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## Looking In The Right Place

Jean Allen

Everybody wants to feel important. It's human nature. It is gratifying to be respected and appreciated and it feels good to be put on a pedestal at least once in our lives.

None of these things are bad in themselves but in today's Gospel, Jesus is very clearly saying that if we get hooked on respect and admiration and like the view from up on the pedestal too much, there is great danger and he points out that many of the religious leaders had succumbed to being addicted to status and admiration to such a degree that they completely lost sight of the point of their mission, which was to be the face of God and the heart of God to the people.

There is nothing wrong with a priest being called 'Father'. Jesus wasn't just quibbling over words. What is wrong is when men and women seek higher positions to feed their own egos, when they seek the title rather than the calling. And the calling, no matter what, is to serve. The disciples themselves struggled with this understanding as they argued who would sit at the right hand of Christ and got offended when someone other than them was using the name of Jesus to cast out demons. They didn't like their territories being invaded and they were jealous of their positions.

They just didn't know yet that the only one who could fill up the desires of their hearts to be respected and approved of was God. If you don't know that God holds you in great esteem and loves you for exactly who you are, where you are, you can spend your whole life grasping for approval and respect and, no matter what kinds of lofty positions you attain, it will never be enough. Never. Be. Enough. Only the deep compassion and love of God can fill the last aching abyss of the human heart.

To seek it anywhere else is such a waste of time...and of you.



## The Week of November 6 to November 12 in our Community

All Mass Intentions for Nov. 7, 8 and 9 will be offered at the parish where Fr. Alfie will be concelebrating

Monday November 6

**Parish Office Closed**

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

Tuesday November 7

Fr. Alfie away **Clergy Study Days in Parksville + Phyllis Schaefer / Special Int.**

**Deceased Members of Alessio Family**

No Mass

Wednesday November 8

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

Fr. Alfie away **Clergy Study Days In Parksville Special Int. for Bob and Marj**

**Elevado "In Thanksgiving"**

No Mass

7:00pm **Legion of Mary - Church Hall**

Thursday November 9 The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica, Feast

6:30am Mass - Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

Fr. Alfie away **Clergy Study Days in Parksville + Pudge Sundher / Special Int.**

**Deceased Members of Ferrarelli Family)**

No Mass

7:30pm **RCIA Journey of Faith - Church Hall**

Friday November 10 St. Leo The Great, Pope, Doctor, Memorial

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

9:00am Mass **Special Int. Deceased Relatives of Lorne and Sandra Keller /**

**Special Int. Julia** followed by Adoration until 12:00 noon

Saturday November 11 St. Martin Of Tours, Bishop, Memorial

**Remembrance Day**

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

10:00am **Contemplative Community - Community Room**

5:00pm Mass

**No Youth Group tonight**

Sunday November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass

**No Catechism this morning**

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. Sister Lisa Pires**



# 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.

7 pm on weeknights from Sacred Heart

and 9 am on Sundays from St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Please note changes to the regular schedule can be found at:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed> and <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/about>.

**All Saints' Day Mass**

Wednesday, November 1st

6:00pm

**All Souls' Day Mass**

Thursday, November 2nd

6:00pm

The Book of Remembrance will be in the foyer for the month of November, for you to enter the names of your loved ones.



This week is commitment weekend for the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

**Our Parish Projects:**

- 1) support new Anawim House for Women
- 2) new digital sign for church and school

**Our Goal: \$46,000**

**Pledged to Date: \$13,760.00**

**So far 25 families have contributed.**

Please give prayerful consideration towards making a pledge and know that you are making a difference.  
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal>

## 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](mailto: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)

Fr. Alfie will be attending Clergy Study Days  
in Parksville from:

**Tues. Nov 7 through Thurs. Nov 9**

There will be **NO** weekday Mass celebrated  
at St. Joe's during this time.

**You are invited to attend Mass at Sacred Heart Parish:  
12:05pm Tues. - Thurs. Nov 7th - 9th  
(Celebrant: Fr. Frank Franz)**

## Donation Options



**CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION:  
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**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.**

**CISDV - AGM: The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Victoria** (CISDV) Society will be held on **Wednesday, November 22**. There will be a private ballot election for two positions to the CISDV Board of Directors at this meeting. Each position is for a three-year term. Nomination forms may be requested from [schools@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:schools@cisdv.bc.ca) and must be completed and sent to the Nomination Committee at [schools@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:schools@cisdv.bc.ca) **no later than Friday, November 10**. Potential Board Members must meet the following requirements for nomination:

1. Be a practising Catholic and an active member of a Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Victoria.
2. Not be an employee of the CISDV, an immediate relative of an employee of the CISDV, nor a student of a school under the jurisdiction of CISDV.
3. Read and understand the constitution and bylaws, [policies 200 and 201](#) and the method of election.
4. Have a signed nomination form which includes two sponsors and Parish Priest.

