



# St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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November 14th and 15th 2020

Website: [www.sjtw.ca](http://www.sjtw.ca)

**Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

## Talent Show

A key phrase in today's Gospel is *"...to each according to his (or her) ability."*

The master was an astute observer of his slave's talents and abilities and he did not burden any of them with a responsibility they could not handle. He gave a great gift to those men by showing them he trusted them with his property. Even one talent was not a negligible amount; it was equivalent to fifteen years' wages for a labourer in those days.



The first two slaves were very good at trading but it doesn't say where the third slave's aptitudes lay. Perhaps he found wheeling and dealing quite threatening but was an amazing gardener. Perhaps he had the capacity to grow abundant fruit and vegetables and could have purchased quality seeds with his one talent. But it seems he compared himself to the other two, found himself lacking according to their gifts and literally went to ground.

It may be the master was not so put out that the slave didn't make more money for him, maybe he was upset that the slave had compared himself to the other two, lost complete confidence in his own abilities and gave up. The master had judged him capable in a different way and the slave more or less said to the master, "You don't know me. You don't know how worthless and incapable I am. I don't trust your judgement."

When we compare ourselves to others, think we are lacking and decide we have nothing much to offer, we are throwing God's wisdom back in his face. He gifted every one of us with ability and if that ability doesn't look like someone else's ability, it's none of our business. You have been gifted according to the wisdom and desire of God; whatever gifts and talents he has given you are unique and critical to the Kingdom of God. God is not like us. He doesn't value anyone more than another because the gifts displayed are more visible and impressive on the surface.

We envy mountains while God delights in grains of sand.

Jean Allen

## Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE DIOCESE

Here is the link to the latest Diocesan Blog post entitled "Up here, quarantine was easy", featuring St. Bonaventure Parish in Port Hardy: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog/up-here-quarantine-was-easy>

**Mass With the Bishop Live Streamed** from the Diocese of Victoria website, go to: <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne>

### Diocesan Appeal

Thank you to all who have supported the 2020 *Horizon of Hope* Appeal to this point.

Total pledged to date: **\$50,229.42**

Number of Families who have contributed - **82**

% of Goal Pledged - **93.02%**

**Island Catholic Schools is accepting applications for the following positions:**

- Educational Assistant at St. Joseph's School in Victoria (8:30am to 3:00pm - Monday to Friday).
- On-call Teachers for all schools (Port Alberni, Duncan, Victoria).

Application forms and details are posted at:

<http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** ½ hr before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with Fr. Alfredo. Please call parish office to arrange 250-479-7413.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Inquiries must be made 6 months in advance. Register at the office. Marriage preparation class is compulsory.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** At this time Baptisms are being held privately. Please call parish office to arrange 250-479-7413.

**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 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.

### Bishop's New Directives

You will read in the Bishop's new directives that, if prescribed conditions are met, the Parish Hall may be used to accommodate more parishioners to physically attend the Mass in the hall through a 'live video-feed' or broadcast. ***It is in the initial stages of planning and will take some time for the normal process of gathering quotes, approval, installation, and testing before its implementation.***

Please visit our parish website at [www.sjtw.ca](http://www.sjtw.ca) to read the revised Directives.

As you know, Pope Francis published his third Encyclical letter, *Fratelli Tutti (Brothers and Sisters All)* on Sunday, October 4, 2020. Drawing inspiration from St. Francis of Assisi, and written during the unexpected eruption of COVID-19, the Encyclical aims to promote a universal aspiration toward fraternity and social friendship as this global health emergency has demonstrated that "no one can face life in isolation". We are invited to truly "dream, then, as a single human family" in which we are "brothers and sisters all" (Par 8). If you would like to reserve a copy of the Pope's New Encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti', please call or email the parish office. Cost is \$20.

**Revised 2020 Sanctioned Collections**  
**Nov 29/20 Catholic Missions in Canada**  
<https://cmic.info/how-to-help/give/>

### 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 ~ 9:00am

Friday ~ 7:00pm

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am

Sunday ~ 11:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Don't miss the latest edition of Fr. Alfie's Table, featuring Covered German Apple Cake (and a special guest)!

