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Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Cross Purposes



"Take up your cross". How familiar are those words? At times in Catholic history there was a sense that they meant one should go looking for crosses to carry but in more recent times we have come to understand that we don't have to seek out hardship because normal life provides plenty of tough crosses to carry.

But there is specificity to Christ's direction to take up our cross and follow him, which we need to look at. When Jesus took up his own cross, indeed from the second he was arrested until the moment his life left him on the cross, there was one huge factor within his innocent suffering that was the fulcrum on which our salvation pivoted. You see, it wasn't so much *that* Jesus suffered and died a horrible death that saved us. Many before and after Christ have died more horrible deaths. It was *how* he suffered and died: with absolute compassion and total forgiveness.

So the question is, can I carry my own crosses with love and especially with forgiveness? Actually, the real question is: *how can I not?* How can I hold on to unforgiveness when the violence that brought Jesus to the cross has the same seeds inside of me, when the foundational truth is that had I been there when Jesus was led to the cross I most likely would have been one of the crowd caught up in clamouring for his death or probably would have been among the disciples who ran away for fear of being condemned to a cross like Christ's. And had I been there, Jesus would have completely forgiven me as well. How can I justify my own comparatively minor resentments and lack of forgiveness?

I can't. That's all there is to it. I cannot justify withholding love and forgiveness from *anyone*. But we all need to remember that love and forgiveness are not feelings, they are decisions. I believe it's the mistaken idea that forgiveness means being full of warm fuzzy feelings toward the offender that holds people back from making the forgiveness decision. Forgiveness actually means a decision to remove the offender from our realm of retributive justice and hand him or her over to God for his restorative justice. It's losing the worldly life of hellish vengeance and gaining Kingdom life.

You can't lose.

Jean Allen

Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date



WHAT'S HAPPENING VIRTUALLY



A **Youtube page** has been created for “**Fr. Alfie’s Table**”. Just go to the homepage on our website and click on all his mouth watering recipes. **This week is “Prawns”!**

If you are unable to attend Mass in person, you can watch **Fr. Alfie’s pre-recorded weekend Mass** from Sunday morning on by clicking on the link on our website.

Here is a chance to **sing along** with Kathy Lokhorst from Christian Rocks Choir during social distancing. Check daily on our website homepage for the newest hymn.

To access the **live stream link** from the **Diocese of Victoria** website simply google: Diocese of Victoria or <http://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocese-of-victoria-live-stream>

SUNDAY 10 AM and MONDAY TO FRIDAY 7 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: ½ hr before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with Fr. Alfredo.

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 (date to be determined). Typically, 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 and Youth Group: Contact Parish Office for 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. For **emergency calls only** call 250-889-3761 and ask for **Fr. Sean Flynn**.

From today’s Gospel: Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. (Matthew 10:39)

Adults: When have you felt more fully alive by giving of yourself to another?

Children: When have you been able to put what someone else needs ahead of what you want for yourself?

For Sale - x2 GE Ranges purchased in 2010. Suitable for suite or cabin.

Call parish office to make an offer 250-479-7413.

News from Our Place - We are providing housing services at the former Comfort Inn on Blanshard Street, and at 919 Pandora; we are slowly re-introducing dining room food service, beginning with our Residents. As the days get warmer and longer, folks on the street need to keep cool and hydrated. We are gratefully accepting donations of sunscreen, NEW baseball or summer hats, and bottled water as well as hotel sized shampoo, conditioner, small packages of facial tissue, combs and brushes to keep everyone clean and well groomed. We regret that we are still unable to accept used clothing. Donations accepted at our New Roads Therapeutic Community, 94 Talcott Road, or call ahead for our Pandora location information 250-388-7112, press 2 for reception. We appreciate your care and concern for all Victoria's vulnerable citizens.

ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE – During this time, we are offering our Marriage Preparation Course fully online, and couples will be able to work through the program at their own pace. The cost is \$125 per couple, and the price also includes an online individualized couple assessment as well as a liturgy planning guide. For more information, go to: <https://bit.ly/3hzgRGW> or find the course on Eventbrite. You may also find the information on the Diocese website. Questions? Contact Louis Melendez at lmelendez@rcdvictoria.org or 250-479-1331 ext. 237.



If you're interested in going on pilgrimage to pray with the Holy Father and hundreds of thousands of other Catholic young adults (ages 19–35), Fr. Eduardo Santos & Fr. Harrison Ayre will be organizing this pilgrimage.

Please contact Rebecca at Holy Family Notre Dame: rc-portalberni@shaw.ca or 250-723-8912

Mass Schedule

at St. Joseph the Worker
By pre-registration only
up to 50 people per Mass
We are accepting names
on a waiting list

Weekday Masses
Monday ~ 7:00pm
Wednesday ~ 7:00pm
Friday ~ 7:00pm

Weekend Masses
Saturday ~ 6:00pm
Sunday ~ 11:00am
Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Parish Office Staff will be away from the office on Wednesday, July 1st to observe Canada Day. We will return your phone calls and emails when we return to the office on Thursday, July 2nd.