**For further information**, contact the Island Catholic Schools office at: 250-727-6893.

## Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 - 12  
are invited  
to join us on Saturday evenings  
following  
For more information, please contact  
Ruth Real at:  
[SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com)



## Catechism Journey

St. Joseph the Worker Parish  
Catechism Program (2023/2024)

Sunday Morning

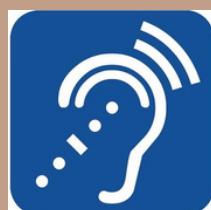
Grade's 1 to 4  
11:15am - 12:00 Noon (following the 10  
am Mass)  
St. Joseph's Elementary School  
757 Burnside Rd. W

For more information please contact:  
[OurCatechismJourney@gmail.com](mailto:OurCatechismJourney@gmail.com)

## Grade/Level 5 Post Sacrament Class

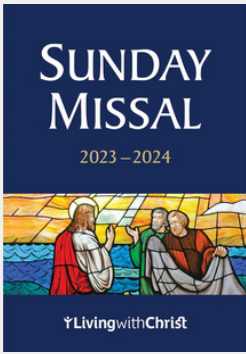
Saturdays at 6:00pm  
For more information or to register please  
contact Chris Whiteley at:  
[whiteley.christopher@gmail.com](mailto:whiteley.christopher@gmail.com) or  
250-886-2407

Our worship area is  
equipped with an  
**Assistive Listening**  
system. If you  
would like to use  
this, please contact  
the parish office.



# Newsworthy and Noteworthy

## Sunday Missals 2023-2024 for Sale



**Living With Christ  
Sunday Missals  
are now available  
at the back of the church.**

**\$5.00 each**

**Please try to have correct  
change to drop in box.**

## CWL Sacred Heart Garage Sale

**Saturday Nov. 4th - 9AM - 1PM**

Free Admission + Parking

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Bring Cash & Bags

Jewelry, new and old treasures, original artwork  
& more.

## Like to Cook?

### The Soup Kitchen Needs You!

The Soup Kitchen, operating in the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria, is looking for a Wednesday morning cook to prepare our nutritious soup, in a 70 litre commercial kettle for up to 150 diners. This can be a one or two person job. Hours are 4:00 am to 6:00 am. Duties include making the soup with precut ingredients and cleanup. Onsite training is provided. A current Food Safe certificate is needed, which will be paid for by The Soup Kitchen.

Keen to learn more? Please contact Sheila Connelly at (250) 216-7249.

## Birthright Fudge Is Coming Soon!

Birthright will be selling specialty Fudges **after weekend Masses on Nov 25/26**. The packets make great stocking stuffers or gifts for the holiday table and freeze well!

All **Birthright Fudges** are **\$6** (each package = 1/4 of an 8 inch square pan).

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 the Christ Child!

Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause.

## RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED!

We are seeking 2-3 encouraging & faithful **SJTW parishioners to be RCIA Sponsors!** Walking a journey of faith, answering questions, and exploring topics with RCIA catechumens during their RCIA program and beyond.

Contact Carmelle Whiteley:

[carmelle.whiteley@gmail.com](mailto:carmelle.whiteley@gmail.com) or 250-886-2987

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Serving with Spirit:

### Transformation from the inside out

Join us for a day of learning in community as we consider how the Holy Spirit leads us within a changing church and world.

**St. Edward The Confessor Church, Duncan**

**November 25, 2023 8:30am - 3:30pm**

To register:

<https://DioConferenceServewithSpirit.eventbrite.com>

## Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal

Proceeds from the

### Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal

ticket sales support numerous charitable, community and religious causes.

This year's program runs until December 16.

Total prizes amount to

\$100,000.

### The more tickets purchased the cheaper the per ticket price!

Buy tickets through the on-line link:

<http://kofcdraw.net/c13356> or

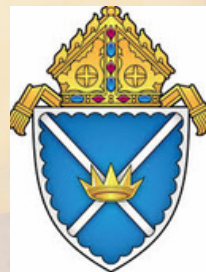
our **Council 13356 Facebook page**.