[Covered German Apple Cake](#)

## Newsorthy and Noteworthy

**Parish Office will be closed on:  
Wednesday, November 18 all day (Staff Training)**

### To All Pre-registered Mass Attendees

**Please arrive at Mass 10 minutes before start time, so that parishioners on the Extra Wait List have the opportunity to be invited in, when seats are available (less than 50). It is difficult to monitor the number of attendees when pre-registered parishioners arrive late.**

**GRATITUDE IN CHALLENGING TIMES** - The 9-10 Club soup kitchen sends our heartfelt thanks to the generous parishioners of the Diocese of Victoria: first to St. Andrew's Cathedral, who 37 years ago this month gave us a home; then to all the parishioners of Greater Victoria, who have helped in your own way. You have given us your time – as volunteers, your wisdom, your monetary support, and most recently your home baked goods for our pandemic takeout meals. We cannot overstate our gratitude to you!

Because of the pandemic, we can no longer invite our diners inside to eat and now provide a take-out service. We look forward to the day when we may welcome back into our home those who depend on us for sustenance. In the meantime, though **twice as costly**, with your continued financial support, our takeout service will carry on providing hearty meals until that joyous day!

If you are able to, please donate either online through Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org>

### Birthright Fudge

Birthright is taking Orders for their delicious Chocolate Fudge this November. A bit of sweet in this challenging year! The packets make great stocking stuffers or holiday gifts. Arrangements have been made for pre-paid orders to be delivered to the parish office for collection in December. **Parish office hours are Tuesday – Friday 8:30AM – 3:30 PM.** Please see the poster on our parish website at [www.sjtw.ca](http://www.sjtw.ca) for more details, or call Peggy at 250.478.5372. Your purchase supports the pro-life pregnancy support work of Birthright Victoria.

### St. Joseph's Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Your local conference members invite all parishioners to observe and participate in the Fourth Annual World Day of the Poor, **November 15, 2020**; a day to remember those less fortunate than ourselves, and to give what we can through a donation to the grocery cart, the donation envelope. [www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca](http://www.ssvpvancouverisland.ca)

### Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal Ticket Sales

Due to COVID-19 the Charity Appeal Program for this year has moved to an on-line platform. Funds raised under this program are donated to a variety of K of C charitable causes at the provincial and local Victoria levels. **Please click on <https://kofcdraw.net/c13356>** to purchase your ticket on-line. You can also visit our parish website under the Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal page to purchase your ticket. Thank you for your support. Any questions, please contact Gary ([garys235@outlook.com](mailto:garys235@outlook.com))

## This Week in our Community

### Monday November 16

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
+ Deceased Members Ferrarelli Family

### Tuesday November 17 Memorial St. Elizabeth Of Hungary, Religious

No Mass

### Wednesday November 18

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
Special Int. Nerine Orango

### Thursday November 19

No Mass

### Friday November 20

9:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
+ Antonio Napoli

### Saturday November 21 Memorial The Presentation Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Sunday November 22 Christ The King

9:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
11:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners  
6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### St. Joseph the Worker Parish Has Gone Live-Streamed!

Beginning on Saturday, November 7th, 2020  
Saturday 6:00pm Mass will be live-streamed  
[Please click here for the link to the live-streamed  
Mass on our website](#)

### How To Donate On-Line

Online and remote options are available for those who can contribute:

#### Canada Helps online donation platform:

Click on the following link:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/129950804R0024-st-josephs-parish/>

(immediate electronic tax receipt issued by Canada Helps)

#### E transfers:

Go to your on-line banking site and follow the steps outlined by your bank. Direct funds to:

**developmentoffice@rcdvictoria.org**

In the memo/description box include your name, address and name "St. Joseph the Worker Parish" as the parish you would like the funds donated to.

#### Credit Cards:

Click on attached form and complete:

[PAD for Credit Card Donations](#)

#### Pre-authorized Debit:

Click on attached form and complete:

[PAD Agreement](#)







We are very grateful that you are part of our Catholic parish family. May God bless you and your families.

## 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**  
**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**

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**Finance Committee Chair**  
**Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator**  
**Proclaimer Training Coordinator**  
**Liturgy Committee**  
**Social and Ecological Justice Committee**  
**Parish Pastoral Council**

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