Foundations of the Catholic Faith ~ Part II includes an exploration of four pillars of Catholic Church: the Christian Creed, Christian Morality, Sacraments and Prayer. This four-morning interactive and reflective session provides an opportunity to explore foundational elements of the Catholic faith. It is designed for catechists, teachers, parishioners and anyone who would like to renew and enrich their personal faith journey. You will come away with a deeper knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith. Participants will experience a joy-filled, welcoming and challenging learning environment employing a variety of adult learning strategies. Registration is free! Part I need not be completed prior to enrolling for Part II. All are welcome.

2020 Summer Offering via ZOOM (Computer with internet access, camera and microphone required)

Four mornings: June 29, June 30, July 2 & July 3rd 9:00-12:30pm

Register by emailing Gwen gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org or Glen gpalahicky@cisdv.bc.ca



Pilgrimage to Holy Land - An invitation from Fr. Dean Henderson to the Holy Land April 12-21, 2021. For more details, and if you are interested, information with the full itinerary is on our website.

Any questions?

Please contact Fr. Dean email:

dhenderson@rcdvictoria.org

Masithuthu Garden Upkeep: Tired looking at your 4 walls? Want to dedicate some time to others in need?

We have successfully planted potatoes in our smaller-sized Masithuthu Garden. Now, it's time to tend to the garden by performing such tasks as light weeding, minor harvesting, and "waving to the locals" who constantly walk by. Bring your sun hat, water bottle and sunscreen. All tools required are provided. Best yet - ***no experience*** is required or necessary Check out our new website. Details can be found at our new website:

<https://sites.google.com/cisdv.bc.ca/sjvmasithuthugarden>

Due to COVID-19 and necessary social distancing protocols, only those who have signed up are allowed access to the Garden. Hours to begin in mid-June.

This Week in our Community

Monday June 29 Solemnity Saints Peter And Paul, Apostles

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Tuesday June 30

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Wednesday July 1

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Special Int. Marisa Sequeira



Thursday July 2

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Friday July 3 Feast St. Thomas, Apostle

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Saturday July 4

6:00 Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Sunday July 5 Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

11:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Bursaries

FATHER LEO ROBERTS BURSARY

Eligibility requirements:

Individual facing family difficulties / financial hardship.

Strong academic marks with experience in church, community involvement and volunteer work.

Full time student at Post Secondary institution/ college or trade school.

A practicing catholic involved in their parish community.

Scholarship: Maximum of \$2000 per year. Scholarship will be renewed for up to three additional years based on financial hardship and need.

Essay: Write a one page essay (maximum 200 to 250 words) stating your career objectives, your accomplishments, your community and volunteer involvement. Tell us why you need financial assistance.

Deadline: Saturday, June 30, 2020

How to apply: email essay to Father William Hann at wihann@rcdvictoria.org or send in mail to Father William Hann, Holy Cross Parish 4049 Gordon Head Road, BC V8N 3X7

Again this school year, the Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC) is making available a BURSARY in the amount of \$500 to students graduating in 2020. To apply for this bursary, students are invited to submit an essay on the topic The Significance of Spirituality in Health Care.

Information can also be found on our website here: <https://www.chabc.bc.ca/news-and-events/>

BURSARIES are available through the Diocesan website www.rcdvictoria.org under Programs/Bursaries and Awards.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor
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
Development and Peace
Eucharistic Ministry Contact
SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry
Rite of Christian Initiation(RCIA)
Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12
St. Joseph's School
Catholic Women's League(CWL)
Knights of Columbus
St. Vincent de Paul
Coffee/Hospitality Committee
Finance Committee Chair
Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator
ProclaimerTraining Coordinator
Liturgy Committee Chair
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
 Ralph Scheurle (250) 727-6010
 Ann Glas email: email: angglas@hotmail.com
 Jeanine Woodman email: jwoodman326@gmail.com
 Kara Kirkpatrick email: kara.kirkpatrick@rocketmail.com
 Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 email: charlieballen@gmail.com (2nd & 4th Saturdays)
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 Angela Grohovac, Beth Geras and Lily Blair email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com
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 Jenny Di Castri (250) 893-5441
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 Chris and Carmelle Whiteley (250) 886-2987 email: carmelle.whiteley@gmail.com
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 Pre School-Grade 7. Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info
 President: Mary-Ellen Tonge
 Gerry Poitras (250)- 812-7611 email: kofc13356@outlook.com
 Stephanie Peters (3rd Tuesday of month)
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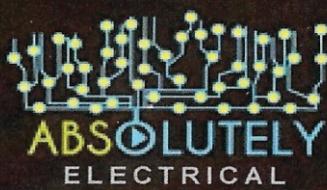
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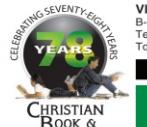
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