**We will be back in the church foyer selling tickets  
before and after Mass**

**on the first 2 weekends in November.**

## Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

We are grateful to those who give of their time and care to bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot make it to church each week due to sickness or infirmity. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Melissa at the parish office by phone or by email: [mhogg@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:mhogg@rcdvictoria.org)



# From the Diocese

## “Redeeming Conflict: One Messy Situation at a Time”

On **Saturday, November 4**, Catholic speaker and author Ann Garrido will present our Diocesan Conference *“Redeeming Conflict: One Messy Situation at a Time”*. As Christians, we tend to associate conflict with sin, but how we handle our tensions with one another can be one of the most profound witnesses we offer in the world. Speaking out of her own experience as a part-time theology nerd and part-time conflict mediator, Ann will share insights into how we can make our tensions part of our spiritual journey. The conference will be held at Holy Cross Parish in Victoria from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm, followed by Mass with the Holy Cross community at 4:00 pm. For more information and to register please visit: <https://DofVRedeemingConflict.eventbrite.com>

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## CCCB statement on the conflict in Holy Land

The president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop William T. McGrattan has issued a statement in response to the escalation of the conflict in the Holy Land. The statement may be found online at: <https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/statement-by-the-most-rev-william-t-mcgrattan-bishop-of-calgary-and-ccb-president-to-the-catholic-faithful-in-canada-on-the-recent-escalation-of-conflict-in-the-holy-land/>.

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## Diocesan Health Care Committee New “Care of the Dying” Webpage

As we move into the month of November, traditionally a time to remember those who have died, the Diocesan Health Care Committee is pleased to share a new *“Care of the Dying”* webpage: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/care-of-the-dying>. The page include a short video intro to CCCB’s “Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care” and a link to download the toolkit, as well as many other valuable resources and links.

**Please note:** Parishes and communities are encouraged to use the **Horizons of Hope Toolkit** to facilitate gatherings where people can explore palliative care in the context of a prayerful, caring community. For more information and assistance, please contact Joelle Dressler, the Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization, at: [jdressler@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:jdressler@rcdvictoria.org) or 250-479-1331 ext 230

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## Webinar Series - The Four Constitutions of Vatican II

On **Tuesday, November 7**, The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop’s Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will begin a webinar series on *“The Four Constitutions of Vatican II”*. Pope Francis has invited us to begin preparing for the Jubilee year in 2025 by taking time to study Vatican II; in particular, the Holy Father hopes that young people will experience the richness of the documents and grow in their appreciation of their importance to the Church today. The series will be offered over **four Tuesdays in November from 10 – 11:30 am PT** each day. All sessions will be recorded and packaged with a reflection guide for later release. If you wish to attend any of the sessions or to be notified when recordings are made available, please visit:

[https://ccb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/3016939203502/WN\\_Xf09Vsi\\_SjiilwdLPzWMdQ#/registration](https://ccb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/3016939203502/WN_Xf09Vsi_SjiilwdLPzWMdQ#/registration)

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## “The Epiphany of the Liturgy: Welcoming the Closeness of God”

The Diocesan liturgical conference *“The Epiphany of the Liturgy: Welcoming the Closeness of God”* will take place on **January 5 and 6, 2024** at **St. Joseph the Worker Church** in Victoria. This conference is an opportunity to enter into a richer experience of the Trinity in our Eucharistic Celebrations, and will be valuable both for those who serve in liturgical ministries and those who participate in the assembly. The presenters will be Dr. Glenn Byer and Dr. David Pitt, liturgical and musical educators at Catholic colleges in the U.S. Registration is free, and available at:

<https://EpiphanyLiturgyConference.eventbrite.com>

# Contacts in the Parish

## Pastor

## Deacon

## 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

## Eucharistic Ministry Contact

## Usher Coordinator

## 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

## Legion of Mary

## Coffee/Hospitality Committee

## Finance Committee Chair

## Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator

## Proclaimer Training Coordinator

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Stephanie Peters (250) 514-7853 email: [stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com](mailto:stephanie.jm.peters@gmail.com)

Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm

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Meetings every Wednesday following 6:00pm Mass

