



St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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November 2nd and 3rd 2019

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Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

I Once Was Lost But Now Am Found

The Sycamore tree generally symbolizes strength, protection, eternity, divinity and clarity. In Israel in particular, it symbolizes regeneration. When Zacchaeus climbed the Sycamore tree, he may or may not have been consciously aware that he was climbing and searching for more than a glimpse of an interesting man passing through; something inside yearned for the strong protection of God and the clarity of the Holy Spirit. He may have been aching for regeneration but had no idea how to redeem himself in the eyes of his fellow Israelites who despised him for collecting Roman taxes.

Zacchaeus is symbolic of all of us. We get ourselves tangled up in life situations that seem lifeless, destructive and irredeemable or we find ourselves aching for more of an unobstructed vision of God. Sometimes it seems like it's our stature that inhibits our sightline. We feel smaller than everyone around us and it seems like we're the only ones who can't see Jesus clearly.

Take heart! Even if you can't see Jesus clearly, don't hide your yearning; don't despair and go home to privately nurse your resentful and aching soul. Even if you can't see Jesus, he can see you. He has a clear direct vision of what you need and what you want and when you can't part the crowd of thoughts that condemn you, he can – and will. When you are pretty sure you're not worthy to welcome him into your home, he will invite himself.

Jesus said, "For the Son of Man came to seek out and save the lost." There are two parts to that statement. He not only came to save the lost but he also came to *seek them out*. He looks for us. He hears the cry of our hearts and exclaims, "There you are! I've been looking for you!"

Our part in the equation is to humbly allow ourselves to be found.

Jean Allen

In Remembrance Of Our Beloved Departed Souls *Nov 1 2018 - Oct 31 2019*

*Janos Barany
Gerard Berube
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*Blair Cafferky
John Young
Rosita Hallam
Eileen Vanyo
Elton Murphy*

Ministry Liturgical Schedule November 9th and 10th 2019

	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers Coordinator - Jeanine Woodman	MC J. Price, L. Torok A. Lebedynsky Fraser	MC J. Cerna, A. Cerna C. Mykyte	MC N. Sabado C. Bernarte
Hospitality Ministers Schedule Coordinator - Karen Douglas	E. Tobin	J. Di Castri M. Goley	E. Oliveira
Proclaimers Schedule Coordinator - Bernadette D'Souza	L. Chatton B Douglas	L. Hawkes J. Vukovic	S. Fitzmaurice M. Hardy
Ushers ** recruit Presenters of Gifts looking for Coordinator	M. Kelland **, J. Aquino M. Sanders, R. Strong	B. Quinn **, J. Vukovic G. Erickson, S. Leckie	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coodinator - Martin Poulin	Seeds 11:00am Mass Carmelle	Promise 11:00am Mass Lily	Good News 11:00am Mass tbd
Vacuums Coordinator - Ralph Scheurle	R. Neuman		
Music Ministry	Steve and Michele	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing and A Prayer
Hospital Ministers Coordinator - Denise Kyfiuk		M. Hardy A. Grohovac	
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: And Jesus said to Zacchaeus, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost." (Luke 19:9-10)

Adults: During the next week, what could you do to welcome someone who usually feels excluded?

Children: Is there a child in your class or neighbourhood who is left out of games and activities? What can you do?

Recollections for Men and Women - Opus Dei **Men's Faith and Fellowship Breakfast**. Saturday 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.

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).

Woman's Retreat 2019 - We invite all women 19+ to join us **November 15th to 17th** at Camp Imadene. Theme: "Merciful Love." Please email us at vicatholicwomensretreat@gmail.com for a link to register.

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.

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! **All Birthright Fudges are \$5**. 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

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

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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

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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
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Newsorthy and Noteworthy

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

Diocesan Appeal Update - THANK YOU to all who have supported the 2019 Appeal to this point. Total pledged to date: - **\$30,840.00**. So far **85 of 790** families registered in our parish have donated to the Appeal. Donations received prior to December 31st will generate an income tax receipt for 2019.

St. Joseph's Conference of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank the parishioners and the Knights of Columbus for their incredible contribution of over **900 lbs. of food donations** during our World Day of the Poor drive. Many families and especially children received your love. God bless you all.

Couch and single mattress needed for a single mom and child on govt. disability. If you can help please contact Robert Strong of St. Vincent de Paul in our Parish. (250) 881-8612 or on his cell (778) 350-0676.

Knights Of Columbus Marian Prayer Program - The Travelling Icon will be at St Joseph The Worker Parish from Nov 6th – 12th, on display near the altar. The Marian Hour of Prayer will be conducted on Saturday, **November 9th**, after 6:00 PM Mass. It will include the Rosary as well as other prayers in devotion to Mary, the patron saint of the Knights of Columbus. Please come and join us with our Youth Group.

3rd Annual Craft Fair will be held here at St. Joe's on Saturday, **November 16th**, 9:00am to 1:00pm. Admission \$1 or \$2 for family. Come and join us!

You're invited to Mount St. Mary's annual Christmas Market on Saturday, November 16th 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).

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!**

Introduction to Theology Have you ever wondered what theology is? How do we understand and receive the teachings of the Magisterium? How is Jesus both human and divine? Why is God both One and Three? Join Fr. Harrison Ayre for an introduction to some of the core elements of Catholic theology. Once a month, on a This is an introductory class, but come expected to be stretched! Register at the Cathedral parish office: 250-388-5571 or standrewscathedral@gmail.com
Dates are: Jan. 17 & 18; Feb. 7 & 8; March 13 & 14; April 24 & 25; May 22 & 23. Friday night from 7 – 9 pm/Saturday from 10:30 – 12:30.

Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Nov 9	9:00am Catholic Prayer Breakfast - Comfort Inn
Nov 9	7:15pm Marion Hour of Prayer - Church
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 November 4 Memorial St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop Parish Office Closed

No Mass

10:00am CWL Meeting - Community Room

Tuesday November 5

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart - Fr. Jim Bekkema

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday November 6

9:00am Mass + Deceased Members of The Alessio Family

Fr. Jim Bekkema presiding

7:00pm RCIA - Journey of Faith - Church Hall

Thursday November 7

9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart - Fr. Jim Bekkema

Friday November 8

9:00am Mass + Fred Fernando

Adoration from 9:30am to 12:00 noon - Come adore and listen - Church

1:00pm Funeral Mass for Elton Murphy

Saturday November 9 Feast The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica

10:00am Contemplative Community - Community Room

6:00pm Mass + Frances Ada Van Bodegraven

7:00pm Youth Group - School Gym

Sunday November 10 Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

11:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass Special Int. Sr. Lisa Pires

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.

Island Catholic Schools is accepting applications for the following positions:

- Full-time Intermediate Teacher at St. Joseph's School, Victoria
- Full-time Temporary Intermediate Teacher at St. Patrick's School, Victoria
- On-call Educational Assistants for various schools
- After School Care Subs for various schools
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Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper

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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 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

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 Tuesday-Friday

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