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## The Unveiling

BY JEAN ALLEN

Since Jesus spoke the words about what will happen before he returns, there probably hasn't been a time in history when people could not look around at world events and say, "The time must be near. Look how bad it is!" Wars, persecution, famines, earth quakes, other natural disasters, plagues...even today we can read the news and think, "The apocalypse must be near!"

The word 'apocalypse' does not mean a time of unprecedented disaster and violence. It means 'unveiling'. So, what is unveiled? If disasters, plagues and wars have always been with us, perhaps the apocalypse has been happening since Jesus's death and resurrection and what has been being unveiled all along is the self-justified violence of humans towards one another and the earth. We cannot deny that over the centuries, it has become more and more evident how human violence is a way of life.

But at the same time, what is also being unveiled is God's prodigious love and mercy. It's becoming harder and harder to commit so called 'sacred violence' in the name of God. We are all violent but God's goodness just keeps blossoming as we, the Church and the world, find ourselves stripped of any justification for keeping anyone downtrodden or excluded. God's mercy is being unveiled and, as the book of Wisdom said a couple of weeks ago, God overlooks people's sins so that they may repent.

You may be thinking, "Well, I'm not violent!" Think again. Do you ever lose your temper and feel justified in doing so? Are you completely free of all resentment and anger in regards to anything, be it your spouse, the government, a neighbor or a group? Inner resentment and anger are the seeds of all violence and Jesus said that if you have called someone a fool, you might as well have committed murder.

We need to be fully open to the apocalypse, the unveiling, of our own hearts and we need to be far more aware of the apocalyptic unveiling of God's relentless mercy.

We need to be apocalypticized!



## The Week of November 14 to November 20 in our Community

### Monday November 14

**Parish Office Closed**

**10:00am CWL General Meeting - Community Room**

**7:30pm K of C General Meeting - Church Hall**

### Tuesday November 15

**6:00pm Catechism Classes**

**6:00pm Mass**

### Wednesday November 16

**6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

**6:00pm Mass**

**6:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - Community Room**

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

**6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

**9:00am Mass**

**7:30pm RCIA Journey Of Faith - Community Room**

### Friday November 18

**6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

**9:00am Mass**

**10:00am - 12:00 noon Adoration**

### Saturday November 19

**6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding**

**5:00pm Mass + Robert Bird**

**Religious olive wood carvings for sell after 5:00pm Mass**

**6:00pm Winter Gala Joint Fundraiser - Church Hall**

### Sunday November 20 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

**10:00am Mass**

**Religious olive wood carvings for sell after 10:00am Mass**

**6:00pm Mass**

# 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)**

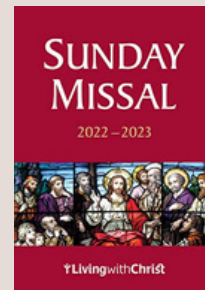
**Sunday ~ 10:00am**

**Sunday ~ 6:00pm**



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## Mass With the Bishop

**LIVE-STREAMED FROM THE  
DIOCESE OF VICTORIA WEBSITE**

**SUNDAY - 9:00 AM**

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 7:00 PM**

**[https://www.youtube.com/c/  
RCDVictoriaLiveOne](https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne)**

**Please note the following  
upcoming changes to the regular  
livestream schedule**

- Tuesday, November 22: Livestream cancelled
- Friday, November 25: Livestream at 8:30 am
- Tuesday, November 29: Livestream of penitential service instead of Mass

# Bishop's Appeal 2022

## Growing Together

### Commitment Week November 12-13

Please consider making a financial commitment to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Not only are you helping your own parish, but you are making a real difference to our greater Diocesan faith community. It is through your commitment and efforts that we will be able to grow together. Donations may be made on-line at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/growing-together-2022>

Our parish projects are:

- 1) Outreach Mission Project in support of Tofino/Ucluelet Parishes
- 2) Multi-use outdoor space (paved courtyard next to entrance of the church)

Parish Goal: \$ 58,000

Actual to Date: \$ 9,695.00

Number of Gifts: 20

## 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 250-889-3761.**



The office regular hours of operation are:  
Tuesday through Friday  
8:30am to 3:30pm  
(with the exception of stat holidays)

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on:  
Friday, November 25th  
for Staff Faith Formation Day

Letter from Bishop Gary: Update COVID-19  
October 6, 2022

A letter from Bishop Gary Gordon with updated information for parishes in the Diocese of Victoria during COVID-19 can be found online at:  
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/responsetocovid19-0>