looking for a coordinator

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Gerry Heywood

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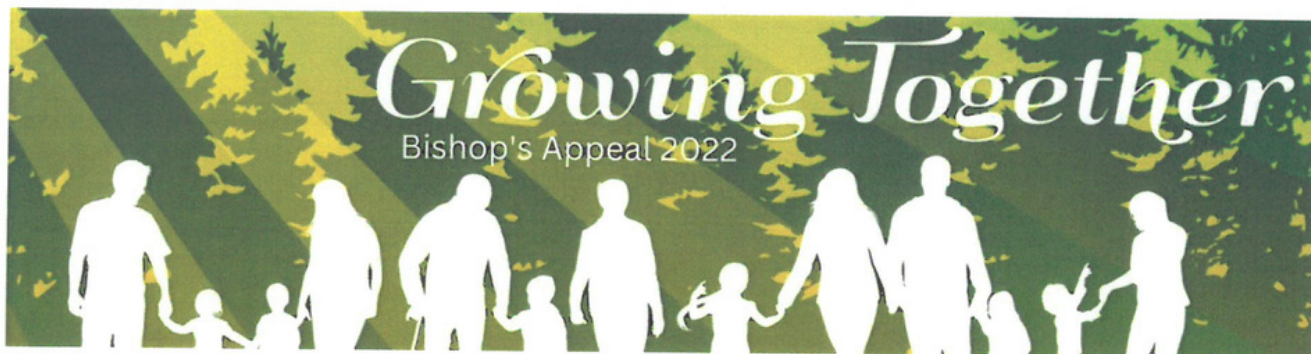
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**2022 Bishop’s Appeal: *Growing Together*  
Final Report**

*Growing Together* dedicated funds to support Catholics of all generations while striving to heal and grow the Church. Details on how funds from this Appeal were disbursed are below:

| 2022 Appeal<br>Distribution of Funds                | Amount \$      |
|---|----------------|
| Parish Community and Relationship Building Grants   | 60,000.00      |
| Catholic Schools Capital Plan                       | 325,000.00     |
| Clergy and Seminarian Support                       | 65,000.00      |
| Indigenous Community and Relationship Building      | 50,000.00      |
| Twenty Percent Given to Parishes for Local Projects | 162,000.00     |
| Overhead fees                                       | 65,000.00      |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>727,000</b> |

**2022 Bishop’s Appeal: *Growing Together*  
Community and Relationship Building Grants - List of Events**

As part of the 2022 Appeal, Parishes can apply for grants from the Diocese to undertake projects that support community and relationship building. Some wonderful events have taken place to date:

- \$12,860.18 was reimbursed to Holy Cross Parish for their Called and Gifted workshop.
- \$10,000 was provided to the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish to assist in the emergency repair and relocation of the parish office, meeting rooms and chapel.
- \$5000 was granted to Christ the King to facilitate the creation of a food hamper plan to support local Ukrainian families.
- \$3000 was given to St. Peter’s Parish to hold a Parish Reorganization Retreat.
- \$2500 was provided to Sacred Heart Parish to host a meal for the Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

More information and images are available on the website at:  
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/2022-appeal-parish-community-building-grants>



# 62<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL

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**Main Draw Saturday December 16, 2023, 8:01pm**

*An annual charity appeal of the Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation*

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If you are interested in joining one of our teams, please visit: <https://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities/>



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# *Redeeming* **CONFLICT**

*ONE MESSY SITUATION AT A TIME*

**with Ann Garrido**

As Christians we tend to associate conflict with sin, but how we handle our tensions with one another can be one of the most profound witnesses we offer in the world. Speaking out of her own experience as a part-time theology nerd and part-time conflict mediator, author Ann Garrido will share insights into how we can make our tensions part of our spiritual journey.

**SATURDAY, NOV. 4, 2023**

**8:30 AM - 3:30PM**

**(FOLLOWED BY 4PM MASS)**

**HOLY CROSS PARISH**

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**TO REGISTER:**

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# COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE #2

**SATURDAY  
NOV. 4TH 2023  
9 AM - 1 PM**

**@4040 Nelthorpe Street  
Sacred Heart Church Hall  
Info: [deniseowen@shaw.ca](mailto:deniseowen@shaw.ca)  
(250)580-0066**

**Book a table \$25**

**Sell your goods, keep your profit**

Hosted by Sacred Heart Catholic Women's League

**New and old items - Bring cash and bags**

**Tea, coffee, baked goods, **YUMMY BBQ.****

**FREE admission + free parking + Wheelchair access**

## BIRTHRIGHT FUDGE IS COMING SOON!

**Birthright** is selling specialty Fudges after all Masses on **Nov 25/26**. The Fudges freeze well and make lovely stocking stuffers or gifts for the holiday table.

All **Birthright Fudges\*** are **\$6** (each package = 1/4 of an 8 inch square pan).



