



St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

A Humble Prayer Life

The Bible has much to tell us about prayer and its importance in our spiritual lives. It is the bridge that connects us to our Creator. God's instructions to us about prayer are so profound that He gifted us with 650 prayers listed throughout the Bible, from Genesis to Revelations. Prayer is more than just a seasoning sprinkled throughout the Good News; it is our very lifeline to Jesus Christ and the language that connects us to Our Heavenly Father.

In today's Gospel, Jesus' parable focuses on yet another paradox, this time between the Pharisee and the Tax Collector. Jesus tells us of a religious person, likely viewed by society as an individual of authority, facing off against a public sinner, seemingly unworthy of God's grace and favour. Both individuals went up to the Temple to pray, however the context of each man's prayer contrasts greatly with the other. The nature in which the two men prayed explains to us a great deal about the opportunities we have in our own prayer lives with God. The Pharisee boasted about everything he felt he was not, congratulating himself for all the ways he had risen above others. Contrastingly, the Tax Collector felt such sorrow for his sins that he could "not even raise his face to heaven." What an image! Have you ever prayed with such an intense need for mercy that you could not lift your eyes to the Holy One?

Today's First Reading from the Book of Sirach tells us "The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal." Does your prayer life mirror the lowly prayer of the Tax Collector? Jesus tells us "everyone who humbles himself will be made great." What are some of the ways you can greater lift your mind, heart and soul up to the Lord by praying with humility rather than pride?

St. Padre Pio reminds us: "It is true that God's power triumphs over everything, but humble and suffering prayer prevails over God Himself." Lift up your prayers with the lowliest of hearts and without a doubt, they will surely pierce the clouds.
Carmelle Whiteley

Annual Appeal - Commitment Weekend

The Annual Appeal is more than just another collection. It is the way by which every Catholic shares in the work of our parish, our Diocese and the mission of the Church. Through the 2019 "*Imagine*", we can work together to accomplish what we cannot do alone. Please give consideration to making your pledge today, as this is Commitment Weekend in every parish in the Diocese of Victoria.

Our parish projects are:

1) Ministry Outreach to St. Ann's Parish in Duncan 2) Improving Sound System in the church
Parish Goal: \$54,000 Actual to Date: \$ 19,445.00 Number of Gifts: 46

Ministry Liturgical Schedule November 2nd and 3rd 2019

	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers Coordinator - Jeanine Woodman	MC B. Newton B. Woodman	MC M. Edwardson J. Edwardson, E. Riess	MC J. Palahicky L. Silverio, K. Araujo
Hospitality Ministers Schedule Coordinator - Karen Douglas	M. Wood C. Hunt	B. Weber C. Weber	L. Flint G. Flint
Proclaimers Schedule Coordinator - Bernadette D'Souza	M. Kelland W. Kyle	M. King M. McDonald	C. Graham S. Fitzmaurice
Ushers ** recruit Presenters of Gifts looking for Coordinator	T. Aylward **, M. Kelland J. Aquino, M. Sanders	R. Strong **, A. Vandekerkhove J. Vukovic, G. Erickson	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coodinator - Martin Poulin	Seeds 11:00am Mass tbd	Promise 11:00am Mass Lily	Good News 11:00am Mass tbd
Vacuums Coordinator - Ralph Scheurle	J. Fernandes F. Fernandes		
Music Ministry	Jen and Shawn	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing and A Prayer
Hospital Ministers Coordinator - Denise Kyfiuk		D. Kyfiuk A. Kyfiuk	
Sacristans		Doreen and Trisha	

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 to be held on Saturday, **November 16th**. 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.

From today's Gospel: Jesus said, "I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.

Adults: When have you felt self-satisfied in observing the mistakes of others? What should we remember at such times?

Children: Have you every though you were better than someone else? What is the problem with such thoughts?

Catholic Prayer Breakfast will be held at the Comfort Inn, on Saturday **November 9th**, 9am to noon. Speaker: Father Stephen Paine, of St. Edward's, Duncan. Tickets (\$17) are available from charismatic prayer group members. Food, fellowship, inspiring speaker, prayer. To reserve call 250-477-4700 (the Dunstons).

Men's Faith and Fellowship Breakfast. Saturday **November 16th**, 8:00 a.m. at the Victoria Horseshoe club (620 Kenneth St). Come be inspired by some personal sharing from Young Adults & Glen Palahicky on the question of questions: Who is Jesus and what difference does he make? Please RSVP to info@mfaff.org **by Nov 12th** to ensure a seat. Cost: \$13.

40 Days For Life - continues until- November 3rd

Vigil Location: Outside Victoria General Hospital (West of Hospital sign at 2nd light standard on Watkiss Way). Choose Life Victoria is leading the vigil with prayer and fasting at this new site. Vigil Hours: 7am to 7pm. Local Contact: Glenda W. 250-661-2613 or gandhwilmot@gmail.com Learn more, get involved and sign up for prayer times by [visiting our campaign at 40daysforlife.com/Victoria](http://visitingourcampaignat40daysforlife.com/Victoria)

Birthright will be selling home-made Fudge after all the weekend Masses on **Nov 30/Dec 1**. The packets make great stocking stuffers or gifts for the holiday table and freeze well! Birthright assists women in difficult or crisis pregnancies, offering hope and encouraging Mothers to give the precious gift of Life to their babies - how fitting as we prepare for Christmas! Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause.