## Donation Options



**CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION:**  
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**CREDIT CARDS:**  
**Payment Authorization Form for Credit Card Donations.pdf**  
**(parishpal.com)**

**PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT:**  
**https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/PAD Agreement.pdf**

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.**

## Religious Olive Wood Carvings Coming to Our Parish

On November 19th and 20th Farid Qumsieh from the Holy Land Group will be visiting our parish to **sell olive wood carvings** from Bethlehem and Jerusalem, **after the Saturday 5:00pm Mass and Sunday 10:00am Mass.** These articles are hand crafted by the Christians of the Holy land who are seeking your support today to assist them in staying rooted in the land of Christ.

It is also a way of preserving a local cultural heritage which is in danger of being lost as a more Christians feel pressured to leave their homeland for economic and political reasons. These religious articles can be used as gifts for first communions, Christmas and other occasions. In addition, some of these articles can be used as a means of praying and providing comfort, strength, and even hope for people who are suffering.

Please note that **ONLY CASH is accepted as payment at this time.**  
Thanks again for your support and God Bless.  
Holy Land Group

## Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 and up are invited.  
We meet after Saturday Mass in the School Gym.

For more information, please contact Ruth Cerna at:

[SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com)



## Catechism

Please visit the parish website for all the **Catechism News**

If you have questions , please email:  
[ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com](mailto:ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com)

## Children's Liturgy

We welcome all children Ages 4 (Preschool) to Ages 9 (Gr 4) to join us for this kid-centered approach to hearing what God is saying to us through the readings. We also are asking children **from Grade 5 and 6 to join us as helpers** with the smaller children.

**We are still looking for more volunteers.** Parents, if you are interested in volunteering, **please let the parish office know.** Let's create a community of helpers where many hands are making the work light!

Christmas Mass Schedule  
is Coming!

The Liturgy Committee will  
be meeting next week  
to finalize  
Christmas Mass times.

# Newsworthy and Noteworthy



**TICKETS FOR SALE  
AFTER MASSES THIS WEEKEND!**



**Calling for Donations for a Live Auction taking place at the Winter Gala on November 19th, 2022.**

Please contact Teresa Evangelou if you would like to help set up, decorate, or help with the event.

**Contact information:**

**teresasalema@yahoo.com or call 250-744-7042**

## **Advent Mission with Bishop Gary Gordon at Sacred Heart Church**

We are happy to invite you to a **three day Advent Mission led by Bishop Gary.**

As we begin our Advent journey, come and share the Hope, heralded by the promise of the birth of our Lord in our hearts and lives this Christmas.

beginning First Sunday of Advent  
**November 27** with a 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Monday, **November 28** with a 7 p.m. Mass  
and will end with a Penitential Service on  
Tuesday, **November 29** at 7 p.m.

## **Anawim Women's House Fund Raiser Gala and on-line Auction**

We are excited to announce our annual "**WE**" fundraiser and online auction. This year we are raising money in support of **Anawim's NEW WOMEN'S HOUSE**. Join us to celebrate, fundraiser, and learn more about the women your donation will help.

**Date: November 18, 2022**

**Time: 7-10 p.m.**

**Location: The beautiful Inn at Laurel Point**

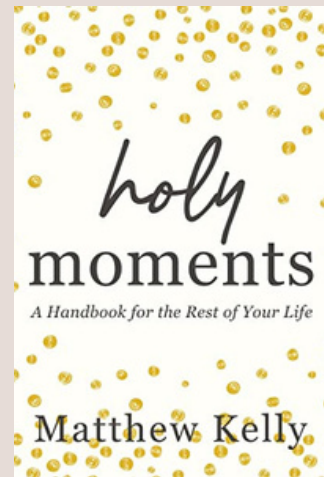
The need for an **Anawim** women's house—a safe place where women can recover their lives, reconnect with loved ones, including children, and build a hopeful future—has never been greater than it is today. Like our men's house, the **Anawim** women's house will offer a family model of recovery in a substance-free environment.

For more information & tickets the Gala website is:

**<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-anawim-companions-society/events/we-gala/>**

## *Holy Moments*

Copies of a lovely little "Handbook for the Rest of Your Life", written by well known author, Matthew Kelly, has been donated to our parish by Theresa and Gordon Phillips. The books will be located in the church foyer on a first come basis. "You have so much more to offer, but you have never known quite what to do about it. Some ideas are so powerful that simply becoming aware of them, changes our lives forever. Holy Moments is such an idea."



