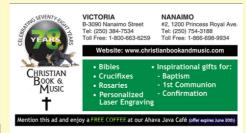
The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Fraternal Benefits session in the church hall this Sunday April 16 at 2:00 pm. All current members, potential future members or any interested parishioners are invited to attend. Our Field Agent, Mark Pan, will present on the fraternal benefits available to members and their families upon joining the Knights of Columbus. There will also be a review of many of the other financial products available. Our insurance program is rated one of the best in North America. There is no obligation, only to come and become informed. The presentation will also be available online. Please contact Gary at garys235@outlook.com for more information.

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Scholarship Opportunities

July 15, 2023 deadline for the following Bursaries/Award (please click link/name to access application):

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.

Knights of Columbus Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The 2023 program is now receiving applications. We are privileged to offer **fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00** each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia.

Requests for application should be addressed to Herb Yang, Bursaries Chairman at herbykofc@gmail.com. Deadline for requests for application is June 1st, 2023.

Applications are accepted from January 1st until **June 30th, 2023** with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference may be found on our web site **(kofcbc.org)**.



Catholic Social Teaching The Solution to Polarizatio

A three-part virtual workshop series presented by







Newman Centre of McGill University



We live in an increasingly polarized culture, where social media can become anti-social and social justice unjust.

Virtue signaling is often valued over virtuous leadership, division defeats dialogue, and wokeness fails to awaken us to the dignity of all. How do we solve this? Join us and discover human dignity, solidarity and subsidiarity – the core principles of Catholic Social Teaching – as life-saving medicine for an ideologically polarized society.

Learn how you can champion Catholic Social Teaching at work and in our culture. Scan the QR code to register for free.





The Wisdom of Fratelli Tutti In A Woke Culture

Saturday, March 25 @ 11:30 AM EDT Dr. Andrea Bartoli, President, Sant'Egidio Foundation for Peace and Dialogue A globally recognized expert in conflict resolution helps us concretely apply Pope Francis' vision for peace amid deep cultural conflicts.



The Environment & Human Dignity
Saturday, April 22 @ 11:30 AM EDT
Dr. John Zucchi, History Professor, McGill University
An introduction to the anthropological dimensions of Pope Francis'
Laudato si', an encyclical on the environment and human dignity.



Magnanimity: A Virtue for Polarized Times

Saturday, May 27 @ 11:30 AM EDT

Alexandre Havard, Founder, Virtuous Leadership Institute

How nourishing greatness of heart and cultivating the best of ourselves
and others serves us even amid serious disagreement

Community Services

Family Life

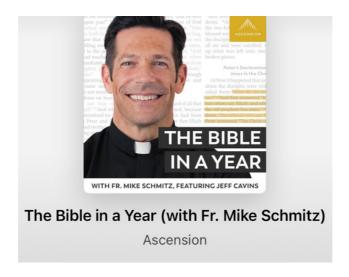
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The Bible In A Year



You are invited to join us in listening to "The Catechism in a Year" podcast. This 365 day podcast will explain all the teachings of the Catholic Church, in a prayerful, engaging, and approachable way with Fr. Mike Schmitz.

Check it out!

The Catechism in a Year - Ascension (ascensionpress.com)







ST. JOE'S SPRING GARAGE SALE!!!

SAINT JOE'S CHURCH HALL Saturday, April 29th 9 AM to 2 PM

BUY OR SELL STUFF AT ST. JOSEPH'S GREAT BIG COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE. TABLES ARE ONLY \$25. FREE ADMISSION, NO STAIRS, HANDICAPPED WASHROOM. TABLES SOLD AFTER MASS OR CONTACT GERRY AT:

stjoegaragesale@outlook.com



Thursday, May 4th - Friday, May 5th - Saturday, May 6th

All Evening Shows: Thursday, Friday, Saturday

doors open @ 7:00 pm show starts @ 7:30 pm

Tickets

adults \$18.00, students \$12.00 Spectrum Community School 957 Burnside Rd.

Saturday Matinee:

doors open @ 10:30 am show starts @ 11:00 am

Assistant Choreographer: Sarah Katz Music Director: Phillip O'Reilly Director & Choreographer: Natalie Lamber Book, Music, & Lyrics by: Lionel Bart