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ **No Mass**

Tuesday ~9:00am

at Sacred Heart

Wednesday ~ 9:00am

School Mass

at St. Joseph the Worker

Thursday ~9:00am

at Sacred Heart

Friday ~9:00am

at St. Joseph the Worker

Saturday ~ 6:00pm

Sunday ~ 11:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

September 2019

Income - \$22,081.35

(including PAD donations)

Expenses - \$20,073.83

PAD

St. Joseph the Worker Parish has Pre-Authorized Debit facilities if you are looking for a convenient method of donating. Credit card donations are also accepted. Please call parish office 250-479-7413

For Rent

St. Joseph the Worker
Parish Hall

\$75.00/per hour or

\$500.00/event

Contact the Parish Office

@ 250-479-7413 or

sitwparish@rcdvictoria.org

for more information

Newsorthy and Noteworthy

Living With Christ Sunday Missals 2019-2020 (\$5.00 each) available in the Parish office.

Sunday Coffee STILL NEEDS Help from end of Mass to 1:15 pm serving parishioners and cleaning up. Please contact Barbara Strong barbara.victoria127@gmail.com

Relics of St. Anthony of Padua coming soon to St. Joseph the Worker and St. Joseph Elementary School on Wednesday, **October 30th** 2019. Mass at 9:00am, Veneration after Mass until 11:30am. Sacred Heart Parish veneration from 12:30pm to 4pm. Korean Mass: 7:30pm followed by veneration.

Holy Cross Parish Bazaar! Come on Saturday, **November 2nd**, from 10am to 3pm and join us for our first ever church bazaar. Many stalls full of wonderful items to discover including: several gift baskets up for draw and a **silent auction that includes a 1 week stay in Maui!** All proceeds go to help children attending St. Paul II Catholic Elementary School in Port Alberni. Any questions, call Holy Cross Parish office 250-477-5321.

3rd Annual Craftfair will be held here at St. Joe's on Saturday, **November 16th**, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Admission \$1 or \$2 for family. Lots and lots of local crafts, hot food, coffee, and tea at this family event!

You're invited to Mount St. Mary's annual Christmas Market on Saturday, November 16 from 9:30am – 2:30pm. This **FREE**, fun, and festive event will be held at 861

Fairfield Road in Mount St. Mary Hospital's Village Square. All funds raised will guarantee specialized equipment and programs for Mount St. Mary residents. For more information visit mountstmary.ca or contact Jane Bowers at jbowers@mountstmary.ca or [250-480-3138](tel:250-480-3138).

Join us this holiday season to give gifts of love to thousands of Victoria women in crisis through the Victoria Shoebox Project. **Please note: all items must be new.** To learn more about us, go to www.shoeboxproject.com Please drop off your donations by **November 16th** in the box provided in the Community Room. Any questions? Please contact Brenda Newton at brenda_newton@telus.net

Save The Date! Arbutus Singers Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday, **December 4th** at St. Joe's. Admission by donation. Proceeds will go to the Anawim Women's Shelter. **This year we want to fill the pews with our music loving parishioners!**

Recollections for Men and Women - Opus Dei evening recollection for men Thursday, **Nov 7th** at 6:45pm. Morning recollection for women Friday, **Nov 8th** at 10:00am. For more info, call Brent Boyd 250-216-1915 or Elizabeth Boyd 250-508-8021.

Up Coming Events & Start

Oct 30	Relics of St. Anthony of Padua
Nov 2	10:00am Holy Cross Parish Bazaar - Holy Cross
Nov 9	9:00am Catholic Prayer Breakfast - Comfort Inn
Nov 15-17	Beloved Women's Ministry Annual Retreat "Merciful Love" - Camp Imadene
Nov 16	9:00am St. Joe's CWL 3rd Annual Craft fair
Nov 16	9:30am Mount St. Mary's Christmas Market
Dec 4	Arbutus Singers - St. Joseph the Worker

This Week in our Community

Monday October 28 Feast St. Simon And St. Jude, Apostles
Parish Office Closed

No Mass

K of C Executive Meeting - Church Hall

Tuesday October 29

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday October 30

9:00am Relics of St. Anthony of Padua - Church

9:00am School Mass + George Payerle

10:00am CWL Executive Meeting - Church Hall

7:00pm RCIA - Journey of Faith - Community Room

Thursday October 31

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart

Friday November 1 Solemnity All Saints

9:00am Mass + Deceased Members of the Ferrarelli Family Adoration from 9:30am to 12:00 noon - Come adore and listen - Church

10:30am Korean Mass at Sacred Heart

Saturday November 2 The Commemoration of All The Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

10:30am Korean Mass at Sacred Heart

4:00pm Mass at Sacred Heart

6:00pm Mass + Bruce Hodgins

7:00pm Youth Group - School Gym

Sunday November 3 Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

11:00am Children's Mass

6:00pm Mass

Woman's Retreat 2019 - We invite all women 19+ to join us **November 15th to 17th** at Camp Imadene. Theme: "Merciful Love." Keynote Speaker: Angele Regnier along with Bonnie Landry, Gwen Jahelka and Laura-Anne Smid who will provide breakout sessions throughout the weekend. Mass & Reconciliation during the weekend. Please email us at vicatholicwomensretreat@gmail.com for a link to register.

Temporary Full-Time Secretary for St. Edward's Parish Duncan Office - This position is for 32 to 40 hours per week for three months. The candidate should be proficient in MS Word, Excel, and Publisher. Training will be provided for new database programs like 'ParishSoft', 'Vega', and 'Armatus'. This temporary position may become a permanent position, following a successful performance review. Please address all applications to the Personnel Committee of St. Edward's at ed123a@shaw.ca or fax 250-748-5363. Closing date is 5pm Tuesday, **Nov 12th**, 2019. See bulletin board.

"Friendship the experience of an Encounter"



Youth Group

An Invitation to all Youth Grades 6 and up after Saturday Mass in the School Gym

Come and Join Us!

Games, Singing, Fun, Prayer as an Education in the Faith.

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

Proclaimer Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee Chair

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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
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