## **Seniors' Lunch Bunch is Back!**

Come and join us for a wonderful lunch on **Wednesday, November 23rd from 11:30am to 2:00pm**  
**Cost is \$11/per person**

Please pre-register with Karen Wysiecki (Coordinator).

You can call her at **250-478-7955** or email:

**wysieckikaren@gmail.com**

## **Sanctioned Collection Coming Up:**

Catholic Missions in Canada

**November 27, 2022**

## **St. Vincent de Paul - Clothes Washer Needed**

**Have a clothes washer from a recent reno or new purchase?**

If it's in good working condition, we have a family in need! Help make a difference in the life of a single parent of three!! Please contact **Stephanie Peters at 250-514-7853** to arrange pick up. Thank you and God Bless.

# From the Diocese



## ACN Canada Invitation - Red Wednesday – 16 November 2022

At the request of Aid to the Church in Need Canada (ACN Canada), the CCCB General Secretariat has forwarded us the attached information about the annual initiative “Red Wednesday”, which will be held this year on Wednesday, 16 November.

As indicated in the attachment, 327 million Christians worldwide experience persecution in various degrees. In solidarity with Christians who suffer unjust persecution in response to their faith, ACN Canada invites you to participate in this initiative which aims to raise awareness about the persecution of Christians.

For further details and to view all available materials pertaining to Red Wednesday, you are invited to visit the website of Aid to the Church in Need Canada: <https://acn-canada.org/red-wednesday/>

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## 2022 Diocesan Faith Day - Still Time To Register

**JOIN US on Saturday, November 26th** as we journey together **“Seeking Truth, Healing & Reconciliation”** featuring keynote speaker, Most Reverend Donald Bolen, Archbishop of Regina.

We are a Church that is wounded and hurting, needing to search out our Pascal bearings and tell our story in a new way – to go deeper into the Pascal Mystery! How are we to be a Church (poor and for the poor) that reaches out in dialogue, seeking healing paths by walking together? For more information and to register go to:

<https://Diocesanfaithday2022.eventbrite.com> OR email [gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org) OR Phone 250.479.1331 ext 230

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## Study Guide about Human Trafficking now available

**All are invited to the online launch of “Working Towards Freedom”**, a new study guide about human trafficking. The guide was developed jointly by the Diocese of Victoria, the Archdiocese of Vancouver, and the Diocese of Saskatchewan, and is based on the CCCB's recent Pastoral Letter on Human Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation in Canada. Through prayer and education, the guide leads participants to become more aware of the human trafficking that is occurring in our midst, and helps them learn how to bring to light situations where people may be in danger. The webinar will provide an overview of each section of the guide and recommendations on how to use it. The webinar is free, but advance registration is required at: <https://form.jotform.com/222704961965262>

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## Appointment of New CISDV Superintendent - Mr. Paul Rossetti

Click here [Appointment of New Superintendent Mr. Paul Rossetti](#) to read Memo from Bishop Gary Gordon and Cynthia Bouchard, Chancellor, announcing the appointment of Mr. Paul Rossetti as the new Superintendent of the Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria.

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## Pastoral Letter from the Ukrainian Rite Catholic Bishops of Canada The War in Ukraine: A Call to Prayer, Fasting, and Action



The Ukrainian Rite Catholic Bishops of Canada have written a pastoral letter to the faithful of Canada and to all people of good will. It is an invitation to a response of faith to the war currently taking place in Ukraine. The letter may be read online at <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/the-war-in-ukraine-a-call-to-prayer-fasting-and-action>

# 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

## 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

## Coffee/Hospitality Committee

## Finance Committee Chair

## Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator

## Proclaimer Training Coordinator

## Liturgy Committee

## Social and Ecological Justice Committee

## Parish Pastoral Council

## Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Deacon Michael Watkins email: mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

Office hours 8:30am - 3:30pm Tuesday-Friday

Ralph Scheurle

Ann Glas email: annglas@hotmail.com

Angela Grohovac

Call parish office (250) 479-7413

Charlie Allen (778) 433-5772 email: charlieballen@gmail.com

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Michael O'Rielly email: mjor@shaw.ca

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

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

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



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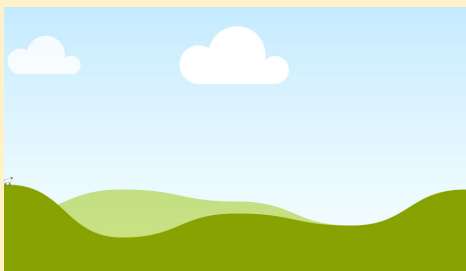
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# Community Services