**BLACK FOREST**  
*our best-seller, dark chocolate, cherries almonds*



**MACADAMIA MADNESS**  
*dark chocolate, macadamias (portion is a little smaller as the nuts are pricey)*



**MIDNIGHT MINT**  
*silky dark chocolate with a hint of crème de menthe (no alcohol)*



**MAPLE RIBBON**  
*a ribbon of maple sandwiched between layers of dark chocolate*



**CLASSIC CHOCOLATE**  
*softer, sweeter, more traditional (no nuts~trace amounts may be present)*



**ROCKY ROAD**  
*walnuts, marshmallow in a traditional sweet chocolate fudge*



**ROOT BEER FLOAT**  
*a very pretty fudge, decadent chocolate with the taste of Root Beer over ice cream!*



**CHOCOLATE APRICOTS**  
*for those who like their chocolate a little less rich (6 good-size dipped apricots for \$3)*



**CARAMEL CORN & CARAMEL CORN LIGHT**  
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# Serving with Spirit:

Transformation from the inside out

## Save the Date!

Join us for a day of learning in community as we consider how the Holy Spirit leads us within a changing church and world.

In Duncan at  
**St. Edward The Confessor Church**  
All are Welcome!

November 25, 2023

9 am – 3 pm

Registration details coming soon!

**Leah Perrault** speaks across Canada and writes from her home in Swift Current, Saskatchewan on Treaty 4 territory. She and her spouse, Marc, are enjoying raising their four children and are active members at Christ the Redeemer Parish. You can read more about her at [www.leahperrault.com](http://www.leahperrault.com)



ARBUTUS SINGERS

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

7:30pm to 8:30pm  
(no intermission)

St. Patrick's Parish  
2060 Haultain Street, Victoria

**Tickets: \$20 Each or \$50 Family Pack**

Purchase from an Arbutus Singers member  
or call Julie at 250 384 2840

Come join Jack Boomer, Director; Robyn McKinnon, Pianist; and the other 70 members of the Arbutus Singers for a fun-filled start to the Christmas season. Song selections will include Feliz Navidad, Don't Save It All For Christmas, Heaven Everywhere, Song for a Winter's Night and many other holiday favourites.

*You won't want to miss this fun evening.*

Proceeds to support



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# PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO

Under spiritual leadership of Fr. Dean Henderson, Pastor  
Our Lady of the Rosary in Langford

Feb. 23 – Mar. 1, 2024 - 8 days – \$3,390.00 (Vancouver Dep, incl. all taxes and tips)



Feb. 23 Afternoon departure from Victoria via Vancouver to Mexico City. Upon arrival transfer to hotel for overnight.

Feb. 24 After breakfast we are transferred to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for welcome Mass. Continue to the "City of Angels"- Puebla for dinner and overnight.

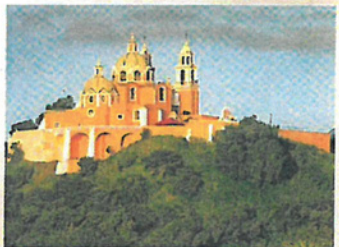
Feb. 25 We start the day with a tour to the old city, the Cathedral, Dominican Cloister and the Rosary Chapel. Continue to Tlaxcala and the Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro. Celebrate Mass at the site where St Michael the Archangel appeared to Diego Lazaro in 1631 directing him to the Grotto and to a well of miraculous waters. See the image of Our Lady of Ocotlan burnt into a tree trunk after she appeared to Diego Bernardino in 1531. Perfectly preserved, the image in a tree resides in the Basilica of Our Lady of Ocotlan. Dinner and overnight in Puebla.



Feb. 26 After breakfast we visit the small Indian baroque church of Tonantzintla and Cholula Church constructed on the top of Great Pyramid. Continue to the famous "Silver City"- Taxco. We get acquainted with the history of silver mining in Mexico, visit jewels of baroque style architecture - St Priscilla and St Sebastian Church where we celebrate Mass. Dinner and overnight in Taxco.



Feb. 27 This morning we depart to Mexico City. Upon arrival we visit the Square of the Three Cultures and continue to the Old and the New Basilica dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe, visited by several million pilgrims every year, built near the location where Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego in 1531. We celebrate Mass and learn about the history of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Blessed Juan Diego. Dinner and overnight in Mexico City.



Feb. 28 After breakfast we travel to Teotihuacan and the largest American Pyramids, the pyramid of the Sun and the Moon as well as the Pyramid of the "Feathered Dragon", ranked among the biggest in the world. Special lunch on the way included. Some time for leisure. In the evening an optional performance of Ballet Folklórico de México in the Opera House and overnight.



Feb. 29 Full day in Mexico City. We explore magnificent city center built on top of the ruins of the Aztec capital city. We stop at the Zocalo (main square), Palacio National, celebrate Mass in the Cathedral and drive along famous Paseo de la Reforma. Afternoon some free time for leisure. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.

Mar. 01 Morning transfer to the airport for a flight to Victoria via Vancouver. Early afternoon arrival.

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Bringing help and hope to marriages  
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## The Bible In A Year



The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)

Ascension

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