## Catholic Campus Ministry

**Make sure you mark your calendars for November 18th.** Together in Catholic Campus Ministry, both CSA (Catholic Students' Association) and CCO (Catholic Christian Outreach) invite you to Summit. Hosted at St. Patrick's on Haultain Street, 12 minutes from UVic. Summit is a night of encounter, music, prayer, and community. Doors open at 6:30 pm. The evening runs from 7-9pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Students are invited to our monthly mass and meal, Saturday November 19th.** Mass is at 4pm, at Holy Cross Parish. Our exceptional meals, prepared by parishioners follow mass at 5pm. All are welcome.



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# WINTER GALA

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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH | 6 PM**  
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# Advent Mission 2022

# Hope



*With Bishop Gary Gordon*

Sun, 27 Nov : 9 a.m. Mass  
Mon, 28 Nov : 7 p.m. Mass  
Tues, 29 Nov : 7 p.m. Penitential Service



**ALL ARE WELCOME**

*Sacred Heart Parish, 4040 Nelthorpe Street*



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**A Nine-Day Novena Mass in  
anticipation for Christmas**

**DECEMBER 15 TO 23, 2022**

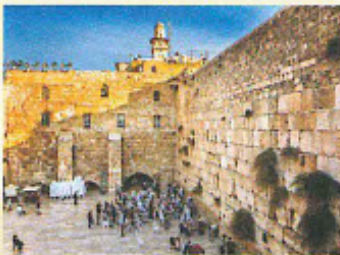


KPFeast

# PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

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

February 14 – 23, 2023 – 10 days - \$4,290.00 (Victoria Dep., incl all taxes and tips)



- Feb. 14 Morning departure from Victoria to Tel Aviv.
- Feb. 15 Morning arrival in Tel Aviv. Upon meeting our guide we embark on a panoramic view of Jaffa and are transferred to our hotel in Galilee. Time for rest, dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 16 After breakfast we depart for Tiberias. We travel by boat on the Sea of Galilee, visit Capernaum, home of St. Peter and the site of Jesus' preaching, on to Tabgha to see the Church of the Multiplication with its beautiful 5th century fish mosaic. We also visit the Church of the Primacy and celebrate Mass on the Mount of the Beatitudes. On our way back to the hotel we stop at the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 17 This morning we start our tour in Cana – the site of Jesus' first miracle. Here we celebrate a marriage renewal ceremony. We move on to Nazareth where we celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Annunciation and we visit Mary's Well and St. Joseph's Carpentry Shop. In the afternoon we ascend Mount Tabor – the Mount of the Transfiguration. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 18 Today we depart Galilee for Judea and the area of Jerusalem. En route we visit Haifa and Mt. Carmel, the "burning place" where Elijah called fire down to confound the prophets of Baal. Here we celebrate Mass. We continue via Cesarea by the Sea to Judea for our dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 19 Today's journey takes us to the ancient city of Jerusalem: St. Ann's Church, Pool of Bethesda, Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Chapel of the Flagellation and the Arch of Ecce Homo, the convent of the sisters of Zion. We continue with the Stations of the Cross – Via Dolorosa to the Holy Sepulchre. Mass will be celebrated in one of the many churches of Jerusalem. In the afternoon we visit the Western Wall, also called the "Wailing Wall". We see the place of the Mosque of Omar and El Aksar and move on to the Church of Pater Noster and the Garden of Gethsemane.
- Feb. 20 After breakfast we visit Bethlehem – where Jesus was born, celebrating Christmas Mass in one of the grottos. We visit the Manger, the Crusaders' Cloister and the Grotto of St. Jerome – Shepherd's field. In the afternoon we continue our visit of Jerusalem's Mount Zion with the Upper Room (Room of the Last Supper) and the Church of St. Peter's in Gallicantu. Dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 21 This morning we leave for a full day excursion to the Dead Sea, Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947, and Jericho. Time for floating before our return to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 22 After breakfast we depart to Mount of Olives in Jerusalem where we visit the Church of all Nations, the Church of Maria Magdalene, Dominus Flevit Church, Chapel of the Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, Mary's Tomb, Church of the Pater Noster. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 23 This morning we are transferred to the airport in Tel Aviv for a flight to Victoria. Evening arrival.

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